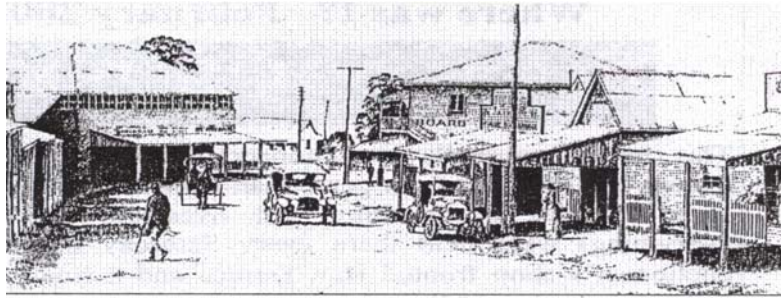


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FROM THE EDITOR

It is hard to believe another year has nearly passed us by. Where has the time gone?

Bookings are now open for the November Christmas break up bus trip. Details of the trip are provided in the newsletter. Hope to see as many of you there as possible.

Tickets are still available from the Resource Centre for the Christmas Hamper raffle. There are multiple prizes on offer so the tickets are good value for money.

This is the last newsletter published until February 2009. Over the break may be a good time for you to write a short article that we can include in the newsletter for next year. Alternately, you may have a question about the area or people from the area you would like answered. Why not jot down what you want to know and we will ask our members if they can help you out. There is a wealth of information stored within our members.

Speaking of newsletter contributions, I would like to sincerely thank Jill Greenhill for all the articles she has researched and prepared for the newsletter. I am sure you will all agree that we are indeed fortunate to have such a talented and dedicated librarian who works tirelessly for the Society.

Don't forget we are now seeking a short profile of you for inclusion in the "Spotlight" section of the newsletter. Please get cracking and start working on that short profile on yourself (together with a photo). What makes you tick? What are your interests? Basically a little of your personal history. The first non-committee member profile will be appearing in the February 2009 newsletter. Drop them off at the Resource Centre or at any meeting.

Also, don't forget it is never too late to volunteer to help out with the supper roster. It is only a matter of providing a cake or some biscuits etc either home made or purchased from a shop or bakery. It would only need to be for one Thursday out of the whole year. If you can assist, please contact Myrtle who will be most grateful for your help. Details of the 2009 roster are included in this month's newsletter so you can plan ahead however this roster is not set in concrete and if you can help out and haven't yet volunteered, your assistance would be appreciated by not only Myrtle but also those who have unselfishly offered to assist more than once a year.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all members a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year. Hope you have enjoyed the new look Newsletter and I look forward to seeing you all in 2009.

Sandy Liddle, Newsletter Editor

NOVEMBER MEETING DETAILS

Thursday 20 November at 7.30pm

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

Speakers: **Jan Banks, Nola McCullagh & Merl Hurley**
Topic: **Kids on the block**

Speaker: **Jill Greenhill & Myrtle Beitz**
Topic: **Then and Now**

Gold coin entry – covers hire of Hall and Supper.

Raffle: Tickets are \$1.00 each or 3 for \$2.00.

Bring and buy stall - Please bring your unwanted gifts, cakes, fruit, vegetables to support the Resource Centre.

Appreciation to **Myrtle Beitz, Margaret O'Neil** and **Jan Bird** who will be providing your supper.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

It's November already. How quickly the year has flown. Don't forget our last trip for the year on Saturday 29th of November. We will visit Fort Lytton and the Tramway museum at Ferny Grove. I am told the museum is quite extensive and you can look forward to riding on some of the trams. Lunch will be at the Morningside RSL. We will be leaving a little later at 8.30am and returning at 4.30pm. Please make sure you are there at least 10 minutes before departure. We don't want to leave you behind. I have thoroughly enjoyed all our trips this year and I look forward to next year. We will start planning early in the year. Planning is also underway for an event telling the history of Wynnum Manly School of Arts. It will be held in the first half of next year to coincide with Queensland's 150th Birthday Party. The Wynnum Manly Writers' Group is contributing to the script. I am also indebted to Jill Greenhill, our librarian, who has undertaken much of the research. Members of our Society are helping with information and photographs. The show should be enjoyable.

I was privileged recently to attend a function at the State Archives at Runcorn. The event was opened by the Premier Anna Bligh and was attended by cabinet and various people representing community organisations. As I looked around the room I noted the diversity of people present. Aboriginal groups, Vietnamese, Chinese, Muslim as well as others attended. There were also representatives of groups such as ours, who record the great pioneering spirit of our district and State. This mix of people with their different histories can only add to the richness of our culture. It is good to know that the State Government, through the Archives is committed to preserving the records of the past and encouraging members of different community groups to add to our history.

On this note I would like to draw your attention to the wonderful work being done by the Wynnum Manly Historical Society. Jill Greenhill, our librarian, with the help of our members has put together an extensive archive in the Resource Centre. Then there are people like Col Brown who faithfully record each speaker at our monthly meeting. I recently required an audio tape to help with some research I was doing and there it was recorded on the night the talk was given. These resources are invaluable. In the twenty years the Society has been active we have achieved a lot. I am proud to state "our aim is to gather and record local history before it is lost".

Other matters of interest concern the Manly Pool and local schools. It is hoped that some decision will be made shortly on the Manly Pool. The Pool needs to be heated and other facilities put in to make it viable. I am assured that the Council is aware of the community feeling about the Manly Baths. The 33 1/3 yard Pool is well used by schools and provides relaxation to the public. Let's hope we hear something soon. On the issue of local schools, the State Government and the Education Department are committed to the "Schools of Tomorrow" agenda. This means closing Wynnum Central S.S. and Lindum S.S. Wynnum North S.S. is to be demolished and a new primary school built on the Wynnum North S.H.S. site. Plans for a new super school, Prep to Year 12 have been announced for a site on Wynnum Road. Existing schools such as Wynnum West will also be rebuilt. This is a major shake up of schools in the district, and while many are in favour of brand new buildings with modern facilities a sense of history should be retained. As I read through school anniversary booklets I am struck by the amount of community effort that went into building these schools. For the sake of the students, past and present, some reminder of their history should be kept. The new year will present many challenges for us all.

Brian Brandenburg
President

SUPPER ROSTER TO END OF 2009

Below is the supper roster up to the end of 2009. If you are unable to oblige on your assigned date of roster, if possible, please find a replacement or contact **Myrtle** on 3396 4711.

February:	Ian Wheeler	3396 9923
	Eris Powell	3396 6151
	Beth Hume	3396 8081
March:	Lena Mc Creadie	3393 4393
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	Shirley Houghton	3396 1379
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	Noela Stratton	3396 0069
	Jan Bird	3396 6690
May:	Alison Rolf	3396 7094
	Sherley Williams	3396 0084
	Jan Parnell	3396 6001
June:	Sandy Liddle	3207 4467
	Laurima Rabe	3348 8037
	Minnie Bowman	3893 0527
July:	Irene Morgan	3390 4696
	Nena Robinson	3396 2524
	Shirley Jeffries	3893 1101
August:	Lena McCreadie	3393 4393
	Myrtle Beitz	3396 4711
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	Betty Powell	3396 8049
	Jan Bird	3396 6690
October:	Betty Mottram	3396 2971
	Dawn Wilkins	3396 8204
	Beryl Kennedy	3396 6399
November:	Myrtle Beitz	3396 4711
	Margaret O'Neil	3348 3123
	Jan Bird	3396 6690

If you would like to volunteer to help out on supper roster, please contact **Myrtle** on **3396 4711**. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

REQUEST FOR HELP

Our hardworking Events Coordinator, Myrtle, is asking for help. She has asked if some members could help out by bringing a little something for supper along to the November meeting. Our usual supper will be provided but as this is our Christmas meeting (there is no meeting in December), a few Christmas treats would be nice. Perhaps some shortbread biscuits or some Christmas sweets.



Resource Centre address

**Civic Centre
Shop 7, 66 Bay Tce
Wynnum**

(outside entrance to Wynnum
Public Library)

Resource Centre opening hours

Monday – Friday
(except Public Holidays)

10am – 12 noon

CHRISTMAS BREAK:

**CLOSED:
15 December 2008 to
9 January 2009
inclusive.**

NEWS FROM THE RESOURCE CENTRE

- The girl who fell off the Falcon Street Wall, Manly in the 1940's was Barbara Lauchlan who lived in Stratton Terrace Manly. The accident happened when she was twelve years old in 1947 during the school holidays. She turned her head to tell her younger brother to keep off the wall, but kept on walking herself! Both arms and legs were broken and she was in and out of hospital for four years. Vera Melen provided Barbara's contact phone number. Thank you Vera.
- A visitor last week enquired about a cycling track at Black's Camp, probably in the vicinity of the present bowls club. Can anyone help?
- There is a hairdressing shop on the corner of West Avenue and Emsworth Street. The O'Neill family once lived and traded there. The question we have been asked is, "When was the shop built?" .
- The name of an organisation is advertised as Q.W.E.L. in the Waterloo Bay Leader in the 1930's. Any ideas?
- Does anyone have a copy of an anniversary book for the Darling Point Special School? The school was formerly called the Darling Point Opportunity School and our visitor did not know if the book was produced for 25 or 50 year celebration.

This is the final Resource Centre Report for 2008. We have now been open for six years, every weekday (almost) from 10am to noon. Many thanks to all the volunteers, who have been "On Duty" every day and made this possible. I hope you will be able to continue with the good work in 2009. Please note that the Resource Centre will be closed from 15 December to 9 January inclusive.

On Monday 26 January 2009 the Society will be in Bandstand Park, Upper Esplanade Wynnum helping to celebrate **Australia Day 2009**. Please come and see us. There is a free breakfast! We would be grateful if a few persons could help Noel with the putting up and taking down of the tent and with the manning of the display.

Thank you.



*Jill Greenhill
Librarian*

CHRISTMAS BREAK UP BUS TOUR – Bookings open

Bookings are now being taken for the Christmas break up bus tour to Fort Lytton and the Tramway Museum with lunch at the Morningside RSL Club. Lunch is INCLUDED in the price of the ticket. Lunch is a two course meal of either roast or fish with a dessert to follow. Please nominate your choice when making your booking.

Tickets are \$30.00 per person and are selling fast so don't miss out.

You can purchase your ticket at the Resource Centre or at the November meeting.



I was on the southern bank of Wynnum Creek, in St Catherine's Terrace. The wooden stumps are said to be the remains of the timber vehicular bridge, opened on 25 August 1890 by Hon J R Dickson MLA. In the background is the cement and steel bridge, which was opened on 6 July 1921 by Hon J A Fihelly MLA.

The timber bridge across Wynnum Creek, in use from 1890 to 1921 connecting Fox Street to St Catherine's Terrace. Fox Street led directly onto the bridge. There was no bend in the road on the approach to the bridge as there is now.



The official opening of the new bridge in 1921.



If you know where this is and/or have any information, please see **Jill** at the Resource Centre or phone 3393 3208.

REMINDER: Membership fees

Membership fees are due for renewal on or before **1 January 2009**. Fees will be remaining at:-

Single	\$15.00
Family	\$25.00
High school student	\$ 5.00

Envelopes for payment are included with this newsletter.

When renewing, if you have an email address, please include this so that we can forward you the newsletter in colour by email. You will still receive the newsletter in black and white print format unless you indicate otherwise.

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OUR PIONEERS - The SENDEN family

The Society has a continuing project, which began several years ago, to collect information on persons residing in Wynnum, Manly, Lota and District before 1912. In 1912 Wynnum became a Town in its own right and there were only a few hundred persons residing there.

This month we feature:

Thomas Heinrich von SENDEN (1881 -)

Thomas Henry's parents, Thomas August von SENDEN (born 1843) and Christina Frederike LORENZEN, migrated on the "Peter Godfrey" from Schligswig Holstein, in what was then Southern Denmark. They arrived in Mount Cotton in 1864 and were married in a Lutheran Church on the Logan River in 1872.

Thomas Auguste, being a master carpenter, helped build the Lutheran Church of St Paul (on German Church Road at Gramzow (Carbrook) in 1875. The church cost £130 and was fully paid for within a year of completion. Services were in German until 1924 and the cemetery is still there. Thomas Auguste owned a sugar farm and built a sugar mill at Mt Cotton in 1877. He was postmaster at Mt Cotton in 1881. He was on the first school committee. Son Thomas Heinrich was born in 1881.

In 1885 Thomas Auguste went bankrupt, supposedly because he paid his Kanaka labourers. The family moved to Albion



Thomas Heinrich SENDEN married Victoria Julia SQUIRES on 25 September 1908 at the Thompson's Estate (Greenslopes). Owen Thomas SENDEN was born in 1909 and the family moved to a grocery store on the corner of Cardigan Parade and Stratton Terrace, Manly in 1911.

Thomas Heinrich Senden



Victoria Senden



In a couple of years the family moved to Cambridge Parade, then took over Mrs Paton's store in Stratton Terrace.

Former store of Mrs Paton in Stratton Terrace. (now Manly Mall).

Finally in 1923 the family moved back to the original store in Cambridge Parade.



Original Store in Cambridge Parade, now the site of the Manly Hotel car park.

In the early days, “grocerying” saw a lot of hard work. Chaff was carted from Manly station by horse and cart. Kerosene for lights was delivered in 4 gallon drums, again by horse and cart. The grocery man rode by horse as far as Capalaba and a fair way up Mt Cotton Road, gathering orders.. Thomas bought the first motor delivery vehicle in the town, a Ford “One Tonner”. He was also the first storekeeper in the district to have refrigeration installed in his shop. In 1930 he established a small goods and fish shop on the north east corner of Bay Terrace and Florence Street, Wynnum.

Occasionally Thomas acted as lay preacher in the Methodist Church. He was Superintendent of the Manly Methodist Sunday School for many years. His wife, Victoria led the girls in their church activities.

Thomas was President of the Manly Concert Band in the 1930's. He was President and committee member of the Manly Progress Association in the late 1920's and early 1930's. He was a keen boating man and enjoyed fishing behind Green Island.. His boat was one of twenty that anchored off Manly, well before the days of the boat harbour.

Thomas traded until 1946, when his youngest son Harold, born 1918, took over the business after discharge from the 15th Battalion. In 1956, Harold sold out to Manahan's Chain Grocers. Harold ran a successful fruit business in the same block until 1964, when ill health forced his retirement. He joined the staff of Barry and Roberts as part time fruit supervisor.

Harold was active in the celebration of the Manly Centennial in 1982 and a member of our society from 1990 till 1999, when he died. He enjoyed telling the tales of early traders and trading in Manly and wrote a paper for us about the activities of his father's early grocery store. Senden Crescent is located in a housing estate off Manly Road in Manly West. (UBD 162Q13)

Do you have any information about a person or family who resided in the Wynnum, Manly or Lota district prior to 1912?

**Jill Greenhill,
Librarian**

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

The Member Who Never Came Back

It amuses me to think that your organization spends so much time looking for new members, when I was there all the time.

Do you remember me?

*I am the person who came to every meeting but nobody paid any attention.
I tried to be friendly but everyone seemed to have their own friends to talk to and sit with.
I sat down among unfamiliar faces several times, but nobody paid heed to me
I hoped someone would ask me to join a committee or to somehow participate, but nobody did.*

*Finally, because of illness, I missed a meeting.
Nobody asked where I had been.
I guess it did not matter whether I was there or not.*

Who am I?

I am the member who never came back.

*Author Unknown
“Branching out” Whitsunday FHG Sept 2002.*

I attended one meeting of the Genealogical Society of Queensland. No one said one word to me. I never went back!!

If I had not been asked if I would look after the Society's library books, I could easily have been the person above.

Please talk to someone whom you do not already know at the next meeting.

Jill Greenhill

Editor's note: I can't agree more with Jill. Had I not joined at the same time as my daughter and had someone to attend meetings with and then not been asked to participate on the committee, I too might have been this member. It doesn't take much to make someone feel welcome – just a friendly hello and introduction is all it takes.



My sister, Nancy, brother, Eric, and I were blessed with wonderful parents. Unfortunately as is mostly the case, this fact is not realised until children become adults and parents themselves. Then it is often too late to let them know just how much they are appreciated - eventually.

Our home had a large yard in which to play with four aged mango trees with trunks two feet and more in diameter and of a corresponding height, two huge camphor laurels with long springy limbs on which to rock, a leopard tree, lots of chooks, a dog here and there and an eighty-five foot (28^m) high hoop pine tree. Next door to us was a building used mostly at night which left its yard free for all the neighbourhood kids to gather during the day and play whatever happened to be in fashion – cricket, football, red rover, brandy (with an old tennis ball) etc. and when we were a little older, push bikes which were shared and ridden down and up a two metre embankment.

At this stage of our lives Johnny Weissmuller was at the height of his fame and, of course, we played *Tarzan* in the mango trees. I could not understand why my mother told her friends that whenever we decided to climb the trees she found something to do at the other end of the house – until I had children of my own. To her credit, she didn't stop any of this adventurous play even though she apparently was most apprehensive. Her only embargo was when we played any game involving guns we were not permitted to actually point our cap guns at each other. When we ran out of caps, which was most of the time, we had to say *Bang! You're dead*.

My future husband, Ken, joined in these games too. With our parents' permission, we cut off the limbs of the pine tree on the chooks' yard side and slung a rope from near the top – approximately sixty feet (20^m) from the ground. It was the most stupendous swing that there could possibly be apart from a circus trapeze. We learnt to do many twists and turns at the end of that rope while we were swinging. It's difficult to remember how long it was before it broke. It would have been at least a year. Unfortunately I was swinging when it happened and landed on my backside which gave trouble later.



Ken swinging over our dividing fence which was about 2 metres high.

Dad was an avid bee-keeper. He kept his hives in a paddock at Lindum where he also ran a few heifers and we had a very knowledgeable pony called *Bessie*. She knew every trick in her trade from kicking, propping and pig-rooting with a twist at the same time, trying to wipe you off her back using a tree trunk or overhead branch and bloating her stomach to make the saddle girth loose and the rider fall. The only reason Dad bought her was that she was trained to stop immediately should the rider's weight come entirely on only one side. This meant that should a foot be entangled in a stirrup a fallen rider would not be dragged. All these nasty tricks made sure that not only did we really learn to ride but also to cope with fear.

With other things Dad's philosophy was *Give it a go, you will probably do it*. Also I don't know how many thousand times I've heard him say when we were walking along the top of a picket fence or involved in some other enjoyable escapade *Don't look at me, concentrate on/watch what you're doing*.

Along with these important activities we actually attended school. Dad was teaching at Manly State Primary, so that's where we went until Scholarship standard. We all were taught the piano by Miss Violet Campbell. Nancy and I attained our A.T.C.L. which made us qualified music teachers. Twice a week I taught Miss Campbell's overflow of young pupils for a couple years after I got home from work. Much to his relief, Eric was excused in his senior years at high school because of his added study.

Nancy and I joined the Wynnum Musical Society then conducted by Mr. Ken Allison. Nancy became its accompanist and played for them for many years. I sang with the contraltos and for a couple of years was the secretary of the Society. The committee used to meet in a room in the front of the Star Picture Theatre. This society still continues as the Wynnum Choral Society and is conducted by Miss Esme Gray. I later became secretary to the Queensland Music Teachers' Association for a while. This committee met at night in a building in Queen Street which was not really convenient for me.

When in our early teens, we heard of a tennis court that had no players, so we asked if we could come and hit around on it. This was *Blackbirds* and our mentor was Mr. (Pop) Berry who helped and advised us in many ways. We ended up playing in 'A' Grade with the Brisbane association until life dictated that we grow up and move in different directions until no one was left to play in the team.

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SPOTLIGHT ON ... Noela Stratton nee Charlton (continued)

During this period, when the tide was right, we used to swim at the end of the Wynnum Central (No.2) jetty. We have photographs of our father in his youth swimming here too. A large group of our friends would come and we had a wonderful time. There was only one blight. Nancy was suddenly instructed by Miss Campbell that she would be taking her place as church organist. In those days teenagers did not argue with their elders so from then on for a few years, Nancy sweated over a manual organ every Sunday morning. Occasionally, on a very hot, hot day my conscience would bother me a little. I was not nearly as good an organist as Nancy, but if I tried I should have been able to make the grade and perhaps relieve her a few times, but I didn't even try.

And so my happy life went on. After the Junior Examination I attended a business college then worked in an office. Whilst Eric was studying to become a dentist he suggested that I become a dental assistant, which I did. After he graduated he started a practice outside Cairns and I went north to help him for a year. I was talked into playing vigoro at which I was a flop. This was because I was used to playing cricket and kept missing the ball with the vigoro spoon at the bottom of the hand-grip instead of a full blade. I think the team was relieved when I was invited to play tennis. I also started to play golf here and this turned out to be my favourite sport. When I came home I joined the Wynnum Golf Club and enjoyed many years of play there and the company of the many friends I made. I am still a member as I hope to get back to playing again – some day. It's a very expensive non-game of golf.

I worked for a large life assurance office which, naturally, had a large staff. This was the golden time of *travelling overseas*. Aircraft had not yet been designed for the masses and was used only for business or by the very rich. I saved like mad, booked a berth on a ship, paying for my return trip too, applied for a passport, had all the necessary inoculations, applied for the then obligatory taxation clearance and resigned from the assurance company, not really believing that I would actually *travel overseas*. But I did.

London was my home for two years, flatting with friends I made on board ship. These girls are still my friends and we meet regularly. We all married, had children and now grand-children and get along very well with each others' spouses. We made every second of our time there count and I do not regret one single thing about that entire time. Except – the only time I've ever been home-sick was when I came home. I actively missed my life in London very much and the Brisbane friends I had before I left had moved on too. However, my ship sat out in Moreton Bay all night waiting for the tide before berthing at 9 am. When I stepped ashore I found that my father had died at 5 am. I would not wish that greeting on my worst enemy - if I had one.

Life gradually resumed normality. The large insurance company welcomed me back and I remained in its employ until I married. In those days married women were not welcome in the majority of organisations, so I had to resign once more.

Ken and I lived in a flat beside the Brisbane River at Hawthorne for seven years and our two children, Peter and Kahla, were born while we were there. We were fortunate in having two other couples in very close proximity with children of a similar age. These children fought happily together without doing too much damage to each other, but their parents refused to get involved in their battles. The youngsters had to abide by the rules of whichever household they happened to be in. This was adhered to and we are all still friends after so many years have passed.

Eventually the flat became too small for our family so we bought a house at Camp Hill. Our children attended Mayfield State Primary School. Ken had worked all his life in communications, first for the PMG, then Telecom and finally Telstra. By now he was the OIC of the communications terminal at the top of Mt. Gravatt hill so our home was convenient for his work and also to visit his mother who still lived at Manly. Ken's father and my mother had died years previously. It was while we were at Camp Hill that Ken's mother died on the evening of the closing ceremony of the Commonwealth Games.

By this time I had become an interview officer for the Bureau of Statistics. Amazingly this was a most interesting job involving meeting and dealing with people of all ages and kinds. It also improved my general knowledge tremendously as we had to learn something of the subjects we were asking questions about. I worked at this job for fifteen years.

Both Peter and Kahla were, by now, attending high schools in Brisbane so it suited us to move back to the district where we were born and to where we had intended all our lives to return. The children could catch the same train to school, only half an hour earlier.

Now we are back to where we started. We live less than 100 yards from where Ken was born and about 300 yards from my birth place. My maiden name was Charlton and we live in Carlton Terrace. Ken's surname of Stratton is repeated three streets down the hill to the continual confusion of all Australia Postmen.

Since returning to Ken's family home, circumstances have decreed that I become part of the Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc., the Wynnum Local Ambulance Committee and Queensland Ambulance Museums – Wynnum and am enjoying my heavy involvement with these groups.

Both children are married and each has a boy and a girl. Kahla lives at the Tweed so close to the Queensland border that their telephone number is prefaced by 07. Peter is a Research Fellow with the Brain Institute at UQ. We are proud of our children who have given us four wonderful grand-children who are the delight of our lives.

I have had, and am still having, a terrific life. Until recently, even though it has had its fair share of troubles, I have always thought that I would not change a thing even if I could. This is no longer so. Ken's serious and prolonged ill-health over the last few years is one of these troubles. He is too nice a chap and does not deserve the hand he has been dealt.

On the whole the ups throughout my life far outweigh the downs. I have done many things, travelled many miles and fallen flat on my face many times but most important of all, in addition to my family, have made many **true** friends I can count on, who have and are helping me at this moment so very much.

Noela M. Stratton

VEOLIA TRANSPORT'S COMPLIMENTARY DAY TOUR by Lena McCREADIE

Last month our society received an invitation from Veolia Transport Brisbane for two of our members, to join with members of other groups and societies, for a complimentary day tour to Ilnam Winery in the Tweed coast hinterland on Monday, 13th Oct.

The purpose of the trip was to exchange ideas for 2009 trips, after enjoying a tour of the winery, wine-tasting and lunch.

Brian and Jan, our trusty tour organisers, were the obvious choice to represent W.M.H.S. but, as they were otherwise engaged Ian Wheeler and myself volunteered to go.

Armed with suggestions from Brian as to what might be suitable for 2009, Ian and I boarded the bus at 8.30am in Florence St. We picked up other passengers enroute and things went smoothly till we arrived at the Logan pick-up point when one of the gentlemen, who had trouble with his car, asked for a 5mins wait till he took the car to a nearby garage.

Thirty minutes later we finally departed and I realised that I would NEVER have the patience to be a bus tour driver or guide.

Peter took it all in his stride. Despite some problems with getting the urn hot enough for our cuppa, we had an enjoyable morning tea fairly soon after departing Logan!

The weather was lovely as we drove on to Tweed Heads, into the green of the hinterland and began our climb up to the Ilnam Winery, enjoying the distant views of Mt. Warning, and as we climbed higher, glimpses of the ocean sparkling on the horizon.

The small winery, family owned and operated, was a very pleasant destination. After a tour of the winery we had wines to taste and an extremely good pasta lunch.

In a much mellower mood we listened to talks given by Ashley Vidler, Business Development Manager and a representative from Trade Travel - specialists at putting together group tours. Most interesting and informative. However the networking that went on amongst the different group members as we socialised during and after lunch, was just as helpful and Ian and I picked up some good tips and suggestions to pass on to Brian and Jan.

Our homeward journey was fairly uneventful apart from the "loss" of one passenger, at a "comfort" stop, whose mate went to look for him and finally the bus driver going to look for the both of them.....need I say more!

Thanks Veolia - a very good idea



Ian Wheeler networking and enjoying lunch



Beautiful scenery – The Tweed Valley

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

We would this month like to welcome three new members to the Society. Please make them feel welcome.

- Margaret Collins of Wynnum West
- Bruce Pattison of Manly West
- Elaine Smith of Wynnum.

WMHS 20TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

The October meeting saw the Society celebrate its 20th birthday.



Cutting the birthday cake – Myrtle Beitz and Peter Cumming



Lena McCreddie, Heather Smith & Myrtle Beitz



Enid Brock and Molly Hinchliffe deep in conversation



Ian Wheeler and Les Greenhill



Percy Duke



Kate Harbison



Dawn Wilkins

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING
of
16 October 2008

(held in the Ambulance Museum Auditorium, Corner Cedar Street and Tingal Road)

Meeting **opened** at 7.30pm. members and 5 visitors (Bevin Jenner, Bruce Patterson, Christina R-Westhouse, Julie Thiele and Mark Speakman), were present. 3 apologies were received.
(Attendance sheets are held by the Membership Secretary, Noela Stratton.)

Brian Brandenburg welcomed everyone to the 20th Birthday meeting and read an apology from Patron Paul Lucas MLA.

Minutes of Previous Meeting held on 18 September 2008 were moved by Brian Brandenburg, seconded by Jan Parnell.

Correspondence, inwards and outwards, accepted and endorsed at the committee meeting on Thursday 2 October 2008, was presented by Lena McCreadie.

Financial Report, was presented by Jan Parnell.

General Account: Opening Balance at 1 September 2008: \$4,644.90

Receipts: \$1,336.87 Expenses: \$ 0.00.

Closing Balance at 30 September: \$5,981.77

Investment Account of \$25,000

Resource Centre.

Members were thanked for their assistance with the setting up and manning of the Society's display at the recent Spring Fair.

The mystery photograph for October features the remains of the stumps of the old Fox Street bridge over Wynnum Creek, now hidden in the mangroves. The present bridge was opened in 1921.

The display this evening is of publications produced by present and past members of the Society.

Heritage Tours.

Brian provided details of the next tour to Fort Lytton and the tramway Museum at Keperra to be held on Saturday 29 November.

General Business

Brian advertised the Choral Society's forthcoming "Musicale" to be performed on Tuesday 11 November at 7.30pm in the Municipal Hall.

Members were asked for suggestions for suitable people to interview to add to our oral history collection

The Birthday Quiz was won by Carmel Henderson, second prize went to Nena Robertson.

Speaker, Col Brown gave us the history of the society over the last twenty years, from its beginnings with the Manly Centennial Celebrations, its inception over the garden fence, through its many and varied activities up to today.

Peter Cumming and Kate Harbison responded.

The candles were lit, the Birthday song was sung and the cake was cut by Myrtle Beitz and Peter Cumming.

The **Lucky Door Prize** was won by Peter Cumming, the members' draw by Deborah Tearle and the **Raffle** by Dennis O'Neill.

A delicious **supper** donated by Dawn Wilkins, Betty Mottram and Beryl Kennedy.

Calendar of WYNNUM MANLY HISTORICAL SOCIETY events

November 2008	January/February 2009	March 2009
<p><i>Thursday, 20th</i> 7.30 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Ambulance Museum Auditorium Cnr Cedar St & Tingal Rd</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Kids on the block</i> <i>Speakers: Jan Banks, Nola McCullagh & Merl Hurley from Redlands Museum</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Then and Now</i> <i>Speakers: Myrtle Beitz & Jill Greenhill</i></p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Gold coin donation</p>	<p><i>Monday, 26th January</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">AUSTRALIA DAY 2009</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Bandstand Park, Upper Esplanade Wynnum</p> <p>The Society will be helping to celebrate Australia Day 2009. Please come and see us. There is a free breakfast! We would be grateful if a few persons could help Noel with the putting up and taking down of the tent and with the manning of the display.</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free</p>	<p><i>Thursday, 19th</i> 7.30pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MARCH GENERAL MEETING</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Ambulance Museum Auditorium Cnr Cedar St & Tingal Rd</p> <p>Speakers to be advised.</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Gold coin donation</p>
<p><i>Thursday, 27th</i> 10am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MORNING TEA AT WYNNUM LIBRARY</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Wynnum Library 66 Bay Terrace</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The names behind the places</i></p> <p>Brian Ogden from the Museum of Brisbane is the special guest speaker for November.</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free</p>	<p><i>Thursday, 19th February</i> 7.30pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Ambulance Museum Auditorium Cnr Cedar St & Tingal Rd</p> <p>Speakers to be advised.</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Gold coin donation</p>	
<p><i>Saturday, 29th</i> 8.30am – 4.30pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHRISTMAS BREAK-UP BUS TOUR Fort Lytton & Tramway Museum</p> <p>Bus departs from Civic Centre, 66 Bay Terrace, Wynnum.</p> <p>Time of departure: 8.30am sharp Approx time of return: 4.30pm</p> <p>Bookings being taken at the REsource Centre, at the next meeting, or by emailing or phoning the Events Coordinator, Myrtle Beitz.</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> \$30.00 which INCLUDES lunch</p>		

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE – Prize is a Christmas Hamper of goodies

Tickets for the Christmas raffle will be on sale at November meeting and at the Resource Centre until this date. The raffle will be drawn at the November meeting.

Tickets are \$1.00 each or 3 for \$2.00.

We still need as many donations as you can give to make this Christmas Hamper (which is the raffle prize) the best ever. You never know you may end up being the lucky winner!

Please leave your donations at the Resource Centre before the November meeting. If you are unable to get into the Resource Centre and would still like to make a donation or purchase tickets, please phone one of the committee and we will make arrangements to collect your donation and/or your money for the tickets.

Calendar of other events of interest

November 2008	December 2008	February 2009
<p>Saturday, 8th 1pm – 4pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">COMPANY AND BUSINESS RECORDS</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Qld State Archives 435 Compton Road Runcorn</p> <p>Discover the range of records relating to the world of business and commerce. This is a joint seminar to be presented by specialist staff from Qld State Archives, National Archives of Australia and the State Library of Qld.</p> <p>Bookings essential telephone 3131 7777</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free.</p>	<p>Tuesday, 2nd 10am – 11am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MAPS</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Qld State Archives 435 Compton Road Runcorn</p> <p>Maps can be a rich source of information for the researcher. This seminar will help you to discover the range of maps held by QSA and how to find them.</p> <p>Bookings essential telephone 3131 7777</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free</p>	
<p>Wednesday, 12th 10am – 11am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">IMAGE QUEENSLAND SEMINAR</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Qld State Archives 435 Compton Road Runcorn</p> <p>Everyone loves photos. Discover the new Image Queensland service and learn how to use ArchivesSearch to locate images held at the Queensland State Archives.</p> <p>Bookings essential telephone 3131 7777</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free.</p>		
<p>Thursday, 13th 1.30pm - 2.30pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PIONEERS UNCOVERED</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Talbot Family Treasures Wall, Level 4, State Library of Queensland South Brisbane</p> <p>Speaker: Brian Randall, Heritage Collections librarian</p> <p>Come along and listen to Brian as he takes you on a journey through the trials and tribulations faced by Queensland's early settlers.</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free but bookings essential through qtix 136 246.</p>		
<p>Thursday, 20th 6pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THE WOMEN OF NEWSTEAD HOUSE</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Royal Historical Society of Qld Commissariat Store 115 William Street Brisbane</p> <p>Speaker: Carolyn Nolan</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Gold coin donation</p>		

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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 which covers the cost of a membership name badge.

Deadline for newsletter submissions:

By Sunday, 1 February 2009 for February 2009 issue.