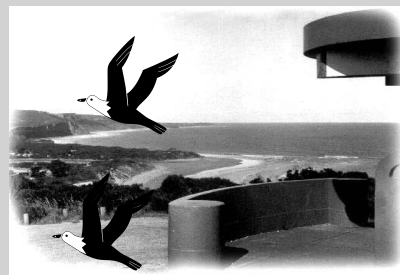


# Coastal Current

seaside tidings from ...  
The Anglesea & District  
Historical Society Inc.



## Snippets

**T**his year we have had a shortage of Guest Speakers, and instead have been showing various DVDs. The most popular have been old Historical Society videos (made during the late 1990's) recently converted from VHS to DVD format. These include various past members of our group such as Joan Cameron-Murch, Edith Lawn, Marion Borritt and local identity Jack Russell. These have created a lot of nostalgia. Naturally it is our own Lindsay Braden who has been converting these videos. AT LAST MONTH'S

Lighthouse Keepers, as she understands the father of one of her neighbours in Queensland was formerly a Keeper at Aireys Inlet. We are trying to look into this for her.

DURING MARCH of this year Lindsay received an email from a descendant of the Hasty family who once lived at Aireys Inlet. You may remember it was the Hasty's who originally built 'Robin Hill' in Bambra Road, and ran the horse coach service between Aireys and the Anglesea Post Office (then in Camp Road) 1890 until 1902. Descendant John Hasty came



MEETING Lindsay also gave a talk on old buildings that were built in Anglesea during the 1940's era. Many of these are now disappearing due to site redevelopment.

A VISITOR TO OUR MUSEUM in May, Gloria Potter, was trying to research

across to Anglesea with his son and posed outside the rejuvenated 'Robin Hill' (see above) at Aireys.

■ *Norma Morrison*

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Meetings  
The Historical Society meets on  
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Museum  
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1936

LAND  
SALELAND  
SALE

ANGLESEA

New Year's Day

WEDNESDAY, 1st JANUARY, 1936

AT THE ANGLESEA HOTEL  
AT 11 A.M.Estate of Geo. Noble  
realising sale New  
Year's day 1936

Important Realising Auction Sale

George and Fanny Noble married during 1881 and lived until 1902 on a 3000 acre property at Parapara. After residing at "Angahook" Aireys Inlet, they moved to "Noorah" at the corner of The Esplanade and Noble Street Anglesea in 1915. They later shifted to "Glissy" in Colledge Avenue. George Noble's father, James, transferred broad acre lot 13 (south of the Anglesea River) to him in 1884. George subdivided this, and marketed the land as the Gladstone Estate. Three years after George's death in 1933, an important realising sale was held at Anglesea of his remaining land. William and Claire Sparrow attended this 1936 sale and purchased Auction Lot No.7. THEY RE-SOLD THIS AS THE "CLAIRVILLE ESTATE"

CLAIREVILLE ESTATE  
ANGLESEA

1936

Auction Sale of Sixty-nine Allotments

SPARROW. WILLIAM EDWARD. 262 LaTrobe Terrace Geelong. Born 1892. Died 11/1/1966 aged 74. Wool broker.

SPARROW. ETHEL CLAIRE. Born 1900. Died 28/2/1977 aged 77.

\*\*\* **THE SPARROW'S PURCHASED** Auction lot No.7 (50 acres) for £70 at the 1936 George Noble Realising Sale. This land had been already re-subdivided by Noble into 69 blocks. Sparrow re-sold in two releases as "The Claireville Estate" which was named after his wife.

**The first release** was on New Year's day 1936. Sales were extremely slow, with prices ranging from only \$1 to £50 per block. The remainder of the first release was sold after W.W.2.

**A second release** came during 1949 with the asking price (Government pegged) ranging from £10 to £25 per block. Parts of Jackson, Noble, McMillan, George, Charles, Claireville, Edward Streets and Sparrow Ave. are in the Claireville Estate

■ *Lindsay Braden*

New Year's  
Day

1st January,

1936

at

Anglesea Hotel

at

11 a.m. sharp

Claireville Estate

## EARLY GREAT OCEAN ROAD- AIREYS INLET / EASTERN VIEW

### Aireys Inlet To Eastern View

The Aireys Inlet bridge was built during 1931.

This enabled a short cut to be constructed from the Aireys Lighthouse corner to Moggs Creek, eliminating the detour via Bambra and Old Coach Roads.

The new section from Aireys Inlet to the Moggs bridge saved a distance of 1.5 miles.

A creek crossing was built at Fairhaven, also a wooden bridge on a foreshore alignment completed at Moggs Creek.

A C.R.B. report in the Geelong Advertiser 28/2/1931 stated that the worst section of the Ocean Road was still to be found between the Mogg's bridge and Eastern View, *a mile of which remained in a primitive state.*

However, the two wheel track from Aireys to Eastern View gradually improved, and was developed into a good sealed road by the time the Archway was opened in 1939.

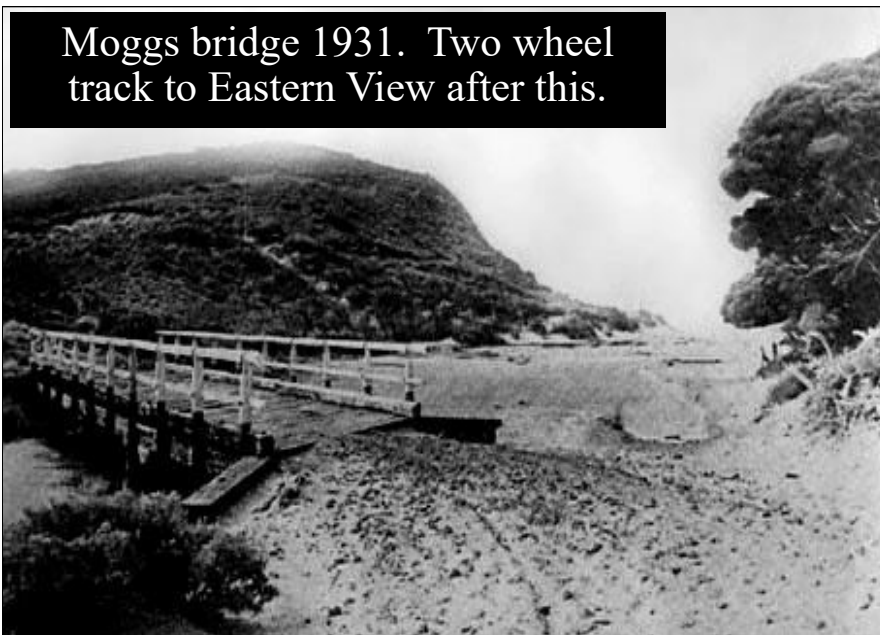
The horse coach days were gone forever.

■ Lindsay Braden

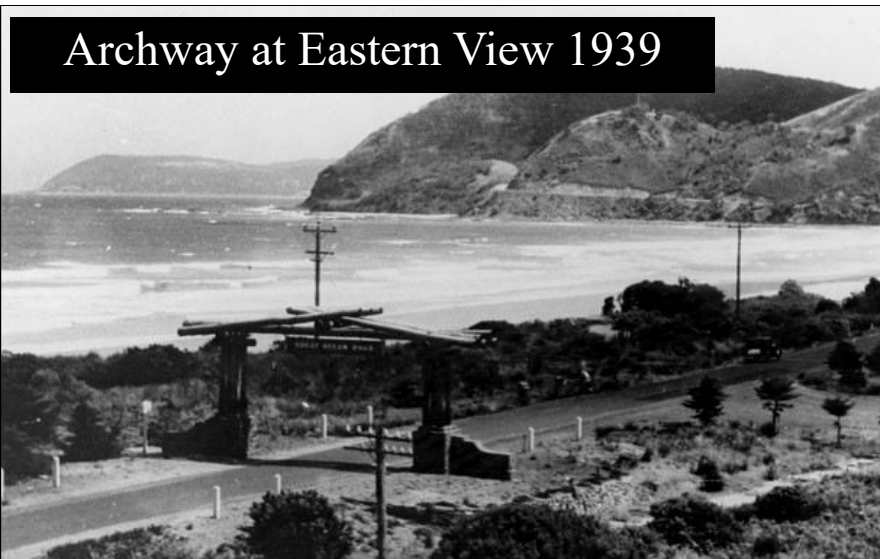
### Aireys Inlet bridge 1931



### Moggs bridge 1931. Two wheel track to Eastern View after this.



### Archway at Eastern View 1939



# Stores, buses & things...

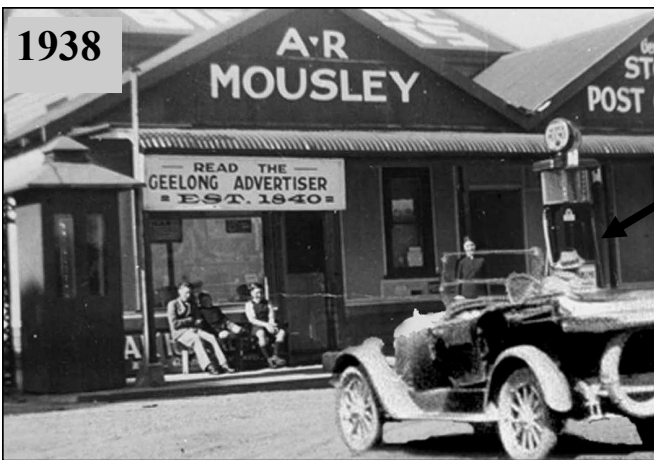
1923



LOCAL TRANSPORT manner had changed when **this 1923 photo** was taken. B.T. Drayton's Model T. bus had replaced Cobb's horse coach between Geelong, Torquay and Anglesea. This service carried Anglesea passengers, mail, produce and milk cans from the front of Mousley's General store.

MOUSLEY'S STORE operated the local telephone switchboard from 1921. Closed for lunch between 1pm-2pm. Half-day Wednesday 9-1pm only.

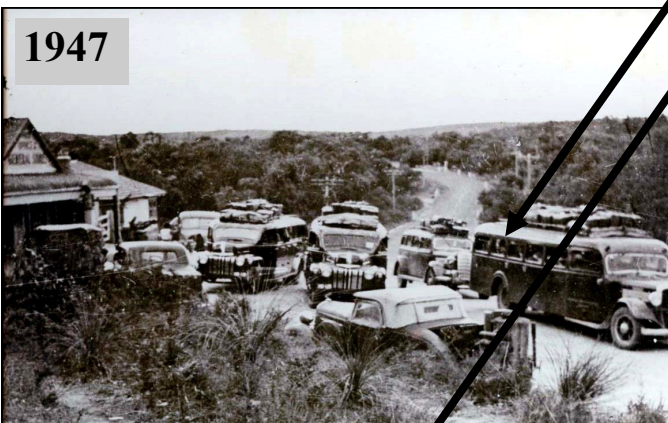
1938



The **1938 photo** shows the PETROL PUMP installed at the front since 1926. THE STORE WAS ENLARGED during 1938 to cater for increased local population.

FLETCHER'S OLD COACH (seats across from door to door) was still part of the scene in the 1947 photo.

1947



SHOPS still fronted the main highway in the 1954 snap.

In the 1961 photo (below) TRANS OT-WAY coaches had replaced those of Fletcher's and HOLDEN cars were evident. It was not until 1968 that the car park was enlarged to align with new river bridge access road ■ L.B.

1954



1961



*This original car park was not altered until 1968.*

ANGLESEA'S PERMANENT POPULATION CENSUS  
1895 (7) 1921(49) 1947(211) 1961(544) 1971(1048) 1977(1991) 2001(2400) ?