

Booklet launch Wednes 6<sup>th</sup> November  
Pharmacy School. 7.30 pm.  
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# Coastal Current



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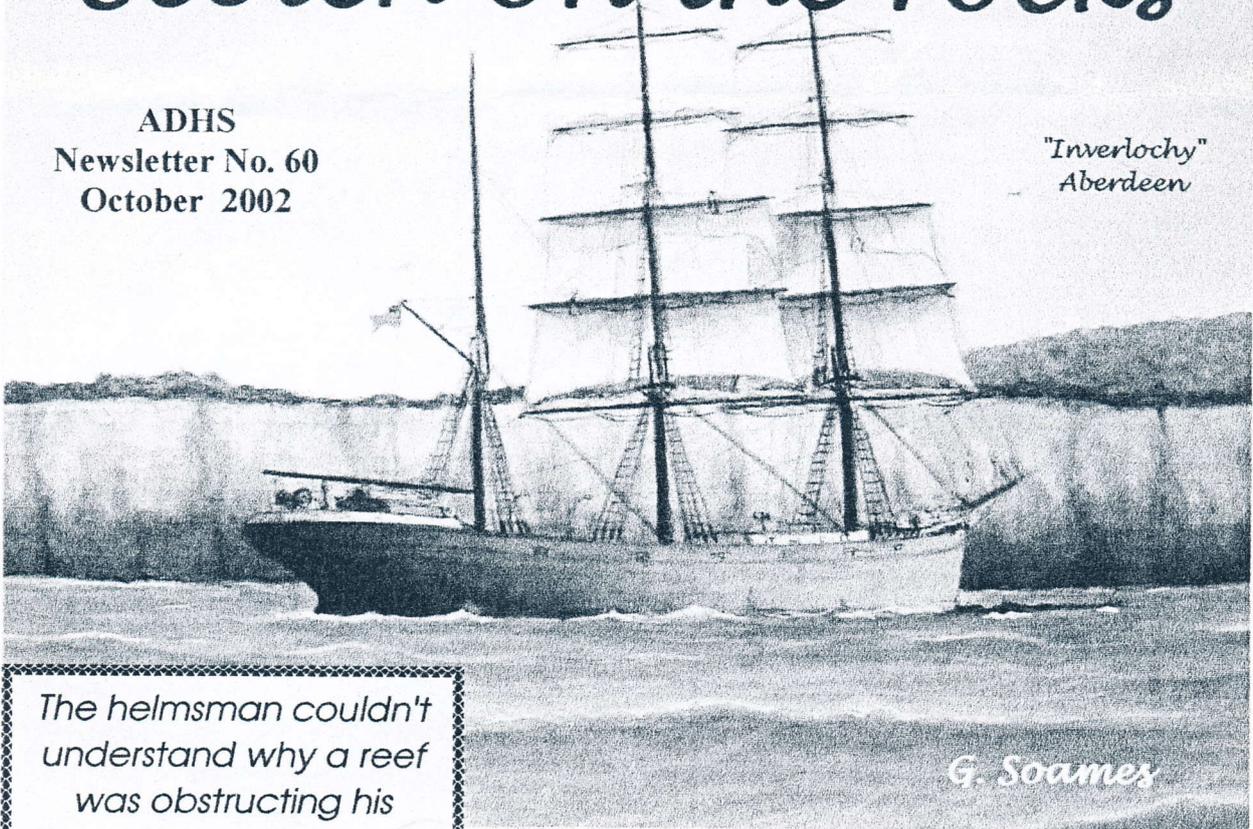
The Anglesea & District  
Historical Society Inc.



## "Scotch on the rocks"

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"Inverlochy"  
Aberdeen



G. Soames

The helmsman couldn't  
understand why a reef  
was obstructing his  
approach to the bay!

**"Inverlochy" Centenary December 18th. 2002.**

There were 24 people on board when the "Inverlochy" grounded on "Ingoldsby" reef during **the night** of 18th December 1902. Fortunately no lives were taken!

*It would seem that in calm conditions bearings were lost, and the area from the Aireys light through to Pt. Roadknight was mistaken for that of Pt. Lonsdale. The next thing the lookout was calling "breakers ahead!"*

The Captain attempted to change the vessel's course. An anchor was dropped just before she grounded on the west side of Ingoldsby reef. All on board took to the two lifeboats and were saved. Much of the cargo was later salvaged.

A lifebelt and log book from the Inverlochy are on display at our Museum ■ LB

■ Inverlochy luncheon booking information -

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# Spring snippets

## CENTENARY WRECK "INVERLOCHY"

**A**t this time 100 years ago, the "Inverlochy" was on its last fateful voyage from Liverpool to Melbourne. The mood must have been high as they neared their destination after a long arduous journey- sadly the ship struck Ingoldsby Reef on December 18<sup>th</sup> at about 10pm.. To commemorate this occurrence the Society is undertaking a series of events.

On Saturday morning 14<sup>th</sup> December a tableau, representing the rescue of the crew will be staged by Circus 3230, (a local group) at Inverlochy Place, Shopping Centre. Musicians will perform and paintings by Junior Primary students depicting the wreck will be on display.

On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at noon, a luncheon will be held at the Surf Life Saving Club, overlooking the wreck site. A varied programme has been arranged and wreck artefacts will be on display. *Numbers for the function are limited- it is recommended you book early by returning the enclosed form if you wish to attend.*

### A.G.M.

A large attendance at the Museum on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October elected the following office bearers...

President	Valerie Amery	<u>Committee</u>
Vice President	Harry Davies	Myrle Smithwick
Secretary	Bruce Bodman	Jean Wendt
Treasurer	Thelma Western	Norma Morrison
Researcher	Lindsay Braden	Jan Morris

### GUEST SPEAKER

At the conclusion of the meeting, Brian Latter gave a fascinating account of his experiences as a SCUBA diver recovering an anchor of the Earl of Charlemont. He also showed his intriguing collection of salvaged clay pipes.



### END OF AN ERA.

The AGM was, sadly, a farewell to Shirley Forsyth our long serving Secretary. Over the past sixteen years Shirley has been actively involved in contributing and assisting in compiling the quarterly newsletters, the planning of fund raising activities, seeking out the necessary equipment to establish a permanent home for the Museum and numerous other roles that helped create a vital ADHS.

Shirley was honoured with Life Membership in 1999 for this matchless contribution to the Society. We wish Shirley and husband Ken,



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**Meetings**  
The Historical Society meets on the first Sunday of each month unless otherwise notified

**Museum**  
Our Museum at 5a McMillan Street Anglesea, is open on the second Sunday of each month  
2-4 pm.  
or by appointment

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*Breakers ahead!*

**Our 2003 pictorial Calendar is now available. Only a limited number have been printed!**

### Spring snippets continued

all the best in their new home at Geelong.

A beautiful potted orchid was presented to Shirley as a farewell gift.

#### **TREASURER**

Also at the AGM Beryl Parsons stepped down as Hon Treasurer. We thank Beryl for a job very well done.

#### **ANARE.**

Geoffrey Holbery-Morgan - an Antarctic Expeditioner presented the Society with a signed copy of



*Geoffrey H-M.*

"The History of the Anare Club 1951 -2001" Members have been invited to attend the launch by Dr. Phillip Law.



*Ray & Rhoda Bush at our Angair stand*

#### **ANGAIR**

Courtesy of Angair we again had a stand at the Annual Anglesea WildFlower Show. Our display included a new series of *Then and Now* photos titled 'Photopast'

which created much interest.

These can be purchased very reasonably in either *photo quality* or *photo paper* and make an excellent gift.

Our 2003 Calendars and mugs with *Inverlochy* logo are now in stock. *Don't miss out!*

#### **VISIT TO WINCHELSEA.**

The September meeting took the form of a visit to a sister Historical Society's Rooms as guest of President Geoff Matheson. General meeting business over we lunched at the historic Tea Rooms prior to attending the delightful programme "*A Different Hat*" - based on the life of Marjorie Lawrence, devised and performed by Wendy Grose

#### **PRIMARY SCHOOL INTERVIEWS.**

The joint project featuring taped and photographed interviews conducted by Grade 6 students of senior residents is now completed and is to be presented in book form at a launch at the Primary School at a date to be announced - contact Val.

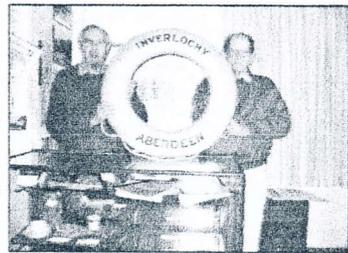
Interviewees and interested members are invited to attend ■ V.A.

### ANGLEpast

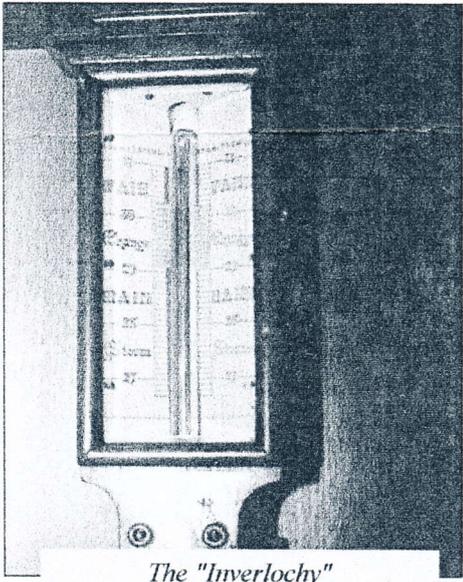
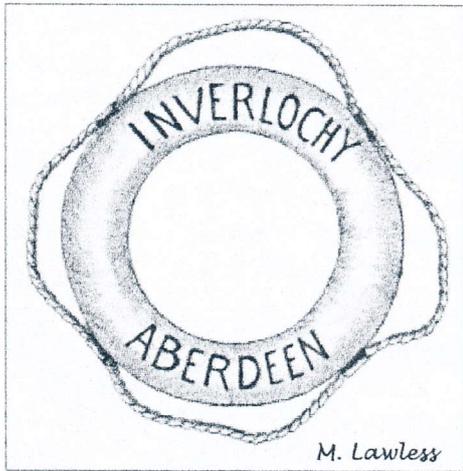


Harvey Sichlau (above) was amongst a group of 4 locals who rowed out and boarded the "Inverlochy" on 22/12/1902.

### Thanks to our Artists



We are extremely fortunate in having two talented members- namely Geof Soames and Max Lawless. Their artistic expertise has been greatly appreciated with our "Inverlochy" Centenary coverage preparation. V.A.



*The "Inverlochy" barometer is on display at The Royal Geelong Yacht Club*

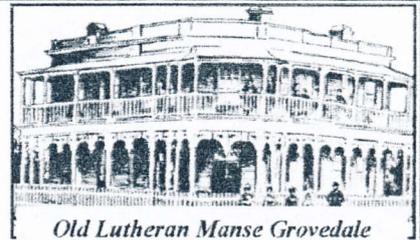
# Peggy Bunton's "The Hut"



(Part 1) Highlights from the late Peggy Bunton's (nee Paton) excellent book "The Hut" featuring the Paton family in early Anglesea....

Our family's first connection with Anglesea dates well back over 100 years to the time when our grandparents, Rev George Heyer and Clara Heyer lived at Grovedale. He was a minister of the Lutheran Church there, and they used to go to Anglesea for picnics and holidays

I can't remember getting to the steamer, but to reach town we usually walked to the Kew Post Office where we got a horse tram which took us to Victoria Bridge over the Yarra.

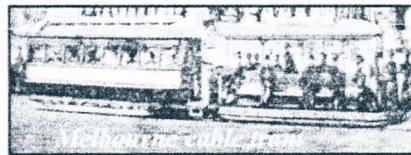


Old Lutheran Manse Grovedale - sketch by J.M. Larsen

Then we transferred to a cable tram - how we loved riding in the "dummy" in front of the tram.

five mile ride to Grovedale where we stayed until after Christmas.

Getting to Anglesea was quite a procedure, and many years before we actually did it in one day.



The old Grovedale manse had originally been a hotel and there was a huge range for cooking, and a big black boiler always simmering with hot water.

It is a real regret we never did it in style, dashing in by Cobb & Co. That was far too expensive for our large family.

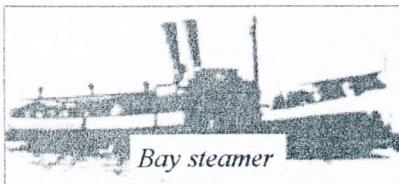
The driver stood in the centre of the "dummy" working the levers and there were bench seats all around him facing outwards.

Another memory of the kitchen is two rows of copper saucepan lids hanging on the wall, polished till they shone like mirrors.

We always went first to Grovedale near Geelong (then called Germantown until World War 1).

I can still hear him calling "mind the curve" whenever a corner was near.

On Boxing Day the young ones were banished to the balcony, and we sat there all day watching the picnickers go past en-route to Torquay.



Bay steamer

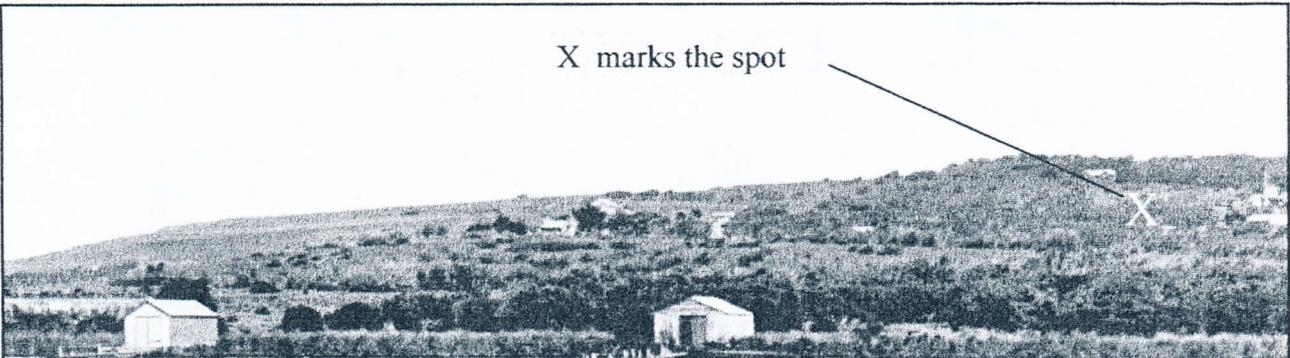
The first exiting thing to look for from the tram was the moving advertisement for Skipping Girl Vinegar on the Brewery just beyond Victoria Bridge. It was illuminated at night and we marvelled at the girl skipping away for ever.

We all had paper and pencils and noted down how many buggies, phaetons, drays, trucks, carts, horses, bicycles etc. went by

We travelled from Melbourne by boat, a very pleasant four hour trip, calling at Portarlington on the way.

At Geelong we were met by my Grandfather in his buggy for the

*No cars in those days!* ■  
*To be continued*



X marks the spot

*\*Gladstone Estate (1916) just before 'The Hut' was built.*

\* During 1883 George Noble commenced subdividing his broad acres on the western side of the river as the "Gladstone Estate" - patriotically named after British PM. William Gladstone.