

Chronology for St Mary's Hall

- 1941 27 September, Gazettal of land
5 March Overdraft of £10 arranged with ES & A Bank
First timber cut by Flaxton Sawmill. No Cost
April – building permit issued by Maroochy Shire
Lands Department surveyed site for building in June
28 June Building commenced under the control of RH Church with a working
bee to erect stumps donated by F Phillips.
Overdraft of £150 from ES&A bank, Palmwoods
- Trustees appointed & Committee formed
Building sufficiently completed to be used by Patriotic Committee during
Carnival Day in October
- 1942 January – official opening to be performed by Mr H Smith (club Patron). First
meeting in hall held on 7 January.
Electricity installed in January
Painted for the first time in August
N Isaacs was appointed caretaker and held the position for 18 years
- Post WWII Hall ceiling – white cedar was installed by working bee
- Late 1950s Kitchen extension
- 1960 July- Lining in back room installed by working bee. Timber was donated by C
Blair. It was timber taken from an old Kanaka barracks built about 1910 on JC
Dixon's property at Flaxton
- 1960-1966 E Baker appointed caretaker
- c.1966 Raymond John Plowman, original Trustee, died
- 1967-1974 C Blair caretaker
- c. 1969 Thomas Roy Copeland, original Trustee, died
- c1972 Trevor Carter, original Trustee, died
- 1974 Montville sub-branch closed and South East Branch of the RSSAILA took over
control of the hall.
- 1977 The RSL asked Montville Hall and Progress Association to take over the
management of the RSL Hall. They refused as they felt management of two

halls was too large a financial burden. A proposal was put to the Anglican church to take over the hall.

A Public Meeting held in Montville RSL on 29 November to call applications for the control of the hall. One application was received from St Mary's Church of England who nominated three Trustees – Mr Richard Vivian Widenham Dykes (sub-warden); Mr Lawrence Smith and Mrs Marjory Doris Copeland. The Trustees were appointed. The hall was renamed the Montville Memorial Hall, St Mary's Church Hall and Community Hall.

- 1978 The RSL resolved to hand the hall over to the Church of England, Montville. Resolution passed at South Eastern District Conference on 25 and 26 February.
- 3 September 1978 Hand over ceremony held.
New Trustees gazetted and granted full decision making powers. Reserve R920 was cancelled and a new Reserve was created as a Reserve for Memorial (Church and Community Centre) purposes under their control as Trustee.
- 1993 Paving and additional lattice work outside kitchen of St Mary's Hall.
- 1994 Controversial plans for building a new verandah on front of St Mary's Hall or the alternative temporary structure. The new verandah was built and officially opened on 15 August 1995
- 1996 Mr Alan Shannon appointed Trustee to replace Lawrence Smith.
- 1997 Plaque commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Salvation Army's association with Montville unveiled on side of hall on 20 December. Four new fluorescent lights installed in hall, ceiling repaired at cost of \$400 and roof repaired for \$400.
- 1998 Walls varnished
- 1999 Alan and Jean Shannon paid for construction of a ramp.
- 2003 A memorial plaque recognising the New Guinea campaign was donated by Alan and Jean Shannon. It was dedicated on Anzac Day by Father Bob Davidson. The switch box on the hall was replaced thanks to funds from the Shannons. Likely that exit signs installed at this time.
- 2006 The door frame of the rear door was replaced and four weatherboards were replaced and painted
- 2007 Picture rail built and walls varnished. Lighting installed

- 2008 External painting to hall
Windows repainted
Part of kitchen roof replaced because of damage caused by falling tree
- 2008 Alan Shannon died and was replaced as a Trustee by Andrew Walter
- 2009 Large camphor laurel on the eastern side of hall and on the Razorback Road reserve was removed by Council
Concrete plinth constructed and drainage installed at front of hall