

THE KERNEL



Newsletter of Campbelltown and Airds
Historical Society Inc
"Love & Cherish the City in which you live"

July 2013

From The President:

I am sure you will all be pleased to hear the bee saga appears to be over. After the Council contractors put the scaffolding over the roof, they were able to see into the chimneys but the part where the hive is has been blocked up. They were able to pass a narrow tube down and over 3 days intermittently sprayed the hive. They then sealed and capped both chimney tops, so nothing can go down again. We have not seen any bees in the house since!

The Society has been fortunate in receiving a bequest from the estate of the late Allan Briggs, who passed away in Canada last year. These items are from "The Stone Cottage" in Ben Lomond Rd Minto, and there is a wooden chest with a pressed metal depiction of the cottage on the lid, and paintings of the cottage by Lenore Bass and R.Vandemaele. We also have the Conservation Management Plan. Our thanks are expressed to Allan's nephew Phillip Toyne and David Milton who arranged the shipment and delivery of the items.

We have also been given a large number of photographs by Mrs Jeanette Bagley. They are of buildings, houses and street scenes of Campbelltown taken in 1969 by her late husband Ken. These will form a valuable part of our collection and our thanks to Mrs Bagley.

Our thanks also to committee member Sue Kijurina for her work on a brochure called "A Walk through Glenalvon". This will enable visitors to have a self guided tour if they wish and describes each room and features. We acknowledge the office of Laurie Ferguson MP who is printing these and other items for the Society. We will soon have some items as souvenirs of Glenalvon for sale. We often receive enquiries from visitors who would like to purchase a memento of their visit.

The Cavalcade of History and Fashion presentation of the Edwardian Era was held on Saturday 6th July. Over 60 ladies enjoyed seeing this collection, which featured beautiful dresses for all occasions, underwear, shoes and accessories. These have all been lovingly preserved and the ladies from Cavalcade are to be congratulated on a professional and entertaining afternoon. These events

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would not be possible without the help of our wonderful band of volunteers, from committee members who can always be relied upon to help, to those who give what time they can. Cavalcade takes considerable organising and work, and on behalf of the executive committee I would like to thank all those who helped and in particular Carole Cockshott, Thelma White, Julie Crowley and Kerrie Goodchild. These ladies virtually had to be dragged from the kitchen to watch the show – thank you!!! On a financial note the day was a great success.

I remind all members that membership renewals are now due, and that the Annual General Meeting is fast approaching, and nominations will be called for all positions.

Kay Hayes
President

Open Days and Meeting Programme:

The Museum is open to visitors on 1st Monday, 2nd Saturday, 3rd Monday of each month, February to Mid December, 10.00am-1.00pm; other times by appointment.

Visitors welcome at all general meetings, held on 4th Saturday of each month commencing at 1.30pm.

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Saturday, July 13th. Open Morning 10 am - 1pm
Book-launch Grist Mills 10.45 am.

Saturday, July 27th. Meeting 1.30 pm.
Speaker Peter Hinds. 'The Campbelltown Convicts'

Saturday, August 24th. Annual General Meeting
1.30pm. Annual reports and elections.
Speaker: Jenny Goodfellow.

Saturday, September 28th. Meeting 1.30pm.
Speaker David Milton. 'Early memories'.

Saturday, October 12th. Open Morning at Glenalvon
10 am – 1pm. At Ingleburn 2pm. Book-Launch Grist Mills - 85th Anniversary of the Ingleburn Flower Show.

Saturday, October 26th Meeting 1.30pm.
Speaker Rod McLean. 'From Scotland to Campbelltown'.

Saturday, November 23rd. Meeting 1.30pm.
Speakers: Members Choice: A three to five minute speech on 'A person from Campbelltown's past'.

Research

For research questions please contact Marie Holmes at: mariejholmes@gmail.com
Marie would like to find some information on a swagman, named Charles Yates whose body was found in Leumeah in 1897 by a boy with the surname Sherack.

Curator's Report

The current display is Community Milestones which features Local Government, Water Reticulation, the First World War, Second World War and the Boer War.

GRIST MILLS

The next issue of Grist Mills will feature articles on Soldiers Memorial School of Arts, Farewell and Welcome Home Committee - Una Laird-Her Story.

If you have material or ideas you would like considered for a future Grist Mills, please submit them to our editorial team, Stella Vernon and Marie Holmes.

Tours

Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society are hosting a tour of the Southern Highlands on September 21st 2013.

We will be visiting Lake Alexandria in Mittagong, an archaeological site also in Mittagong, Berrima and an historic house in Sutton Forest.

We will be having lunch at Berrima where you may bring your own or purchase some nearby.

We will depart from Glenalvon at 8.30am and return approx 4.30pm. The cost will be \$50.00.

For more details or to book please contact the Society or Lerna on 0458679841 or ruby02@tpg.com.au.

Books in our Library

The following book is available in our library. Members can borrow this. Please ask Jenny or Kay. Please visit our library for other books that may interest you.

* Early colonial Buildings of Australia - by Eric Thompson 1971 – Hardcover – 70 pages.

We are in need of a librarian. If anyone has an interest in helping us in this area, please contact Kay or Jenny.

Heritage Matters

Denham Court

Campbelltown Council and the NSW State Government recently held a community information evening at Ingleburn to present the latest plans for a 4 lane

highway from The Crossroads at Casula to Denham Court, along the route of Old Campbelltown Road. This would cut off access to the suburb of Denham Court and take away (depending on the final plan adopted) either 27 metres or 37 metres (the Roads and Maritime Services preferred option) from the curtilage of Denham Court House.

It would also further separate The Bardia Barracks gates (on the Liverpool Council side of the road) from Mont St Quentin Oval (on the Campbelltown City Council side of the road).

The Department's stated reason for the proposed road is to allow access to the new suburb of Edmonson Park and to new suburbs on the western side, in the Liverpool and Camden Council areas.

Our Society made a submission opposing this development on heritage grounds.

Ingleburn Military Heritage Precinct

On 27th June the Ingleburn Military Heritage Precinct was added to the Heritage Register.

This encompasses just over 2 hectares on the Liverpool side of Campbelltown Road, including the gates, memorial and several buildings, and Mont St Quentin Oval on the Campbelltown side of the road.

A memorial service will be held at Bardia Barracks on Sunday 4th August. This service is held twice a year.

IGT Lecture

The annual Ivor G Thomas Memorial Lecture will be held on Saturday 17th August 2013 at St David's Church Hall, Lithgow Street, Campbelltown.

Speakers: Ron Kydd, Peter Bolt, Arthur Jones.

Overall theme: History of Minto Area

Cost: \$10 includes afternoon tea.

Contact the Society: secretary@cahs.com.au or 02 46251822

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Memorial at Ingleburn Heritage Precinct.