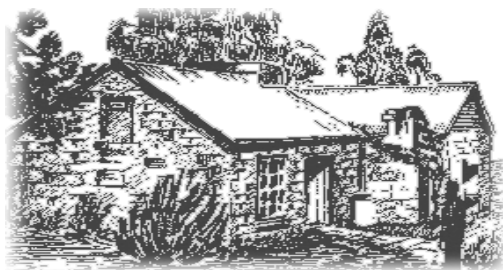



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***TO ALL OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR***



From BRISBANE WATER HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

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COMMITTEE CHANGES

Retirement of President Norman Allan

We have received notification of our President's (Norman Allan) retirement from our Committee taking effect from November 29th, because of ill health. Thank you Norman for the work you have done for the Society during your time as President. We hope your health will continue to improve and wish you all the best for the future.

Resignations

Tricia Scott has resigned from the position of Committee Member and we want to thank her very much for all the time and effort she has put into her work as a committee member over the last few years.

Acting Treasurer Brian James has also resigned. Brian's willingness to step in during the year to help with this position is very much appreciated.

Appointments

Senior Vice-President Margaret Pearce will be acting President until the AGM in March 2017. Thanks heaps Margaret!

Cheryl Remfry has kindly consented to be our Acting Treasurer until March 2017 and we thank her for this.

Your Committee, under the guidance of Caretaker President Margaret Pearce is 'Getting on with the Job' of promoting and developing our Society. To this end we have accomplished the following:

1st September 2016 until 30th November ***CWA display***
 1st December 2016 until 28th February 2017..... New display '***Surf's Up***'

SPRING GATHERING

Our **Spring Gathering** on Saturday, 19th November, was a very pleasant afternoon with about 25 members and friends attending.

Our Guest Speaker on this occasion was Margaret Hardy. Margaret gave a very interesting and enjoyable talk on her experiences with *Arts on the Coast*, promoting quite a few questions and some discussion. We then enjoyed a lovely afternoon tea provided by our Margareta Tauni. Thanks Margareta for all the yummy cakes you produced and thanks also to all those other members who helped organise everything. A real team effort!

SUMMER GATHERING - 2017

This is on the third Saturday of January, 21st at 1.30. **DON'T FORGET** - write it in your 2017 Diary now! We're very fortunate to have on this day as Guest Speaker, Cathy Cole, who is doing a book on the Centenary of Terrigal Surf Lifesaving Club in 2020.

NEW DISPLAY - 'SURF'S UP!'

How about bringing your friends and family for a trip down memory lane - we are celebrating our Society's 66th Summer !

The **'Surf's Up'** Exhibition looks at how this spectacular region came to be known as 'The Playground of Two Great Cities' and highlights the Coast's iconic identity as the holidaymaker's paradise.

Amongst the artifacts in this display are two surfboards owned by David Benwell. They are a *Mal (Malibou)* and a *McCoy of Avoca Lazor Zap (popular with Cheyne Horan I believe)*.



RECENT STALLS

BWHS recently had stalls at -

Mangrove Mountain Country Fair - attended by Edith, Fiona, Margaret & Frank - a successful day, with lots of interest in the stall & HK Cottage.

Volunteers Central Coast 15th November - attended by Tricia and Fiona

CWA Christmas Market 3rd December - attended by Fiona, Peter and Dora, Sue, Karen and Frank - a very successful pleasant day.

What a wonderful hard-working bunch of volunteers we have!

Thanks Kreenah wishes to thank Terrie, Fiona and Jay for helping her get the kitchen back in order.

MGNSW Groups

In accordance with the Museums and Galleries recommendation we have formed the following groups, with a committee member as coordinator, to help move forward with our plans:

Strategic Planning	– Peter Rea
Infrastructure	– Cheryl Remfry
Visitor Services	– Edith Campbell
Public Relations	– Sandy Hunt-Sharman
Curatorial Group	– Kreenah Yelds
Membership	– Edith Campbell

Final Report

Below is the Final Report that Kreenah has given us.

"What an excellent day we had on Friday, 4th November - thank you all so much again for being there. Together we wrapped up with three priorities for a short-term action plan - being...

a) De-accession of non-relevant items and reorganisation of existing storage. n.b. MGNSW do not recommend a new/separate storage facility. Once de-accession is undertaken, and that also entails finding a place for the items to go, that will alleviate the current circumstances, as will a dash of reorganisation - already a work in progress.

b) Education programs.

c) Promotion.

Working towards a more active member capacity, caring for the Cottage and ensuring that BWHS is a safe and friendly place to visit is of course our eternal aim".

Kreenah attended the Regional Stakeholder Meeting at the Powerhouse Museum Sydney in mid-November and heard some fascinating presentations from around NSW on the efforts of museums and gallery volunteers and our friends in commercial enterprise. Much talk about the Powerhouse Museum relocating to Parramatta was expected, yet there may be still be a chance to have the Powerhouse remain in Sydney and also a branch out west – Kreenah will stay tuned.

CC COUNCIL OVER 50S BOOKLET

We had a request from Bob Thomas of Central Coast Council, to include an article on Henry Kendall Cottage for their **Over 50s** booklet. We were glad to do this. It's good publicity for us and it virtually repeats what is on our website.

Anniversary - *On December 18th it is sixty years since the death of Garnet Adcock - an incredible man, pioneer of the Central Coast citrus industry, and the second owner of Henry Kendall Cottage.*

PROGRAM 2016December - 1stDecember - 13th 11.00**New display - 'SURF'S UP!'
Christmas/Birthday function****GROUP BOOKINGS**

Just one left for this year but quite a few coming in for 2017.

December 23	Fri.	11.45	Cardwell Coaches	30 visitors
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2017

January	26	Thur.	all day	Gosford Blue Waters Probus	No. tba
February	22	Wed.	2.00	Adamstown Ladies' Probus	
March	14	Tue.	tba	Celebrity Solstice	
March	15	Wed.	2.00	Stuart Coaches	20 snrs
March	16 & 23	Thu.	tba	Berkeley Vale P/S - Grades 1 & 2	
March	21	Tue.	10-11.00	Coastal Liners (Hurstville Probus)	30 snrs
March	21	Tue.	tba	Hunter Valley Walkers	15 visitors
March	23	(see March 16)			
April	11	Tue.	tba	Radiance of the Sea	
May	25	Thu.	afternoon	CWA Conference Tour Group - Aft/Tea	

A list of Bookings is in our Front Office and is progressively updated. Our Duty Roster Officer, Margaret Pearce, will advise those members on duty. If you wish to go on the Duty Roster please let Margaret know (4384 3271). You would be with experienced members for your first few duty days and then always with one or two others. Members find it interesting and a nice little social occasion.

Museum Duty - Would Duty Members please confirm with Margaret when they are on duty. Please make sure that if you suddenly find that you can't do your museum duty you contact Margaret (or Shirley or Edith if Margaret is unavailable) to advise of this. *Please do not be late* unless you advise Margaret or your duty partner. It only takes a phone call! If a Duty Member just doesn't arrive it means having to try to contact that member and/or then having to organize another member to fill in.

We had a visit from over 20 members of the **Coast Badminton Group** on Sunday, December 4. They enjoyed a BBQ and from all accounts had a good day. Some photos on our Notice Board!

MEMORIES OF CHRISTMAS PAST

David Jones' windows - Gosford Christmas Street Parade - the chaos of Christmas morning exploring our Christmas/Pillow cases to see what Santa brought - Christmas Beetles (where have they gone?) - Aluminium Christmas trees - lots of tinsel - Bing Crosby, Doris Day - 'Snow' out of an aerosol can ... and so on and on! I'm sure there are plenty more out there!

Whoop Hoo !!- A Fantabulous Chrissmas Caike

1 cup butter	1 cup brown sugar
4 large eggs	1 or 2 litres whisky
1 teaspoon baking powder	1 cup dried fruit
1 cup white sugar	1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon salt	lemon juice

Before you start, sample the whisky to check for quality. Good isn't it? Now go ahead. Select a large mixing bowl, measuring cup etc. Check the whisky again as it must be just right. To be sure it is of the highest quality, pour one level cup into a glass and drink it as fast as you can. Repeat.

With an electric mixer, beat one cup of butter in a large fluffy bowl. Add one tablespoon thugar and beat afain. Meanwhile, make sure the whisky is of the finest quality. Cry another tup. (Open the second litre if necessary).

Add 2 arge leggs, 2 cups fried druit and beat til high. If druit gets stuck in beaters, just pry it loose with drewscriber. Sample whisky again checking for toxssscisity.

Next shift 3 cups salt or anything, it really doesn't matter. Sample whisky. Shift half pint lemon juice. Fold in chopped butter and strained nujts. Add one tablespoon brown thugar, or whatever colour you can find and wix mel. Grease oven and turn cake pan to 360 greedees. Pour the whole mess in the boven and ake. Check the whisky and bo to ged.

Hic !!



From "Recipes" Henry Kendall Cottage and Historical Museum, 2014

Brisbane Water Historical Society Inc.

DON'T FORGET OUR BIRTHDAY/CHRISTMAS PARTY ON TUESDAY, 13TH DECEMBER AT 11.00 AM !!!!!

Kariong Public School Visit

Recently students from Kariong Public School paid us a visit as part of their history unit 'The Past and the Present'. Our thanks go to Mrs. Hoyle Stage 1 Supervisor, for the following report of this visit, including an account by 1Hs of their excursion, and we're delighted to reprint it here.

"The children examined how the early settlers lived in our local area compared to how we live today. The children were treated to a guided presentation that showcased the cottage; its inhabitants, the living arrangements and work spaces as well as the museum and its beautiful surrounds. We saw close up the artifacts and the experiences that life, in the early days of Gosford, had to offer. The volunteers at the cottage were very impressed with the way the children of Kariong PS conducted themselves and many commented on their exceptional manners and respect shown throughout the day."

1H's Excursion Recount

"Last week we caught the bus to Henry Kendall Cottage for our History excursion. First we went into the museum and there were so many interesting artifacts all around us. We thought the old telephones looked funny. They were hard to use and we think that the mobile phones we use today are better because you can take them anywhere, they are small and light and you get to take photos and play games on them. We even saw a moustache tea-cup which was used to stop a man's moustache from getting wet when drinking tea! We had never seen one of these before.

Next we went into the cottage and we couldn't believe how tiny the bedrooms were. We think they were so small because people didn't spend much time in them compared to us today. We have much bigger rooms probably because we have so many toys to play with. We learnt that the kitchen and laundry were outside. This was to stop the main part of the house from burning down because they needed kerosene to make fires to cook and to heat water for washing. We think this is dangerous and we are happy that we have electricity instead.

After the cottage we went to see the farm shed and the machinery. Did you know that West Gosford had loads of citrus trees? Sadly, the trees have gone but the people back then thought it was a great place to grow oranges. Now there are roads, cars, houses and shops in the West Gosford area. We think it would have been nicer back then, seeing all the fruit trees around.

Finally, we spend time playing old-fashioned games. We learnt how to play jacks, quoits, elastics and we skipped and played with the hoops. We also had a picnic recess and lunch in the lovely grassed area. We then caught the bus back to school. It was a great day and we learnt so much about how people lived, worked and played in the olden days".

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COACH / GROUP VISITS are always welcome, any time day or night, out of hours BY APPOINTMENT, Phone (02) 4325 2270. Our Grounds are open every day from 10.00 to 4.00 for visitors to stroll around and view our outdoor exhibits. The Society's Meetings are held in the Henry Kendall Cottage and Museum Complex, West Gosford.

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!!!!

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