



Toowong and District Historical Society Inc.

The History of Ipswich

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View of Ipswich ca.1870 (Neg. 999 SLQ)

About Ipswich...

- ◆ The first name for Ipswich was 'The Limestone Hills' or 'The Limestone Station', the name used in convict days when lime was quarried here. This name was shortened to simply 'Limestone'.
- ◆ Cunningham reported to Governor Darling on February 24, 1828, that he had seen a seam of coal on the Bremer River, above and below Limestone Station.
- ◆ After the Penal Settlement was closed officially, the District of Moreton Bay was proclaimed open for free settlers on February 10, 1842. Sir George Gipps, Governor of New South Wales, visited the site of the new town while surveyors were still working to draw up a plan for the town and he decided to change the name of Limestone to Ipswich.
- ◆ The port of Moreton Bay was extended up the Brisbane River to Ipswich on October 1, 1860. Dutiable goods could then be warehoused there in accordance with "An Act to provide for the General Regulation of Customs in New South Wales."

Come along and join us to learn more about Ipswich's history

All are welcome

Where: Toowong Library, top floor, Toowong Village.

When: Friday, 22nd May 2018 from 9.30 a.m.-12 noon

Please stay and join us afterwards for morning tea.

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