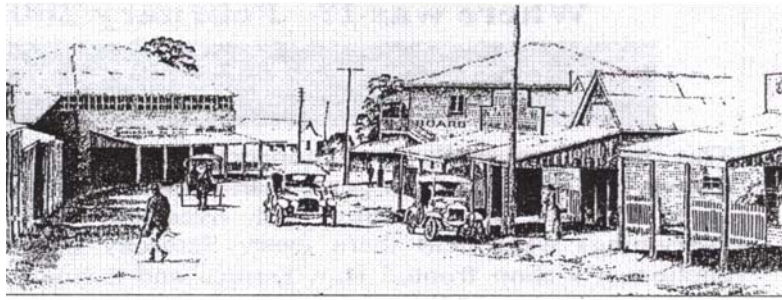


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Newsletter

No 1

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW LOOK NEWSLETTER

On behalf of the 2008 committee, we would like to welcome you to our new look newsletter. We welcome your feedback and comments on this new look and are open to suggestions for future issues.

We are aiming to provide you with more information and news each month. We know many of you have stories about the Wynnum, Manly, Lota areas that you could share with members so how about jotting down some short stories or memories which we can include in forthcoming issues for everyone to enjoy. These can be passed onto any of the committee members. Do not worry if you feel your writing skills are not up to scratch, all committee members are more than happy to assist you in this regard.

Remember our local history needs to be preserved and without your memories, recollections, stories and photos, this cannot happen.

If you know of any events coming up that you think would be of interest to members, please let us know so we can include these in upcoming newsletters.

Please let us know about any interesting websites or new publications you come across that may be of interest to members? If you are interested, there is a good chance others will be as well.

We would also welcome the addition of any information or stories pertaining to the topics from our previous month's meeting or in relation to any articles appearing in the newsletter.

Each month, we will be introducing you to a different member of the Society so look out for when we approach you to tell us a bit about yourself.

We hope you enjoy the latest newsletter and remember that in order to produce a great newsletter each month, we need contributions (no matter how large or small) from you, the valued members of our Society.

The deadline for submissions for the next issue is Tuesday, 6 May 2008.

Sandy Liddle
Newsletter Editor

APRIL MEETING DETAILS

Thursday 17 April at 7.30pm

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

Speaker: Les Greenhill
Topic: Characters of Wynnum

Les will reminisce about Jack Prollow, Arnie Newling and Jack Hazell.

Speaker: Myrtle Beitz
Topic: The wading pool

Myrtle will be providing us with an historical overview of the Wynnum wading pool.

Gold coin entry – covers hire of Hall and Supper.

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

Appreciation to **Alison Roff, Sherley Williams** and **Jan Parnell** who will be providing your supper.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

As the incoming President, I would like to thank the many people who make the Wynnum Manly Historical Society such a success. In particular, I would like to thank the 2007 Committee, Myrtle Beitz, Jill Greenhill, Noela Stratton, Lena McCreadie, Ian Wheeler, Ian Kennedy and Heather Smith. I would also like to welcome back Jan Parnell as Treasurer and Sandy Liddle. Together these people work tirelessly behind the scenes to organise the meetings, speakers, newsletter, field trips, special events, recruitment of new members, publicity and the smooth functioning of the Resource Centre. Then there are the volunteers - the people who staff the Resource Centre during the week and others who set up for functions and meetings. Without them the Society could not run. For those who give their help to the Wynnum Manly Historical Society, it is a rewarding task. I personally enjoy meeting the many people who come to the Resource Centre, answering their questions and finding out more information about the past. So, if you would like to be a volunteer we want to hear from you.

As President, there are a number of issues that are dear to my heart. The Wynnum, Manly, Lota area is changing dramatically. The development planned for the Wynnum CBD is going to reshape the area. My concern is that the special feeling of community we have here is not lost. This means the people as well as the buildings. I have worked hard to save the Manly Pool from redevelopment. Others in the Society have done the same, documenting historic buildings and houses and working with the Brisbane City Council and State Government to heritage list important sites. Now, more than ever, we need to continue this effort.

The most important resource we have are people. The memories of the older folk and their children needs to be preserved. The work done by the late Merv Beitz and continued by his wife, Myrtle, is tremendous. They have compiled oral histories of many local residents, some of whom have now passed away. This work needs to be continued. I strongly urge anyone who knows of someone willing to share their past memories or anyone who would like to help record oral histories to contact myself or members of the Committee.

In conclusion, I look forward to the year. I believe the work of the Wynnum Manly Historical Society is important. It is also enjoyable. I hope to see you at our next meeting or on one of our field trips. Please do not hesitate to contact myself or one of the Committee if you have a matter of concern or would like to volunteer to help.

Brian Brandenburg
President



NEWS FROM THE RESOURCE CENTRE

WYNNUM and the PEARLING INDUSTRY.

Do you remember "Mad Barry's" on Bay Terrace, now the site of "Ray White Real Estate"?

Here was located Reeve House, a former historical landmark in the district which had links with the early days of the colony.

In the 1860's three Carmichael brothers came for Scotland. Archibald and James worked in partnership as saw millers in Montague Road, West End. Charles joined them. The brothers built a home in South Brisbane and the Carmichael parents and a younger sister also came out from Scotland. Charles purchased the shares of the other brothers in the house and had it moved and rebuilt on the site, now 181 Bay Terrace. The Australian Coat of Arms, a specialty of the Carmichael sawmills, was depicted in the windows and fretwork fanlights.

Bryce, Carriers and Removalists, pioneers of the carrying trade in Brisbane, rented the house as a residence and depot for one of their employees. Extensive stables were built at the rear of the residence and old "timers" relate how they used to walk their horses from the city to Wynnum for a few days let-up after a period of extensive carrying work.

For many years, after the Bryces's period of occupancy, the house was the family home of Mr Ernest Henry Reeve who, in those days, was a colourful figure in the pearling industry. He was one of the big four of that industry, being associated with Clarke, referred to as the "Pearl King" and Messrs Hocking and Vidgeon. The four were famous figures in the flagship of the pearling fleet, the schooner "Wanetta", which was lost in the Princess Charlotte Bay disaster at the end of the 19th century.

Ernest Reeve was also associated with the wreck of the "Quetta" in 1890, which sank near Thursday Island. The Reeve family eventually moved to the Darling Downs and engaged in pastoral pursuits at Balgowan. The Bangalow Collieries were still in the family in 1957.

Charles Carmichael had also built two shops, with residences, on either side of the house, one of which housed the first chemists in the districts, Messrs Thomason and Chayter.

The property ultimately became the residence of the Bodens, Mrs Boden being a daughter of Mr Ernest Reeve. The old house was renovated and moved back several feet from its original position and named "Reeve House". Much interest was aroused in the building circles when the fine timbers of its construction were revealed. Mrs Boden was a local chemist retailing in Bay Terrace. In 1957 Reeve House became the professional rooms for Messrs John Jeffers and E J Mooney, Solicitors, the first permanent full-time solicitors in Wynnum.

When was Reeve House demolished? Does anybody have a photograph?

Sources: "Wynnum Herald" 17 July 1957
Beitz, M. "Mangroves to Moorings -Revisited".

Jill Greenhill
Librarian

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

WHERE AM I?

April 2008



Who was Mr Hase? When did he live in Wynnum? When did he build this block?

If you know the answers, please tell Jill, at the Resource Centre or phone 3393 3208.



I was looking at the tower house at 6 Stratton Terrace.

The tower is similar to one in the street above, built on the blue Tower House at the corner of Kingsley Terrace and Wolsey Parade.

Originally lights were put in the towers of these two houses to guide the fishermen returning home from the Bay. However, during World War II, the practice was stopped because of the danger of the enemy using them as a beacon.

SPOTLIGHT ON ... Sandy Liddle nee Harris, committee member



I have been a member of the Society for a number of years now and have been on the committee previously.

As many of you will be aware, I became a grandmother for the first time in March 2007 courtesy of my daughter, Melissa Smith. Melissa was also a member of the Society until her move to Toowoomba at the beginning of 2007.

I was born at St Kilda Hospital, Wynnum, as was my father before me. As a child I lived in Carlton Terrace, Wynnum, before moving to Manly West when I was five. I attended Manly West State School and then Wynnum State High School.

I am happily married to Peter (who was my Grade 1 sweetheart!) We reside at Thorneside (which is as far as we have been able to drag ourselves away from Wynnum). Besides Melissa, we have a son (who is currently making wedding plans for May next year). I also have two wonderful step-children.

In my youth, I was a member of the Wynnum Manly Marching Girls' Association and my parents ran the canteens at both the marching girls and the basketball courts at McFarlane Field for around five years. Needless to say I spent a lot of time at McFarlane Field. During my marching girl days, I recall marching in many of the Spring Parades and ANZAC Day parades. I also have fond memories of attending Edith Street every Saturday morning selling raffle tickets to all the Saturday morning shoppers.

I have had an avid interest in history (particularly Australian, local and family history) for a long time now which lead me to undertake an Advanced Diploma in Local, Family & Applied History at University of New England as a distance education "mature age" student.

Following this I realised there must be more to life than being a legal secretary, something I had done since leaving school, so as an "over 40s mature age student" I enrolled at Charles Sturt University as a distance education student to undertake a Bachelor of Arts (Library & Information Science) in order to become a librarian. I graduated at the end of 2006 and surprisingly I wasn't the oldest graduating library student on the day! I suppose the moral of the story is that you are never too old to attempt something or to learn.

For the past three years, I have been working as the law librarian for the largest law firm on the Gold Coast. The job is challenging but very fulfilling. It was definitely worth the effort of undertaking all the study. I have also previously been involved in teaching legal research to first year law students at Griffith University, Gold Coast campus.

Recently, I started up my own business doing back of book indexing, proofreading and editing so if anyone is in the process of writing a book or looking at having one published, let me know.

Actually, at present, I am attempting to write the "Liddle Family History". If anyone has any tips for me in relation to writing a good family history, I'd love to hear from you.

Also at present I am dabbling in a bit of website design and am attempting to design a couple of websites for myself. I am very fortunate to have a wonderful "IT" Manager son-in-law who never complains (well to my face anyway) about my endless stream of annoying phone calls and emails.

Professionally, I am on the committee of the Australian Law Librarians' Association (Qld) and am in the process of setting up of a Queensland branch of the Australia & New Zealand Society of Indexers.

In the past I have done some volunteer work for the Royal Historical Society of Queensland and the Supreme Court Library's history projects as well as spending three weeks working at the National Archives at Cannon Hill. All very interesting places.

My hobbies, in no particular order, are genealogy, local history, sewing (particularly patchworking, quilting and embroidery), gardening, reading, travelling and kayaking.

Sandy Liddle

Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc.

**MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING
of
20 March 2008**

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

Meeting **opened** at 7.35pm. 38 members and 4 visitors were present..6 apologies were received..
(Attendance sheets are held by the Membership Secretary, Noela Stratton.)

Minutes of Previous Meeting held on 21 February 2007 were moved by Jill Greenhill, seconded by Sherley Williams..

Correspondence, inwards and outwards, accepted and endorsed at the committee meeting on Thursday 5 March 2008, was presented for Lena McCreadie by Ian Wheeler.

Financial Report, at 1 March 2008, presented by Brian Brandenburg.

General Account: Opening Balance: \$4,345.80 Receipts: \$ 411.92 Expenses: \$ 740.00

Closing Balance: \$4,017.72

Investment Amount of \$25,000

Report was accepted and endorsed at the committee meeting on Thursday 5 March 2008..

Resource Centre. Mystery photograph was 6 Stratton Terrace, one of a pair of tower houses used as beacons for incoming fishing boats before WWII... Members were asked how their book collections were progressing ready for the Bookfest in June. Final orders for new badges were collected.

Heritage Tours. Next tour on Saturday 26 April to Pumicestone Passage. Final bookings are required for train trip to Stanthorpe on 2-3 August..

The General Meeting was adjourned while the 2008 **Annual General Meeting** was held..

Speaker, Janice Winks told of the days, from 1946 to 1964, when her father, Stan Naumann was the baker at Lota She presented a bread cart sign and three account books to the society.

The **Lucky Door Prize** was won by Col Brown, the **Raffle** by Jack Sands and the **Membership Draw** by Sherley Williams..

Evening closed at 9.00pm and members and guests were provided with a delicious supper donated by Peg Borg, Minnie Bowman and Noela Stratton.

Calendar of WYNNUM MANLY HISTORICAL SOCIETY events

April	May	June
<p><i>Thursday, 17th</i> 7.30 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">APRIL GENERAL MEETING</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Ambulance Museum Auditorium Cnr Cedar St & Tingal Rd</p> <p>Characters of Wynnum. Les Greenhill will reminisce about Jack Prollow, Arnie Newling and Jack Hazell.</p> <p>The wading pool Myrtle Beitz will be providing us with an historical overview of the Wynnum wading pool.</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Gold coin donation</p>	<p><i>Thursday, 15th</i> 7.30 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MAY 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>Sunday, 1st</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">HISTORY QUEENSLAND MT GRAVATT FAIR</p> <p>Further details will be advised in near future.</p>
<p><i>Thursday, 24th</i> 10 am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MORNING TEA AT WYNNUM LIBRARY</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Wynnum Library Civic Centre 66 Bay Terrace</p> <p>"My journey in life through Wynnum" Jack Hansen will be discussing his journey in life through Wynnum.</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free</p>	<p><i>Week: 12th – 17th</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">HERITAGE WEEK</p>	<p><i>Weekend: 7th & 8th</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">HISTORY ALIVE AT FORT LYTTON</p> <p>Further details will be provided in the near future.</p>
<p><i>Saturday, 26th</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">CANCELLATION OF CALOUNDRA HERITAGE TOUR</p> <p>Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Heritage Tour to Caloundra has been cancelled. Refunds will be provided to those who have already paid or alternately can be used towards the next scheduled heritage tour in June.</p>	<p><i>Saturday, 17th</i> 9am – 2pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LOCAL MINI COMMUNITY FAIR: Finale for Heritage Week</p> <p>"From Lytton to Lota – the local community"</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Civic Centre 66 Bay Terrace (outside Wynnum Library)</p> <p>Featuring displays, story telling, speakers, genealogy, environmental displays. Refreshments available.</p> <p>The Society will be unveiling the plaque on the cannon.</p> <p>The Resource Centre will be OPEN this day – do we have any volunteers willing to help out in the Centre that morning? Please see Jill if you can help out even if it is just for a short period.</p>	<p><i>Thursday, 19th</i> 7.30 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JUNE GENERAL MEETING</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Ambulance Museum Auditorium Cnr Cedar St & Tingal Rd</p> <p>Speakers to be advised.</p>
	<p><i>Thursday, 29th</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>Come and celebrate the 20th anniversary of the "Merv Beitz" local history room.</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free</p>	<p><i>Saturday, 21st</i> 7am – 12 noon</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wynnum Manly Historical Society's BOOKFEST 2008</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Ambulance Museum Auditorium Cnr Cedar St & Tingal Rd</p> <p>It is that time of year again to start collecting unwanted books from neighbours, friends and relatives for our annual Bookfest. All contributions can be dropped off at the General Meeting or to the Resource Centre.</p> <p>To arrange pick up of books, please phone Ian on 3396 9923.</p>

Calendar of other events of interest

April	May	June
<p><i>Saturday, 19th</i> 9am – 10am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BEHIND THE WIRE: INTERNEES AND PRISONERS OF WAR IN AUSTRALIA</p> <p><i>Where:</i> National Archives of Australia 16 Corporate Drive Cannon Hill</p> <p>Find out about the National Archives holdings on wartime internees and prisoners of war in Australia.</p> <p>Bookings essential on 3249 4226</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free</p>	<p><i>Friday, 16th</i> 10am – 12 noon</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HERITAGE WEEK SEMINAR AND TOUR: "COMING TO QUEENSLAND"</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Qld State Archives 435 Compton Road Runcorn</p> <p>Celebrate the heritage of Queensland. Join us for a seminar covering records relating to immigration into Queensland and for a behind-the-scenes tour of the Archives. Morning tea included.</p> <p>Bookings essential on 3131 7777</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free</p>	<p><i>Friday, 6th</i> 10am – 12 noon</p> <p style="text-align: center;">QUEENSLAND DAY SEMINAR: MORETON BAY RECORDS</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Qld State Archives 435 Compton Road Runcorn</p> <p>Celebrate Queensland Day with us. Join us for morning tea and a seminar relating to the records of the Moreton Bay penal settlement.</p> <p>Bookings essential on 3131 7777</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free</p>
<p><i>Wednesday, 23rd</i> 10am – 11am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ARCHIVES SEARCH</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Qld State Archives 435 Compton Road Runcorn</p> <p>Discover how to get the best out of Archives Search, Queensland State Archives' database. This seminar will teach you how to use Archives Search to locate records of interest and will give useful tips for finding what you want.</p> <p>Bookings essential on 3131 7777</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free</p>	<p><i>Saturday, 17th</i> 12.15 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TIMBER AND IRON IN THE SMART COLONY: INNOVATION IN THE QUEENSLAND LIGHTHOUSE</p> <p><i>Where:</i> Qld Museum Theatre Level 2, South Bank</p> <p>Peter Marquis-Kyle, conservation architect, will be providing a tour of Queensland lighthouses built between 1873 and 1912.</p> <p>Bookings essential on 3131 7777</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free</p>	<p><i>Wednesday, 18th</i> 9am – 10am <i>Saturday, 21st</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">THE WAR WE HAD TO HAVE: VIETNAM</p> <p><i>Where:</i> National Archives of Australia 16 Corporate Drive Cannon Hill</p> <p>The Vietnam War is an exclamation mark in Australia's timeline. This seminar makes no judgments, but looks at the formerly top-secret Cabinet, Defence and Foreign Affairs records that demonstrate Australia's policy from the time.</p> <p>Bookings essential on 3249 4226</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free.</p>
<p><i>Friday, 25th</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">ANZAC DAY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"We will remember them – Lest we forget"</p> <p>Why not attend one of the moving ANZAC Day Dawn services held in our local area? If you are not an early riser, why not go along to one of the marches later in the morning?</p> <p>If you have never attended a service, why not make 2008 the year you start? Go along and pay your respects and remember those who died fighting for our great country.</p> <p>Wynnum and Manly hold the following ANZAC Day services:-</p> <p>Wynnum Dawn service commences at 4.05am <i>Wynnum RSL carpark</i></p> <p>March commences at 9am <i>From cnr Bay Tce & Cedar St to Wynnum RSL</i></p> <p>Manly Dawn service commences at 4.05am <i>Richard Russell Park, Ferguson St</i></p> <p>March commences at 8am <i>From Manly State School to Richard Russell Park, Ferguson Street</i></p>	<p><i>Saturday, 17th</i> 9am – 10am <i>Wednesday, 21st</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">THE POWER OF WATER: BUILDING THE SNOWY MOUNTAINS HYDRO-ELECTRIC SCHEME</p> <p><i>Where:</i> National Archives of Australia 16 Corporate Drive Cannon Hill</p> <p>Find out about the National Archives holdings on one of the world's greatest engineering and construction projects, the Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Scheme.</p> <p>Bookings essential on 3249 4226</p> <p><i>Cost:</i> Free</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

Deadline for newsletter submissions:

By Tuesday, 6 May 2008 for May 2008 issue.