

THE NEW ITALY MUSEUM INCORPORATED (NIMI)

Annual General Meeting - New Italy Hall

2pm Sunday 8th November 2026

AGENDA

2pm Afternoon Tea

2.30pm Presentation by Dr Kate Gahan, Professional Community-based Historian and former Project Manager of Storyplace

Storyplace is now a permanent digitisation and website program of M&G NSW. It operates across NSW regional museums, including those volunteer run. Storyplace works with museums to digitise (or photograph and scan) significant objects from collections and research and tell stories of these objects. Kate was the project manager of Storyplace from 2017 to 2026 and was tasked with getting the project off the ground and funded. In late 2024, Kate (with photographer Miranda), spent time selecting, cleaning and photographing some of the New Italy collection. Kate will speak about the project and the New Italy connection.

Kate has had a long relationship with New Italy Museum, co-authoring with Jo Kijas the 'New Italy Museum Interpretation Plan' (2013) and 'Salami Shortbread and Parrot Pie - stories of multicultural New Italy' (2013) She was born, raised, and continues to live on Bundjalung Country, near Lismore, here in northern NSW. She descends from settler-ancestors who, within living memory, were convicts, small-farmers, mid-wives, mothers, coal miners and itinerant labourers, of Irish, Welsh and English descent. Kate believes regional collections add enormous value to the work of historians, who tend to favour working with documentary evidence to understand the past, and us.

2.50 - 4pm 2026 NIMI AGM

1. Welcome
2. Attendance and Apologies
3. Minutes of the 2025 AGM held on the 2 November 2025
4. Business Arising from the Previous AGM
5. Special Resolutions
 - a. Committee Composition
 - b. Payment of Membership Fees
 - c. Membership Anniversary Date
 - d. Voting Eligibility for New Members
 - e. Membership Application Questions
6. Presentation of Reports
 - a. Auditor's Report as required under Section 44 of the Associations Incorporated Act 2009
 - b. President
 - c. Pavilion
 - d. Museum Working Group
 - e. Casa Vecchia
 - f. Casa Serena
 - g. Membership
7. Election of Office Bearers and Members of the Committee of Management
8. Date for 2027 AGM