

Belgenny Farm

Yet another hidden oasis.

Mid-week drive, 21st May, 2026.

We met up at Uncle Leo's and headed down the freeway taking the Narellan turn off and over the bridge towards Camden via the Camden By-pass.

Hasn't this area expanded in the last 20 years, with large modern houses nestled in amongst the original, older styled residences!

We turned left off Remembrance Drive onto Elizabeth MacArthur Ave. and still in suburbia. Once we got to the bottom of the hill the countryside opened up and you could start to see the surrounding area known as Belgenny Farm.

Upon arrival members made their way to the admissions office where they were met by staff and volunteers.



Our guide Jacky informed us of the history of the 5,000 acre property and provided us with stories of John & Elizabeth MacArthur.

She then pointed us to a majestic building in the distance, which is still occupied by the descendants of the MacArthur Family.

(This building is opened to the public once a year, **around August/September**)



From here we started our tour of the farm buildings which are purported to be the oldest group of original cottages in Australia!

The Belgenny cottages & laundry rooms were the first for us to walk through.... soon we were beckoned by the ringing of the bell, notifying our group that more information and history of these out buildings was forthcoming courtesy of Jacky, our inimitable guide..... stables, creamery, smoke house, blacksmith's shop to name but a few.

I would highly recommend this Farm to anybody who has an interest in Australia's early history and the contributions the MacArthur family had in putting Australia on the world's map.

With a very short drive to the Camden Valley Inn, we all sat down and ordered our meals. These were promptly delivered whilst the conversations flowed....two meals for one for senior's card holders, with the guinness pie being amongst one of the favourites! This venue is well worth a visit too.

Another outing to add to the MCCNSW list of places to go.

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Thanks mate.

