

# WYNNUM MANLY

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

### October 2019 Newsletter

#### GENERAL MEETING

**Thursday**  
**17 October 2019**  
 7pm for 7.15pm start

**Ambulance  
 Museum  
 Auditorium**

(Corner of Cedar St and  
 Tingal Road Wynnum)

Speaker

**Jill Greenhill**

***The Irvine family—  
 Pioneers of Wynnum***

**Door Prize**

**Membership Draw**

**Raffle**

**Bring & Buy Table**

*Donations of \$2 and over to  
 Wynnum Manly Historical  
 Society Inc  
 are tax deductible.*

## From the President

Greetings, and welcome to our October newsletter.

October gets its name from the Latin and Greek “octo” meaning eight, and, under the Roman lunar calendar, was the eighth month of the year. This calendar is said to have been developed by Romulus, the founder of Rome, but, in 46BC, AFTER CONSULTATION with the Alexandrian astronomer Sosigenes, Julius Caesar added two extra months,.

In 1582, after further refinement, the Gregorian calendar was adopted under decree by Pope Gregory XIII. This is the calendar we use today.

The modern October birthstone is the opal and the birthflower is the marigold which has many medicinal uses due to its anti-inflammatory and antifungal properties.

Some significant events which occurred in October include:

8 October 1967 – The first British speeding motorist is breathalysed to test his alcohol consumption in Somerset, England.

12 October 1928 – The first “iron lung” is used at the Boston Children’s Hospital in Massachusetts.

13 October 1884 – Greenwich is adopted as the universal meridian.

14 October 1066 – The Battle of Hastings.

17 October 1844 – Composer Frederic Chopin dies of tuberculosis in Paris.

21 October 1973 – Sydney Opera House is finally opened by Queen Elizabeth II after almost twenty years of wrangling and dispute. Its unique design caused costs to escalate from an estimated [A] \$3million to an astronomical [A] \$100 million.

All for now....Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting on 17 Oct 2019.

Best wishes,

Jan

# Resource Centre Report

## October 2019



- **“Blakeways” . . . . .**



Your help is needed.

Can anybody identify this shop (Blakeways), or the taller building (Mor's) standing behind?

I believe the photo came to us as “A Baker's shop in Florence Street”.

Was the shop even in Wynnum?

- **Books available . . .**

We have the books, listed below, available for a small donation: -

**“Back to Wynnum.” January 21 – 29 1933**

This is a photocopy of the most informative Souvenir Booklet produced for the celebrations, expounding the beauty and the facilities of Wynnum, as times were in 1933.

**“75 Years On” History of the Wynnum Golf Club, 1922 – 1997** by Kev Morgan.

An account of the events, and the people who caused them to , during the first 75 years of Wynnum Golf Club Inc.

**“Destination South Brisbane”** by John Kerr and John Armstrong. Published by the Australian Railway Historical Society. 1978. An illustrated History of the Southside Railways of Brisbane. The chapter, named “To the Bay” on pages 49 – 60 gives an illustrated and interesting account of the Cleveland Line.

These books belonged to the late Col Brown and the Society already has them in its collection.

- **Christmas Raffles**



Time has come around again to prepare our usual Christmas Raffles. With a little help from everybody we always have an exciting show of Raffles at the November meeting.

So please bring your contributions to the Resource Centre until the weekend by Friday 15 November so the baskets can be made up the following weekend.

Thank you.

**Till next time.**

**Jill**

## Membership Renewals due 31 December 2019

Membership renewals for 2020 are due by 31 December 2019. Membership prices remain the same:-

**\$20.00** for individuals

**\$30.00** for families

Renewals can be paid by cash or cheque at the Resource Centre; or at the General Meetings in October and November; or by post to PO Box 318, Wynnum 4178; or by direct deposit to:-

**Bank of Queensland BSB 124 012 Account No 2013 9708 Account Name: Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc.**

If paying by direct deposit, please use your surname and initial as the reference.

## CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE DONATIONS NEEDED



It is that time of year again when the shops have started filling the shelves with Christmas goodies and we need your assistance to start collecting donations for our annual Christmas Hamper raffles which are drawn at the November general meeting.

Any item that you would like to receive if you won any of the prizes is a good guide as to what to contribute. You never know you may be one of the lucky winners!!

**Donations can be left now at the Resource Centre prior to 15 November or at the October general meeting.**

Thank you to our sponsors . . .

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**Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc**

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PO Box 318, Wynnum, Qld 4178.

Your **annual membership** for 2020 is due on 31 December 2019 and may be paid now.

**SINGLE****FAMILY** 1 year (\$20.00) 1 year (\$30.00) 2 years (\$40.00) 2 years (\$60.00) 3 years (\$60.00) 3 years (\$90.00) 5 years (\$100.00) 5 years (\$150.00) 10 years (\$200.00) 10 years (\$300.00)

(please indicate what yearly subscription you are applying for)

- **Direct debit:** Account name: Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc  
BSB 124 012 Account No: 2013 9708 - Reference your surname and initial
- **Cash** at the next **General Meeting** or at the **Resource Centre** (Mon – Fri 10am to Noon)
- **Cheque** drop off (as above) or post to Membership, WMHS, PO Box 318, Wynnum, Qld 4178

Could you complete the following so that we can keep our records up to date? Please Print.

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

To streamline the **delivery of the newsletter**, we have several options from which you may choose.

Please circle your preferred way and this is the way your 2020 newsletters will be delivered.

- **Email**
- **Pick up** at the Resource Centre
- **Post**

Thank you for taking the time to fill this out. **Don't forget to return this sheet to us.**

## At one time there was an Anglican Church in Lota

Here is a report, from the Wynnum Herald, of the moving of this church to Alexandra Hills in 1994.

### New home for former Anglican church

The Anglican Church of the Resurrection has made a new home in the former St Agnes Anglican Church from Lota.

The Lota building was transferred to its new Alexandra Hills base on Thursday with a lot of care and trepidation on the back of a truck.

The building, built in 1956, has not been used as a church for many years and was recently put up for sale by the Anglican diocese.

The Alexandra Hills parish, though only young, has been under strain in the last year due to its growth in numbers.

Parish priest Reverend Val Graydon said a lack of space for youth groups, junior church and a general meeting place for the congregation and community hindered its growth.

She said the building would be used to house the many groups that had grown within the parish.

“Over the past few months we have commenced a major outreach into the local community by way of a Grow group, which is a self-help recovery group and self-development courses,” she said.

She said they planned to offer many more courses under the banner of the GILT (Growing in Live Together) project.

During the next few months the building will be known as the Alexandra Hills Community Centre and will be available for public hire as well as being the focus for outreach and parish life.



● Murray Reis chats with Reverend Val Graydon outside the church building.

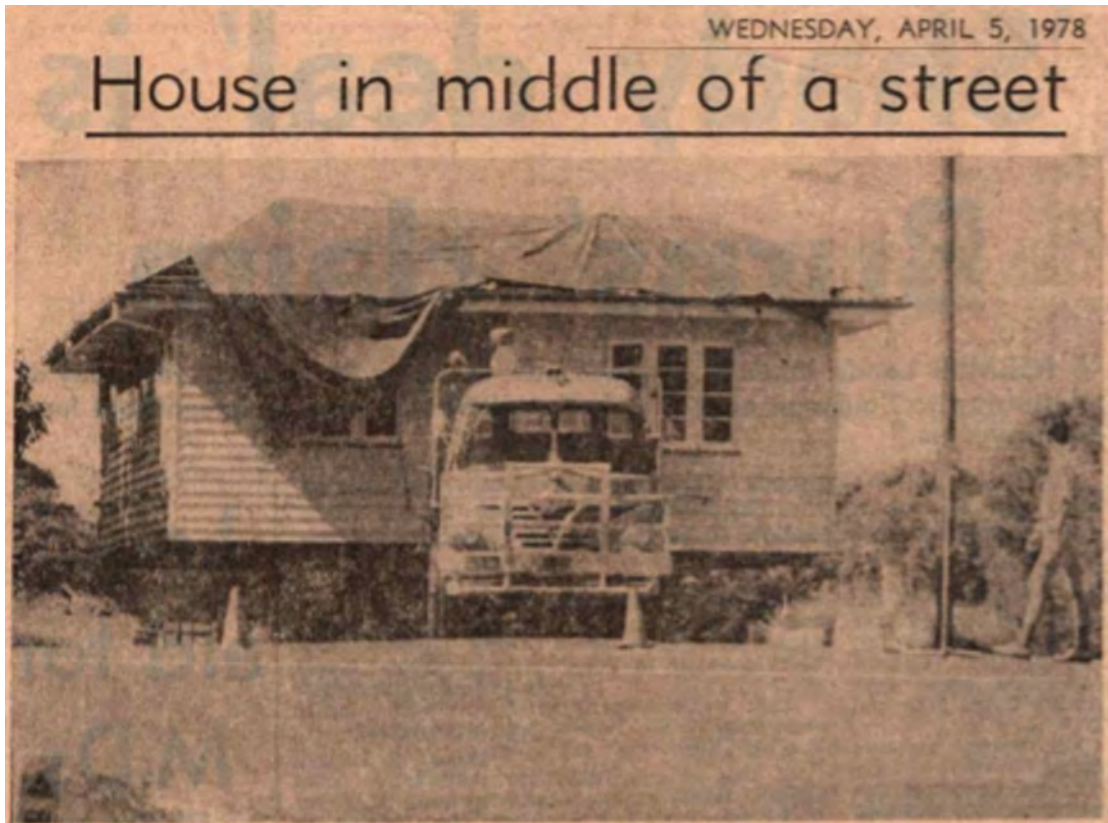
*Wynnum Herald* 21.09.1994

*Transcribed by Heather Langston*



Here is the former site:-

715 Esplanade Lota today



The former Library in the Civic Centre at 66 Bay Terrace (now swallowed up by the new residential building “Enclave”) was opened in 1978. On the north side of the building there was a car park, where once stood this house.

From *The Wynnum Herald*:-

The cream weatherboard house which has been sitting in the middle of Bride Street, Wynnum, since last Thursday was expected to have been moved early today.

The house, which used to be at No. 50 Bride Street, was mounted on a trailer and headed towards Loganlea at midnight last Wednesday.

A spokesman for the removal firm said yesterday it got only out of the yard and into the street before a structural fault occurred in the trailer.

A neighbour, Mr Bill Farquharson, said the house since had been blocking a thoroughfare to Bay Terrace.

The house was among three which will be replaced by a car park.

***Wynnum Herald*** Wednesday April 5<sup>th</sup> 1978

*Transcribed by Heather Langston*

## Wynnum's heritage : arts by the sea



*The all-timber Wynnum Municipal Hall.*

Originally a school of arts – a place where people could take classes in the arts – the Wynnum Municipal Hall was built in 1915.

The all-timber building has been extended twice over the years, adding a supper room and conference rooms to each side of the original building.

For a long time, the school of arts was the only large hall in the Wynnum-Manly district.

The first three Wynnum shows were held in the building until the horticultural society completed their show grounds and ring.

In past years, parents and families packed the hall for school plays. Many locals remember tripping the light fantastic at the annual sports balls. Sporting associations still hold meetings there.

The original Wynnum library was opened in the hall in 1946. Borrowing books was not free; a fee had to be paid.

The library initially operated out of a tiny room underneath the building. The workroom was so tiny that when someone walked in, the librarians had to stand up to make room.

The library was moved upstairs and continued to serve Wynnum book lovers until it moved to the Civic Centre in 1977.

Restoration work on the building was undertaken by council in 1990. The hall was partially reroofed, the front stairs replaced and the wooden floors patched and polished. A ramp now allows access for people with disabilities, bypassing the steep stairs. The fully equipped catering kitchen can serve up to 300 people.

The hall is well used during the evenings, but is very quiet during the day.

Regular users include pensioner groups, weight watches, a self defence group, a music society and a garden club.

***Brisbane Leisure*** Feb/March 1992

*Transcribed by Heather Langston*

# September 2019 Where was I?



## James Warner Memorial

This memorial wall is found in the Lions Park on the bank of Wynnum Creek, south of the Shire Clerk's Cottage and facing Tingal Road

Unveiled by Mrs Doris Grey Woods,  
great granddaughter of James Warner,  
in the presence of Jim Sorley Lord Mayor of Brisbane  
on 23 November 1996

In 1859, James Warner was commissioned to survey the native bushland from the Brisbane River to the Redland district in preparation for the Government sales.

Each area was measured into blocks of about 50 acres per block with a frontage onto a network of future roads (probably aboriginal tracks).

# October 2019 Where am I?



*Till next time*

*Jill*



**Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc**  
**Minutes of General Meeting held in Ambulance Museum Auditorium, Tingal Road**  
**on Thursday 19 September 2019**

Meeting opened at 7.25pm. There were 17 members present and 9 visitors, with 4 apologies.

**Opening Comments:**

President, Jan Parnell took the Chair, welcomed members to the meeting and provided some interesting happenings of the past times, on this day, including that of the New Zealand Parliament allowing women to vote in 1893.

**Previous Minutes:**

Minutes of Meeting of Thursday 15 August 2019 were accepted by Margaret Bulloch and seconded by Lena McCreadie.

**Correspondence:**

The correspondence report was presented for August 2019. The correspondence was accepted and endorsed at the committee meeting held on Thursday 5 September 2019.

**Treasurers Report**

BOQ A/c No 20139708	<u>1 August 2019 – 31 August 2019</u>	
Opening balance at 1 August 2019		<b>\$37,568.33</b>
Income	\$ 92.33	
Expenditure	\$1,375.52	
Closing balance at 31 August 2019		\$36,285.14
<b><u>Bank Account Breakup</u></b>		
Everyday Account	\$ 3,917.45	
Websaver (Building) Account	\$32,367.69 ( including \$18.33 interest)	
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AS AT 31 August 2019</b>		<b>\$36,285.14</b>

**Resource Centre:**

“Where was I?” this month was a photo of the plaque mounted in the Lion’s Park n Tingal Road commemorating the pioneer surveyor, James Warner.

The Meeting was informed of the proposed scattering of late member Col Brown’s ashes on Saturday 28 September at 9.00am at the end of Wynnum Central Jetty.

Members were asked for donations for the Christmas Raffles, which will be received at The Resource Room in Wynnum Central Community Centre (Old State School)

**Outings:** The visit to Amity on Stradbroke Island from Manly Jetty on Sunday 6 October 2019 had to be cancelled through lack of numbers.

**Guest Speaker:** Well-known writer, Peter Ludlow introduced his presentation, based on his visits and research of “Bungumba” which is the aboriginal name for Mud Island”. We saw many views of the island, both the dead coral build-up and the muddy silted inland areas. The island is known to have several coffins deposited on it and there is a memorial to the Jeays family, pioneers of Sandgate.

**Raffle:** Bruce Pattison                      **Lucky Door and Member Draw:** Sandy Liddle

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

A delicious Supper was provided by Margaret Bulloch and Jan Aplin.

Jill Greenhill (*General Meeting Minute Secretary*)

## Our Committee and Volunteers..

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Acting President: Jan Parnell	3396 6001	president@wmhs.org.au
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Friend of Society: John McIntyre		
Late Life Members: Merv Beitz, Jack Sands, John Davies.		
Patrons: Cr Peter Cumming and Joan Pease MP.		

### General Meetings

Afternoon set up: Jill Greenhill, Myrtle Beitz, Eric Sibley  
 Welcome at Door and Raffles: Jan Parnell, Lyn Shanks  
 Supper Co-ordinators: Eric Sibley, Ellen Coupland  
 Raffle Prizes: Committee

### Minutes

Committee Meetings: Ellen Coupland  
 General Meetings: Jill Greenhill

### Newsletters

Editor: Sandy Liddle  
 Distribution (email): Sandy Liddle  
 Distribution (mail out): Jill Greenhill

### Resource Centre

Volunteers: Ian Wheeler, Ian Kennedy, Myrtle Beitz, Dawn Wilkins, Heather Langston, Margaret Bulloch, Ellen Coupland, Jill Greenhill, Jan Parnell  
 Research Enquiries: Jill Greenhill, Ellen Coupland

### Tours

Planning and Co-ordination: Jan Parnell, Jill Greenhill, Lena McCreadie, Ellen Coupland, Deb Tearle, Myrtle Beitz  
 Bookings: Sandy Liddle at General Meetings and Resource Centre staff each weekday

## **Publications for sale**

Wynnum Community Centre, Room 1.08, 105 Florence Street Wynnum Mon to Fri 10am to Noon, or  
 Wynnum Manly Historical Society, PO Box 318, Wynnum Q 4178, or

Early Shipping in Moreton Bay June 1846 –December 1859 Vol 1	Davenport, Winifred and Mottram, Betty	1998	\$5
Early Shipping in Moreton Bay January 1860 –December 1863 Vol 2	Davenport, Winifred and Mottram, Betty	1998	\$5
History of Music in the Wynnum Manly Area 1900 - 1997	Nock, Betty	1998	\$5
History of Arts in the Wynnum Manly Area 1900 – 2003	Nock, Betty	2005	\$5
Mangroves to Moorings - Revisited	Beitz, Myrtle	2005	\$35
Story of Lota House	Beitz, Myrtle	2017	Donation
Lota House. Photographs and Images over 150 Years	Beitz, Myrtle	2017	\$15
From Saplings to Kero Tins A Peek at Gumdale's Past 2nd Ed.	Nalder Robyn	2017	\$15

<b>When</b>	<b>Where</b>	<b>What's On</b>
<p><b>October 13 2019</b></p> <p>2.30pm—4.30pm</p> <p>Cost—\$25 -\$30 (includes concert, refreshments and museum access)</p> <p>Bookings essential</p> <p>Ph 3221 4698</p>	<p><b>Royal Qld Historical Society</b></p> <p>Commissariat Store</p> <p>115 William Street</p> <p>Brisbane</p>	<p><b>Brisbane Open House—Ensemble in Residence 3—Garden of Weeds</b></p> <p>Hosted by Royal Qld Historical Society and Fragments Ensemble, this special concert will feature chamber music for soprano, clarinet and piano performed by internationally acclaimed Brisbane musicians.</p>
<p><b>October 16 &amp; 18 2019</b></p> <p>10am—11am</p> <p>Cost—Free</p> <p>Bookings essential</p> <p>Ph: 3249 4200 or email</p> <p>Cara.downes@naa.gov.au</p>	<p><b>National Archives of Australia</b></p> <p>16 Corporate Drive</p> <p>Cannon Hill</p>	<p><b>Chinese : making Queensland home</b></p> <p>During the period of gold rushes, large numbers of Chinese made their way to Australia. Some would remain and this would influence immigration policies for over 100 years. The policies of the Aust Govt became known as 'White Australia Policy'. While the policy was a great trial for Chinese Australians, it has left a wealth of documents through which we can explore their lives.</p>
<p><b>October 19 2019</b></p> <p>10am—12 noon</p> <p>Cost—Free</p>	<p><b>Tingalpa Chapel and Pioneer Cemetery</b></p> <p>1341 Wynnum Road</p> <p>Tingalpa</p> <p>(parking in Smith's factory car-park next to Church)</p>	<p><b>Annual Memorial and Decoration Day</b></p> <p>Memorial service to celebrate the opening of Christ Church and Cemetery by Bishop Tufnell on 27 October 1868. With the Momentum Choir performing, there will be historical information displayed along with story telling/ballads, music and more in the restored chapel.</p>
<p><b>October 27 2019</b></p> <p>10.30am or 1.30pm</p> <p>Cost—\$35</p> <p>Bookings essential</p> <p>Ph 0457 675 137</p>	<p><b>Ormiston House</b></p> <p>227 Wellington Street</p> <p>Ormiston</p>	<p><b>Spring High Tea</b></p> <p>Enjoy a scrumptious high tea with friends or family on the verandah of historic Ormiston House. Delight in a selection of sweets and savouries on tiered plates, your choice of filtered coffee or speciality teas, a glass of sparkling on arrival and live entertainment on the historic grand piano.</p>
<p><b>October 27 2019</b></p> <p>11am—12.30pm</p> <p>Cost—Free</p>	<p><b>Queensland Police Museum</b></p> <p>200 Roma Street</p> <p>Brisbane</p>	<p><b>1864: the worst year in Brisbane's history</b></p> <p>Author, Duncan Richardson, is the guest speaker..</p>
<p><b>October 31 2019</b></p> <p>10am—11am</p> <p>Cost—Free</p>	<p><b>Wynnum Library</b></p> <p>145 Florence Street</p> <p>Wynnum</p> <p>(above Woolworths)</p>	<p><b>Irvines</b></p> <p>Irvines Commonwealth Store was one of the most recognisable buildings in Wynnum. Jill Greenhill will be sharing more about the Irvines—the family and the shop.</p>

*Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc.*

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Wynnum QLD 4178



**Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc.**  
*Our aim is to gather and record local history before it is lost.*

Membership application forms are available from the Resource Centre  
at the Wynnum Community Centre (formerly the Wynnum Central State School building), .Florence St, Wynnum

Membership costs per year (1 January to 31 December)

Single \$20.00

Family \$30.00

High School Student \$10.00

PLEASE NOTE: There is a joining fee of \$10.00 per person.



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