

# WYNNUM MANLY

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

### May Newsletter

#### GENERAL MEETING

**Sunday 20 May  
2018**

#### **Wynnum Library**

(Meeting Room 1)

145 Florence Street,  
Wynnum  
(Enter by the lift)

***Rick Thomason***  
*of the Redland Museum*

***“Bohemia”***  
***A Family Odyssey***

***The story of the  
artistic, theatrical and  
benevolent Agnew  
Family***

Door Prize

Membership Draw

Raffle

*Thank you to  
Noela Stratton, Evana Jones  
and Oriana Charlton and for  
providing afternoon tea.*

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*We thank Joan Pease MP for  
the printing of this Newsletter.*

## Presidents Report

Welcome to May.

Last Sunday morning, Doug and I went for a walk along the foreshore to Manly, we visited the morning markets and enjoyed a coffee. The tide was in, the sun was shining and families were about and about enjoying our beautiful area. How lucky we are to be living in this beautiful part of the city.

I hope all you mums had a lovely Mother's Day and were all thoroughly spoilt. I will be spending Mother's Day on Norfolk Island. This is our first visit so I am a little unsure of what to expect but from all the reports from those who I have been, we should have an enjoyable break. So stay tune for next month's newsletter where I will recount our experiences.

I wish to bring to your attention an event organised by Volunteering Queensland. They will be hosting an event during National Volunteer Week. This years theme for National Volunteer Week is

"Give a Little – Change a Lot".

The event will take the form of a Celebratory Morning Tea at the Sunset Room, Wynnum Manly Leagues Club, 92 Wondall Road, Manly West on Thursday 24 May 2018 from 10am to 11.30am.

This is a free event. We have been allocated 10 places, and registrations need to be in by Monday May 14. I hope some of our members who give their time and support to the Wynnum Manly Historical Society will avail themselves of this invitation and join this celebration. Please advise Jill before the 14 May. Without you help and support our society would not function as well as it does. Volunteers make a very big change in our community. **THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR MEMBERS WHO VOLUNTEER FOR THE GOOD OF THE SOCIETY.**

Only a short report this month, I look forward to catching up with everyone on Sunday 20th at our general meeting.

Deb Tearle

# Our Local People

## William Herbert “Bill” Boden

“A good citizen

A good friend”

By Murray Hulett

The death occurred at his home in Valetta Street Manly, last Saturday, of a well-known citizen and member of the legal profession in Mr William Herbert Boden.

The late Mr Boden who was in his 66<sup>th</sup> Year was born at Gympie, being a son of the late Mr and Mrs James A Boden.

He received his secondary schooling at Brisbane Grammar School and joined the legal staff of the Public Curator’s Office as an articled clerk. He continued his law studies until he was called to the Bar at the age of 21 years and is believed to have been the youngest practicing barrister in Queensland.

Following a period of service in the legal office of Messrs Mayne and Tinbury at Roma, the late Mr Boden returned to Brisbane where he opened his own office in the early 1930’s and practised all jurisdictions including the High Court of Australia.

He gave up his Brisbane practice in 1957 and gradually retired from the legal profession, but took a very active part in local affairs. Probably two of his outstanding interests lay in the development of the south bank of the Brisbane river and the formation of the Wynnum District Co-Operative Housing Society – this latter venture having started off as a single co-operative and now embracing 19 societies which have been responsible for the spending in the Wynnum District of millions of dollars which otherwise would not have become available to homeowners only for initial interest of Mr Bill Boden.

During World War II the late Mr Boden enlisted in the 2<sup>nd</sup> A.I.F. as a private with the 9<sup>th</sup> Division and later joined the Intelligence Section.

At St Andrew’s Presbyterian Church on Monday morning, a concourse which was representative of all sections of the community, was present at the service conducted by the Rev. Andrew Wilson B.A.

Afterwards at the East Chapel of Mt. Thompson Crematorium the cortege was joined by many friends and associates from Brisbane who paid their last respects.

A widow and two daughters, Mrs W J Quinn of Wynnum and Mrs L E Hinrichsen of Redland Bay, survive.

Wednesday February 4<sup>th</sup> 1970 Wynnum Redlands Herald



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# Resource Centre Report - April 2018



## *The Empire Café Menu Board?*



*Empire Café Menu*



*The picture hiding the Menu*

The Empire Café Menu Board, given to our society by Stephen Ozanne of Teneriffe has now been passed on to Sandgate Museum.

Wynnum had an Empire Theatre from 1915 until a fire in 1922, but the advertisement for its café, in 1916 refers to the “Red Hand Café”.

But Sandgate had the right species of palm tree with the old Swimming baths in the background and an “Empire Café”, on Flinders Parade. The Empire Café in Sandgate was adjacent to a residential block.

- *Query from April Newsletter regarding E M Eardley and a former Nursing Home No. 1989.*

We have found that Edith Mary Eardley (nee Anderson) lived at 91, (not 9) Charlotte Street Wynnum with husband Maurice Wilmot Eardley. They married in 1931. The first child only lived a few weeks and was buried in Bundaberg Cemetery in 1937. Maurice served in WWII. The family came to Wynnum in 1963. Children include Paul, Gus, Catalina, Dana, Betty, a pianist and Helena who married a dentist (Thurich).

We have been unable to find any reference to Edith being registered to run a nursing home. Husband Maurice died in 1983 and Edith died in July 2002.

The enquirer is asking for more information on the home, which unfortunately has now been demolished and replaced with townhouses.

- *Property in Sibley Road*

An interested enquirer has come to live near Sibley Road and is seek the origins of its name. This information we can provide. However does anybody know the number of the house in which the family lived? Please let me know.

Till next time Jill



## Our Local People

### William Logan Dart

#### Local Councillor for Wynnum

#### Member of Legislative Assembly

William Dart, was born on 25 August 1876 at Seventeen Mile Rocks. His grandfather and an uncle were joint proprietors of one of Queensland's earliest sugar mills, which was at St Lucia near the site of Queensland University.

At the age of 16 William joined his elder brother in taking up a selection at Forest Hill. They later purchased land from the "Rosewood Estate" on which they erected a four-roomed cottage. William then purchased 180 acres of land three miles from Forest Hill on which he built a house for his bride, Edith Maud, daughter of J C A Nielsen of "Macclesfield Farm". Here he became one of the largest Lucerne producers in Queensland. William and Maud had three children, a son and two daughters.

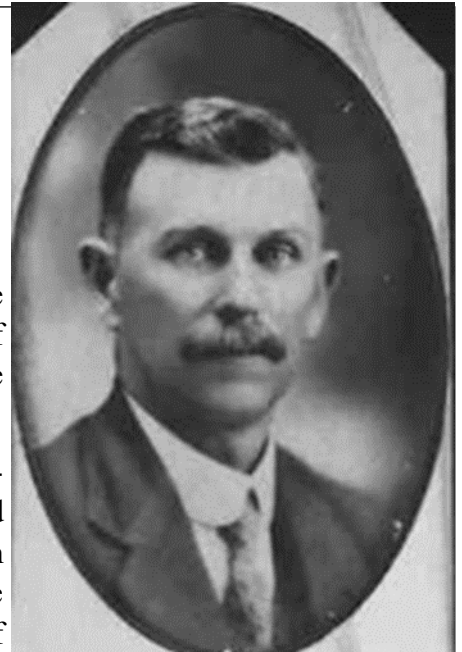
In 1903 he was elected to the Tampa Shire Council, which then was centred in Gatton and in 1911 William became Chairman of the Shire Council. A change in boundaries placed his home in Laidley Shire, where he once again became Chairman and as such welcomed King George V and Queen Mary (then Duke and Duchess of York) on the paddlewheel pilot vessel *Lucinda*. He remained a member of the Council until his departure to Wynnum in 1921.

The family left the district to live in Wynnum in 1921. William became an Alderman of the Wynnum Town Council and in 1926 was elected to represent Wynnum Ward in the Greater Brisbane City Council until 1930 and then from 1934 to 1936. During this period, he and Maud welcomed the aviatrix Amy Johnson when she landed at Lytton. He became a member of the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 9 August 1938 remaining in the position until 14 April 1944. During this time he easily qualified as a pioneer of the Brisbane River District.

During the time that William held office as a local alderman and member of the Queensland Legislative Assembly, he devoted efforts to the Dart Benevolent Fund for the relief of poverty-stricken families in the Depression. Maud was an active member of the Queensland Country Women's Association (CWA), the Women's Auxiliary of the RSSAILA Comforts Fund, the Red Cross and the Women's Electoral Lobby. She particularly sponsored resolutions benefiting widows and extending their control of children.

In the Wynnum shopping centre is Dart's Building which was where William Logan Dart carried on business. Their home is no longer standing but is said to have been further up Edith Street.

William died on 17 January 1969 aged 92.



Darts Building in Edith Street, the lettering now covered with brown slats.

## In 1970

### Think back!

How old were you in 1970? Where were you living? What was your occupation? Do you have any special memories? Here is a summary of the local happenings in Wynnum Manly and District in that year.

## Notable Events in 1970 in Wynnum, Manly and District.

- *14 January*  
Wynnum second to Maryborough in supply of to the Fish Board. Ted White was the manager of Wynnum Depot.
- *14 January*  
Bob Greenhill won the Pastimes Club Award.
- *23 January*  
New bridge in Rickertts Road over Tingalpa Creek to be named after Cr E G W Wood. Opened in March 1970. Officially opened in September 1970.
- *28 January*  
New pedestrian bridge over Wynnum Creek from Coreen Street.
- *18 February*  
Extension to Lutheran Church in Glenora Street (Erected 1953) to seat 100 people Formerly a Baptist Church at Ekibin.
- *4 March*  
Hess and Ferguson store celebrated 24 years of service. Opened 1946
- *25 March*  
Laurella Lounge opened in Florence Street (Lorraine Brimson)
- *April*  
Death of Bill Gunn (See obituaries) and Jack O'Connor (Wynnum Golf Club)
- *29 April*  
Expansion of George Lake Blinds in Tingal Road. Succeeded by Bayside Electrical til 2015. Then car showroom.
- *13 May*  
Jack Sands opened new Hall at Kianawah Road Baptist Church
- *May*  
Rotary Club hands over shelter shed at Cedar Street.
- *May*  
Road between Chelsea Road and new EGW Wood Bridge over Tingalpa Creek be constructed
- *27 May*  
Protest at Lindum Tannery site at Lindum, adjacent to Iona Sports field.
- *10 June*  
Approval for new Band Rotunda on Wynnum foreshore.

- *15 July*  
Commercial Bank, after 50 years on Bay Terrace (established 1920) is compiling a history of Wynnum.
- *29 July*  
Randal's farm on the corner of Wondall Road and Randall Road.
- *August*  
Coastal Radio License granted to Stan Kirby, operating from Manly Boat Harbour.
- *August*  
Scales old building at the corner of Tingal Road and Florence Street, opened in 1918 and the first real estate office in Wynnum, was demolished. Mr Pearson constructed four new shops.
- *12 August*  
New police Station and cell block at Wynnum. Old Court House being demolished. Old Police Station moved to the back of the site.
- *August*  
Oldest established grocer Mr Angus O'Neil of West Ave is injured. 1920 in Crawford's Building King (Glenora) Street. In 1928 moved to West Ave.
- *August*  
The ferry "Mini Munya" running from Manly to Dunwich leaves for Canberra.
- *September*  
Woodforth's Garage has been operating for 50 years (1920). See Booklet.
- *30 September*  
Ernie Harrison took over L P Crawford and Co. Real Estate.
- *7 October*  
Spring Parade. 35 exhibitors in a very large tent. Pictures of committee in "Herald".
- *7 October*  
Passing Out parade of Wynnum State High School Cadets (Started in 1956).  
John Crawford Marine still in Glenora Street.

Source: Previous editions of the Wynnum Herald

Compiled by Jill Greenhill

## Publications for sale

### Contact:

Wynnum Community Centre, Room 1.08, 105 Florence Street Wynnum M-F 10am to Noon, or

Wynnum Manly Historical Society, PO Box 318, Wynnum Q 4178, or

Wynnum Manly Historical Society Librarian: [jillg01@tpg.com.au](mailto:jillg01@tpg.com.au).

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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

## Vale Brian Smith

We are sorry to announce the passing of Brian Smith a long-standing member.  
His wife, member Gloria, is one of Col Brown's sisters.

## Bus Trip

We are proposing to organise a Bus trip for  
**Saturday 25 August 2018.**



We visited the northern suburbs of Moreton Bay a long time ago  
and we have not seen the new jetty at **Shomcliffe.**

**Sandgate** for lunch and a visit the historical sites and the Museum to see the new  
home of the Empire Café Menu! A relaxing day out, not to far away.

Please indicate if you would like to join in.

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Series Creek to Creek

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### Series CREEK TO CREEK

No 58

Looking south from Cambridge Parade Corner to Lota about 1905-10. A  
quiet day only one horse and cart plus owner can be seen.

The road would have only ventured as far as the Whites property line at this  
time. The extended road to Lota occurred after land was donated to Council  
by 'Duckett' White in 1913.

In 1890 a Mrs Harris received permission from Council to build a changing  
box at the bottom of Cambridge Parade. The Nuns from the Catholic Church  
had use of a bathing box in this area too.





## Where was I? April 2018



This is the Manager's residence for Birchley's General Store, and is located in Florence Street. The store building was constructed on the corner of Florence Street and Bay Terrace and this building was built directly behind. James Short, the grandfather of member Austin Short, was manager of Birchley's from 1901 to 1910.

Today the house is hidden by a shop constructed against its front aspect onto Florence Street. Springett's Photographic Studio was located in the pink-walled building and the name is still visible on the white brick frontage



## Where am I? May 2018



Till next time

Jill



**Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc**  
**Minutes of General Meeting held in Meeting Room 1, Wynnum Library**  
**on Sunday 15 April 2018**

The meeting was opened at 1.30pm. 20 members were present.

Vice President Jan Parnell opened the meeting. She commented on this day being the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the sinking of the "Titanic" and gave some interesting details.

**Previous Minutes:**

Minutes of Meeting of 18 March 2018 were accepted by Myrtle Beitz and seconded by Ellen Coupland.

**Correspondence:**

In the absence of Secretary, Lena McCreddie, Jill Greenhill presented her correspondence report for March 2018. The correspondence had been accepted and endorsed at the committee meeting on Thursday 5 April 2018.

**Treasurers Report**

BOQ A/c No 20139708	<u>1 March 2018 – 31 March 2018</u>	
Opening balance at 1 March 2018		<b>\$36,483.63</b>
<b>Everyday Account</b>		
Income	\$ 702.00	
Expenditure	\$ 445.91	
Closing balance at 31 March 2018		\$ 5,884.91
<b>Websaver Account</b> at 31 March 2018 (Inc. interest \$33.44 )		\$30,888.25
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AS AT 31 March 2018</b>		<b>\$36,773.16</b>

**Resource Centre:**

The Empire Café Menu Board, donated to us by Stephen Ozanne of Teneriffe, does seem to belong to the Sandgate foreshore. There still is a palm tree, of a similar species to the one depicted in the photograph, growing on Flinder's Parade, Sandgate and the building in the background resembles the old Sandgate Baths.

Sandgate Museum staff have indicated that they would be pleased to receive the Menu Board.

The Board was originally donated to the Society as, between 1915 and 1922, there was an Empire Theatre on the Wynnum foreshore. But there was no palm tree in Wynnum of similar shape to the one shown in the picture to which the timber menu was used, turned inside out, as a timber backing board.

The "Where am I?" photograph was of the Birchley Store Manager's house in Florence Street, built on land directly behind Birchley's shop. The front of the house is not visible as a shop has been incorporated into the building with "Springetts" the photographers still visible on the wall of the first floor.

Austin Short pointed out the house, as his grandfather James Short, managed Birchley's General Store between 1901 and 1910.

**Speaker:** Niles Elvery of the State Library gave an interesting talk about Q-ANZAC-100, a digital collecting project, funded by the Queensland Government. The project aims to create a 100 year commemoration of ANZAC for future generations. People are sharing unique and diverse stories about Queensland's experience of the First World War with treasures that have been collected during the last 100 years..

The **Lucky Door prize** (\$5) was won by Noela Stratton, the **Membership Draw** (\$5) by Jan Parnell and the **Raffle** by Jerry Cunneen.

The meeting closed at 2.40pm.

## Our Committee and Volunteers..

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### General Meetings

Afternoon set up: Jill Greenhill, Ellen Coupland and Lena McCreadie

Welcome at Door and Raffles: Jan Parnell, Lyn Shanks

Afternoon Tea and Kitchen Co-ordinator: Eric Sibley

Raffle Prizes: Committee

### Newsletters

Editor: Mitch Parsons

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, Denise Cogill, Jan Parnell

Research Enquiries: Jill Greenhill, Ellen Coupland

### Tours.

Planning and Co-ordination: Jan Parnell, Jill Greenhill, Lena McCreadie, Ellen Coupland, Deb Tearle

Bookings: Sandy Liddle at General Meetings and Resource Centre staff each weekday

<b>When</b>	<b>Where</b>	<b>What's On</b>
May 9 2018 1230-130pm	<b>Commissariat Store</b> 115 William Street Brisbane, QLD 4000	<b>Edison Street Tubes, William St Brisbane</b>  Research Engineers, Brian Becconsall and Stuart Wallace from Engineering Heritage Queensland (EHQ), will give a talk on the early history of Electric Lighting In Brisbane.
May 13 2018 11am—3:30pm  Cost: Adult \$35 (glass of champagne)  Bookings Essential.	<b>Ormiston House</b> 277 Wellington Street  Ormiston, Queensland 4000	<b>Mothers Day High Tea</b>  Treat your Mother to a very special day out with a High Tea at Ormiston House. A selection of delicious sweets and savouries will be served with the choice of filtered coffee or specialty teas. Enjoy a complimentary glass of champagne on arrival while you soak up the peaceful and elegant surroundings on the verandah of the house with wonderful views out to the sparkling waters of Moreton Bay.
May 19, 2018 1245pm— 445pm  Cost: \$15  Bookings Essential	<b>Australian Catholic University</b>  The Mercy Building, Oculus Room  110 Nudgee Road  Banyo, Queensland	<b>Tertiary Education in Brisbane: <u>Then</u> There Were universities</b>  An afternoon to discuss the past, present and future of tertiary education.
May 25 2018 9am—430pm	<b>Queensland State Archives</b>  435 Compton Road  Runcorn QLD 4113	<b>Sunshine Rebooted: The final Bjelke-Petersen Cabinet Minutes</b>  Sunshine Rebooted presents highlights from the 1987 Cabinet Minutes, and explores key decisions related to significant cultural and social issues impacting Queenslanders and how the ensuing events have shaped a more inclusive and progressive state.
May 26 2018 530-830pm	<b>Commissariat Store</b> 115 William Street Brisbane, QLD 4000	<b>Noel Cowards Private Lives</b>  Noel Coward's 'Private Lives' will be playing at both Newstead House and the Commissariat Store Museum. Artistic Director and actor Elleia Russell's production starring Troy Bullock, Josh Quaile and Nathalie Cattaneo promises to be fast-paced, sharp and devilishly hilarious.  Part of Anywhere Theatre Festival. Tickets and more information at event's <a href="#">link</a> .
May 27 2018 11-12:30pm	<b>QPS Headquarters</b> 200 Roma Street Brisbane	Detective S/Sergeant Tom Armitt presents ' <b>The Killer Next Door</b> '
May 31 2018 10 – 11am Bookings essential	<b>Wynnum Library</b> 145 Florence Street, Wynnum 4178 (above Woolworths)	<b>150 years: The story of Lota House</b>  Lota House is the oldest house in the Wynnum-Manly area. Come and hear the fascinating stories of its 150 years - from glamorous residence to retirement living.

*Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc.*

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**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 Old Wynnum Central State School.

Membership costs per year (1 January to 31 December)

Single \$20.00

Family \$30.00

High School Student \$10.00

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