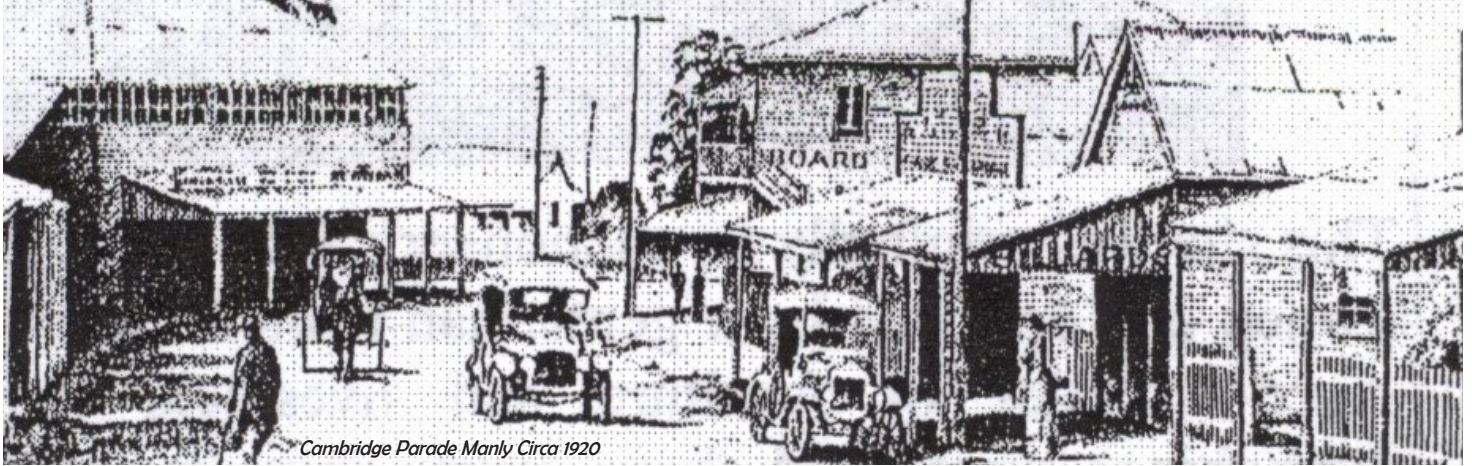


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Cambridge Parade Manly Circa 1920

NEWSLETTER

No 71, April 2015

From the President...

Greetings ... & welcome to our April newsletter. Plans are underway for our field trip on 18 April on the Moreton Bay Environmental Education Centre's catamaran. There are still some places left, so don't miss out and be sure to book with Jill at the Resource Centre. The boat is equipped with an environmental classroom which will enable us to view the ocean life below the boat, so it sounds like it will be a most interesting experience.

On 25th April this year, many of us will gather to mark the one hundredth anniversary of the first Gallipoli landing in 1915. It's an anniversary of great significance to Australians as the Anzac legend is so closely tied to ideas of national identity. We are said to have come of age during the Gallipoli campaign where such 'Aussie' traits as mateship, humour, courage and resourcefulness in the face of adversity came to epitomise the 'Anzac spirit'. I've always been impressed by persons, who, although experiencing unbelievable hardship,

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April General Meeting...

'Distant Land, Distant Conflict'

with Brisbane historian

Jessica Stroja

Thursday April 16th, 7:30pm

Ambulance Museum Auditorium
(Cnr Cedar Street & Tingal Road, Wynnum)

Discover Australia's own connections to the Finnish Winter War through the experiences of an Australian woman volunteer.

A gold coin donation would be appreciated.
Raffle tickets also available: \$1 each or 3 for \$2

*Appreciation to
Laurima, Deb and Daphne
for providing supper this month.*





From the President

have still been able to be creative. On considering the sadness and the loss of thousands of lives which occurred in World War I, two young men come to mind whose literary talent was cut short by that great war. However, Rupert Brooke and Wilfred Owen still speak to us through their verse, and manage to convey how their wartime experiences had affected them.

At the end of 1914 Brooke completed his well known sonnet entitled “The Soldier” which I will share with you –

*If I should die, think only this of me:
That there's some corner of a foreign field
That is forever England. There shall be
In that rich earth a richer dust concealed;
A dust whom England bore, shaped, made aware,
Gave, once, her flowers to love, her ways to roam,
A body of England's, breathing English air,
Washed by the rivers, blest by suns of home
And think, this heart, all evil shed away,
A pulse in the external mind, no less
Gives somewhere back the thoughts by England given;
Her sights and sounds; dreams happy as her day;
And laughter, learnt of friends; & gentleness,
In hearts at peace, under an English heaven.*

Brooke's potential as a poet was cut short on 23rd April 1915 at Skyros in the Greek Islands, when he died of acute blood poisoning (or septicaemia as we know it).

I seem to be running out of space, so will close now and perhaps share something of Wilfred Owen in the next newsletter.

Regards, Jan Parnell



Saturday 18th April 2015

9:30am - 3:30pm



Moreton Bay Cruise

see our bay as your have never seen it before!

Join us on the Moreton Bay Environmental Education Centre's catamaran, **Inspiration**, at the William Gunn Jetty, Manly Harbour (adjacent to the swimming pool), for a cruise across the Bay.

The boat will head towards Straddy, landing at Dunwich for a cemetery tour and lunch. Enjoy viewing the coastline from this different point of view.

To make this trip extra special, we will be able to watch the fish and ocean life underneath the boat projected onto a large screen in the 'environmental classroom' as we cruise along.



Enjoy morning tea and lunch at the Little Ships Club at Dunwich.

**Full cost (including the trip, morning tea and lunch) is \$40 per person.
Please book at our upcoming meeting or at the resource centre.**



WMHS Resource Centre

Civic Centre
Shop 7/66 Bay Tce
Wynnum
(outside entrance to public
library)

Opening Hours
Monday - Friday
10am-12 noon
closed public holidays

Resource Centre Report – April 2015

- *Last Month - . . . Military Information Sought . . .*

Member Austin Short was seeking relatives and /or friends of local World War II, RAAF 24th Squadron personnel who served in New Guinea and Northern Territory. Information on personnel from any other Regiments would also be appreciated.

Also Austin is interested in members of the World War I, Australian 11th Light Horse, 4th Brigade and/or any other liberator squadrons.

Thank you to Peter Hughes and Eris Powell who assisted Austin with his research.

- *The Wassell Family . . .*

A few of our members recently were guests at Wynnum Croquet Club's Birthday Party and saw an article about, and photograph of, Jane Wassell who was born in 1872 and died in 1963. The article states that Miss Jane Wassell lived in the same house for 55 years.

Does anybody know where the house was located or if the house is still standing?

- *The Lopez Family*

The Lopez family resided in the area of and around William's Café adjacent to Wynnum Creek Bridge in Fox Street.

Over twelve months ago John Lopez, from a distant suburb, visited us to seek information about his family.

About six months ago Marlene Sawyer of Wynnum North, came to see us with photographs of the Lopez family and information about their lives as fishermen.

John visited us again with more Lopez family details last week and we find that John and Marlene are cousins at each end of the family tree, John being related to the eldest son and Marlene to the youngest sibling. Neither had met and we wait for a visit from Marlene again, to introduce her to her cousin.

- *Dirty George's Hut*



I have been told that Dirty George lived in this hut in the vicinity of White's Road Hospital.

Is anybody familiar with this hut or knows who took the photograph?

Till next time Jill (Librarian)

Local Happenings

Do you know where to find this fountain?

The Fountain that died of shame

ROAD and street direction signs last week sprung up like mushrooms in and around the Wynnum West roundabout. Brisbane City Council workmen placed the signs for the convenience of motorists.

But the roundabout itself is still the same. A fountain which was once the roundabout's pride and joy is now a catch-all for litter.

The roundabout and fountain project was started in 1966. **Lord Mayor Ald. Clem Jones came and did the honours at its opening by switching on the fountain.** The newly elected alderman at the time was Eric Shaw, now Member of Parliament for Wynnum.

Thing of glory

When opened the fountain and surrounds were a thing of glory, with newly planted rose trees around the base. It was all short lived. Vandals, litter bugs and the slight-of-hand soon put paid to that. In 1967 two light towers were built on the roundabout to provide illumination. The towers boasted 1000 watt bulbs. Stone for the fountain was brought from King George Square.

The vandals, like Attila the Hun and his hordes, almost wrecked the fountain. Beer cans, pop bottles, drink cartons and the like littered the grassed area. And the rose trees were uprooted in the dead of night and taken elsewhere. All the while motorists bemoaned the fact that water from the fountain gave them a bath in strong winds.

What was a welcome gateway to Wynnum disintegrated into an eye-sightly mess within a few months. Herald research revealed that the fountain has not worked for at least five years. The litter is still in evidence.

Vandals have painted a not too complimentary slogan about Prime Minister Fraser on one side: the side most visitors see as they travel up Wondall Road into Wynnum and they've spelt his name wrong. **It's all been too much for council.** The roundabout may have reduced traffic accidents but it's still an eye-sore.

Impossible

Alderman Don Randall (Waterloo Bay) said that cost of maintaining the fountain had become impossible to meet and council had been forced to mount a "holding operation". At one stage a maintenance gang worked on the site every day, he revealed. "They would repair the fountain and clean up the surrounds only to find that next day they had to start all over again. The same thing happened with the flowers. They disappeared as fast as we could plant them".

Ald. Randell said Council had been waiting for vandals to lose interest in the area. The Herald doubts it. Mr Shaw, who as alderman fought a long and controversial battle to have the fountain built, said it was a great shame that "a few ratbags could frustrate the efforts of council to beautify the area". "We were aware of the vandalism problem at the time the work was under construction. It was one of the considerations in deciding to site it at Wynnum West". "Vandalism on the Wynnum foreshore had been appalling for many years and we hoped, not very confidently, that the situation would be better at the roundabout".

So much for civic pride. What to do with the roundabout? Several suggestions have been made. Some somewhat uncomplimentary. One suggestion is that it be replaced in Edith Street when the much mooted mall is built.

Meanwhile, stagnant water fills the fountain and the beer cans, pop bottles and crushed cartons continue to be thrown on to the lawn (?) area, mute testimony to Wynnum's civic mindedness.

*Wynnum Herald Wed August 13 1980
Transcribed by Heather Langston*

Memories of Wynnnum Sea Scouts

I first joined the Wynnnum Scout Group as a Cub in the early 1950's. I think the joining age was seven or eight. For some reason then my dad had me join the Sea Scouts when I was too old for the Cubs. Whether it was his idea or mine I do not know.

The meetings were on a Friday night between 7 and 9 pm and were held in a small hut on the shore front at the left-hand side of the Manly Baths next to the 64 Pounder Gun. Our Scout Leader was Alan Evans who was the son of the District Commissioner.

Because the shed was not secure, everything for the parade had to be brought down each week. The flagpole was attached to the cannon. There were about 10 to 15 boys in the Group and I can still remember with pride when I became a Secunder and had my mother sew the stripe onto my shirt.

We then had a Scout Leader appear on the scene by the name of Ray Melbourne and he had new staves made so that the patrol pennants could be carried when on parade. The patrols were Seagull and Kingfisher. I was in Kingfisher. At some time I was made up to a Sixer of Kingfisher Patrol and that was to become a learning curve.

For our weekend camps we went to Wainegunga which was an area off Mt Gravatt Capalaba Road next to Tingalpa Creek. My mother used to drive me and a couple of my friends to the area in a Fiat 500 Station Wagon. Tent poles had to be cut from the bush and I think some parents were there to put them up with us. All drinking water was brought in and food was kept in eskies with ice.

On the weekends we did parts for our badges and Saturday night there was always a singalong around the bonfire. I still remember a novel way that one was lit, in that a string was attached from the fire up into a tree and when the word was given the tin in the tree was lit and it ran down the string into the bonfire which had been soaked in kero. Great fun!

We all had to cook our own meals. Some were disasters but we knew we would be home on Sunday night.

We got word that the National Bank of Australia was demolishing their bank building in Bay Terrace and that we were to be given the building, but had to remove a part of it and take it to Darling Point. I think this was in the late 1950's.

The Troop was quite large at this time and the fathers removed the right-hand side of the building and took it to Darling Point. I was in the Seniors at this time which was from 12 to 15? years of age. My dad painted the Cubs room with characters from the Jungle Book and Ray Melbourne made up



The old National Bank building with some alterations

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metal signs for all the rooms ie Cubs, Seniors, Galley and Rovers. Our leader in Rovers was John Browne and he told me later that he did not think that we would amount to much, but with a lot of time and effort from him he produced four Queen Scouts.

The Land Ship was only about a meter off the ground and had no sewerage outlet (there were earth closets at the back) so all water from the galley ran onto the ground. The Seniors dug a hole under the galley and put a pipe from the sink into the pits. It stayed there until the building was raised or when sewerage came through.



The interior of the building

taken over in an old fishing boat which took four hours.

One of the camps that we did was to Stradbroke Island where we stayed a week by ourselves from Monday to Friday. The policeman on Stradbroke Island would keep an eye on us from time to time so we had a great time fishing for crabs and oysters. This area is now a caravan park.

We went to the island on Hayles Tourist Boats and on the return trip sometimes the policeman, who was the Scout Master also, would give us a dingy that had been washed up on to the island. We used to moor them off the Manly Jetty. I once rowed one from the Manly Jetty to Green Island and back.

We did camps at Colleges Crossing near Ipswich during Easter and also to Moreton Island being

Whilst in the Seniors during Easter time there was an Easter venture where all Senior scouts in the Brisbane area did a three day hike in an area ie Nerang, Ipswich etc. Another learning curve. I took a lot of 8mm movies of these hikes. I do not think the scouts could do this today.

We had a Cub Section and Arkila was Mrs John Browne so the Seniors were given tasks in looking after the Cubs when they went on walks on Saturday afternoon, which was when they met at the land ship. The group was given a lifeboat which we used to take out around Manly Harbour both day and night with no lights, being rowed by young boys and having the time of their lives. We had a 16ft skiff which we also used and the Rover Group had an old Brisbane City Council ferry on which they used to go away for weekends.

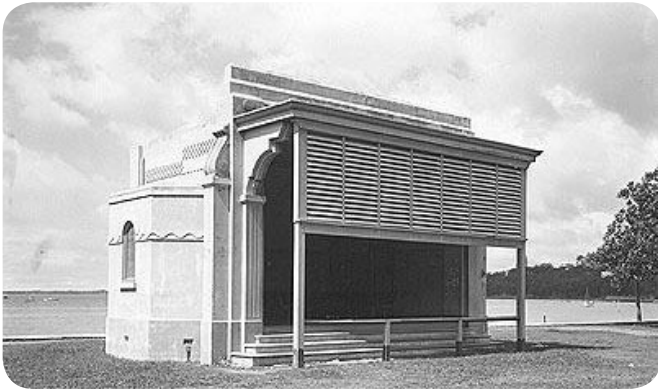
I think the highlight of my scouting career was when myself, Ray Melbourne, Steve Martin and Gary Hillier were presented with our Queen Scout Badges at Parliament House by The Governor of Queensland, Sir Henry Able Smith.

There are a lot of things that I have not been able to put down to paper but these are the things that I can remember to date. I went up to Rovers for a short while, but by that time most of the Rovers had left and I had joined the Citizen Military Forces in 1962, which when I look back, was an extension of the scouting movement.

Ian Wheeler
Be Prepared
26 February 2015

Transcribed by Heather Langston.

Where was I? March 2015



Manly Band Stand was opened in 1931 and stood on the Esplanade at Manly against the water, between Manly Jetty and Cambridge Parade.

The structure fell into disrepair, became dangerous, and was demolished in 1960's.

The replacement stands in Bandstand Park, between Lower and Upper Esplanades, Wynnum and was opened in 1970.

Where am I? April 2015



Jill Greenhill
Librarian

I came across this article while searching for photos, it was published in the Courier Mail, December 12, 1933. Imagine the trouble these girls would have been in when they got home!

MISSING GIRLS FOUND At Wynnum

FATHER'S SEARCH

While the police and black trackers braved Sunday's heat to scout the rugged mountainous country around Mt. Coot-tha, the three missing girls, Margaret Fraser- (14), and Dorothy Fraser (12), of Stephenson Street, Rosalie, and Joyce Olive James (14), of Ward Street, Upper Paddington, were bathing at Wynnum, and sun basking on the beach.

The girls were found on the Wynnum Central railway station early yesterday morning, and behind their discovery lies a story of a keen search made by the father of one of them, and his prompt following-up of a faint clue which led him to where the girls had gone.

The girls left their homes at three o'clock on Saturday afternoon, and when they failed to return that night a search was instituted. Police and trackers were dispatched to search the country around Mount Coot-tha, when it was reported that girls who answered to their description had been seen at the kiosk.

Mr. W. H. James, the father of one of the girls, and Mr. W. A. Gllmaster guardian of the Fraser sisters, participated in the search throughout Saturday night, and returned home unsuccessful. On Sunday morning, however, Mr. James heard that the Fraser girls had, on the previous Thursday, been discussing a proposal for a hiking excursion to Wynnum.

IN EMPTY HOUSE.

Leaving the search at Mount Coot-tha to the police, Mr. James and his nephew left for Wynnum by motor cycle and sidecar, and, informing the Wynnum police of their arrival, Joined them in a search of the district. The search ended at six o'clock yesterday morning, when the girls were found on the railway station at Wynnum Central, tired of their wanderings, and anxious for the arrival of the first train which would bring them back to their homes.

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When they left Upper Paddington on Saturday afternoon, the Fraser sisters had no money, but Joyce James had what they believed would be sufficient for their immediate needs. They left by train for Wynnum with the intention of spending the night at a house which is owned by relatives of Mrs. James, and which they believed would be unoccupied.

Coming within sight of the house, however, they found to their dismay that the occupants had apparently changed their plans and not vacated the house. For a time they thought, of returning home, but when they found an empty house near by they decided to remain and sleep on the veranda. By this time hunger was beginning to assert itself, and they bought cakes and soft drinks from a shop, after which they went to the Wynnum picture show.

ENJOYED SEA BATHING.

A night spent on hard boards was made endurable only by visions of a good swim in the morning, and the sun was not well up before they had hired bathing costumes and were enjoying themselves in the bathing reserves. Later in the day they kept away from the more frequented sections of the beach, and it was this which prevented Mr. James and the Wynnum police from locating them.

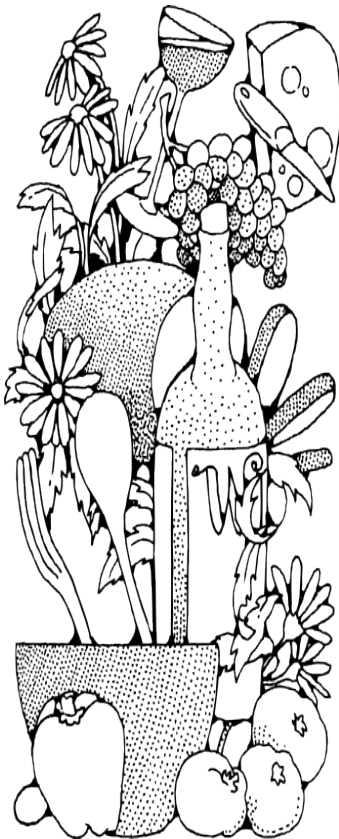
At sunset, after buying more food, they returned to the empty house, but darkness brought with it a longing for home, and they determined to return to Brisbane by the first train in the morning. The police had anticipated this, and when the girls reached the railway platform at Wynnum Central at 6 a.m. they were waiting for them. Mr. James arrived a few minutes later. He took his daughter home to her mother, while a constable escorted the other two girls to the home of their guardians.

In the meantime, the search party at Mount Coot-tha had redoubled its efforts in the morning, and it was some time before all the members were advised that the girls were at home, safe and well.

“Naturally, we have had a most anxious time,” said Mr. James, “but we have the satisfaction of knowing that the girls looked after themselves well, and are none the worse for their foolish escapade. Both Mr. Gilmaster and I are grateful to police and civilians for their excellent co-operation in the search.”

MISSING GIRLS FOUND. (1933, December 12). The Courier-Mail (Brisbane, Qld. : 1933 - 1954), p. 16. Retrieved April 3, 2015, from <http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article1150041>

Supper Roster 2015



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	Alison Rolf	3396 7094
May	Noela Stratton	3396 0069
	Christine R-Westhouse	3901 0484
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	Mellisa Champley	3893 3121
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August	Lyn Shanks	3396 3792
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	Carol Astill	3396 5481
September	Margaret Bullock	3396 3230
	Jillian Mahoney	3393 1655
	Marie Stokes	3893 3363
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*What is your story?
Everyone has an
interesting story to tell.*

We are looking for participants to be involved in our upcoming Wynnum Manly Oral History Project.

If you have lived in the area for a 'few' years and you would be interested in having your story recorded and added to our library, please register your interest by contacting our oral history co-ordinator Sharee, phone 3348 4452 or email sharee.cordes@gmail.com, or by leaving your name and contact number at the Resource centre.

You will also receive a digital copy of your oral history to share with your family and friends.

Baskets Baskets Baskets



Donations of baskets are needed for our raffle prizes - please bring along to the next meeting.

Thankyou!

Ladies Indoor Bowls

Players wanted

Ladies indoor bowls meet each Wednesday at the Wynnum Buffalo Hall, Tingal Road, Wynnum.

8:30am - 12:00 noon Wednesday

Come along and enjoy the morning.

If you are interested, please contact...

Joan 3396 7634

Kay 3162 8399

2015 National Trust Heritage Festival ~ Conflict and Compassion 18 April - 18 May

<http://www.nationaltrust.org.au/qld/HeritageFestival2015>

Those Who Served Wynnum and Manly, Monday 11th - Saturday 16th May, 10am - 12noon.

At the Resource Centre, 66 Bay Tce, Wynnum. Ph: 3393 3208

A display of local military personnel taken from district plaques commemorating the two Great Wars. Refreshments will be served at the Resource Room on Saturday 16th May.

Wartime at Wolston, Sun 3 May 2015

Explore the history of Wolston House and its connections to Camp Columbia, Wacol; and the American soldiers stationed there during World War Two. Enjoy the entertainment or take a guided tour of the house. Relax in the shade with a Devonshire Tea or sausage from the BBQ. Browse the craft stalls or find a bargain at the Trash and Treasure.

Sunday 3 May: 11am to 4pm

Contact Details: 07 3201 4937 or 07 3223 6666

Entry Fees: Adults, Children, Concession Card Holders \$4. National Trust members are admitted free of charge.

Where: Wolston House, 223 Grindle Road, Wacol, Brisbane

Great Houses of Ipswich, Sat 9 May (Coach Tour from Roma Street also available - phone before 1st May to enquire - Ph: 3223 6666)

The National Trust, through its Ipswich Branch and in partnership with Ipswich City Council and the generous owners of three great houses, is very proud to once again open the doors to some of the outstanding heritage residences in Queensland's oldest provincial city, Ipswich. 'Lakemba', 'Karragaroo' and 'The Chestnuts' are the three great houses that will open in this year's Heritage Festival.

'Lakemba' is a large Federation residence with filigree lace cast iron balustrades and intricate timber fretwork, overlooking Ipswich from Denmark Hill. It is believed to have been constructed in 1902 by local building contractor William Betts as a residence for his wife Isabella and their family. From being described in 1994 as in virtual original condition, it has been restored to once again be recognised as one of the great historic houses of Ipswich.

Lakemba, 14 Chelmsford Avenue, West Ipswich.

'Karragaroo', one of Ipswich's grand homes, is linked to two of the town's prominent early families. Built in 1884 for Ambrose Foote, it was for two later decades the home of Francis and Jeanie Whitehead and their family. Converted into eight flats around the mid-twentieth century, 'Karragaroo' at Eastern Heights has been returned to its former glory as one of the great houses of Ipswich.

Karragaroo, 8 Karragaroo Street, Ipswich

From 1885, when constructed, until the 1930s, 'The Chestnuts' was the home of Mary Darnley-Morrison and her daughter Mary, who were well-known for conducting classes for young ladies around Ipswich. The house was rented out by the next owner, Sidney Hancock, until the early 1960s. Since then, subsequent owners have worked on restoring the house and adding to its features so that it is now once again one of the great houses of Ipswich. The Chestnuts, 90 Nicholas Street, Ipswich.

We look forward to seeing you in Ipswich!

Date and Time: Saturday 9 May, 10.00 am to 3.00 pm

Cost: \$5 per adult per property. Free to National Trust Members and Students under the age of 18 years. (extra charge for coach tour)

Contact Details: Email: info@nationaltrustqld.org Telephone: 07 3223 6666 (Monday to Friday during business hours)

Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc
Minutes of General Meeting held in the Ambulance Museum Auditorium
on Thursday 19 March 2015

President Jan Parnell opened the meeting promptly at 7.30pm, with the useful fact that “Alka Seltza” was released on his day in 1931.

Minutes of the previous meeting: were accepted by Gary Parsons seconded by Wendy Parsons.

Correspondence: Lena presented the correspondence for February 2015, which had been accepted and endorsed at the committee meeting held on 5 March 2015. Lena elaborated on excessive cost of the Origin Electricity Account.

<u>Treasurers Report:</u> Band of Qld A/c No. 2013 9708	1 – 28 February 2015
Opening Balance at 1 February 2015	\$35, 738.22
which comprises	
1. <u>Everyday Account</u>	
Opening Balance at 1 February 2015	\$ 4,621.96
Income \$15.00 Expenditure \$113.80	
Closing Balance at 28 February 2015	\$ 4,523.16
and	
2. <u>Websaver Account</u> at 28 February (inc Interest \$49.87)	\$31, 166.13
<u>TOTAL FUNDS at 28 February 2015</u>	<u>\$35, 689.29</u>

This report was presented and approved at Committee Meeting on 5 March 2015.

Resource Centre: Jill Greenhill reported on the meeting of Myrtle Beitz and herself with Brisbane City Council Library staff from the Central Office in Brisbane, concerning a merger with the Local History Room in the forthcoming new Wynnum Library. The Committee were not really sure whether we should follow this course as the Society would seem to lose its identity. Decision had been made to apply for a Room in the “red-brick-building” in the meantime so that we would have a space in which to move to in 2016. We would still be seeking a “Shop-front” location.

“Where was I in February” was the rebuilding of the rock groyne that replaced Wynnum Central Jetty in the 1950’s. March’s picture was the old band stand on Manly foreshore, which was demolished in the 1960’s.

Tours: Still more passengers are required for the cruise across Moreton Bay to Stradbroke Island on Saturday 18 April 2015.

ANZAC Presentation at Shangri La: (17 April 2015)

Heather Langston urged members to join with the Society and reserve a seat to attend the celebration at Shangri-La .

The General Meeting was paused at 7.50pm for the holding of the Annual General Meeting of 2015.

The General Meeting resumed at 8.14pm

Speaker: Jill Greenhill provided the story of Andrew Keating and his association with Wynnum. An Irishman by birth Andrew came to Australia and trained, but failed to qualify, as a Barrister. He then bought many acres of land in Wynnum, including the Charlotte to Clara Street block. He built the first Jetty (at Wynnum Central) in 1884, for the benefit of his prospective clients from the city. He moved on to Ipswich as owner of a newspaper, the *Advocate*. However drink got the better of him. He was admitted to Woogaroo (Woolston Park) but never recovered from his debts, or saved his marriage. After years searching for jobs in the coastal towns of Queensland, he died in a train accident in Victoria at only 54 years of age.

The **Door Prize** , was won by Lena McCreadie, the **Raffle** by Peter Hughes and the Members Draw went to **Margaret Bulloch**.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm. A delicious supper was served by Lena McCreadie, Melva Hatchman and Debbie Tearle.

Microfiche and Microfilm Resources...

We currently hold the following microfiche and microfilm resources in the Resource Centre.

Microfiche

Aldine History of Queensland 1888
 Births Deaths & Marriages in Queensland
 Pioneer Index 1829 – 1889
 Federation Index 1890 – 1914
 Commonwealth Electoral Roll
 Wynnum Manly 1903 – 1989
 Hemmant 1903 – 1982
 Peter Spicer's Moreton Bay Diaries 1828 – 1949
 Queensland Post Office Directories 1868 – 1949
 Queensland Government Gazette 1859 – 1869
 Queensland Land Records 1856 – 1859
 St Helena Diary 1897 – 1910

Microfilm

Wynnum Herald 12.01.1946 – 12.07.1967
 Queensland State Electoral Rolls 1860 - 1910

These are free for members to use and the friendly volunteers will be more than happy to assist you with use of the equipment.

Resources for Sale...

Author	Title	Year	Cost
Beitz, Myrtle	Mangroves to moorings revisited	2005	\$35
Davenport, Winifred & Mottram, Betty	Early shipping in Moreton Bay: June 1846 - December 1859, Volume 1	1998	\$5
Davenport, Winifred & Mottram, Betty	Early shipping in Moreton Bay: January 1860 – December 1863, Volume 2 (2nd ed)	2002	\$5
Nalder, Robyn	From sapling to kero tin: A peek at Gumdale's past	2004	\$15
Nock, Betty	History of music in the Wynnum and Manly area 1900-1997	1998	\$5
Nock, Betty	History of arts in the Wynnum and Manly area 1900-2003	2005	\$5

Please pop in to the Resource Centre or contact Jill Greenhill on 3393 3208 if you would like to purchase any of these items. Part proceeds of some sales go to supporting the Resource Centre.

Regular WMHS Volunteers and Helpers...

GENERAL MEETINGS:

Afternoon set up:
 Welcome at Door and raffles:
 Bring and buy:
 Kitchen Coordinator:
 Supper Coordinator:

Col Brown, Jill Greenhill and Myrtle Beitz
 Ian Wheeler and Roisin Burrell
 Rensche Schep
 Margaret Mack
 Deborah Tearle

Raffle prizes: Sandra Wheeler

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TOURS:

Planning & Coordination: Jan Parnell, Jill Greenhill, Lena McCreadie, Ellen Coupland & Deb Tearle
 Booklet: Jill Greenhill
 Bookings: Sandy Liddle at General Meetings or resource Centre staff each weekday

ORAL HISTORY:

Sharee Cordes

Why not own a smart maroon WMHS polo shirt - only \$22. Or a maroon WMHS spray jacket - \$35.00. Or a maroon WMHS warm fleecy zip up jacket for winter - \$35.00.

Polo shirts in all sizes available now in the Resource Room so come and try one on. .

Do you have the new badge -\$10.

Contact Jill (3393 3208) to order.

Coming Events...Wynnum Library

The following events are all held at the Wynnum Library, 66 Bay Tce, Wynnum. PH: 07 3403 2199

Friday, 17th April | 1:30 – 3pm

Genealogy online

Genealogy online Learn how to search for your ancestors online. Beginners and more advanced participants welcome. Bookings required.

Monday, 4 May | 1:30 – 3pm

Women at war

War was historically considered a male activity, but this changed in the middle of the 19th century with nurses slowly becoming participants in caring for the wounded. This presentation by the Genealogical Society of Queensland will provide strategies for finding your female ancestors in times of war. Bookings required.

Thursday, 7 May | 6 – 7:50pm

Family history up late

Family historians are invited to bring their project to the library and search for their ancestors for a couple of hours in congenial company. Bookings required.

Thursday, 14 May | 6 – 8pm

Big ideas for small budgets: Communications for community groups

This workshop provides participants with the tools to prepare copy for web, newsletters, flyers and other communication. Ideal for not-for-profit groups looking to provide a team member with basic communication skills. Presented by Jacqueline Smart Ferguson. Bookings required.



Series BEFORE THE 1950'S

Characters No 10

Electricity came to the district in 1922. Electric Light Co workers pose for the photographer in the late 1930's. At first the Board retailed to residents at the rate of 26/- per unit for cash or 27/6d per point, on the time-payment plan. Harry Beitz is positioned in the front row with the check shirt.

For regular WMHSociety updates and more of Myrtle Beitz's interesting 'Before the 1950s' series...



Coming Events...Around Brisbane

February 13 - August 3: The View From Here. Museum of Brisbane.

As an amateur photographer, Alfred Elliott captured our city at the beginning of an exciting era – a time of population growth, advances in technology and significant global events and social change. Coupled with glimpses of his family life, this exhibition explores one man's fascinating views of a forgotten Brisbane.

April 4 - November 15: Distant Lines: Queensland voices of the First World War

Commemorate the Queenslanders that served our country in the First World War, with State Library of Queensland's Distant Lines: Queensland voices of the First World War exhibition.

From the home front to the war front, you can explore the unique Queensland experience of the war — before, during, and after. With exhibitions and events, Distant Lines connects us with the intimate and untold stories of Queenslanders, 100 years on from the First World War.

State Library of Queensland, Stanley Place, Brisbane Phone: 3840 7768

February 4 - April 19: Samplers - Worker's Tool and Collector's Treasure

A detailed display of our Sampler collection at the QWHA (curated by Dixie Ann Middleton, Solicitor and Member of the Embroiderer's Guild of Queensland). Miegunyah House, 35 Jordan Tce, Bowen Hills.

Samplers have been created for hundreds of years, firstly as an aide memoir for the dedicated embroiderer, and more recently as a means of teaching young female children their alphabet, numbers, morality and embroidery techniques. Display is open during normal opening hours until Sunday 19th April, 2015.

House entry fee of \$7.50 applicable for Non-members.

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Our aim is to gather and record local history before it is lost

Visit us online at: www.wmhs.org.au

Membership application forms are available from the Resource Centre, Civic Centre, 7/66 Bay Tce, Wynnum.

Membership costs per year (1 January to 31 December):-

Single \$15.00

Family \$25.00

High School student \$5.00

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