



Cambridge Parade Manly Circa 1920

Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc

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NEWSLETTER

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April General Meeting

THURSDAY 18 April 2024

6.45 pm for 7.00pm start

Wynnum Ambulance Auditorium
Corner Tingal Road / Cedar Street

Speaker and Member

Chris Seymour

will

present a slide show of the work and travels of

Marianne North



and discuss her painting techniques
and the recent £2 million effort
at Kew Gardens
to preserve all her artworks.

Lucky Door
Bring and Buy
Refreshments
Gold Coin Donation
Visitors welcome

Marianne North

Marianne North was a 19th century artist who travelled the world painting plants and landscapes. In 1880 Charles Darwin suggested she come to Australia, because of the strange and exotic plants here.

She set off from England in April that year and travelled first by train to Marseilles, and then by ship to Singapore. She was then a guest of the Rajah in Sarawak, before returning to Singapore and then travelling by ship to Brisbane, where she arrived on 8th August. She spent seven months in Australia, travelling by Cobb & Co. coach, train, private carriage and ship and visiting all six colonies (now states). In seven months she completed 80 oil paintings, a phenomenal output considering the time she spent travelling and socializing.

In Brisbane she stayed at (now Old) Government House. In Western Australia the governor provided her with a carriage, two horses and a police driver. From Tasmania she moved on to New Zealand and then America, arriving back in England in June 1881. It was her second trip around the world - always travelling alone and always painting.

April News from the Committee

We welcome four new members to the Committee and hope they have an enjoyable time working for the betterment of the Society

They are:

Elma O'Toole - Secretary
Danny Fitzpatrick - Treasurer
Tom Schulz - Iona Liaison
Chiharu Tsurutani - Projects, Publicity

We will be inviting new Councillor
Alex Givney to be a Patron.

Thank you to all our members who have contributed to the Bring and Buy stall, and then have made purchases.

Next Bring and Buy. Thursday 18 April 2024.

Interesting Books, (Fact or Fiction). Swap or pay \$1



Preserves . . .

Cakes and Biscuits . . .

Craft. Cards Bring some home-made items and some cash!!!

Most items \$2

Resource Centre

April 2024

Located in the “Old School Building” at Room 1.08, 105 Florence Street, Wynnum.

Open Monday to Friday 10.00am to Noon or by appointment. (0407 293 177)

Does anybody remember:

Daphne Ann Kelly-Hart. Deceased.

Julien Thomas Kelly Hart Born in SA
Died: 21.12.2022 in SA.
Military 1945/46

Their Business was:

Printers and Publishers

“DKH Duplicating” and “Seagull Press.”

Located at:

61 Cambridge Parade, Manly, and

306 Tingal Road, Wynnum

Business reported as bankrupt.

Does anybody remember this couple. A researcher would like to know.



We have been asked to date this photograph.

The building on the right was offered for sale as the
“Hastings Hotel. Auction 1881. Free boat trip to site.”

The name was changed to Southern Cross Hotel in 1885 with licensee Pat J Byrne.

In 1887 there was a name change to “Wynnum Hotel”.

In 1910 after six more licensees, Mrs Kluver, widow of the previous licensee, Mr William Crouch (of Melbourne, and not one of the many local Crouch fishermen) pulled down the hotel and rebuilt a brick structure.

Hence the above wooden structure was built between the late 1870s and 1910. Has anyone seen this photo with a date?

Una Plum wrote a small book:

”Our Occupied Island 1939—1945”

Published in 1988 in Guernsey, Channel Islands.

Alice Duggan brought in a copy of the book and wishes to return the book to one of Una’s daughters, Carol, Maureen or Theresa listed who are listed inside.

Alice’s mother was a great friend of Una, in Wynnum.

We are attempting to construct the family tree of Una’s family, but does anybody remember those names

Manly State School P. and C. requested 10 historical questions for their upcoming Trivia Night.

The questions were supplied, three questions with pictures!

An acknowledgement was received. Who went to the Trivia Night?



The Group was created in February 2024 and, to date, has 174 members. Stories are being collected ready for the 150th Anniversary of the Cemetery in 2025.

You can help! History, gardening, administration skills, or even scrubbing and cleaning.

Look us up on the Internet!

In 1874, an area of land was gazetted as “Tingalpa Cemetery” and re-named as Hemmant Cemetery in 1913. The first burial was in 1875 - in the section of the grounds that borrowed its layout from the era of Queen Victoria. Graves were elaborate with symbolic monuments.

For the first 55 years respected members of the community served as trustees overseeing day-to-day operations and future planning. In 1930s all cemeteries within the City of Brisbane were taken into the ownership and control of the city council.

From 1949 a new layout was adopted in part of the cemetery with memorial plaques placed at ground level. An office and amenities block was added in 1951, and updated in 2021. A garden of rest was developed in 1951-3, giving a peaceful sylvan setting. The chapel area, adjacent to Hemmant Quarry is to the east, and an on-site crematorium opened in 2001.

Recent News, Receipts and Requests:

- Received: Photos taken from the roof of 106 Gordon Parade, maybe in the 1950/60s.
- Wanted: Copy of “Cattle, Pigs, Tains and Chicken too” by Janice Pittam, Published by Murarrie Progress Association.
- Inquiry regarding a ramp at the bottom of Cedar Street?
- Requested: Pictures/Photos of land between Lower and Upper Esplanades Wynnum and Manly, by Principal of Darling Point Special School. This area was originally a saltpan with Gordon Parade, extending through from Upper to Lower Esplanade.
- Information requested about Percy Pease and his involvement in building the sea walls (1930s)

Can anybody help? Jill

March 2024. Where was I?



Capuchin Friary.

Cnr Tingal and Wynnum North Roads, Wynnum North

For a short time, 1957 – 2002 there was a Friary at Wynnum North. St Laurence Friary of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars stood at the junction of Wynnum North and Tingal Roads.

The Order of the Franciscan Friars originated from Francis (1182 – 1226) the son of an affluent merchant born in the Italian town of Assisi. He was given papal recognition in 1210. Poverty was their way of life. The Friars helped the poor and owned nothing themselves. Their worldly goods were the property of the Catholic Church.

In 1525 the Order of the Franciscan Friars reformed into three separate Orders, one of these being the Order of Friar Minor Capuchin. Capuchin

referred to the light reddish-brown robe with a pointed hood. (Cappuccino: Ital.) The Capuchins traveled amongst the community doing good, in comparison to monks who spent their lives in isolation, in meditation and prayer. The Capuchin Order gradually spread world-wide.

On 2 October 1945, at the request of the Apostolic Delegate for Australia and His Grace Archbishop Duhig, four Capuchin Friars arrived in Brisbane from New Jersey, USA. Fr Accursio Rasi was to be the superior of the Capuchin Mission in Australia. **Fr Gabriel d'Italia was to be the Parish Priest of Wynnum.** Fr Anastase Paoletti was to look after the Italians in Brisbane, Toowoomba and Townsville and Fr Egidio Scarpini was to go to the Diocese of Townsville for the Italian apostolate there.

Fr Gabriel was officially welcomed into the Wynnum Catholic Parish on 10 December 1945. He was replaced by Fr Carlo di Matteo and Fr James Resci in 1948. In 1949 Fr Boniface Zurli arrived in Wynnum to help the Italians in Brisbane. There was continual change. Friars did not stay in one location for many years and moved to various other parishes on a world-wide basis. In 1953 the Wynnum Capuchin Order purchased a property in Wynnum West, next to the State School as a “House of Studies” for Capuchin students. However later in the same year the friars found property at the northern end of Tingal Road. They purchased the old, very large, wooden building and eleven acres of land which extended down to the waters of Moreton Bay. The previous land, already purchased in the same year, 1953, near Wynnum West School was sold.

On 19 April 1955, Fr Claude and five theological students arrived in Wynnum and began to clean-up and renovate the old house. This was a rather large undertaking and the Blessed Sacrament did not take place until 8 June 1955. In August the verandahs were closed in and on 1 September “a water closet” was installed to the joy of all of the friars.

In 1957 the old house was pulled down. A new two-story brick friary was built, and blessed on 27 April 1958 being named **St Laurence Friary**. In 1970, this Friary became the Novitiate (a place for housing religious novices) of the Order and Friar Carmel Flora moved in with 10 Novices.



The Old Farmhouse

Thirty years later, in 2000, the Novitiate was moved to Sydney. The Friary and land at Wynnum North were for sale in 2002 for a residential development. The *Wynnum Herald*, in June 2005 advertised ½ acre lots in a new development “Moreton Bay Outlook”. with 16 large parcels of land leading off Wynnum North Road, serviced by Brindisi Place and Alverna Close.

April 2024. Where am I?



Till next time

Jill

Here is a summary of the presentation given to the Society by speaker Michael Beard at the last General Meeting held on Thursday 21 March 2024, kindly written by President, Lucy Laakso.

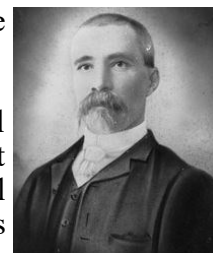
Michael Beard: A brief history of an old Queenslander home in Manly

At our Resource Centre, we receive lots of enquiries about the history of local houses and the history of local families. We love to research so we are always happy to help where we can!

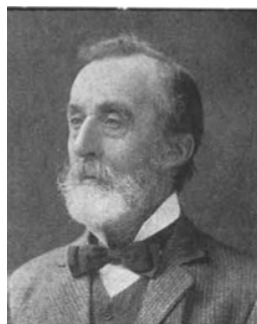
To begin his presentation, Michael delivered the Acknowledgement of Country.

Michael told us that, before the 1940s, many suburban houses in Brisbane had names; this was before houses were specified by a house number on a given street. When residents moved house, they often took the house name with them. This can cause confusion for the modern day researcher so keep this in mind if you're undertaking your own research.

In March 1888, multiple lots from the Manly Beach Estate were purchased by Michael Gannon. Mr Gannon was a Real Estate Agent, a Queensland Member of Parliament and was actively involved in Brisbane's social and sporting scene. He faced financial difficulties and, in 1895, was declared bankrupt with liabilities exceeding 97,000 pounds.



*Michael Brennan Gannon
(1847 - 1898)*



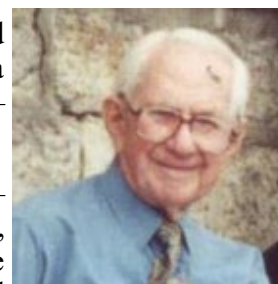
William Cribb (1837 - 1928)

The Land Bank of Qld took temporary possession of the lots before Mr William Arthur Cribb purchased. Mr Cribb was born in London (1837) and, as a child, arrived in Brisbane on the ship *Fortitude*. He had various occupations during his working life and moved to Manly in 1887. He made a significant donation (25,000 pounds) to enable land to be purchased in Brisbane for the YMCA. In the early 1900s, Mr Cribb and his wife built a 'temporary' home (called 'Langsville') on what is now Michael's house block. When the Cribbs built their permanent home nearby, they took the name 'Langsville' with them. Mr Cribb remained close to home after his death: he is buried in Hemmant cemetery. Michael visited the cemetery and took this photo of Mr Cribb's grave.

The next purchasers – in 1906 – were Mr Andrew James Davidson and his sister Ms Elizabeth Davidson. On Andrew Davidson's death, the property passed to the son, Andrew George Davison; around this time, the lot and two adjoining lots were realigned 90 degrees. Michael explained that his research did not uncover the reason for the realignment.

In 1936, Ms Margaret Graveson was the next purchaser and Michael showed some photos of the lot from around this time. The photo had been taken from a vacant block across the road; one of our late members – Mrs Noela Stratton – would end up living in a house built on that vacant block.

Jack Sands



Jack Sand's "Grantham"

In 1939, one of our founding members – Mr Jack Sands – and his wife, Mavis, purchased the lot. Jack grew up in the Shire Clerk's Cottage in Wynnum and attended Wynnum Central State School; Mavis was a fellow student. When they bought the Manly property, Jack and Mavis called it 'Grantham' and realigned the lot again. The house itself was relocated across the lot by sliding it over a temporary wooden grid – comprising a number of greased poles – using a hand winch and actual horsepower. What a feat!

Thank you very much to Michael for his presentation. We hope the talk motivated other members (and readers) to look into the history of other local houses; please share your findings with our Society!

MR WILLIAM CRIBB 1838 - 1928



Mr William Cribb was one of the pioneers of the State of Queensland and of Wynnum.

“William passed away at this home. “Langville” Wynnum South on 5 April 1928 at the age of 91 years. The late Mr Cribb, who had been ill for about three weeks, had resided in Wynnum South for the past 31 years. Born in London in October 1837, he was brought up in Wareham, Dorset, England. He was the youngest son of the late Mr and Mrs Robert Cribb, who in January 1849 arrived in Australia with their family in the ship ‘Fortitude’ one of Dunmore Lang’s first three boats that brought hopeful immigrants to a new life in a new country.”

Robert's brother Benjamin Cribb arrived 6 months later in the “Chaseley”, the second of Dunmore Lang’s boats transporting hopeful immigrants. Benjamin had carried many household goods with him to Australia to set up a store. By September 1849 he had set up a store in Bell Street Ipswich which he named ‘London Stores’. His wife could not endure the Australian weather and died in 1852. Benjamin was remarried to Clarissa Foote in 1853 and in 1854 he went into business with his brother-in-law John Foote. In 1855 the Cribb and Foote Department store in Ipswich was established.

After completing his school years in Australia, William first worked in his father Robert’s bakery until 1862 until he left to work for his uncle Benjamin Cribb at the firm of Cribb and Foote in Ipswich, a large general store. William gradually rose to the rank of manager of the ironmongery department. But his heart was in farming and he relinquished that position to turn to farming pursuits and leased a property in St Lucia, near Brisbane which he named ‘Lang Farm’, where he stayed for most of his ten year lease. He returned to the employ of Cribb and Foote as Manager of a new branch at Churchbank.

Again in 1873 William returned to the land and selected 1500 acres at Redcliffe where he worked until his father Robert’s death in 1893. Four years were spent finalising his father’s affairs. For health reasons, in 1897 William came to the Bayside, to live in permanent retirement for the rest of his life.

In Manly, he purchased land on the southern side of Gordon Parade, between Melville and Carlton Terraces (Six 16 perch subdivisions). Here, a house named ‘Langsville’ is shown on a 1903 map of Wynnum Manly. By 1906 William had sold to J Davidson and moved to the house, at 55 Melville Terrace, on the corner of Melville Terrace and Picton Street, directly behind St Kilda Hospital. He took the name ‘Langsville’ to his new home.



Langsville 55 Melville Terrace.



William’s burial was held at Hemmant Cemetery on Saturday 14 April 1928. Rev O H Purnell of North Tambourine conducted the services at the home and at the graveside.

Plot info: Monumental. Portion A. Section 1. Grave Number 39. Hemmant Cemetery

William is buried with his first wife, Louisa and his second wife Mary Julia is in the adjacent site.

William was a man of strong religious principles and aided considerably in the building up of church and philanthropic institutions. Whilst at Lang Farm, St Lucia, he became connected with the Congregational Sunday School at Milton and later opened a school at the farm which he supervised until the school was merged with a similar institution at Indooroopilly.

Whilst at Churchbank he took a leading part in establishing Congregational services in the district

But the chief monument of his activities in this direction is found in the Y.M.C.A. building in Edward Street, Brisbane, the erection of which was possible by the generous donation to the association of the property at the corner of George and Elizabeth Streets, valued at considerably over £23,000. This property was sold and the more central site in Edward Street was purchased for the new Y.M.C.A. building.

The late Mr Cribb’s first wife (formerly Miss Louisa Carr) died in March 1915. On 2 September 1915 he married Mrs Mary Jane Plunkett, born in Ireland, who survived him, and died on 1 June 1945.

Member Glenda Pokarier has memories of one of the many great fires in Wynnum which she is sharing with us . .

The Burning of the Ingleston Boarding House .

Firstly, the background history of the Boarding House

INGLESTON

Ingleston stood on the piece of ground on which the old public Library (1972—2016). stood The front entrance of Ingleston opened onto Charlotte Street. Tennis court were located to the left of the building, between the building and Bay Terrace.

Building of "Ingleston" in 1915.



The previous Wynnum Civic Centre, which opened in 1958 and was demolished in February 2018, was built on these tennis courts . The History Society opened the first Resource Room in this Civic Centre and adjacent to the old Library, a room much larger than the present room!

Ingleston's tennis courts.

Irvine's Store, in Bay Terrace, in the background.

Ingleston was built in 1915 by John and Edythe (nee Primrose) Patterson who married in 1896. Edythe was a Primrose and the 'Primrose Hill Estate' of residential blocks was selling at this time with Patterson family names used as street names - Patterson, Grainger, Ingleston - on the estate.

Advertisements appeared in the local newspapers:

"Ingleston Guest House with suburb views, ex cuisine, hot and cold water Ring Wynnum 41"

"Ingleston. Bay Terrace Wynnum South. Superior Boarding Establishment. Tennis. Boating. Fishing.

Ernest Starky Knox, the local Draper, lived there in 1925, also local teachers - Mary Agnew from 1916 to 1939 and Mary Molloy from 1915 - 1919. Many persons were permanent boarders, with Ingleston entered as their address in the Commonwealth Rolls.

But the grand establishment was not to last. In 1947, with Joe Deegan now the Manager, a mysterious fire burnt the building to the ground in 25 minutes. Reported in the *Courier Mail* of 4 August 1947, "the fire broke out at 2.25am, 45 persons escaped the fire." Our member, Glenda Pokarier was there, and saw the fire. Here is Glenda's report:

"Ingleston" Fire 3rd August 1947

My very earliest memory from my childhood is standing on a footpath, having been woken up by my parents in the middle of the night, and watching a huge fire at the top of our street. I had just turned four. We were living in Mrs Smith's flat half way down Charlotte Street.

The fire was in the Guest House on the corner of Bay Terrace and Charlotte Street. There were many stories about the residents escaping, but the one that always stuck in my mind was about someone sliding down a drain-pipe. I could not work out how the person could fit!! It was only years later that I realised they were on the outside of the pipe!

You can imagine my joy when discovering my earliest memories were validated in the Trove record of the *Courier Mail*'s story on page 1 the following day, including about the woman's escape by sliding down the drain-pipe. "One woman leapt 15 ft. from a balcony and another climbed 24 ft. down a drain-pipe to escape the flames..... The woman who escaped by climbing down the drain-pipe was Mrs Amy Curren." Another interesting mention in the report is this: "One, a travelling jeweller is said to have lost £200 of samples". I am now wondering if the bracelet section I have kept in my 'treasure box' from 1947 might be from that fire. My Dad was a builder and had been clearing up after a fire. He brought home three sections, two of which were badly damaged from the fire. Google match can tell me that it is part of a 5-bar linked antique Italian Micro mosaic floral inlay bracelet. I may have a tiny piece of "Ingleston". Glenda Pokarier (nee Paterson)



What's On! October - November 2023

Date	Event	Venue	Booking
Friday 19 April 2024 10 - 11am	The Boer War	National Archives 16 Corporation Drive Cannon Hill	Free. Book: 3249 4200
Sunday 28 April 2024	Guided Walk through Samford Cemetery.	School Road Samford Village	Gold Coin Donation Enq: 0478 729 377
Sunday 28 April 2024 10.30-1.30pm	"Brisbane in Flood"	Qld Police Service 200 Roma Street Ground Floor Court Room	Free. Lisa Jones 0408 883 251
Saturday 4 May 2024 10.30am - 12.30pm	Laggan House, Gumdale Museum Open Day	737 New Cleveland Road Gumdale	\$5Adult with family \$1 Pensioner Enq:rlnal@outlook.com
Select Tuesdays 9.30 -12 Noon \$35	"History on the Hill" Organised Walk. Mill on Wickham Terrace, Brisbane. Uneven terrain, staircases and uphill walking.	Contact bookings@museumofbrisbane.co.au	Ph: 3339 0800
Sat 18 May to Sun 4 Aug 2024	"Births, Deaths and Marriages" Exhibition	Redcliffe Museum 75 AZAC Avenue Redcliffe	Created by North Pine Historical Society
Thursday 30 May 2024 11 - 12 Noon	"Hannah Rigby. The Last Woman"	Qld State Archives 435 Compton Road Runcorn	Register on screen web@archives.qld.gov.au
Thursday 30 May 2024 10 - 11am	"History of the Wynnum Manly Historical Society"	Wynnum Library 145 Florence Street, Wynnum	Free. Book: 3403 2199

PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE

History of Music in Wynnum Manly 1900 - 1997	Betty Nock	\$ 5
History of Arts in the Wynnum Manly Area 1900 - 2003	Betty Nock	\$ 5
Bayside Biographies. People from Wynnum Manly. 1900 -2007	Betty Nock	\$ 5
Mangroves to Moorings re-visited	Myrtle Beitz	\$35
Lota House: Photos over 150 years	Myrtle Beitz	\$15
Story of Lota House 1867 - 2017	Myrtle Beitz	\$ 5
Church Buildings of Wynnum Manly and Lota	Coupland and Greenhill	\$10
Early Shipping in Moreton Bay 1846 - 1859	Davenport and Mottram	\$ 5
Early Shipping in Moreton Bay 1860 - 1863	Davenport and Mottram	\$ 5

Available at the
Resource Room
Weekdays 10am-Noon
Email:
jillg01@tpg.com.au

Wynnum Manly Historical Society Inc

Minutes of General Meeting held in Ambulance Auditorium, Tingal Road
on Thursday 21 March 2023

Meeting opened at 7.08pm

There were 27 members present, 2 apologies and 1 visitor, Jeff Harrison.

President, Lucy Laakso took the chair, welcomed everybody. Note was made of the new Cinema opening today and the new launch service between Manly and North Stradbroke Island. – Only \$16.

A group is being formed around the care of Hemmant Cemetery. The group has met and may organize a tour for the Society later in the year.

Sue Laakso presented Wynnum/Manly News about electric lighting and the Pound. Both were reported in the Press one hundred years ago, in March 1924.

Previous Minutes: (Jill)

Minutes of Meeting of Thursday 5 February 2024 were accepted by Fay Schultz and seconded by Margaret Bulloch.

Treasurer's Report: (Jill)

Cash Management A/C No. 20139708, Bus Web Saver A/C No. 21781280 and Term Investment A/c 23366345.

All Accounts:

Each A/C at 29 February 2024

At 1 February 2024:	\$37,808.57	Everyday	\$10,129.59
At 29 February 2024:	\$37,737.93	Building	\$13,608.34
		Fxd Term Deposit	\$15,000.00
		TOTAL	\$37,737.93

Correspondence Report (Lena) Report was presented for February 1 to 29, 2024. which had been accepted and endorsed at the committee meeting held on Thursday 14th March 2024.

Resource Centre: (Jill)

This month, the "Where am I" photograph was a view of the sign board from St Laurence Friary, Wynnum North. In 1945 four Capuchin Friars arrived in Brisbane for the USA at the invitation of Father Duhig. Father Gabriel was in charge of the Wynnum Catholic Community. The Friary was built at Wynnum North in 1953 and closed in 2002 to be replaced with a housing development.

Technical Report: Chris Seymour reported that he has completed the index to the subjects in the Newsletters and added 400 photos to the Website.

Hemmant Cemetery Report: Visitor, Jeff Harrison outlined the progress made in the development of this new project. A tour of the cemetery is being planned.

Main Speaker, member Michael Beard presented us with an illustrated display of the origin and development of his house site in Carlton Terrace and details of some of the previous inhabitants.

Lucky Door Prize: Bruce Patterson Raffle (Donated by Lena): Danny Fitzpatrick

Meeting closed 8.45pm and members were invited to partake of refreshments, aided by Ellen Coupland, Lena McCreddie and Margaret Collins.

President _____ Minute Secretary _____

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