

# APPLICATION FORM

Please complete and return to:

The Secretary,  
The Friends of St. John's Stroud Inc.  
C/- The Rectory, Cowper St,  
STROUD, NSW 2425



*St. John's is perhaps the finest and certainly the most intact Anglican church in Australia which predates the influence of ecclesiology. It is comparable to anything of this scale surviving in England. Historic importance and architectural quality make it of outstanding importance. Design is eighteenth century in character.*

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Title:.....Name.....

Address:.....

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State:.....Postcode.....

Telephone No.....

Email:.....

Signature:.....

Date:.....

**I wish to become (please tick a box)**

Member (per annum) \$10.00

Life member \$200.00

Make a gift \$.....

Make a tax deductible gift \$.....

**I enclose a cheque for \$.....**

All cheques should be made payable to The Friends of St. John's Stroud Inc. Gifts of \$2 or more are tax deductible under The National Trust of Australia (NSW) St. John's Anglican Church Group, Stroud Conservation Appeal No AF 1595 ZC/SF 3516

## The Friends of St. John's Stroud Inc

The small rural parish of St. John the Evangelist pursues a vigorous ministry among the people of Stroud and the surrounding district.

It also takes seriously a second responsibility, to guard and preserve its fine group of three historic buildings dating from 1833. Visitors sense this care whenever they enter the lovingly maintained church. There is evidence, too, in the restoration projects carried through on church, rectory and hall over recent years.

But no community as small as Stroud can carry on alone the long term maintenance and restoration of these buildings. They are a message in brick from the first 50 years of European settlement in Australia, important to the nation, not just to Stroud. They stand at the heart of a township whose founding opened a chapter in the story of early agriculture and land settlement.

For these reasons the Friends were formed in April 1996 to enlist the help of the wider Australian community. More than 250 have responded by joining the Friends; others, too, have given generously to appeals. Their efforts have helped to draw to St. John's funding from both State and National heritage authorities. Much has been achieved, but much remains to be done.

We invite you too, to become a Friend. Our aims are to:

- Help maintain the fabric and furnishings of the beautiful and historic church, together with its rectory, parish hall and graveyard; and
- Promote wider knowledge of the church, its mission, services and activities as they were in the past and as they are today.

The membership subscription is \$10 annually, life membership \$200. To become a Friend, please complete the attached form. As a Friend you will receive news of restoration work, services and activities of the parish, and progress by the Friends; invitations to events arranged by the Friends, the parish and parish organisations. A special occasion each year is the Patronal Festival, held on the Sunday nearest to 6 May.