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Newsletter of Campbelltown and Airids
Historical Society Inc

March 2009

From The President:

It is only March and it seems already that it is going to be a busy year for all of us.

Our first major event for 2009 was the launch in February of the H. P. Lazzarini "A Grand Old Man of Politics" exhibition. The display was opened jointly by Chris Hayes, the current Member for Werriwa, and Maurya Hutton (nee Lazzarini), and is to be the subject of a private visit by Gough Whitlam.

The Society set up a small display of collection items provenanced to Ingleburn at the new Ingleburn Library and Community Centre last week. We have also changed our display at Quondong Visitors Centre in line with their room's new "Parlour" theme.

Other activities already this year have included interviews for TVS on "Searching for Frederick Fisher", plus the filming at Glenalvon of oral histories for a Senior's Week DVD. We also hosted a 3-day Collections MOSAiC Plus computer workshop for Regional Historical Societies in January.

Three classes from Campbelltown Primary School are visiting Glenalvon on Monday 16th March.

Don't forget, our first outing for 2009 is on Saturday, 21st March – to Merroogal and Berry. Look out for the next trip in June.

The garden has survived the hot weather and is looking lovely again – thank you garden team.

Stella has organised an exciting program of speakers for this year, so we look forward to seeing you at our Open Days and Members Meetings.

Thank you all for your support and the volunteers for their hard work.

Jackie Green, President and Curator

Donations: Recent additions to the museum collection include a hall stand donated by David Cartwright and a wedding shawl donated by Lorraine Voss.

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Open Days and Meeting Programme:

The Museum is open to visitors on 1st Tuesday, 2nd Saturday, 3rd Wednesday of each month, February to Mid December, 10.00am-1.00pm; other times by appointment. Visitors are welcome at all general meetings.

Saturday, March 28th, 2009. General Meeting 1.30pm. guest speaker to follow. Jeff McGill, Editor Macarthur Advertiser.

Saturday, April 18th, 2009. (Note change of date because of Easter Saturday on April 11th.) Open all day. 10am – 4pm. Heritage Festival Theme 'Our Place in Space'. Astronomy Displays and talks by Bob Bee well-known local astronomer: 'Australians Place in the History of Astronomy'.

Saturday, April 25th, 2009. [Anzac Day.] General Meeting. 1.30pm. followed by speaker Tom Reeve. 'Broughton Anglican College- Some History of the Site'.

Saturday, May 9th, 2009 Open Morning 10am – 1pm. Tours of the house and grounds. Displays to focus on the appointment in England of Lieutenant General Lachlan Macquarie as Governor of New South Wales.

Saturday, May 23rd, 2009. Speaker Brian Battle. 'Ingleburn Heritage Precinct - its value and history'

Saturday, June 13th 2009 Open Morning. 10am – 1pm Embroiderers Guild. Displays for today and open mornings for the next month will feature the Fitzpatrick curtains.

Saturday, June 27th 2009 General Meeting 1.30pm. followed by speaker Ted Sedgwick. 'The Dairy Farms of Campbelltown.'

Saturday, July 11th, 2009. Open Morning 10am -1pm. 10.45 am. Launch of Grist Mills 'Lazzarini' Tours of the house and grounds.

Saturday, July 25th, 2009. General Meeting 1.30pm followed by speaker Lindsay Allan from State Records. Theme to be advised.

Saturday, August 22nd, 2009. Annual General meeting 1.30pm followed by speaker Kathryn Thornton. 'The travels of the Ivy Cottage piano.'

Saturday, August 29th, 2009. Ivor G. Thomas Annual Lecture [see separate note]

Saturday, September 12th, 2009 – History Week- Open Morning 10am-1pm.

Saturday, September 26th, 2009 General Meeting 1.30pm followed by Speaker Carol Baxter. 'The True Story of Jane New - A Colonial Scandal'.

Saturday, October 24th, 2009 – General Meeting 1.30 pm followed by speaker to be advised.

Glenalvon Museum: On 14th February, Chris Hayes, current Member for Werriwa, launched the H P Lazzarini exhibition. On display are documents, artifacts and photographs depicting the career and family life of Bert Lazzarini, the long-serving Member for Werriwa. The launch was attended by a large gathering of Lazzarini family members, including Mauyra Hutton, daughter of the late H P (Bert) Lazzarini. If you have not yet seen this exhibition, that runs until June, take the time to visit Glenalvon.

Glenalvon Gardens: Though the hot dry weather caused some stress to plants, the gardens are faring well, thanks to the diligence of Bev Harrison, Val West and Ken Green. The scaffolding has been removed from the old RSL building, we can once again see our boundary, and Ken has restored some of the side garden.

Telephone: Our apologies to those who have attempted in recent weeks to use our phone line, which is out of order. Telstra have been working to restore the line now that the footpath on the boundary with the old RSL building is accessible. We hope that the problem will soon be resolved. In the meantime, you can ring Jenny on 0417 556 756.

Campbelltown North Public School 50 Year Reunion:

Former staff and students are invited to a reunion, celebrating 50 years of education, on Friday 7 July to Sunday 9 July, 2009. To register interest, call 4625 1788, email campbelln-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au, visit www.campbelln-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Condolences.

Tess Holm passed away Sunday 8th March 2009. Tess was a very regular member of the society until she moved to live with family because of ill-health. She gave many notes to us of Campbelltown history especially of the Vardy family, and also of the streets where she lived.

Campbelltown Show - Change of Date – and reduced time-frame.

Now it will be from 3pm Friday April 3rd and all day Saturday April 4th. The Society will be holding a stall for selling books and promoting their activities. Intending exhibitors in any section of the Show watch the newspapers for entering and picking up times. We still do need help to man the stall. Please phone Jackie on 0402 008 970 or Jenny on 0417 556 756.

Heritage Week

Heritage Week 2nd week in April. Council's Heritage Festival date to be advised.

Saturday May 2nd – A service of choral matins commencing at 11.15 am will be held in St. Peter's Church Campbelltown to celebrate 200 years from the appointment in England of Lieutenant-General Lachlan Macquarie as Governor of NSW. Basket lunch to follow in the Parish Hall. Convenor Revd John Bunyan and the Prayer Book Society. Her Excellency, Marie Bashir, Governor of New South Wales has graciously consented to be present at this service. Glenalvon will be open in the afternoon from 1.30pm.

Saturday, August 29th – Annual Ivor G. Thomas Lecture in St. Peter's Church Hall. 1pm for 1.30pm commencing time. The lecture will be followed by afternoon tea and fellowship. Speaker Mrs. Bev Harrison. Theme 'Glimpses of the Gore family in Campbelltown' Cost for the afternoon \$10

Outings for 2009

June 20th 2009 - Nutcote and Government House
A visit to Nutcote the home belonging to May Gibbs, author of Snugglypot and Cuddlepie. The home is set in well-maintained gardens and has views of Sydney Harbour. We will have a picnic lunch in a park nearby. After lunch we will head to Government house for a tour of the magnificent former home of the Governor. The coach for this tour will cost \$35.00 (min of 15) this includes entry into Nutcote. The final payment for the coach and entry into Nutcote is due no later than 16th May. Phone Learna on 46266437 or 0458679841.

Research. Does anyone have information on Wally Moore's Dance Band or Clarendon Orchestra and Barry Taylor's Band. There is an Appin connection. Anyone who can give any information please contact Marie Holmes on phone: (02) 46 252876. or marieholmes@iprimus.com.au

If you would like to learn more about how the Society and/or Museum works, please join us at Glenalvon on one of our usual Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday administration mornings. Contact Jackie on Mob 0402 008 970 or Jenny on 0417 556 756. Thank you.