

October General Meeting

Factory and Family at Murrarie

Carol Corless

Thursday, 20th October, 2016,

7:30pm

Ambulance Museum

Auditorium

(Cnr Cedar Street and Tingal Road, Wynnum)

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

Thank you to
Ellen Coupland, Anne Hall,
Debbie Tearle for providing
supper this month.

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

Presidents Report

Greetings..... and Welcome to our October Newsletter. The months seem to go very quickly. No sooner do we get one newsletter published an it is time to start working on the next one. Already we are into October, looking forward to some warmer weather, and, our Christmas break, which, incidentally, is less than two months away.

From individual reports, the steam train trip to Toowoomba's Carnival of Flowers on 17th September was a lot of fun. Unfortunately I was unable to participate as I ended up in hospital for the second time this year. My thanks to Deborah for the careful planning and liaison with the Railway Historical Society.

Last month I wrote some notes on Queen Victoria, and, the incident of the genetic disease haemophilia in the Royal family. Since then I have done some further research and several other items of interest have emerged which I will share with you.

Apparently Queen Victoria liked to complain about her health. She had a Resident Medical Attendant, Sir James Reid who received a salary of £400 per annum to attend at her Court and listen to her complaints. He was on her staff for twenty years, and during this time was never permitted to perform a proper physical examination on his royal patient. (This is regarded as an essential part of diagnosis today). His diagnosis was largely made on the history the very regal personage was prepared to give. The Queen's main complaints were chronic indigestion and rheumatism (which in later life was serious enough to confine her to a wheel chair), cataracts and a chronic anxiety state (which flared up regularly, and was commonly associated with the behaviour of one of her nine children!) probably not without cause!!

It is well known that after the death of her husband, Albert, in 1861, she became a virtual recluse and had long periods of depression and anxiety. This lasted for well over a decade. These episodes were managed by three very strong men in her life – her husband Albert, her physician Sir James Reid and a servant John Brown.

When Victoria died in 1901 after suffering a cerebral haemorrhage (or stroke), Sir James Reid had his first opportunity to physically examine her body. His findings included a large abdominal hernia (probably kept under control with the tight corsets worn in that era), and a uterine prolapse (probably the Side effect of her nine pregnancies). Interestingly, she never mentioned either of these to her physician.

While still in control of her faculties, she had given Reid a small case to be opened only after her death, and its contents were to be secretly

Reminders

Membership Renewals

Membership renewals are due by December 31, the renewal form is included with your newsletter.

Membership fees are \$20 for individuals and \$30 for families.

Donations for Christmas Hamper

Its that time again, and how quickly has the year gone. We are looking for donations for the Christmas hamper. If you bring them to the October meeting or drop them in to the resource room. placed in her coffin. This package contained a photograph of her servant John Brown, plus a lock of his hair. Reid also noted that Victoria was wearing two wedding rings — one given to her by Albert, and, the other given by John Brown. Until next month, best wishes

Jan Parnell.

Transcribed by Dennis O'Neill

Reference: LEAVESLEY, Jim (2006) - More Mere Mortals.

Sydney ABC books.

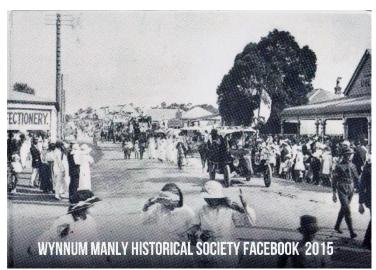
Thankyou to our sponsors...

The Society would like to thank and acknowledge Cartridge World Wynnum for its ongoing support and sponsorship.



Resource Centre Report October 2016

"Facebook Images for 2015" in book form





Every morning our member, Myrtle Beitz, gets up, goes to her computer and puts a new photograph on our Facebook page on the internet at "Wynnum Manly Historical Society Facebook" site.

Daughter Cathy Beitz has produced this publication for the Society showing all the entries made by Myrtle on Facebook, for 2015.

The book will be at the next meeting, but is always available, weekdays 10am - Noon, for viewing at the Resource Centre at the "Old school".

We offer our congratulations and thanks to Cathy for producing this publication.

A Success Story

A lady came into the old school looking for the Society and told us her tale.

She had arrived in Australia, aged 11 years and supposedly as an orphan, after WWII. In England she had lived in Nazareth House, Cheltenham, Glouscertershire.

Earlier this year she visited England and went back to Cheltenham and her former home, Nazareth House. In conversation with an elderly Nun, the name Brisbane was mentioned. "Oh. You will know my nephew, Charles" said the Nun, and provided his surname. That was all! One person in the whole of Brisbane. The Nun asked for news of her relation.

Ellen Coupland, our family history researcher searched with no result. We thought he may have changed his name on arrival in Australia many years ago or perhaps never arrived in Australia.

However there was one similar surname in the local White Pages, but with a different initial. This information we provided to our visitor. A few days later an excited email came. We had found the correct family living in Camp Hill!

Old Times

A visitor travelled from the suburb of Park Ridge to find out why the photographs that she had sent to us, had not been acknowledged and had not been included on our internet Facebook page. All the details were collected to be given to Myrtle Beitz our Facebook whiz. The visitor casually mentioned the Facebook page, "I grew up in Wynnum". This page does not belong to Wynnum Manly Historical Society, so we were off the hook!

Then we gradually learnt of the visior's history. Born in Wynnum and in the Star Theatre on the day before the building burnt down in 1959 checking the copy of the Waterloo Bay Leader. We brought out our collection of that newspaper - original copies which she handled as if they were gold. Conversation turned to Sam Greene whom she had idolised as a young girl. So his photographs followed

I thnk the visitor, though arriving a little disgruntled, left happy with memories of her younger days in Wynnum.

Till next month, Jill

RECLAIMING THE FORESHORES

Big Scheme for Wynnum (1934) £78,000 INVOLVED

The decision of the Wynnum Chamber of Commerce to prepare, in conjunction with the Sandgate Progress Association, a scheme of foreshore reclamation, will link at the Wynnum-end with the agitation which commenced ten year's ago, when civil engineer (Mr L. M. Ord) prepared an elaborate plan, together with detailed specifications and estimates of costs. At the time the aldermen of the Wynnum Town Council, led by the late Mr. John Paterson, gave favourable consideration to the proposal, but the estimated cost, approximately £78,000 precluded the relatively small municipality of Wynnum, from taking the matter up as a ratepayers' liability.

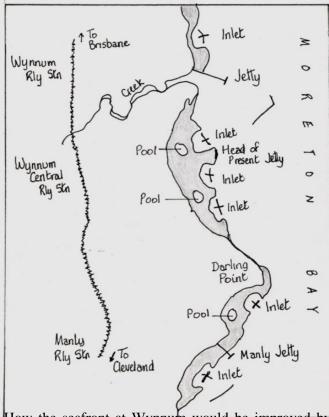
The scheme provided for swimming pools up to 20 chains in length at various points along the foreshore: boat harbours of similar dimensions and a network of driveways. Opposite Wynnum Central the proposed seawall would extend out as far as the head of the jetty. Actually three bi works were proposed, the first extending from Lytton to Darling Point, another taking in the inlets along the foreshore at Manly and the third extending to Loa Creek. The original plan of this scheme is in the possession of Mr W. H. Atkin, a resident of Wynnum for30 years, who retired from the Public Works Department several years ago.

INCREASED SEASIDE FACILITIES

In 1927 the city planner (Mr. Earl) prepared a reclamation scheme, based on the plan prepared at Wynnum, and the committee appointed by the Wynnum-Manly Chamber of Commerce will base its inquities on the available data. Increased areas for sport, carnivals and children's playgrounds are to be considered.

Mr H. D'Arcy Smith, president of the Manly Progress Association, who moved in the matter at the Chamber of Commerce meeting on Monday night, said yesterday that Brisbane as the capital city of Queensland, lacked sufficient seaside facilities for its population, and although the bay resorts had unequalled beauty, there were great possibilities for further development. As a tourist attraction Mr. D'Arcy Smith suggested the erection of a lookout in a specially selected reserve on one of the heights

Manly, overlooking the bay. With the aid of a telescope, he said, a wonderful panoramic view of the bay and islands would unfold itself to tourists.



How the seafront at Wynnum would be improved by the proposed scheme. The shaded areas are the suggested area for reclamation.

COMMERCE HINDERED

While the triple seaside resorts of Wynnum, Manly and Lota have made steady progress during the period which has elapsed since the inception of the Greater Brisbane Council, said Mr. George Geddes, president of the Chamber of Commerce, the expansion of commerce has not kept pace with the growth of the district. Commerce at seaside resorts, he added, is largely based upon tourist traffic, and local facilities for visitors have lagged behind the growth of the city and development of the Wynnum

The Courier-Mail (Brisbane Qld)

Thursday 15 November 1934 Supper Roster

October	Ellen Coupland	3899 1326
	Anne Hall	0412 634 587
	Deborah Tearle	0407 629 180
November	Myrtle Beitz	3396 4711
	Margaret O'Neil	3348 3123
	Need help	

The Naming of Coochimudlo (Red Cliffs) Island "One mile by three quarters of a mile of rich red soil"

One explanation surmises that early European explorers knew the island as "Kutchi Mudlo" (meaning "Red Stone") from the aboriginal inhabitants of the mid nineteenth century, though it was also known as a phonetic variation of "Goojingoojinpa" by the Aboriginal peoples from millennia past. In July 1799, Matthew Flinders sailed southwards in Moreton Bay and named the island as the "Sixth Island" being the last island he passed as he sailed southwards.

Over fifty years, after the penal settlement at Moreton Bay (1824), the island was called "Innis Island" after a young garrison lieutenant of the 39th Regiment of Foot. In 1827 Innes had been posted, as the engineer, with Captain Patrick Logan at the newly built goal on the banks of the Brisbane River, 10 miles from Moreton Bay.

Joseph Long Innes (19/11/1860 - 29/05/1885) had Scottish ancestors but was born at the military garrison of Magilligan in a Martello tower guarding the entrance of Lough Foyle in the north west of Ireland. His father Major Robert Long Innes was an officer in the garrison maintained to repel the Napoleon and his fleets. Joseph joined the Army and became a cadet at the Royal Military College in England. He purchased a commission on 8th April 1825 with the rank of ensign, joined the 39th Regiment and arrived in Sydney on 6th November 1825. On 20th March 1827 Ensign Innes came to the Moreton Bay Settlement.

Captain Logan found the young 21 year old educated and a vigorous explorer, traveling as a member of Logan's well-documented expeditions, and independently into the Bush, when he must have explored Coochiemudlo Island. He left Moreton Bay Settlement in October 1827 being appointed to the post of Adjutant to the 39th Regiment of Foot. He married Elizabeth Reiby in Sydney in 1829 and had four children. He later served in India and the East Indies, retiring from the 39th Regiment in 1840. He then began a career in the Police Force eventually becoming Commissioner of the Police Force in New South Wales in1848. He died in Sydney in 1885. Maps printed in 1884 still bore Innes's name but in the 1890's the Government referred to the island as "Coochiemudlo".

The island was surveyed into 1 acre blocks which, in May 1886, were advertised as the "Town of Coochie" being the western half of the island. There was little interest in these sales, which were again repeated in December 1887.

The first people to live on the island were Henry Wright and his twelve year son Norman in 1895. They camped there for three years. In the early 1900's timber cutters worked the island and many cypress trees were floated to Brisbane.

After WWI the first farms were established growing tomatoes and fruit. In the 1940's launch trips were advertised as a two-hour trip from Brisbane to picnic on the island and to buy produce. The first weekend ferry service commenced in 1959 with the *Koorooloo* driven by Dick Whitehall.

A major sub- division occurred in 1961 with allotments marketed by "Free ferry trips, barbecues and no rates to pay". Redland Shire Council took over the management of the island in 1962 and rates were introduced! Ferry services became daily and, in 1971, Redland Shire Council built a jetty and connected a water supply. Electricity came to the island in 1978. The Whitehalls operated their ferry until May 1993.

Compiled by Jill Greenhill October 2016

The Origins of Dart's Building, Wynnum

as written by our late Member, Jack Sands.

The site was originally an Auctioneer's Sale-room, (sale market) owned and operated by a gentleman named Power L Dickson. Auction Sales of furniture and livestock, (anything and everything) were held there every Saturday morning. The auctioneer's shop fronted Bay Terrace and a small section of Edith Street, about 75% of the land was an open area where the auction sales were held. I (Jack Sands) well remember as a child going there-early 1920's. Going! Going Gone!

When we lived at the Shire Clerk's Cottage, we ran a small farm and one of my jobs was as a youngster was to look after the poultry. And I hated it! We had about twenty hens and I was more than happily when they grew too old to be useful and my mother said, "Jack! I've had enough of this. Yes! You can take them up to the auction room and keep whatever you get." So I packed them up in my little push cart and wheeled them up to this site. They were so old that one died on the way! But they fetched £12.

At that time my brother, George, worked in the hardware section of Irvine's Emporium at Bay Terrace; George was a trained dealer in hardware, having been trained as an apprentice by the Perry Brothers in Brisbane for some years.

But, he was anxious to spread his wings and he persuaded his father to set up his own business in Wynnum. This was done by purchasing a plumber's shop in Bay Terrace made vacant by a plumber called Hazel. This functioned satisfactorily and he built up quite a good business. He was a good salesman.

But, and there came a change of direction! He was courting the daughter of William Logan Dart, the local councillor alderman, who sought to see his daughter and future son-in-law in more prestigious premises. And seeing my father was to be his daughter's father-in-law, he conspired with him to join him in acquiring better premises.

It transpired that at this time, the auction market folded up and this prime site came up for sale. With George Sands and Sylvia Dart were making arrangements for marriage the two parents put their hands in their pockets and brought the site (two blocks) at auction. My father gave Bill Dart the option of which allotment he wanted and he chose the corner allotment leaving our dad with the adjacent block (later occupied by Pete's a second-hand furniture store, the Chemist Warehouse.)

George Sands and Sylvia Dart subsequently married and their brand new shop was set up for them as a hardware store called for "Wynnum Hardware Supplies". And they successfully sold hardware, cooking utensils, crockery, furniture and the sporting goods and even a motor vehicles.

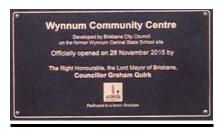
But the War of 1939-45 dealt big blow to hardware and the business suffered. Then three young men returned from army service looking for a place to set up clothing store and so they did a deal with my brother George by the renting of the corner and converting it into a drapery store, which functioned under the name of D.B.S. – (Davies, Bingham, Sands). Later, as business expanded, they took over the whole corner as the business expanded, George Sands being a "sleeping partner".

The very successful clothing store opened by Frank and John Davies flourished and the story of Dart's building from thereon could better be told by either John or Frank, the unfortunately both of them have now passed away.

Information contributed by the late Jack Sands who once worked for his brother as an unpaid voluntary counter hand in the old hardware shop

Res	sources for sale at the Resource Room		
Beitz, Myrtle	Mangroves to Moorings Revisited	2005	\$35
Davenport, Winifred and Mottram, Betty	Early Shipping in Moreton Bay: June 1846- December 1859, Volume 1	1998	\$5
Davenport, Winifred and Mottram, Betty	Early Shipping in Moreton Bay: January 1860 - December 1863, Volume 2	2002	\$5
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

Where was I? September 2016



The steps and front door of Wynnum Community Centre, opened in November 2015. The Centre occupies the brick building of the former Wynnum Central State School, opened in 1946, from these steps.

Our Society is allowed to open these doors between 10am and 12 noon from Monday to Friday. We are just inside, so come and see us when the front doors are open.

Where am I? October 2016





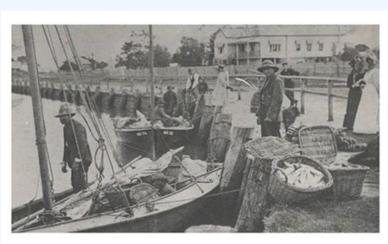
Jill Greenhill, librarian

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For more of Myrtle's Early Days series...





Customers buying direct from the fishermen

Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc

Minutes of General Meeting held in the Ambulance Museum Auditorium on Thursday 21 September 2016

The meeting opened at 7.30pm. 29 members were present. 4 apologies were received. There were no visitors.

In the absence of President Jan Parnell, due to illness, Jill Greenhill opened the meeting and welcomed members. Jill commented on the advertisement in the Courier Mail and the Herald for the upcoming sale of an original Crouch house in St Catherines Terrace, previously owned by the late Clifford Crouch. She commented on the original migrant Edward Crouch from Kent, England and the growth of the family in Australia.

Previous Minutes:

Minutes of Meeting of 18 August 2016 were moved by Deb Tearle, seconded by Noela Stratton.

Correspondence:

In the absence of Lena McCreadie, Jill Greenhill presented the correspondence for the previous month, August 2016, which was accepted and endorsed at the committee meeting on Thursday 1 September 2016.

Treasurers Report (presented by Sandy Liddle)

BOQ A/c No 20139708 1 August 2016 – 31 August 2016

Opening balance at 1 August 2016

\$40,144.03

which comprises:

1. Everyday and Grant Account

Opening balance at 1 August 2016 \$10,643.76

(Everyday \$4,966.59, Heritage \$4,677.17, DSS \$1000.00)

Income \$381.20 Expenditure \$74.95

Closing balance at 31 August 2016

\$10,949.98

(Everyday \$5,302.79, Heritage \$4,647.19, DSS \$1000.00)

2. Websaver Account at 31 August 2016 (Inc. interest \$34.55) \$29,534.82

TOTAL FUNDS AS AT 31 August 2016

\$40,484.80

Resource Centre:

Members were encouraged to receive their newsletter by email as paper newsletters are now printed at the local IGA copy store at a cost to the Society of approximately \$1 per copy plus \$1 postage.

"Where am I" for August was the new ANZAC Memorial at Manly RSL, presented by the local Rotary Club. Bruce Pattison obtained a colour booklet for the Society of all of the Plaques presented in the district, mainly to the schools.

"Where am I "for September was the Plaque mounted at the front of the new Community Centre, above that of the opening of the brick building of Wynnum Central State School.

Tours: Deb Tearle updated everyone on the Toowoomba tour. There are now 21 members and friends to travel on the train, leaving Roma Street, Platform 3, at 6.55am on Saturday 17 September 2016.

General Business:

There was no general business.

Speaker:

Greg Cope, an important person at the Nation Archive, Cannon Hill has a great interest in trains. He showed us many historic examples from his collection of photographs. He especially included the train line to Toowoomba, thus preparing us for the trip this coming Saturday.

Lucky Door prize was won Gary Parsons, the Membership Draw (\$5) by Deb Tearle and the Raffle by Myrtle Beitz. The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Many thanks to Margaret Bulloch and Deb Tearle for a delicious supper.

Jill Greenhill (Minute Secretary)

Our Committee...

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Life Members: Myrtle Beitz, Jill Greenhill, Noela Stratton Late Life Members: Merv Beitz, Jack Sands, John Davies.

Patrons: Cr Peter Cumming and Joan Pease MP. Friends of WMHS: John McIntyre

Regular Volunteers and Helpers

General Meetings

Afternoon set up: Col Brown, Jill Greenhill, Myrtle Beitz Welcome at Door and raffles: Ian Wheeler, Mitch Parsons

Bring and Buy: Ellen Coupland Kitchen Co-ordinator: Margaret Mack Supper Co-ordination: Deborah Tearle

Raffle Prizes: Sandra Wheeler

Newsletters

Editor: Mitch Parsons

Printing: Courtesy of Cr Peter Cummings

Distribution (email): Mitch Parsons
Distribution (mail out): Jill Greenhill

Resource Centre

Volunteers: Ian Wheeler, Ian Kennedy, Col Brown, 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

Booklet: Jill Greenhill

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

Events August			
Date	Venue	Description	Booking
Thursday, 20 October 2016, 1 – 3pm	Wynnum Library 145 Florence Street, Wynnum 4178 (above Woolworths)	Feel good films: Singing in the Rain A much loved musical about a silent film production company making its transition to sound. A classic with wonderful tunes and brilliant use of colour. (1952) (103 min).	Bookings essential Phone Wynnum Library on 07 3403 2199 to reserve your place
Thursday, 27 October 2016, 10 – 11am	Wynnum Library 145 Florence Street, Wynnum 4178 (above Woolworths)	Landmark lanterns Explore the photographs in the Merv Beitz Local History Collection and learn how to use them to create beautiful lanterns. Presented by local historian Kate Harbison in conjunction with Sharee Cordes from Bayside Stories.	Bookings essential Phone Wynnum Library on 07 3403 2199 to reserve your place.
Saturday, 29 October 2016, 10:30am – 12pm	Wynnum Library 145 Florence Street, Wynnum 4178 (above Woolworths)	Feel Good Month: The therapeutic garden Gardens are places where you can get healthy physically and mentally. This presentation looks at the health benefits of creating a variety of relaxing indoor and outdoor garden spaces. Presented by horticulturalist Claire Bickle.	Bookings essential Phone Wynnum Library on 07 3403 2199 to reserve your place.
August 4 - December 16 10:00am - 3:00pm Free	National Trust House 95 William Street Brisbane, Queensland 4000	Queen's Wharf Exhibit: 'Footsteps on a Riverbank' From Meeanjin to Queen's Wharf: discover the stories of the place where Brisbane began. Located in the 1860s Immigration Depot converted to government offices in the 1890s, this exhibition explores the surprising number of significant events which have occurred in and around Brisbane's foremost historic precinct since the arrival of Lt Henry Miller and his convict charges in 1825.	

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OCTOBER 23 @ 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM \$30.00 Concert to start at 5.00pm Tickets are limited.	Newstead House Cnr Breakfast Creek Rd & Newstead Ave Newstead, Brisbane Queensland 4006	THE CELLAR SERIES – CONCERT # 1 CHAMBER SECRETS Featuring virtuoso violinist Dan Russell from the Australian Art Quartet with Guitarist Composer Anthony Garcia the intimate recital will take place in the Sandstone cellar. Featuring works by Bach, Pananini, Garcia, improvisations and the premier of Offering a collaborative composition by the artists dedicated to the lives and loves that have graced Newstead House over the centuries. Enjoy a glass of wine and canape on the Riverside Veranda prior to the concert.	Book through eventbrite or contact Newstead House management team on 07 3216 1846.
July 4 - November 9 10:00am - 5:00pm Free	Museum of Brisbane Level 3, Brisbane City Hall, King George Square Brisbane, QLD 4003 Australia	Facing World War One: Stories of loyalty, loss and love Featuring new work by Facing Australia, experience intimate and untold stories from the First World War that reveal the daily reality and emotional impact on the loved ones left behind in Brisbane.	
10:00am- 5pm Every day, until 20th Nov 2016 Free	State Library of Queensland gallery 1, level 2 and kuril dhagun, level 1, Stanley Place, South Bank, South Brisbane	Art of the Skins exhibition Explore historical and contemporary artefacts, accounts and images; hear oral histories from Elders, artists and academics; and be immersed in a vivid installation of contemporary representations of Country.	Bookings not required

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

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