



Penrith MUSEUM of PRINTING

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Museum founder Alan Connell passed away.



5th September 1922 – 11 January 2020 (97)

We regret to inform that the founder of the Penrith Museum of Printing, Alan Connell, has passed away on Saturday 11 January 2020.

Alan was indentured to an employer J.S.Horton for five years from 1st December 1939. He was instructed in the art and craft of hand composing and the linotype line casting machine.

Alan served the first part of his apprenticeship at the Nepean Times Newspaper in Penrith which was owned in those days by Sydney Colless

His apprenticeship was interrupted by the start of the Second World War, however after the war he returned to finish his training period with the Nepean Times.

The printing trade had filled his life and he stayed loyal to his job until his retirement.

Dedicated to the art of printing he spent his retired life saving the old equipment of the Nepean Times which became the foundation of The Penrith Museum of Printing 19 years ago.