

# THE KERNEL



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

**November 2014**

## **From The President:**

Although the past month or so has been quiet for tour groups the Society has been active in many other ways. David Beddie and Learna Coupe represented the Society as guests of Bryan Doyle MP at the "Beersheba Day Breakfast" at Tabcorp Park Menangle. This event commemorated the last successful mounted infantry charge in history.

Jenny Goodfellow and Vicki Andrews will be addressing Campbelltown City Council on our submission regarding Council's draft Campbelltown Local Environment Plan. This meeting is on Monday November 10th at 7pm.

The next meeting of Council's Heritage Protection Sub-Committee is this month and our members of this committee will be requesting Council's consideration of information signs at the Reservoir and Cattle Tank. Along with replacement of the missing plaque on the site of restoration works in 1981.

Our outing to Windsor and Ebenezer is on Saturday 15th November and we look forward to an interesting day out.

Other invitations received include attending the centenary celebration of Ingleburn Tennis Club on Sunday 7th December and the commemorative service for the Christmas Truce of 1914 at the Soldiers Memorial Park Ingleburn on Sunday December 14th.

Finally a huge thank you to all those who worked so hard to make our entry in the Fisher's Ghost Parade a success. To Seeney's Transport for the loan of the truck and Lionel and Maree Penberthy, their family and friends, members Sue Kijurina and Michel Trimboli who decorated the truck and spent so much time in the heat. Thank you also to the volunteers who manned Glenalvon. The displays of craft by Angharad Rixon and Campbelltown Patchwork and Quilters Guild will also be at Glenalvon on Saturday 8th, as well as David Vassallo playing the piano and pianola. It was lovely to hear the piano being played and filling the house with music.

As this is our final newsletter for 2014, may I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe, healthy and

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successful 2015. We look forward to seeing our members in the New Year.

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.

## **2014**

**Saturday November 22nd.** Monthly meeting 1.30pm.  
Speakers: Member's Choice Topic: "My Favourite Australian Book".

**Saturday December 13th.** Glenalvon open day until 12.20pm then CHRISTMAS SOCIAL AND TRIVIA.  
Members please bring a plate.

**November 2014** - speakers please respond asap with your projected subject and also note : The editorial Committee, Stella Vernon and Marie Holmes would like a copy of your presentation, either hard copy, on disc or memory stick.

## **2015**

**Saturday February 28th.** Monthly meeting 1.30pm.  
Speakers: Paul O'Loughlan and Rod McLean  
Topic: "Life in railway street".

**Saturday March 28th.** Monthly meeting 1.30pm.  
Speaker: Angharad Rixon  
Topic: "In search of the Batavia lace".

**Saturday April 25th.** Monthly meeting 1.30pm.  
Speaker: Andrew Allen.  
Topic: To be advised.

**Saturday May 23rd.** Monthly meeting 1.30pm.  
Speaker: Ron Ringer.  
Topic: "The brick makers".

**Saturday June 27th.** Monthly meeting 1.30pm.  
Speaker: Peter Sweeney.  
Topic: "The battlefields of Gallipoli".

## Condolences

We wish to give condolences to the families of the following members who passed away recently.

Doug Price

John Leary

Obituaries can be found on our website.

## Curator's Report

Our current display is "The Great War" featuring photographs of Campbelltown men who went to the war. There are family mementoes loaned by Society members including items belonging to Carole Cockshott's grandfather (a small sewing kit and a postcard sent to his daughter, Carole's mother, while he was a P.O.W.), medals from Dennis Roach, Jean Fletcher and Dana Vale as well as stories and photos of Dana's uncle Harold Hallam. Moira Heydler has set up a showcase with information about some of the battles. A facts and figures board makes interesting reading.

Council has appointed a Collections Officer, Keren Ruki, who is based at the Arts Centre. We have met with her and she has helped with our Christmas display in the dining room. We have decorated the dining room with an old style Christmas theme and it looks very attractive.

I would like to thank Kevin Rixon who has been working hard organising and tidying the Stables. This is a huge job and we really appreciate all his hard work.

**Wanted Assistants to the Curator.** This is varied and interesting work. It involves documenting and storing exhibits, changing exhibitions, working with photographs and the MOSAiC database.

## Research

For any other research questions please contact Marie Holmes at:

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## Books in our Library

The following book is available in our library. Members can borrow these. Please visit our library for other books that may interest you.

\* Along the Menangle Road - by Ken Williams - 2005 – Booklet – 57 pages. 'A concise history of the land grants on Menangle Rd between Menangle Bridge and Picton Rd.'

## Book for Sale:

\* A Scrapbook of History \$15.00

A collection of interesting and entertaining historical facts and stories, expanded from those published in the Campbelltown Chronicle by Marie Holmes.

## Webshop

Please visit our webshop at the following site:

<http://www.cahs.com.au/store/>

We have 12 IGT publications, 30 Grist Mills and 20 General titles. The prices are reasonable.

## Website

Our latest news page includes a photo of our lady volunteers in costume.

<http://www.cahs.com.au/latest-news.html>

## Book Advertisement

Campbelltown District Family History Society and Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society are looking to jointly publish 2 books, during the next few years.

1. Campbelltown residents serving in Militia / Military units between 1788 - July 1914. To be published during 2016. This book will basically be a coverage of Colonial times and early Federation.

2. Campbelltown residents serving in / supporting military units during WWI. To be published 11th November 2018.

During 2014 we will conduct research on these 2 books and we will invite anyone who has relevant information to provide that.

Please contact either:

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**Volunteers** are still needed.

If you would like to learn more about how the Society works, please join us at Glenalvon on one of our usual Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday administration mornings. Contact the Society on 02 46251822.

If you would like to receive this newsletter by email please send your email address to David Beddie at [newsletter@cahs.com.au](mailto:newsletter@cahs.com.au)

Pictures from the CAHS float in the Fisher's Ghost Parade 2014.

