



HAGLEY'S AGRICULTURAL LANDSCAPES AND RURAL GARDENS

HAZELBRAE & HAGLEY FARM SCHOOL

FRIDAY 12 APRIL 2019
11 am – 3.00 pm



Both Hazelbrae and Hagley Farm School were once part of the 30,000 acre Quamby estate owned by the Richard Dry family. Richard Dry (senior) came to Van Diemen's Land as an Irish political prisoner in 1804 and was granted the land on which he established Quamby. His son, Sir Richard Dry, became Tasmania's first native - born premier in 1866.

Hazelbrae was originally owned by the Heazlewood family. In the 1980's the house was purchased by the French family and it is from this time the garden was established. It is a testament to good soil and plentiful water. Nowadays the property has been transformed from a family farm to an agri-tourist attraction showcasing 5000 hazelnut trees, a late 1800's house surrounded by clipped hedges, mature oaks, elms and birches with a newly built restaurant. This is an ideal time to be visiting as harvesting will be in full swing.

Hagley Farm Primary School began in 1855. Today it provides an educational experience for 370 students. Another 5000 urban visitors attend the school annually to learn about the local history, the agricultural initiatives, the environmental pressures on the landscape and the social experiences of living in a farm cottage. The landscaping around the classrooms is beautifully designed to create sheltered spaces for outdoor lunch and creative play.

Friday 12th April is a student-free day so we have access to the Visitor Centre facilities. This includes the old school house with period furnishings, an interactive dairy and shearing shed, an adaption of a pine plantation into a study area of native vegetation, an extensive rural museum and a guided tractor and trailer ride. A very interesting historical video discussing the early beginnings of the school can be seen by clicking on <https://hagleyfarmprimary.education.tas.edu.au>. Click on the "Archive Video". This puts into perspective how the school has adapted to meet today's technological changes and what plans it has especially for agricultural education.

PROGRAMME

- 11.00 am Meet at Hazelbrae 127 Station Lane, Hagley
Morning tea. Guided tour of hazelnut production and processing. Taste testing. Continue with a self-guided tour of the garden.
- 12.30 pm Hagley Farm Primary School, 2508 Meander Valley Highway, Hagley
BYO lunch under original oak trees. Picnic area provided with tables and seats. Tea and coffee provided. Lunch will be indoors if necessary. Local Hagley School Cottage Boys and brothers Kevin and Tom Johns with Kevin's wife, Winifred will join us to tell us about their school life in the 1930s and 1940s.
- 1.30 pm Tractor ride to tour farm with a Visitor Centre teacher, Chris Johns. View how today's children are being engaged in food and fibre and developing an awareness of careers in agriculture and the environment.
- 3.00 pm Depart the school.

HAGLEY RURAL LANDSCAPES

COST: \$40 members, \$50 non-members. (This includes morning tea at Hazelbrae.)

BRING: Picnic lunch. Please wear enclosed foot wear and hats.

BOOKINGS CLOSE 5 APRIL 2019

PAYMENT BY DIRECT CREDIT: EITHER EFT OR AT A MY STATE BRANCH

Account name: AGHS TAS. Branch. BSB 807009. Account No: 51303045

Use code HAGLEY and your surname with payment and email Prue Slatyer, prueslatyer@gmail.com to advise of your payment, names of those attending and any dietary requirements.

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