



GENERAL MEETING

**Sunday 19 August
2018**

Wynnnum Library
(Meeting Room 1)

145 Florence Street,
Wynnnum
(Enter by the lift)

1.00pm for 1.30pm start.

Daley Donnelly
who is a
Queensland Park Ranger
at Fort Lytton

will give us
an illustrated account
of the history of

St Helena

Door Prize

Membership Draw

Raffle

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Presidents Report

With August upon us, it brought back memories of Royal National Show or "EKKA". Do you remember catching the "special Ekka train"? Before the cross river rail bridge, the train would branch off before Park Road Station and travel behind the PA Hospital through Dutton Park, Yeronga, Tennyson over the Indooroopilly Bridge to Roma Street, Normanby to the Ekka. Back home via Brunswick Street, and Central. The steam train pulling the red wooden carriages. All the excitement of the day ahead on the inward journey and exhaustion on the return journey.

Everyone comparing their "sample bags". Because that is what they used to be, small samples of manufacturers larger products. I especially remember the "violet bag" I am not sure what the correct name was, but in it was a very "small" bottle of very strong scent a little went a loooooong way! The bag also contained a small tube of violet flavoured hard lollies, only about six all up and the challenge was to try and save at least one to take back to school after the "exhibition holidays". And the westerly winds that would blow all the dust down "side show alley". The strawberry ice-cream cones, with chopped strawberries in the bottom of the cone, a slab of pink and white ice-cream topped with a blob of cream and a whole strawberry. There was nothing that said show time more than a strawberry ice-cream, hot chips from the Tasmanian Potato pavilion and if you were lucky (or unlucky depending on how your parents felt) a goldfish from the Japanese Pearl pavilion. I wonder how many of those fish made it to the suburbs and survived? I haven't visited the RNA show for many, many years but I wonder if the children of today experience the excitement that I and my cohorts felt when we visited and experienced to country coming together with the city?

I would like to remind you that the August meeting will be the last Sunday afternoon meeting. Our September meeting will return to the Queensland Ambulance Museum, corner Cedar Street and Tingal Road. Thursday 20 September 7.00pm for a 7.15pm start.

If you are going to the Ekka this year, have a strawberry ice-cream cone for me. And look out for the "Violet Bag" or perhaps it was just a figment of my imagination. I would love to hear your memories, let me know at the next meeting.

Till September.

Deb Tearle

Proposed Bus Trip - Saturday August 25 2018

Unfortunately we did not receive sufficient bookings to hire a bus, so the trip has been postponed until further notice. We apologise to those members who did show interest and entered their names on the list.

Bremer River Junction Day Cruise

For the last two years we have endeavoured to reach the Bremer River Junction.

Cruises are sparse as there must be a suitable high tide and sufficient passengers!

There is a cruise sailing from Hamilton on **Sunday 20 January 2019**, past Indooroopilly, Jindalee and Moggill to the mouth of the Bremer River and return. Wonderful mansions and new developments feature on this cruise. The flood recovery from 2011 is mostly complete, only a few reminders remain.

If we can collect **ten** names of persons interested in a river trip next January, we can book a Maxi-Taxi to get us to and from Mowbray Park.

Cost \$67 which includes Morning and Afternoon Tea and a BBQ lunch.

Please indicate if you are interested. List will be in the Resource Room at the Community Centre.

Jill: 3393 3208 or jillg01@tpg.com.au

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Contact:

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

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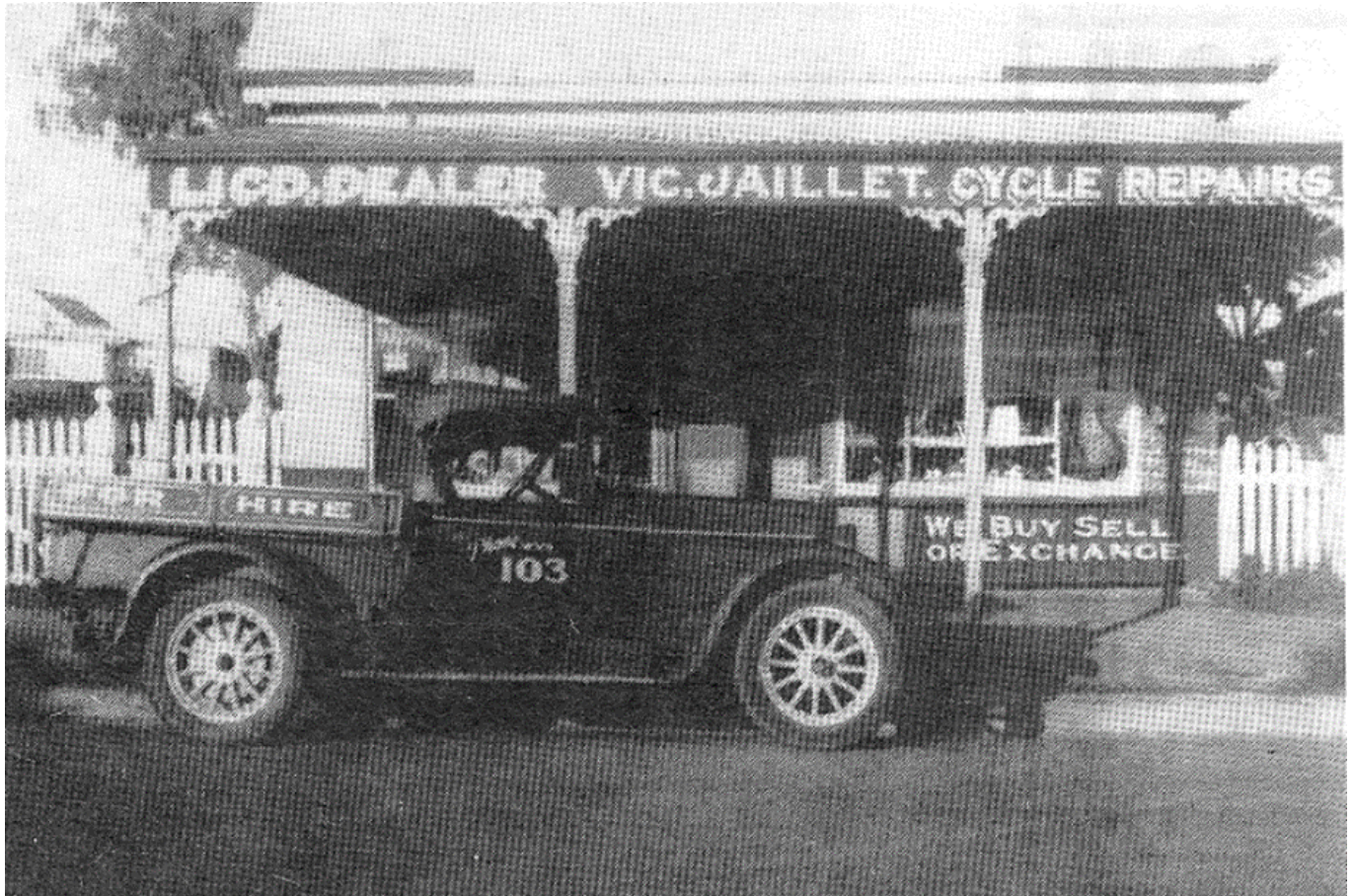
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This article was found in a Wynnum Herald of 11 November 1987

Looking Back

“Bike began inventive career”

By PAULA BAILEY



Forty two years ago (1945) **Vic Jaillet**, of Specialising in cycle repairs, he would build Wynnum, travelled to Somerset Dam by bi-bikes from Ashby and Malvern Star parts to cycle in search of a job – only to find little work and even less money.

Returning home to his wife and 16 children, Vic knew he had to earn a living to keep his family fed and sheltered – there was no social security to support a family in those days.

Moving his family to a shop on Bay Terrace, Vic painted his old pushbike and placed it in the window.

The bike became the first of many sales and Vic became a handyman and Jack of all trades.

create the Victor Pushbikes.

New and second-hand goods were also sold at the store and Vic made many bedside and radio cabinets for his customers.

Later he was able to buy a four passenger touring car and with a few alterations, it soon became a utility.

The vehicle was hired to people and used for furniture removal within the community.

He became one of the first Pioneer bus drivers in the area and was later a taxi driver until his retirement about six years ago.

Vic now lives in the city.

This family has long links to the Past .

The Herald printed this happy event on 29 August 2007.

SWEETHEARTS SMILING AFTER 70 YEARS



From a chance meeting in 1935, **George and Emily Jackson** have forged a successful and enduring partnership as the Herald's Desiree Duncan discovered.

George and Emily Jackson have no pictures of their wedding Day.

However, there are not many couples who get to celebrate their 70th anniversary and the Jacksons count themselves lucky.

The long time sweethearts met during an evening walk on Wynnum jetty in 1935 when Mr Jackson was transporting Wynnum Seagulls players to the mainland from Dunwich on his 11m launch, "*The Wonder*".

Seventy-two years on, George, 94 and Emily, 92, cackled with laughter when Mr Jackson described their first meeting – "I never saw her, it was dark".

His future bride, Emily Feige, was the eighth of 12 children and they married in a

simple ceremony typical of the depression-era, at the Ashton Street Methodist Church on September 4, 1937.

They moved to Mr Jackson's family home on Russell Island where he worked at his father's sawmill and the couple had five children.

During World War II Mr Jackson delivered mail to Moreton Bay Islands at a time when lights were banned to avoid night time enemy detection.

Mrs Jackson said she still prepared their daily meals and believed the secret to a successful marriage remained unchanged. "You've got to be 50 – 50. When you make a decision you've got to make it together", she said.

The Jackson's will celebrate their anniversary with their three surviving children and family at their Manly West home.

See page 6 for the family story

Resource Centre Report - August 2018



- *Clean-Up of Wynnum Creek*

A group of concerned residents has been endeavouring for several months to tidy up the appearance of the mouth of the creek. The main concern was the line of boats on the southern bank below the Fox Street Bridge. These boats were rotting away, disintegrating and sinking into the water.

Owners of the vessels were sought and where successful, some boat remains were removed. In some cases the owners were deceased. However the removal had begun.

The group, supported by Joan Pease, MP are now investigating the history of the area. A collection is being made of all the early photographs - the bridges, the boats, the use of the creek by the local fishing industry, the Kiosk, the Fish Markets, Wynnum No. 1 Jetty, destroyed in the 1960's, the present groyne and any other relevant views. Possible erection of descriptive plaques is also being considered.

We have added to this collection and look forward to the publishing of a book recording this history.

- *Repairs to Windows of Resource Room*

I am pleased to report that we are waterproof again. The windows were removed, the ancient window sills were fully sealed, followed by a good paint job! We also, after 3 years, have handles on the window frames to be able to easily pull the windows closed. Thank you, Brisbane City Council.

- *Family Tree Research*

We are becoming known for the excellent family trees produced by Ellen who now makes appointments for her Tuesday visitors.

The completed requests are kept in the Resource Room, so if you have any of the following names in your family, you may be there:

Kunowski/Shogren Bassard Allen/Wheeler Goostry/Naylor
Westacott/Waldren Castner/Sheriff/Hamlett/Cope Juppenlatz Ogg and more!

If you are interested in searching for your forebears, let us know.

- *Stop Press – we have obtained a grant!*

A phone call has just been received from the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club. Last year we produced an historical calendar for 2018, connected with the oral history project. The calendar sold out very quickly.

Recently we submitted an application into the Leagues Club Community Grant scheme for money to produce a 2019 Calendar and we have been successful.

The presentation is at the Leagues Club at 5.15pm on Wednesday 8 August 2018.

Till next time Jill

The Jackson Family – Cribb and Russell Islands

Cribb Island was a suburb of Brisbane, but is no more. The entire community was removed from the area between 1970 and 1980 to enable the construction of an extension to the International Airport runways. Cribb Island was only an island at high tide, mudflats appeared at low tide, across which ran the only entry road to the suburb. The first road across the mudflats, was constructed of chained logs, which floated at high tide. A more substantial road appeared in later years.

John George Cribb, son of Robert Cribb, an eminent Alderman in Brisbane, purchased 150 acres of land, in 1863, from the Queensland Government, for general farming. In 1884, there is record that a tribe of around 50 aboriginal people lived there and bartered their fish and crabs with the early European settlers for potato and bread.

In 1885, John George Cribb sold 65 acres of his land to **James Jackson** for the growing of bananas. Jackson's portion of land was referred to as "Jacksons Estate", the remainder as Cribb Island.

Being close to the centre of Brisbane the area became popular as a seaside resort, with a Post Office from 1920 to 1980, a bus service to Brisbane and a school.

Two of James Jackson's sons, Tom (born 1861) and Mark (born 1886) set up a cannery to market their pineapples. There was no land to buy on Cribb Island so father James and son Tom, purchased land further south on the developing Russell Island, at 2/6d per acre.

Initially Mark moved southwards down the bay to Russell Island in 1905 at the age of 19 years and initially worked on Tom's land before swapping his southern land for that on the mid-western side of the island where he established Jacksonville. He looked out over the boat passage and down to Southport. Tom died in 1895, but James remained on Cribb Island.

Mark became a very successful farmer. He grew bananas, pineapples, tomatoes, melons and paw paws, cucumbers and Brussel sprouts, beans and passionfruit. Custard Apples, macadamias and avocados were introduced later. Mark could neither read nor write but was a thorough gentleman and fully abreast of happenings of his time as he was very observant.

Mangroves were plentiful and a great source of mud crabs. Fish were abundant. The Jackson family were well known at being able to turn their hand to any occupation. They survived.

Mark set up a pineapple cannery in 1912, firstly for his own crop, then crops from the Redland Bay Islands and the mainland. Twenty local people were employed. The tins were exported to New Zealand and one even turned up in Paris. Production lasted till WW1, when tin became scarce and the cannery had to close down.

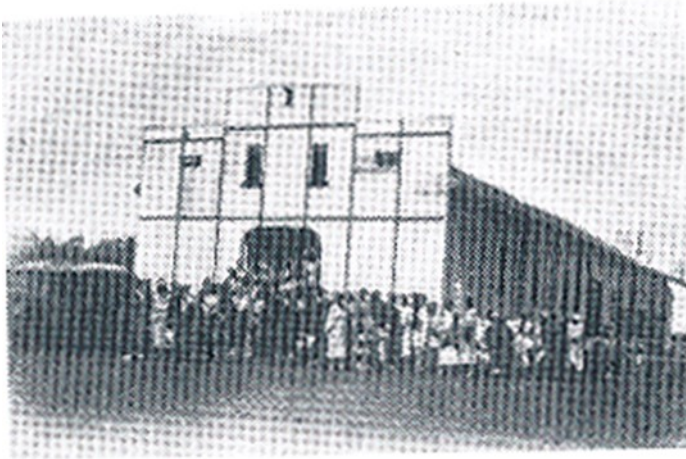
The empty cannery building was located on the ridge against the sports oval and was used to house a new saw mill. The engine and the motor came from another saw mill on the island and the boiler was floated down the passage from Pimpama Sugar Mill. The boiler arrived and was too heavy to be lifted up the ridge to the new saw mill, so the saw mill was moved down towards the foreshore.



Jackson's Saw Mill at Jacksonville

The “MV Tingapa brought the bricks and chimney. Surplus logs were floated and held in a “rafting ground” and moved when needed on a flat-topped barge. Eight locals were employed.

Mark built a jetty 20 metres long and 2 metres wide at Jacksonville, which was in use until 1975. Mark was community minded and donated 5 acres of land for a public sports oval. He helped build the Methodist Church opposite Jackson Oval. The church though never painted, was loved by its congregation. Later the building was moved to its present position in Lou Street.



In 1950 Martin opened the Bay View Picture Theatre with an adjacent General Store, for passing boaties. The theatre held 90 people. Patrons came from other islands for the show on a Saturday night. Unfortunately the building burnt down on 30 December 1965 when an electrical storm started a fire in the roof. As there was not a sufficient supply of water the building burnt down

Bay View Picture Theatre

The attempt to build a swimming pool was a failure as the pylons could not be driven into the ground as far as was necessary.

Mark married Ada from Redland Bay in 1910 and they had four children, Doug, Eric, George and Phyllis. Doug was sick for most of his life with kidney problems, Eric had a bad accident. Mark lived to 89 years and died in 1975

Son George, born in 1912, ran the local ferry service and was always available to hire his 40' boat ad barge. He took fishing parties, delivered goods and animals. He ran the school ferry service.

George met his future wife Emily Feige in 1935 when he was transporting Wynnum Seagull's players to the mainland from Dunwich on his 11' launch, “*The Wonder*”.

George and Emily had five children. The eldest Harold died at an early age and the youngest Margaret married local boy Roy Pointon and had three boys, who still work as commercial fishermen.

Besides his boating activities, George also grew fruit and vegetables for the markets and grazed cattle on the Jackson property down South Stradbroke Drive and Lagoon Road.

George and Emily moved to Manly West later in life where they celebrated their seventieth wedding anniversary in 2007

Emily Jackson (nee Feige) was my husband's aunt.

Researched by Jill Greenhill.

Series The M.V Mirimar

For more of Myrtle's M.V Mirimar...

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Series THE M.V. MIRIMAR

No 11

The Mirimar took the Amateur Fishing Club, formed in 1936 on a fortnightly fishing trips to Jumpinpin, the Southport Broadwater and North Stradbroke Island. In 1986 a half century badge was specially minted to mark the 50 anniversary of the Club.

Ken on the Mirimar



June/July 2018 Where would I have been?

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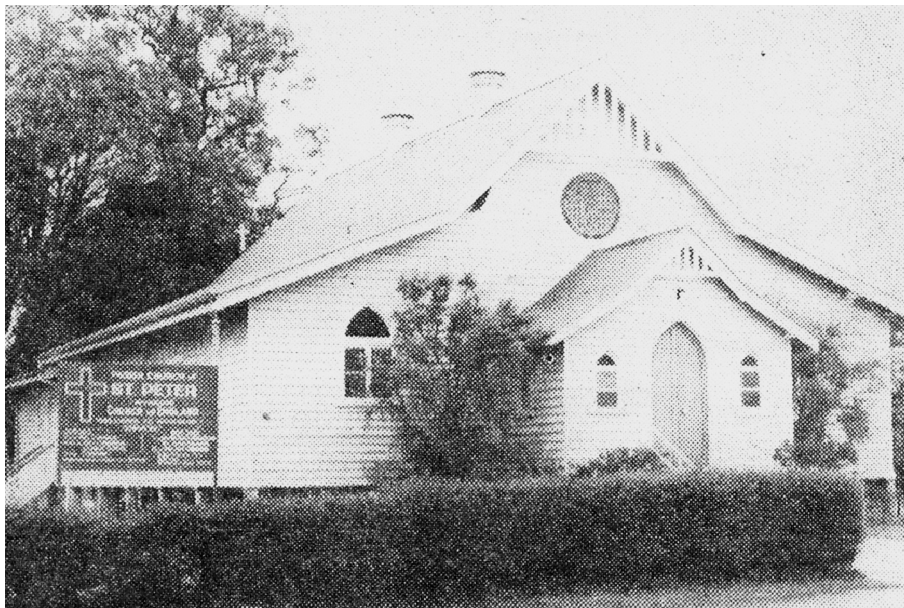
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Today, on this site stands the “Gravy Train”, a well-known local café, located in Florence Street, next to the railway line.

The building was standing in the days of horse and buggies. Harry Hooper, local Real Estate Agent and Auctioneer occupied this building and his brother Dick Hooper, a pioneer dentist in the district was next door. The Heymer family ran the newsagency on the corner against Tingal Road.

A visitor to the ‘old’ Resource Centre said that her husband opened the Gravy Train but could not provide the date. Previously a bicycle repairer occupied the building.

August 2018 Where would I have been?



Till next time. Jill

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

Meeting opened at 1.25pm and Vice President Jan Parnell welcomed the members were present and 4 visitors, Robyn and Jeff Nalder and Wanda and Mike Davis.

Beth Mahoney was welcomed as a member and presented with her membership badge.

Previous Minutes:

Minutes of Meeting of Sunday 17 June 2018 were accepted by Myrtle Beitz and seconded by Ellen Coupland.

Correspondence:

Secretary, Lena McCreadie presented her correspondence report for June 2018. The correspondence had been was accepted and endorsed at the committee meeting on Thursday 5 July 2018.

Treasurers Report

BOQ A/c No 20139708	<u>1 June 2018 – 30 June 2018</u>	
Opening balance at 1 June 2018		\$36,445.43
Everyday Account		
Income	\$ 127.00	
Expenditure	\$ 325.04	
Closing balance at 30 June 2018		\$5,296036
Websaver Account at 30 June 2018 (Inc. interest \$31.15)		\$30,982.18
 TOTAL FUNDS AS AT 30 June 2018		 \$36,278.54

Resource Centre: “Where was I?” this month was an early picture of the Gravy Train café. More details next month. No one contributed any Dirty George photographs?

Outings: Members were asked to sign up for the outing to Sandgate and Redcliffe on Saturday 25 August 2018.

Speaker: This month, Sharyn Merkley was an excellent speaker and the audience requested that she return and tell more of the fires in Brisbane. She has thoroughly researched the houses, businesses and people who were affected by the fires. No one was killed. Sharyn has produced a book about the fires in 1864 that destroyed almost seventy businesses and houses in Queen, George, Elizabeth and Albert Streets.

The **Lucky Door prize** (\$5) was won by Robyn Nalder, the **Membership Draw** (\$5) by Lena McCreadie and the **Raffle** by Beth Mahoney.

The meeting closed at 2.30pm.

Many thanks to Jill Mahoney, Jan Aplin and Nena Robertson for providing afternoon tea.

Jill Greenhill (*General Meeting Minute Secretary*)

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General Meetings

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

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Raffle Prizes: Committee

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

Sincere thanks to Joan Pease, MP. for the photocopying of the monthly Newsletters in her office.

When	Where	What's On
August 8 2018 1230-130pm	Commissariat Store 115 William Street Brisbane, QLD 4000	Tertiary Education in Brisbane: Training, Teaching and Turmoil from the beginning till now by Bill Metcalf From Queensland's earliest convict period, people have received tertiary training in Brisbane, mostly following an apprenticeship model. The first tertiary training was when surgeons serving the convicts and soldiers studied the eating habits of indigenous people to help avoid ailments such as scurvy, and to treat flagellatio.
August 25 2018 10am-1pm Bookings Essential \$40 general entry	Legislative Council Chamber Queensland Parliament House Cnr George & Alice Streets, Brisbane	Annual RHS Seminar 2018: Parliament House – Celebrating 150 Years
August 26 2018 11-12:30pm	Old Police Service Headquarters	Forensic Photography with Sergeant Owyn Butters
August 28 2018 1030am-1230pmm Bookings essential	Wynnum Library 145 Florence Street, Wynnum 4178 (above Woolworths)	Trove Basics Learn how to find and get access to more than four million Australian resources online including books, images, historic newspapers, maps, music, archives and more.
August 30 2018 10-11am Bookings essential	Wynnum Library 145 Florence Street, Wynnum 4178 (above Woolworths)	Local history: 150 years of Christ Church Tingalpa Christ Church, Tingalpa is one hundred and fifty years old this year. The building has been rebuilt and repurposed, but it is still beautiful and the cemetery still holds many of the pioneers of the local area. Join Jackie Butler, campaigner and historian of the church, as she tells you the story of this lovely lady.
September 16 2018 10:30 am—4:00 Cost: Adult \$25 (includes Devonshire tea Bookings Essential	Ormiston House 277 Wellington Street Ormiston, Queensland 4000	Jerry Coleby-Williams Garden Tours Join the highly trained and well recognised Jerry Coleby-Williams as he takes guests on a tour of the beautiful Ormiston House Gardens. Soak up the atmosphere as you view the gardens and their historic connections through Jerry's eyes. Enjoy a Devonshire Tea on the Ormiston House verandah against the backdrop of the beautiful grounds and sparkling bay. Discover the horticultural significance of the gardens and hear Jerry explore their

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