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Meetings

2nd Thursday of the month
commencing at 10am at the
Historical Society Museum
McMillan Street Anglesea 3230
.Visitors most welcome.

Library And Research Facilities
Monday 10am-2pm.
Friday 10am-12 noon
2nd Sunday of the month 2-4pm.

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responsible for the accuracy of
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Christmas Raffle Winner Sally Mann

Our thanks go to everyone who supported
our Christmas and Easter raffles.
Both raffles were a great success.
Congratulations to the lucky Mann's
as Helen and her daughter-in-law
scooped the pool.

Forthcoming Meetings And Trips

- Thursday 9th May Trip to Maritime Museum at Warrnambool.
- Saturday 11th May speaker Joy Roy
subject Research in North England and Cornwall.
- Thursday 13th June New members to tell their family stories
- Thursday 11th July speaker Norma Morrison
subject Family History Research
- Thursday 8th August Book reviews by members

We will have a trading table at our May meeting and all
members are requested to bring a contribution to the table.



At our February meeting Betty and Jane
Vanderstoel were presented with a plaque
dedicated to Kevin Vanderstoel who passed away in
November 2000.

Kevin was a founding member of our group and
started our newsletter.
Daughter Jane spoke to the meeting about adoption
and how to go about research in this area of family
History.

****A CHANGE OF RESTING PLACE FOR CHARLES LANE **
OF "SUNNYMEAD" AIREYS INLET.**

LANE. CHARLES JAMES. Born Tarnagulla/Newbridge 1867. Died 14/9/1925 aged 58.

*** Charles J. Lane was a well known tailor at 256 Collins Street Melbourne (near Australia Arcade). In 1919 he retired from active business and registered as an importer at 308 Flinders Lane. Also owned the property 'Sunnymead' near Aireys Inlet, which he used as a country retreat.

**THE FOLLOWING PRESS CUTTINGS AND CERTIFICATE DETAILS MAY SHED
LIGHT ON A MYSTERIOUS GRAVE NEAR URQUHART BLUFF**

Argus Tues September 15th 1925. (press cutting)

Sportsman will learn with regret of the death of Mr. C. J. Lane which occurred yesterday in his home at Hotham Street St. Kilda. Mr. Lane founded the tailoring establishment which bears his name but he retired from active business some years ago, and devoted much of his leisure in developing his Country Estate near Appollo Bay (sic). He was a noted long distance runner in his youth, and one of the early members of the Melbourne Harriers Club. In addition to his all round ability on the athletic field, he was one of the finest amateur billiard players in Victoria. His son Mr. Charles Lane, has earned equal distinction as an athlete, and was a representative of Australia at the last Olympic Games.

Argus Tuesday 19/9/1925. (press cutting)

LANE. On the 14th September 1925 at Surbiton, Hotham Street, East St. Kilda.
Charles James Lane. (Private interment at St. Kilda.).

Will of Charles James Lane dated 8/7/1925 stated :

I desire that on my death my body shall be buried at the Cemetery at Urquharts Bluff near Aireys Inlet Vic. And that no mourning clothes shall be worn in consequence of my death. (Initialled by all parties) However his Death Certificate shows he was buried at St.Kilda. *Apparently, the Executor of his will set his wishes aside.*

Country News / Aireys Inlet 1925 (Press cutting)

An appreciation of the late Mr. C. J. Lane, by Mary Anderson.

Quite a gloom was cast over Aireys Inlet when it became known that Mr. C. J. Lane had passed away at his home in St.Kilda. Until last Saturday Mr. Lane had been lying ill at his seaside residence, "Sunnymead" *but his relatives thought it advisable for him to return to the city, and he was removed home by ambulance on Saturday last.*

He will be greatly missed in this district and gratefully remembered for the valuable service he rendered to residents and tourists in constructing a road through the beautiful Sunnymead Estate at his own personal expense, and which proved a great benefit to all classes of the community. Mr. Lane had been in a delicate state of health for some months, and these last few weeks no hope was held out for his recovery. *At his own wish he was brought to Sunnymead, where he had always expressed a desire to end his days,* and although this was not to be, those who were best acquainted with the deceased gentleman, and knew him to be a lover of the sea and birds, and flowers cannot help but feel that out near the mighty deep, away from the weary world, would have been a fitting place for Charles Lane to depart, with the winds and waves chanting his requiem etc.

Urquhart Cemetery block

In the original Crown Survey plan, 10 acres of land was set aside for a cemetery in a remote area west of Sunnymead Road, inland from Urquhart Bluff. It would appear that no person was ever laid to rest in this defined space. The inland reserve was revoked in 1962.

However, many people (including myself) can remember seeing what appeared to be the remains of a proposed grave dug in this area. Heavy re-growth from the 1983 bush-fire now covers this theorised resting place. Was this an excavation for a grave once ordered for Charles Lane – or is it the remains a mineral search hole dug in later years? *Perhaps we will never know the answer!*

■ Lindsay Braden



Marjorie's search for her McKenzie Forbears

I have been trying to identify my Paternal Great Grandmother for quite a number of years. Her name was Jessie McKenzie. My best bet from all previous information was that she came from around Knockbane in Rossshire Scotland. I have my name in various journals with my various interests.

Near the end of last year I received an email from a gentleman from "somewhere" in England. He said "my wife travelled 400 miles to Gairloch (West Rossshire) to try and find evidence of my McKenzie forebears without any luck.

Do you think your McKenzie's are connected to mine?.

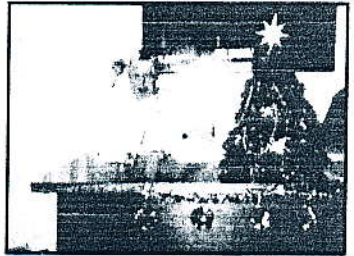
My reply went like this. "I travelled for 24 hours (around 12000 miles) on a plane to Knockbane (East Rossshire) to find nothing more than an old deserted School House . I cannot see any connection of the two families"

A reply email came " I will never complain about my 400 mile trip again".

About two weeks later I received a birth certificate of one of my Jessie's children. She gave her birth place as Tain (North Rossshire) . I then sent a further email to my English friend .

"Just found out I was ten miles short of my target"

Our thanks go to Marjorie Hanson for providing this story.



Marjorie Hanson throwing sweets to members at the Christmas party.

Getting Old

You know you're getting " Marvellously Mature" when

You and your teeth don't sleep together

It takes two tries to get up from the couch

When your idea of a night out is sitting on the patio

When happy hour is a nap

Your address book has mostly names that starts with doctor

It takes longer to rest than it did to get tired

Your memory is shorter and your complaining lasts longer

Your Pharmacist has become your best friend

Unser Deutscher Grossvater (Our German Grandfather)

Conrad Ravallion was born in Frauenstein Nassau Germany in 1799. He married Kararina Feld and was employed as a gamekeeper. One of their sons Johann Ravaillion born in 1821 married Anna Maria Rubenach at St George Roman Catholic church in Frauenstein in 1847.

Johann and Maria brought their children Phillip, Anna, Maria, Catherine and baby Peter to Australia on the "Caesar" which arrived in Sydney in 1855. Tragically Johann's wife and baby Peter along with forty six other passengers died with an epidemic of cholera or typhoid fever Johann complained to the captain about the lack of skill of the doctor.

Johann's second wife was Elizabeth Boyd who was employed by the McArthurs at Camden Park. They lived on a small farm at Narellan and had six children, our Grandfather Henry Ravaillion was the second son

Henry was fostered out to a farm where he received little education and was poorly treated. Fortunately he met and married Dora Sophia Peters at All Saints Bodalla in 1892. They worked a small farm at Bodalla. They had seven children two boys and five girls. The eldest William died in German hands in World War One and the second youngest Evelyn Ravaillion married Ernest Short in 1923. She was a gifted gracious lady with three devoted children called May, Valerie, and Reginald.



Henry Ravaillion
Grandfather to
Val Amery and May McDonald

Editors message

We need some more
Family history stories for
our future newsletters.
Your participation would
be greatly appreciated.
Please contact
Fred Bartlett



Our guest speaker at our April meeting was Graeme Reynolds from the Genealogical Society of Victoria who spoke about the Irish transportation and working and living on the goldfields in Victoria in the 1850's. Pictured on the left is Graeme and Alice Jones.

Members Gallery



Members pictured above enjoying refreshments at our Christmas function. From left to right – Myrle Smithwick, Judith Morrow, Loris Pavia, Harry Davies, Thelma Western, Alice Jones and Dulcie Quinlan.



Heather Bartlett pictured selling Christmas raffle tickets at the Anglesea Shopping Centre.