

ANGLESEA & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY Inc

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MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT VAL January has not been an idle month for the Society - in addition to our regular commitments to staffing the tourist information van one day per week and opening our Museum each Sunday and New Year's Day, we were represented by Past President Edith Lawn (accompanied by member Joan Murch, also a past president and committee member) at the opening of the extensions to the Surf Club House by the Premier. Keith Cecil and Lindsay Braden, our Researchers and visual recorders, supported the Airey's Inlet New Year's Day Art Show.

On January 16th at the Bellbrae Environment Festival we mounted a pictorial display of the Great Ocean Road - Arthur Stanley, Shirley & Ron Scott and Jim and Dorothy Harrison gave their time to man this display.

We accepted an invitation from the Lioness Club to enter a table in a "Collectables, Art & Craft Show". We exhibited diverse examples of needlework kindly loaned by our members and friends, the latter including Mrs R Cullen, Mrs L McGuire (nee Cecil) and Mesdames M & Y McDonald. We were pleased to be presented with the "most popular" and "most exquisite" awards. Our treasurer was most happy to bank \$30 to our account.

RECENT ACQUISITIONS include -

1. A report on the Proposed Mount Moriac to Forrest Railway written in 1919 - donated by Mr T Rigg.
2. A piano key from the wreck of the "Scammell" - from Mrs Hunt.
3. A Digger's Hat - (2/21 Battalion) - anon
4. Old postal note and sovereign case - Mrs J Murch.

The donation of a TV set by Mr R McKinnon of Craigdarroch Ave, subsequently sold, helped augment our funds. (Val Amery)

COMING EVENTS - Our first meeting for 1994 will be held at the Museum on Saturday 5th February at 8pm when Mr Murray Anderson, Geelong, will be the guest speaker. Those members who attended our Christmas evening will remember hearing of the collection of New Guinea artefacts presented to the Society by Father Tony Eames. Mr Anderson, a visitor on that occasion, was quite excited to see some of these items and has accepted our invitation to speak about them. We know you will be interested in what he has to say.

Featured at that meeting was a video made by member Lindsay Braden titled "From whence they came". Descendants of these early Anglesea families were invited to attend and were absolutely delighted in what they saw and the welcome given by our members. It was a particularly happy evening with plenty of chatter during the delectable supper. Copies of the video at \$15 can be ordered by contacting Lindsay on 633311 or Shirley on 631430. The video has been an added attraction running continuously on Sunday afternoons during the January period for visitors to the Museum. Thank you to all members who have "been on duty" during the holiday period - the information van we have manned on a Tuesday and from a casual observance of the volunteer roster displayed it would appear that again the Historical Society as an organisation provided the most consistent assistance.

Although Sundays at the Museum do not attract large crowds, there has been an interested stream of visitors to admire our collection. A survey done by Year 11 students from Castlemaine High School has been on display too - several houses in different type locations have been featured, one being the Baker Street home of members Pat and Norman Must. Our congratulations here to Norman who celebrated his 91st birthday in January. And best wishes too to other members with special birthdays during the holiday period.

BOOKS AND READINGS - ANGLESEA - A History, Volume 2 is now available for \$15. Written by Keith Cecil it adds to the continuing series "ALONG THE GREAT OCEAN ROAD" An interesting little publication recently acquired for the library tells the story of a trip made by the Roadknight family from their station property near Gerangamete to their Glenaire Station west of Cape Otway in 1863. Fascinating reading! If you would like to borrow this volume please check with the secretary at the next meeting.

As mentioned earlier "Early Anglesea Families" is now available for \$10. To whet your appetite printed below is a paragraph on the Appleton family.

APPLETON George Buniley - Colonel. 17 South Road Brighton Beach. Died 1945

APPLETON Annie (Brearley) w.o. G.B.A.

Children - Daughters Tettie and Lily (Mrs Riggall)

Geo Appleton ran the Wool Broking and Stock Agency business Appleton & Appleton for 5 years from 1887 in Moorabool Street Geelong with his brother W T Appleton. He began his military career in the Geelong Artillery. In 1914 Col. G B Appleton left Australia in charge of 1500 men for Egypt. He was diverted to the staff of the High Commissioner, London, on the way across. His overseas wartime mission was then to visit the Australian wounded. He married Annie Brearley, daughter of Sharpe Brearley (Geelong Tanner). Later a property agent G B Appleton & Co at 131 William Street Melbourne. Staunch supporter of Anglesea Recreation & Sports Club from its inception. He rowed in the first Regatta in 1911, and in 1919 at the age of 69 rowed in a four-oar crew. President of the Anglesea Recreation & Sports Club 1937/8/9. The 1937 trophies were presented by Mrs G B Appleton, wife of the President. Colonel G B Appleton recommends "Sunnymead Estate" (Sunnymead brochure). G B Appleton and W T Appleton are both on the Anglesea 1914/1918 honour roll. Tettie Appetton acquired the former Anna Mackay Presbyterian Church site No 1 (4 acres) and sold this to Beaumont Investments c/o T M Burke in 1947, who then subdivided it into 20 homesites. At that time Tettie Appleton was living at 3 Mayfield Ave Malvern. Lots 33/34 & 38/39 Murray Estate were originally purchased to give a clear view from their house down to the river. The blocks were sold by the estate of Tettie Appleton to J M Bradshaw in 1957.

APPLETON William Thomas - Born Leeds 1859 - Died 16/2/1930 - aged 71

APPLETON Elizabeth Jane (Traill) w.o. W T A - sister of Annie T McMillan

Children - 2 sons, 2 daughters

William T Appleton was one time Geelong manager for Huddart, Parker & Co. By 1929 he was Chairman and Managing Director of that company. He married Miss Elizabeth Jane Traill daughter of John Traill of Melbourne. His son W T Appleton died in World War 1 (Anglesea WW1 Honour Roll). W T Appleton Jnr rowed in the 1910 Blink Bonnie crew. In 1918 ownership of William Parker's "Marguerite House", lots 41 & 42 Parker Street changed to Elizabeth Appleton. Unfortunately that year's bushfire destroyed the house and it was not rebuilt. In 1952 these two lots were purchased for £700 by Hubert Bowman, a Geelong Solicitor, and later resubdivided into 8 sites.

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SOME SNIPPETS FROM THE RHSV NOVEMBER NEWS SHEET

1844	1st January	The first peal of bells heard in Australia from St Mary's Cathedral in Sydney.
1893	2nd December	Ivo Whitten, champion golfer, was born. An event names the Ivo Whitten trophy was contested at Anglesea some years ago.
	28th December	The steamer "ALERT" sank of Cape Schanck with the loss of 14 lives - there was only one survivor.
1894	4th January	Hurricanes hit the north-west coast of Western Australia from Cossack to Broome, and on the 9th January wrecking a steamer and several pearling luggers, with the loss of some 50 men drowned.
	12th January	Dorothy Wall, author-illustrator of "Blinky Bill" was born.
	19th February	The first steam trams began operating to Bondi, Sydney.
1944	14th January	Devastating bush and grass fires swept across parts of the Western District with the township of Derrinallum among many burnt out, and also at Beaumaris: 19 lives lost and 700 homes destroyed.

FUTURE MEETINGS - will be confirmed in "Around the Towns" in the ECHO
 Saturday 5th February - Mr Murray Anderson - New Guinea Artefacts
 Saturday 5th March - Lindsay Braden & Keith Cecil - Video Presentation.
 Saturday 9th April - Alan Willingham - Old Buildings - Old Friends.(N.B. 2nd Saturday)
 Saturday 7th May - John-Claude Rowland - video to music of highlights of the coastline from Warrnambool to Barwon Heads.

We are also hoping to arrange an excursion in the Autumn which will cover a visit to the RHSV Headquarters at the Old Mint Building in Melbourne, the recently re-furbished Gothic Bank building in Collins Street, now world headquarters for the ANZ banking corporation, and the "Polly Woodside", all within a short distance of one another.

Another possibility would be a trip to see the Apollo Bay Museum, travelling via the Otway Rose Garden in Old Wormbete Station Road.

MEMBERSHIPS are almost 100% up to date. A small * alongside this line will indicate that your \$5 in still to be paid.

OBITUARY - Sadly we have to record the passing of two highly respected members. Mrs Fran Filkins was 97 years old when she died. She celebrated her 90th birthday with us at a meeting when we presented her with a posy. Up until the last annual dinner she was a regular attender.

The late Ralph Smith was a most valued member of our Society - "The Quiet Achiever" aptly described his many contributions to the museum maintenance. Out thoughts are with Joan and Gwen at this time.

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THE ANGLESEA FIRE BRIGADE - 50 years of Service
AIREY'S INLET SCHOOL CENTENARY

ALONG THE GREAT OCEAN ROAD SERIES

AIREY'S INLET - A History
ANGLESEA - A History - Volume 1 - to 1900
ANGLESEA - A History - Volume 2 - 1901-1930
ANGLESEA PLANTATION - The
ANGLESEA REGATTA - The
ANGLESEA STREET NAMES
CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF EVENTS AT ANGLESEA AND AIREY'S INLET
COASTAL CHRISTIANITY
GREAT OCEAN ROAD - The
LOCAL PUBS - The
LORNE, THE FOUNDING YEARS Volume 1 - to 1888
LORNE - THE FORMATIVE YEARS Volume 2 - 1889-1922
ROADS TO LORNE - The
SCOUTING AT ANGLESEA
SHIPWRECKS NEAR LORNE
STRANDING OF THE BANCOORA - The
STRANDING OF THE HEREFORD - The
THE RED STEER - COASTAL BUSHFIRES Volume 1 to 1939
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