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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

As announced in the press, it is Annual Meeting time again - venue, 5 McMillan Street Anglesea on Saturday, October 7th at 7.30pm when the election of office bearers for the ensuing year will take place.

Mr Ken Merry will take the Chair for the election, and then speak to the assemblage about the foundation of Wesley College, Prahran, of which he is a former Headmaster. Members, please make a special effort to attend this meeting to hear plans for your Society for the next twelve months and do try to bring a prospective member with you.

ANNUAL DINNER - Friday, November ~~30~~ - 6.30pm for 7.00pm

Mr Jack Loney, well known author and historian will be our guest speaker. Mr Loney's newspaper articles also evoke great deal of interest - we hope he might enlarge on his recent story of the incidents of German Submarine crews landing on beaches along our southern coastline during World War Two.

The dinner venue will be the Anglesea Hotel - we realise the disappointment at service quality last year but now we can thoroughly recommend our local Hotel with the Kleins back in charge.

Please fill in the enclosed slip and, with your cheque, return to the Hon sec before October 27th.

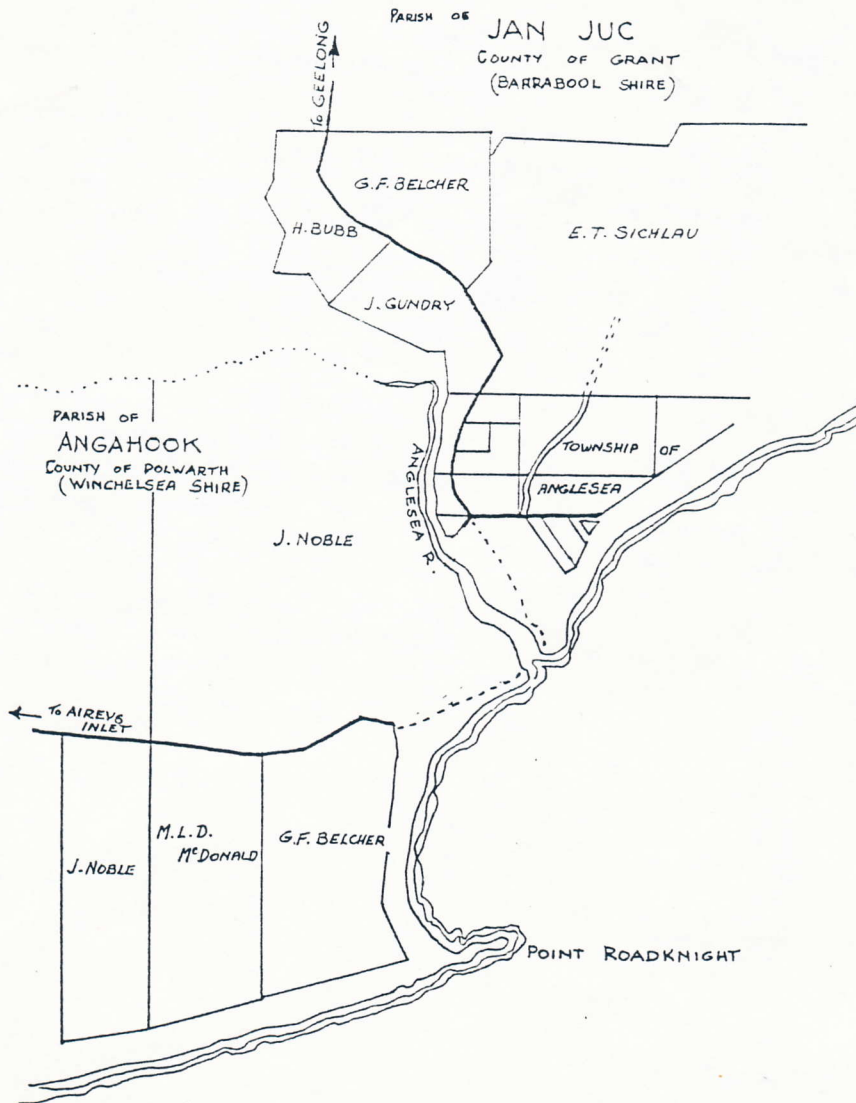
MEMBERSHIP

Membership for 1990 is now due - \$5.00 per person. perhaps you would like to include your subscription with your dinner money. We have had 90 financial members during 1989 - our goal will be 100 for 1990; of course more if present members do some publicity for us!

BOOKS

Our books continue to attract a wide readership - Geelong Historical Records Centre has just ordered another five copies of "The Wrecks" - a copy of "The White Queen" has recently been sent off to England, enquiry coming through Collins Bookstore in Canberra and payment from the State Library of New South Wales has just come to hand for four books. The latest volume in the series "Along the Great Ocean Road" is ANGLESEA - A HISTORY, Volume No 1 - to 1900: it is now available to members for \$12.00 per copy. One of the maps from that volume is reproduced below. Incidentally it was drawn by our President.

ORIGINAL LAND HOLDERS



CALENDARS

1990 calendar is now on sale - \$4.50 for members, the same price as last year. We did investigate "color" this time but found it would be too expensive - \$3.60 for each cover sheet in color - if you see one about it will be from a trial run of ten.

CORRESPONDENCE CARDS

When delivery of our cards was taken, it seemed an enormous order to dispose of; however, the series has been an excellent money spinner and now President Edith is about to produce scenes for our new batch.

Now, that should be the finish of the "commercials"

MUSEUM SEMINAR

President Edith and Secretary Shirley recently attended an all-day seminar at the Grant Street Theatre in the Victorian College of the Arts Complex, arranged by the Museums Association. Excellent speakers gave those present much to consider: copyright, sales tax, income tax, incorporation and much more - questions were freely posed and answered and your representatives felt the day had been very worth while.

PROPOSAL FOR GRANT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF C F & L

A submission for a grant of \$500 has been made for the provision of a display cabinet. At a recent committee meeting it was decided to pursue this opportunity with the idea of presenting a permanent display of information sheets and photos from Alcoa, Anglesea and specimens of the fossils that have been discovered at the mine by Dr D Christophel who members will remember as an excellent meeting and annual dinner speaker. Both Mr Des Hay, Manager Alcoa Power Station and Dr Christophel from Adelaide University have given their support to the proposal and their letters have been included with "all the paper work" sent off recently to the Hon Kay Setches MP, Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands. Keep your fingers crossed for a good outcome.

MUSEUM ROOMS

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If you have not already seen our latest display cabinet, please make a point of doing so. Located in the main "double room", it houses a delightful display of last century baby clothes on loan to the Society by Mrs Nancy Dodd. Barrabool Shire, ever ready to assist the Society, has agreed to upgrade the apron area of the front steps with concrete - this will improve the appearance of our entry and also the safety factor. We also appreciate the regular grass cutting, enhancing the site. A new type of security light will also be installed as the present one has been most unsatisfactory. We have also acquired equipment for the showing of films - members attending recent meetings will have appreciated this innovation.

HELPERS

We appreciate help offered by members for our display at Angair. We would also like to express our appreciation to the Committee of Angair for the allocation of an excellent site for our display. Others members were on duty at the Museum to "host" visitors on Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Numbers of these folk expressed genuine surprise to learn Anglesea had such an interesting collection of memorabilia. More helpers are needed on days such as these - if you can offer a couple of hours, it will relieve the "load" on the regulars. Next effort will be "Anglefest" on Sunday November 5th on the riverbank when the Museum will also be open for visitors.

PERSONAL

The Gerlach family will be finally severing ties with Anglesea when the property is auctioned on October 7th. We wish Mrs Gerlach and John well in Geelong and would like to thank them for their support to the Historical Society over the years. We do hope they will continue to take an interest in our affairs.

Members were saddened to hear of the sudden death of valued member, Mrs Netta Clarke, wife of Ray. Sympathy has been extended to family members.

Prior to their departure to Perth, Jim and Lucy King were entertained at a farewell party at the home of Ken and Shirley Forsyth. A small presentation was made to this popular couple. The flagpole that proudly flew the Australian flag on special days at the King's home has been re-erected at the Museum site and was in use over Angair weekend. We appreciate this gift from the Kings.

Other donations have been received since the last newsletter - we are most grateful for the continued support of interested members and friends.