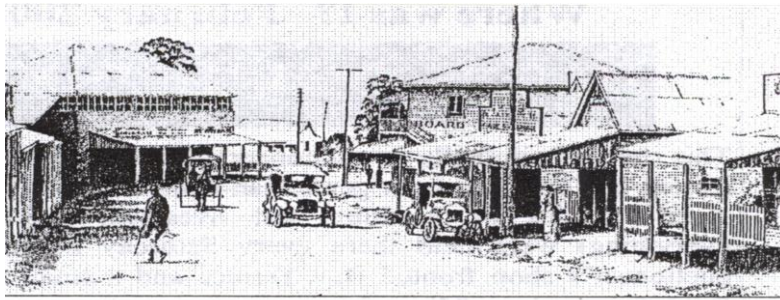


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Cambridge Parade Manly Circa 1920

## Newsletter

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### Heritage bus tour to TOOWOOMBA region



Our bus trip to the Sunshine Coast is only just over and planning is already underway for our next bus trip. No details are available as yet apart from the fact that it will be to the beautiful Toowoomba region.

The proposed date for the trip is either **29 September** or **6 October**. Once a definite date has been decided upon, we will advise you further but at this stage keep both these dates free.

Bookings are however now being taken at the Resource Centre or at the next general meeting.

### JULY MEETING DETAILS

**Thursday 19 July at 7.30pm**

### JULY GENERAL MEETING

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

Speaker: *Anne Peterken*  
Topic: **Does Henry VIII get a fair shake of the sauce bottle?**

Speaker: *Jill Greenhill*  
Topic: **The Wynnum Honour Board**

**Gold coin** entry – covers hire of venue and Supper.

**Raffle:** This month's raffle prize is a mystery at the time of publication of this newsletter.



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

**Bring and buy stall** - Please bring your unwanted gifts, cakes, fruit, vegetables, plants, etc to a meeting or leave at the Resource Centre. All proceeds from this stall go to support the Resource Centre.

Appreciation to **Minnie Bowman, Nena Robertson and Christina R-Westhouse** for providing your supper this month.

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## REGULAR SOCIETY VOLUNTEERS AND HELPERS

<b>GENERAL MEETINGS:</b>	<i>Afternoon set up:</i> <i>Welcome at Door and raffles:</i> <i>Bring and buy:</i> <i>Kitchen Coordinator:</i> <i>Supper Coordinator:</i> <i>Supper Donations and servers:</i>	Col Brown, John McIntyre, Jill Greenhill and Myrtle Beitz Ian Wheeler & Noela Stratton Jan Aplin and Carmel Henderson Margaret Mack Deborah Tearle Jan Aplin, Jan Bird, Margaret O'Neil, Myrtle Beitz, Lena McCreadie, Ian Wheeler, Shirley Houghton, Lyla Feige, Laurima Rabe, Minnie Bowman, Noela Stratton, Beth Hume, Eris Powell, Daphne Liddle, Nena Robertson, Alison Roff, Jan Parnell, Margaret Collins, Deborah Tearle, Lyn Shanks, Shirley Jeffries, Thelma Crouch, Carol Astill, Anne Wenzel, Lou & Anne Hall, Christina Stevens, Christina R-Westhouse, Ellen Coupland, Marie Stokes, Jan Bird, Jillian Mahoney, Heather Langston. <i>Raffle prizes:</i> Sandra Wheeler <i>Speaker Coordinator:</i> Myrtle Beitz
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<b>TOURS:</b>	<i>Planning &amp; Coordination:</i> <i>Booklet:</i> <i>Bookings:</i>	Jan Parnell, Jill Greenhill and Lena McCreadie Jill Greenhill Sandy Liddle at General Meetings Resource Centre staff each weekday
<b>ORAL HISTORY:</b>		Vacant

Can you help in any way? If so, please let us know. We are always looking for willing members to help in any way possible.

## 2012 SUPPER ROSTER

**JULY:** Minnie Bowman 3893 0527  
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If you would like to volunteer to help out on supper roster or would like to swap your assigned roster month to another one, please contact **Deborah** on **3396 9697**.

Your assistance is appreciated.

*MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK*

*Deborah Tearle, Supper Coordinator*

## CAN YOU HELP?

Sandra Wheeler who kindly donates most of our raffle prizes is in desperate need of more baskets for hampers. If you can help, please leave them at the Resource Centre or bring along to Ian Wheeler at the next meeting.

## THIS MONTH IN WYNNUM IN THE YEAR ... 1915

GROCERY STORE BURNT AT WYNNUM.

WYNNUM, July 25.

Mr. Hockey's grocery store, situated in Florence-street, near the Wynnum South railway gates, was completely destroyed by fire this morning. Mr. Griffin, an employee of the Wynnum Gas Co., first noticed the outbreak. He wakened Mr. Hickey, who lives near, and Mr. Brandon, whose son immediately went to Mr. Hockey's residence, in Charlotte-street, and notified him. The police also were early on the scene. Nothing could be saved, as the flames had got such a strong hold. A store room in the yard was saved by Mr. Brandon using a Minimax fire extinguisher. Mr. Hockey said he closed the grocery store at the usual time, and the rear part, which was used as a sweets and soft drinks shop, was closed about 10.30 p.m. He had let one or two rooms to Mr. W. H. Tully, commission agent, of Adelaide-street, Brisbane, who had put office furniture in the rooms, and also a copper boiler, which was melted beyond recognition. A public telephone cabinet attached to the building was destroyed, and the box containing the pennies was taken charge of by the police. A public letter posting box was opened in the presence of the police, and showed some grey powder, indicating that some letters had been destroyed. The stock was insured with the Commercial Union and Union Insurance Co. and the building with the Royal Insurance Co.

**Reference:**

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Greetings.

*"See, Winter comes to rule the varied year..  
Cruel as death, and hungry as the grave."*

*James Thomson [1700-1748] "Winter".*

Winter is well and truly here...and don't we know it! As I write, it is 15°C in my study, and the two "fur kids" are basking in the sun on the window sill. What a life! No cares, no responsibilities! As Christopher Smart (1722-1771) once said about his cat Jeffrey in Jubilate Agno, "For in his morning orisons he loves the sun and the sun loves him." It has been said that, to find the warmest place in winter, and the coolest place in summer, just follow the cat! They certainly are intelligent creatures who look after themselves very well.

Here we are in July (Latin Iulius). In the early Roman calendar, this was the fifth month of the year and known by the Romans as Quintilis. In 44 BC, it was renamed July in honour of Julius Caesar who was born in this month. Of course, in the Northern Hemisphere it is mid summer, so, the Anglo-Saxons called it "Litha se oefterra" (mid month), and the old Saxon name for July was "Maed-monath" or meadow month. Throughout the world, a number of countries celebrate their independence days in July. These include the USA, France, Belgium, Venezuela, Argentina and Peru. I have vivid memories of spending Bastille Day in Dijon one year. The celebration and fireworks that day were fantastic, and continued well into the evening.

No doubt, you all remember 20 July 1969 when U.S. astronauts, Neil "Armstrong and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin, were the first humans to land on the moon.

Our second bus trip for the year to Maroochy Gardens, Eumundi Markets and Tewantin to Noosa boat cruise went off well. The weather was perfect and most persons attending seemed to enjoy themselves. Our driver, Brendan, was careful and helpful which added to our enjoyment of the trip. We have started planning our next trip which will be somewhere in the Toowoomba region. I do encourage you to support the trips as every effort is made to make them interesting and enjoyable. Don't forget, friends and relatives are all welcome as well.

Our June meeting was well attended and we were treated to a most interesting presentation by historian, Helen Gregory, on the history of Brisbane River floods.

In closing, I would like to share with you a poem by Angeline Wilcox which I read in a recent copy of the "Evergreen" magazine (Summer 2006), which is a comment on our modern way of life.

Grandma's Words

"What is this country coming to?", my Grandma said to me,  
"Aggression, insults and disrespect have replaced humility.  
The Dunkirk spirit and a stiff upper lip helped us cope with strife,  
But everyone now is so irate, intent on a battle with life."

"I'm branded a second class citizen because I'm not "on-line",  
People are going glassy-eyed staring at computers all the time.  
When they're not gazing at a screen, shopping is what they like best,  
Spending's the new religion, with interest-free credit you're blessed.

"We used to call them days and weeks, but now its 'twenty-four, seven"  
I wouldn't be surprised if I need a means test to get a place in heaven.  
Please don't mention the euro, what's wrong with pounds and pence?  
Bring back Mazawattee Tea, good manners and common sense.

"Today's heroes are celebrities, but what do they actually do?  
Apart from pouting in magazines, their make up caked on like glue.  
Everyone's obsessed with image, it's considered a sin to age,  
Grey hair and wrinkles prompt panic – youth is all the rage."

"Youngsters don't need to shout at us, and talk so very slow,  
We have minds and feelings too, but they don't want to know.  
We don't want special treatment because we're 'getting on',  
Just don't treat us as foolish; value us, before we're gone."

Best wishes.

*Jan Parnell, President*



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

(outside entrance to Wynnum  
Public Library)

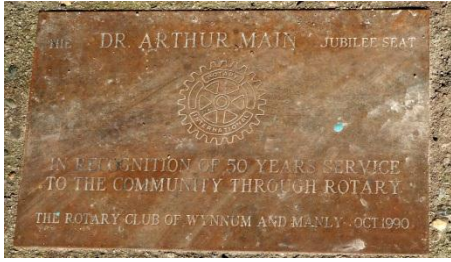
**Resource Centre opening  
hours**

**Monday – Friday  
(except Public Holidays)**

**10am – 12 noon**

- *Additions to our collection*  
“National Australia Bank, Wynnum”  
 The history of the bank and its various locations since opening in Bay Terrace in an old bakers shop in 1950. Researched and compiled by Noela Stratton and Jill Greenhill.
  
- “Manly and Lota Sub-Branch of the RSSAILA.”  
 (RSSAILA - Returned Soldier Sailor and Airman’s Imperial League of Australia).  
 Story of Manly RSL after the breakaway from the Wynnum group is compiled from newspaper cuttings
  
- “The Land is a Map - Place names of Indigenous Origin in Australia”  
 Editors: Luise Hercus, Flavia Hodges and Jane Simpson. Australian National University. 2009  
 A group of papers from two conferences held in 1999 and 2000. There is an emphasis on the important differences between the ways the Australian Colonists have names places in Australia and the ways the indigenous Australians name places.
  
- *A Letter from an on-line reader of the Newsletter.*  
 Leanne Richter of Proserpine, Queensland writes:  
 “I just wanted to write to say thank you for an article I found online in regards to Shirley Jefferies (nee Davies). I was struggling to find any information on her father, Thomas (Tom) as he married Beatrice who was my great grandmother’s sister (Rubiana Berg) My grandmother Marguerite Poulsen (nee Short) will be so happy to see this article. It was wonderful to see photos in the article as my family don’t really have any of our relatives. If you could please pass a HUGE thank you to Shirley, it would be greatly appreciated. I hope she is well.  
 Thank you sincerely”
  
- *Enquiry: “Ghost of Lota House”*  
 We received an enquiry from a visitor for information on the Ghost of Lota House. Myrtle provided the answer, which can be found on page 7 of this newsletter.  
 Thank you Myrtle.
  
- *St Helena Island*  
 When James McLennan was a boy, St Helena was his playground. He spent much time over there and this week brought in some of the snapshots that he had taken. He helped with the dismantling of the tiny chapel. He made the comment that the present-day buildings did not deteriorate, but that any timber that was available was removed from the site for use elsewhere. Hence all the roofs were dismantled, they did not fall in! He claimed his photos to be unique and he gave them to the society.
  
- *Pen Drawings of the Shire Clerk’s Cottage and the old Wynnum Town Hall*  
 We have several of these drawings, produced in 1981 by Joan Ricketts MBE. They are about A3 in size and could be mounted. Anyone interested in owning a copy of the prints, come to the Resource Room.
  
- *Local Cricket Teams in the 1930’s to 1950’s*  
 . We have gained copies of the “Strand and Imperial Pictures Cricket Teams” of 1938 - 1939, 1940 -1941 and 1947 -1948 and of the “Geraghty Memorial Cricket Teams” of 1948 -1949 and 1949 -1950.  
 The photographs have all the names of the players printed on them.

Till next time, Jill Greenhill  
 Librarian



The plaque is set in the concrete slab under the seat which is located on the Esplanade between Manly and Lota. By the seat there is a footpath leading from the Esplanade up the steep slope to Armytage Street.



Dr Arthur Main was a General Practitioner who worked for many years in Roma. When he came to Brisbane he resided in Coorparoo (Old Cleveland Road) and was an energetic member of the Wynnum Manly Rotary Club. He is said to have been interested in Spiritualism and may have ended his days above this seat in the Aged Care Home on top of the cliffs.



How about this plaque? Does anyone have any information about Mark Roff?

Let me know!

*Jill Greenhill, Librarian.*

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## HANNAH, THE GHOST OF LOTA HOUSE

On the 9 December 2010 I sat with a member of staff from Spiritus at the Christmas party of The Friends' of Lota House. Spiritus is the governing body of the Anglican Church in charge of community services such as the E.M. Tooth Memorial Home, which includes Lota House.

This staff member told me of the experience she and another staff member of Spiritus had the previous week when they saw Hannah the ghost standing at the turn of the internal steps of Lota House. Her co-worker was deeply disturbed by the sighting. The staff member described Hannah the ghost as a tall lady dressed in black. What a coincidence that our friend Hannah from Spiritus and the ghost have the same name.

This conversation prompted me to contact Jane Grieves, a descendant of William Duckett White whom I have met on a couple of occasions. Jane had previously told me many snippets of her time as a child when visiting her grandmother at Lota House. I told Jane of this sighting of Hannah the ghost.

Jane Grieve's great great grandfather was William Duckett White, the builder of Lota House in 1863. His daughter Helena married Graham Mylne. Their son, also Graham, was the father of Jane's mother and Jane and her siblings were raised at Lota. Jane was the 17<sup>th</sup> grandchild and remembers staying at Lota House. Jane's cousin Min saw the ghost as a child – a tall woman in a black gown with a hood, coming out of the small bedroom to the right of the top of the stairs.

Min thinks she was a young lady who died in childbirth. Jane's grandmother was State President of the Country Women's Association (CWA) and helped women in that situation. Jane presumes that the ghost, Hannah, was an unmarried pregnant girl who most probably would have been sent from the country to the CWA Home in Grace Street Lota. Jane's older cousin, Julia, may know more and also her mum's sister Ness, who is still alive, but unfortunately has dementia.

So the ghost, Hannah, does not seem to be a member of the White family, but someone who was in need of friendship in a difficult time in her life and thus cared for by Helena Mylne.

I have been associated with The Friends of Lota House since 1990 and over the years other staff members of the Home have said to me there have been sightings of a ghost and I have just put the idea to one side thinking that people like to have ghost stories connected with old homes.

*Written by Myrtle Beitz  
December 2010*



Lota House

Following on from the ghostly tale of Lota House seems like a good time to advertise Christmas in July being held at Lota House on Friday evening, 27 July 2012. Come and enjoy a wonderful evening.

Who knows, you may even see the ghost of Lota House!



*The Friends and Facility Manager of the  
E. M. Tooth Memorial Home*

*Have much pleasure in inviting you to our*

# **CHRISTMAS in JULY Dinner**

on

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2012**

*Starting at 6.45 pm*

*Punch and a welcome drink will be provided  
BYO dinner drinks.*

**Tickets \$35**

**Parking available in the grounds**



***Please RSVP by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> JULY 2012***

*For bookings phone Claire Lees: 0412 768 286 or John Payne: 0419 714 076  
OR Cut-off and send with payment as below*

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*Please make cheques payable to 'The Friends of Lota House', P.O. Box 5524, Manly, QLD 4179*

*Number of Guests:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Name of Guest/s:* \_\_\_\_\_

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# WATERLOO BAY LEADER

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While local firms such as Albert Bunney and Sons Pty. Ltd. continue to give such excellent service to the builders and allied

tradesmen of Wynnum and Manly, this centre should surely prosper and residents will take a justified pride in its business houses.

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This firm also controls a large mill at Coominya, on the Brisbane Valley Line, with an output of 7,000 superficial feet of timber per day. This is the supply source of the Wynnum mill. The Coominya mill is managed by Mr. Albert Bunney, Senr., while the Wynnum mill is under the control of his sons, A.A. Bunney (manager) and E.W. Bunney (secretary). A third brother, C. E. Bunney, is also actively engaged with the mill.

## Waterloo Bay Leader Classified Advertisements

July 18 1941

**IF YOU LIKE FISH** and like it good, then come to Morris' Hygeia Café, the big shop between Pine and Chestnut Streets, Esplanade, Wynnum, where only the best cooked fish, light luncheons and suppers are served. Come once, come always.

**WANTED** Girl or Woman for household duties. Apply Mrs. Sands, Akonna Street or Wynnum Hardware supplies.

**TO LET.** Upstairs flat, clean roomy, own entrance. Morris' Café, Esplanade, Wynnum Central.



**THIS special report was compiled by Mr Merv Beitz, a retired school teacher with undying love for the Bayside which has been his home for so many years. Merv's love for the area and his lifelong quest for information on "the early days" has earned him the reputation of being the Bayside's foremost historian.**



Most readers are familiar with the story of Moreton Bay, its jail, and the harsh treatment meted out to the convicts in the period between 1824 and 1842. All life centred around the rough little settlement some 12 miles from the mouth of the Brisbane River.

The wooded hills and mangrove foreshores of South Moreton Bay were still a mystery to most. Some attempts at exploration were made by one commandant, Captain Logan, both by land and across the waters to Stradbroke Island and south to what is now the Logan River.

During 1829-30 a track was cut through the bush to Emu Point (now Cleveland Point) to hurry the arrival of supplies from ships unloading at Dunwich. These supplies were rowed in long boats to Cleveland Point jetty, then placed on to wagons for the haul along the Government Road to South Brisbane. Crude ferries completed the journey to Queen Street. Large ships could not enter the river at the time because of bad sandbanks at the mouth.

Between 1844 and 1859 the free settlers to Brisbane seemed intent on spreading out to places many miles beyond the settlement where grazing lands were there for the taking. Only businessmen intent on proving the needs for all these new settlers remained in Brisbane. As these lands to the west petered out the "newly arrived" in the 1860's had to be content with turning their eyes to the closer district of Moreton Bay.

Areas like Bulimba (where the McConnells of Cressbrook Station in the Brisbane Valley, had built a town house in 1850 and had many acres for resting and fattening their imported stock, before sending them on to their station) changed hands and were cut up into smaller farm blocks. Migrants from Scotland, Holland, England and Germany settled on these small farms and soon stretched from Bulimba Creek to present day Hemmant, Lindum, Tingalpa, Lytton and Wynnum.

The earliest products were vegetables, maize and bananas. By 1862 bananas were the principal crop. Approaching the 1870's the farmers were directed to sugar growing. The first sugar mill was erected by Captain Hope at Ormiston but very soon there were 10 other mills in operation throughout the area.

Gibson & Sons at Hemmant, the Porters at Murarrie, John Dawson at "The Springs" (later Hargreaves, now Edgells) at Doughboy Creek by the Carliles, at Kianawah by the Kelk Bros. and Captain McKenzie. Before the building of the mills the cane was crushed by a floating sugar mill named "Walrus" which steamed along the banks of Bulimba Creek and later the Brisbane River near St Lucia. After the Walrus lost business to the land based mills it became a floating distillery. "Walrus Rum" was well known in those early days for warming the inner man.

With the decline of the sugar industry close to Brisbane many families turned to dairying. Success was achieved by such families as the Uhlmanns, Yeos, Franklins, Carliles and Brocks.

Before turning to Wynnum I must first mention our near neighbour, Lytton. Queensland's first Governor Sir George Bowen named Lytton after a famous English statesman. A pilot station was built at Lytton in 1859 and in that same year a Customs Officer was appointed and a township laid out. Pilots also boarded all ships at Lytton and guided them up river to the City wharves. A medical officer also was stationed at Lytton to examine all persons entering the river.

A war scare in the 1870's and 1880's convinced the Authorities that a fort should be constructed at Lytton armed with several heavy cannons. This was done including barracks. By 1880 about 1000 soldiers were in training there. These were apparently volunteers for there was also a permanent garrison of some 80 men.

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The township of Lytton really prospered. A school was opened in 1882 but later was shifted to Tingal Road and became known as Wynnum North. Lytton in 1887 had a permanent population of 350 and even its own jockey club affiliated with the Q.T.C. The racecourse later became the site of Brisbane's first airport where Sir Charles Kingsford Smith and his friend Allen and Ulm founded Australian National Airways using the Southern Cloud, Southern Moon, Southern Star and the Southern Sun. No need to mention the Southern Cross and its exploits.

Give some thought now as to how the early inhabitants of our area journeyed to Brisbane. In the 1860's travel could only be by water. Boats moved down Balmoral Creek into the river and then upstream to the Brisbane settlement. The erection of the bridge over Bulimba Creek in 1870 saw the introduction of road traffic. A horse drawn bus service from Lytton through Hemmant to the Bulimba Ferry then became of great importance. The Bulimba Ferry had been running across the river since 1864 but had been of little use to the lower Brisbane River settlers with no access across Bulimba Creek. This road was graveled and was the forerunner of today's Lytton Road.

The Whites of Lota House and the Jones's of Tingalpa House Manly Heights seemed to favour a journey back to Old Cleveland Road and thence to South Brisbane. Going this way they would meet up with many of their "squatter" friends traveling to or from Cleveland. In 1882 a railway line to Wynnum and Cleveland was suggested. Though many legislators were against it, plans for a single track railway line were approved in 1887 and the contract price of approximately \$180,000 by G. C. Wilcocks was accepted. The line was finished in November 1889.

From here on begins the story of Wynnum's growth into a first class residential area. Those people of the 1880's who could see into the future had already seen to it that all the land from Wynnum Creek to Lota Plantation had been surveyed into town allotments under the names of many estates like Manly Beach, Rose Bay, Darling Point, Coogee, East Wynnum and Waterloo Bay. Manly Beach was offered first in 1882. Bay Terrace was surveyed in 1885 and sales commenced soon after. Irvines on the northern end of Bay Terrace was built in 1887 being the first shop and house in the Wynnum business area. With the completion of the railway line, the sister township of Lytton began to fade.

A permanent population began to build up, so much so that a Government school was erected at Wynnum Central in 1896 providing for the education of 85 children in that first year. Conditions were still very primitive in this small township. Old photographs show only dirt roads, little in the way of lighting; tanks and wells for water and a not so inviting foreshore. But things changed quickly; jetties were erected, bathing enclosures provided and many things done to please the day trippers who came on the weekend trains to enjoy the delights of our Bay.

The Wynnum-Manly of the 1980's shows many changes. The hills that rise from the beach front support a permanent population of some 50-60 thousand. One hundred years of local and Brisbane City Government has supplied the area with a wealth of recreational facilities and civic amenities among which would be the ever-growing boat harbour with its associated yachting and power-boat clubs.

February 1987

*Found amongst Bran Brandenburg's possessions*

*Typed for Newsletter by Heather Langston*

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The Wynnum Manly Historical Society would like to thank and acknowledge CMK Financial Solutions for its ongoing support and sponsorship.

*For all your financial needs and advice, contact **Carl** on phone 1300 882 910.*

# Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc.

## MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 21 June 2012

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

The meeting **opened** at 7.30pm. 42 members were present and 9 apologies were received.

**Visitors**, Paul Comber and Joanne Comber were present.

President Jan Parnell told us of other important events that occurred on 21 June throughout time.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting** held on 17 May 2012 were approved by Debbie Tearle seconded by Heather Langston.

**Correspondence inwards and outwards**, for May 2012, was presented by Debbie Tearle for Lena McCreadie. The correspondence had been accepted and endorsed at the committee meeting held on Thursday 7 June 2012.

The **Financial Report**, was presented by Sandy Liddle.

<u>General Account:</u>	Opening Balance at 1 May 2012	\$ 6,049.07
	Receipts: \$431.45      Expenses: \$239.36	
	Balance at 31 May 2012	<b>\$ 6,241.16</b>
	NB Cheque #310 for \$35 still not presented.	
<u>WebSaver A/c</u>	Opening Balance	<u>\$27,087.30</u>
	Plus interest	86.34
	Closing Balance	\$27,173.64
<b>Total Funds:</b>		<b><u>\$33,414.80</u></b>

### Resource Centre:

Members were thanked for attending the Morning Tea held in Heritage Week and for braving the elements and supporting the Society's display at History Alive at fort Lytton.

The mystery photo was taken under a seat on the Esplanade between Manly and Lota, at the foot of Armytage Street. Dr Arthur Pain was an enthusiastic member of Wynnum Manly Rotary Club.

Five photos of Cricket teams of the 1930's to the 1950's were put on display.

### Tour:

On Saturday 30 June the Society will be heading northwards to Maroochy Gardens, Eumundi, Cooroy (lunch) and taking a trip down the Noosa River from Tewantin to Noosa. Seats were still available.

Speaker: **Peter Cumming** told members of Brisbane City Council's plans in the next twelve months for our local district.

Guest Speaker: **Helen Gregory** provided an illustrated and very interesting talk about the repeated Brisbane Floods, 1841 being the highest flood of all times.

The **Lucky Door** Prize (\$5) was won by Ellen Coupland, the **Membership Draw** (\$5) by Jan Parnell and the raffle by Noela Stratton

The meeting closed at 9.00pm and members and guests were provided with a delicious supper by Jan Parnell, Christina Stevens, Heather Langston and Debbie Tearle.

*Jill Greenhill, Minute Secretary*

## MICROFICHE AND MICROFILM RESOURCES HELD BY WMHS

Do you know that the Wynnum Manly Historical Society holds the following resources in the Resource Centre for members to use for free? The friendly volunteers on duty will be more than happy to assist you with use of the equipment.

### Microfiche

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

### Microfilm

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

## RESOURCES FOR SALE

For those of you who cannot make it into the Resource Centre, below is a list of books which the Society has for sale. If you would like to purchase any of these books, please contact **Jill Greenhill**. Some of these authors offer a part donation to the Wynnum Manly Historical Society from book sales to Society members. This is a good way to help support your Society.

Author	Title	Publication year	Cost
<b>Beitz, Myrtle</b>	Mangroves to moorings revisited	2005	\$ 35.00
<b>Beitz, Myrtle</b>	A quick tour around Wynnum, Manly, Lota	2006	Donation
<b>Davenport, Winifred &amp; Mottram, Betty</b>	Early shipping in Moreton Bay: June 1846 - December 1859, Volume 1	1998	\$ 10.00
<b>Davenport, Winifred &amp; Mottram, Betty</b>	Early shipping in Moreton Bay: January 1860 – December 1863, Volume 2 (2nd ed)	2002	\$ 10.00
<b>Nalder, Robyn</b>	From sapling to kero tin: A peek at Gumdale's past	2004	\$ 15.00
<b>Nock, Betty</b>	History of music in the Wynnum and Manly area 1900-1997	1998	\$ 5.00
<b>Nock, Betty</b>	History of arts in the Wynnum and Manly area 1900-2003	2005	\$ 5.00

## SHIRTS AND BADGES

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Do you have the new **badge** -\$10.

Contact Jill (3393 3208) to order.

## Calendar of WYNNUM MANLY HISTORICAL SOCIETY events

July 2012	August 2012	September 2012
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Thursday, 19th</i>                      <b>7.30pm</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>JULY GENERAL MEETING</b></p> <p><i>Where:</i> Ambulance Museum Auditorium Cnr Cedar St &amp; Tingal Road</p> <p><i>Topic:</i>   <b>Does Henry VIII get a fair share of the sauce bottle?</b> <i>Speaker:</i> Anne Peterken</p> <p><i>Topic:</i>   <b>The Wynnum Honour Board</b> <i>Speaker:</i> Jill Greenhill</p> <p>Visitors welcome.</p> <p>Cost: <b>Gold coin donation</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Thursday, 16th</i>                      <b>7.30pm</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>AUGUST GENERAL MEETING</b></p> <p><i>Where:</i> Ambulance Museum Auditorium Cnr Cedar St &amp; Tingal Road</p> <p><i>Topic:</i>   <b>Sinking and finding of the Centaur</b> <i>Speaker:</i> Pam &amp; Jim Ailkert</p> <p>Visitors welcome.</p> <p>Cost: <b>Gold coin donation</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Thursday, 20th</i>                      <b>7.30pm</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING</b></p> <p><i>Where:</i> Ambulance Museum Auditorium Cnr Cedar St &amp; Tingal Road</p> <p><i>Topic:</i>   <b>TBA</b> <i>Speaker:</i></p> <p>Visitors welcome.</p> <p>Cost: <b>Gold coin donation</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Thursday, 26th</i>                      <b>10am</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MORNING TEA AT WYNNUM LIBRARY</b></p> <p><i>Where:</i> Wynnum Library 66 Bay Terrace</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> Ian Kennedy</p> <p><i>Topic:</i> Houses in my past</p> <p>Come on down to Wynnum Library and enjoy morning tea and an interesting talk. Kate Harbison, the Local History Librarian, is looking forward to seeing you.</p> <p>Cost: <b>Free.</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Thursday, 30th</i>                      <b>10am</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MORNING TEA AT WYNNUM LIBRARY</b></p> <p><i>Where:</i> Wynnum Library 66 Bay Terrace</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> TBA</p> <p><i>Topic:</i></p> <p>Cost: <b>Free.</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Thursday, 27th</i>                      <b>10am</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MORNING TEA AT WYNNUM LIBRARY</b></p> <p><i>Where:</i> Wynnum Library 66 Bay Terrace</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> TBA</p> <p><i>Topic:</i></p> <p>Cost: <b>Free.</b></p>



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## Calendar of other community events of interest

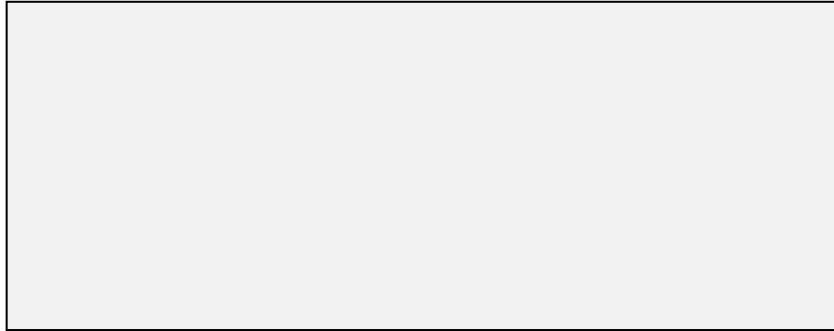
July 2012	August 2012	September 2012
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Sunday, 15th</i>                      <b>9am – 10.30am</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>WHEN BRITAIN RULED THE WAVES</b></p> <p>Celebrate more than 100 years of the Royal Australian Navy on this anniversary walking tour. Visit HMAS Voyager Memorial, the Naval Stores and other reminders of the days when Queensland had its own navy.</p> <p>Cost: <b>\$10.00.</b></p> <p>Bookings essential: Phone 3403 8470.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Thursday, 9th</i>                      <b>10am – 11am</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>GETTING THE MOST OUT OF QSA ONLINE RESOURCES</b></p> <p><i>Where:</i>      Queensland State Archives                  Compton Road                  Runcorn</p> <p>This seminar will provide an overview of the Queensland State Archives' website and <i>ArchivesSearch</i> catalogue and includes a practical demonstration detailing what can be found and how to find it.</p> <p>Cost: <b>Free</b> Bookings: Phone 3131 7777.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Wednesday, 19th</i>                      <b>12.30pm - ?</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>SAVING OUR SOIL: SOIL CONSERVATION IN QUEENSLAND SINCE THE 1930S</b></p> <p><i>Where:</i>      State Library of Queensland                  South Bank.</p> <p>Soil is one of our most critical natural resources. The history of soil conservation in Queensland is largely unknown to the wider public, considering the fundamental role it has played in the development of sustainable land use in our state.</p> <p>Cost: <b>FREE.</b> Bookings essential on 3840 7768</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Friday, 20th</i>                      <b>10.30am – 12.30pm</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NATIONAL LAMINGTON DAY AT THE HOME OF THE LAMINGTON!</b></p> <p><i>Where:</i>      Old Government House                  Brisbane.</p> <p>Free tours of the House and afterwards enjoy tea/coffee and a lamington in the Dining Room. Tours run from 10.30am on the half hour until 12.30pm (last tour).</p> <p>Cost: <b>Tours are free.</b></p> <p>Bookings essential on 3138 8005</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Sunday, 19th</i>                      <b>1pm – 4.30pm</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>THE MAYNE INHERITANCE HERITAGE TOUR</b></p> <p>A young Irish farm labourer who became a council alderman, property owner and a suspected murderer. Meet the author of <i>The Mayne Inheritance</i> and visit "Moorlands", the old family home.</p> <p>Cost: <b>\$40.00</b> (includes afternoon tea and guide).</p> <p>Bookings essential on 3365 5423 or email <a href="mailto:medalum@uq.edu.au">medalum@uq.edu.au</a>.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Saturday, 22nd</i>                      <b>TBA</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>BRIBIE ISLAND'S SEASIDE CULTURE: ITS HISTORY AND HERITAGE</b></p> <p><i>Where:</i>      St. Joseph's College                  285 Gregory Terrace                  Brisbane</p> <p>Further details available from Brisbane History Group.</p> <p>Cost: <b>TBA.</b></p> <p>Bookings essential on 3840 7768</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Saturday, 21st</i>                      <b>12.30pm – 4.15pm</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>INCARCERATING CROOKS &amp; SAVING LIVES: JUSTICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES</b></p> <p><i>Where:</i>      Police Headquarters                  200 Roma Street,                  Brisbane.</p> <p>Talks include <i>Catching crooks: the Modus Operandi Section</i>; <i>The history of corrective services in Brisbane</i>; <i>The Pearl Ferry disaster: saving lives in 1890</i>; <i>The history of Queensland Ambulance</i>; <i>Brisbane Ablaze 1860-1920</i>.</p> <p>Cost: <b>\$15.00</b> Bookings essential ph: 3398 4080 by 12 July 2012</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Saturday, 25th</i>                      <b>2pm – 4pm</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>BRISBANE'S RUBBITY DUBS!</b></p> <p>Explore the place of 'pub' and 'club' in the evolution of Brisbane society from colonial times to the present day.</p> <p>Cost: <b>\$10.00</b></p> <p>Bookings essential: Phone 3403 8470.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Sunday, 30th</i>                      <b>10am – 11.30am</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>BRISBANE'S HISTORIC SHOPPING &amp; BUSINESS PRECINCTS</b></p> <p>This is a walking tour to enable you to bask in the shopping experiences of times past. Appreciate historic facades and beautiful arcades and buildings.</p> <p>Cost: <b>\$10.00.</b></p> <p>Bookings essential on 3403 8470.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Wednesday, 18th &amp; Saturday, 21st</i>                      <b>10am-11.30am</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>AUSTRALIAN ANTARCTIC TERRITORY</b></p> <p><i>Where:</i>      National Archives of Australia                  16 Corporate Drive                  Cannon Hill</p> <p>Hear how Australia staked its claim in Antarctica through scientific research, territorial treaties and agreements, and permanent bases in Antarctica.</p> <p>Cost: <b>Free</b> Bookings essential on 3249 4226 or <a href="mailto:Brisbane.events@naa.gov.au">Brisbane.events@naa.gov.au</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Saturday, 25th</i>                      <b>10am – 3.30pm</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CELEBRATING OUR HERITAGE</b></p> <p><i>Where:</i>      Commissariat Store Museum                  115 William Street                  Brisbane.</p> <p>This seminar traces the beginnings of the state's heritage protection as well as highlights different aspects of heritage and includes examples of successful adaptive re-use of heritage buildings.</p> <p>Cost: <b>\$10.00</b></p>	

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Single \$15.00

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**Deadline for newsletter submissions: By Sunday, 5 August 2012 for August 2012 issue.**