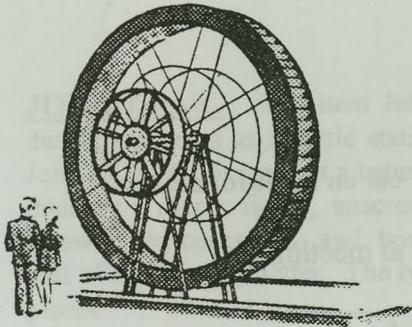


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FEBRUARY 2002

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SLIDE SHOW

Through the Eyes of Jack Dallinger, Photographer, Albury.
Celebrating Jack's life and work through a collection of his slides.

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

The Royal Jubilee:

We are after the best local connection story to mark the royal Jubilee.
What memory do you have of the accession ?
What direct connection have you had with the present Head of State.

THANK YOU THELMA

For the past six years, Thelma Musselwhite has very competently handled the book sales for our Society, but has now decided to take a well deserved rest. Our Society thanks Thelma for a job well done, and welcomes Jannette Griggs, who will now undertake this task.

CONGRATULATIONS

to Tom Jelbart on receiving the Order of Australia, and Jean Whitla of the Wodonga Historical Society on being named the Wodonga Citizen of the Year.

LOOKING AHEAD

13 March 2002 – Ray Harrison, Harrisons of Albury.

10 April: Tony Smith, Going to the Pictures in Albury

20-28 April Heritage Week Theme: Bridging the Divide.

20 April Heritage Week Bookstall in Myer Centre (9am – 12noon). The Society is seeking donations of pre-loved history books to sell at this stall. If you can help in any way, it would be greatly appreciated. More details at the February meeting and in the March *Bulletin*.

CAN YOU HELP

Curiosity has got the better of Shirley Dobson, of Albury, resulting in a letter to our Society requesting information regarding a bald parrot. Her letter reads as follows

"I was reading a delightful book from the library over the festive season break called "Aunts Up The Cross" by Robin Dalton, first published in 1965. On page 50/51 I was very interested to read about – and I quote "The bald parrot who lived on the Victorian-New South Wales border, in Albury railway station. He had two raucous calls in his repertoire, as one alighted from the train: "Give me one more feather and I'll fly" and "Stand back ! I'm an eagle". Do any of our members know anything about the bald parrot?"

CATHOLIC PRECINCT INFORMATION SHEETS

People who went on the tour of the **Catholic precinct** in November and missed out on the **information sheet** can collect one at the February meeting.

Members are reminded that copies of **Vanishing Albury** can be purchased at meetings.

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION OF THE MONTH – December

Where was the Chinese Joss House located in Albury ?

The answer was given by **Gerry Curtis**. In the 1930's, **P.J. Phibbs** had a **cordial factory** at 401 Townsend Street. He was my Uncle, and I washed bottles in that factory in the Christmas holidays. Behind that factory at the western end was a **Chinese market garden** of perhaps a quarter of an acre, and three or four Chinese men loved there. There were all elderly men (no women). They lived in huts and smoked **opium** in the **Joss House**, as it had a strong smell. That was all that remained at that time of the **Chinese camp**.

DECEMBER MEETING REPORT

The **Bring & Tell evening** was an outstanding success, with members bringing a wide variety of items. The Editor thanks those members who gave a written description of their item/s, which has made the task of putting these details into print much easier.

JOHN MOLLISON - (MASLIN KETTLE)

"Maslin" is an alloy of copper and zinc; but the term is apparently now obsolete except for its use in the name for this kind of preserving pan. The one which John has used for over 50 years, is typical of those made about 200 years ago. It is excellent for the manufacture of a year's supply of marmalade – which requires, of course, the bitter oranges to which the Spanish city of Seville gave its name. Australian Seville oranges are far larger than the Spanish but have the same flavour.

ALBURY REGIONAL MUSEUM STAFF used the meeting for a "show and ask".

They displayed **hames** for a pony, probably related to use with a sulky, as explained & demonstrated by Claude Burke. They also showed an old **timer** that was probably used for telephone or telegraph communication.

BRUCE PENNAY showed a **medallion** issued to school children to mark the **Jubilee of Federation** in 1951. He also showed a **medal** presented by the residents of Bowna to the mother of **Pte.E.Fielder**, who was one of the fallen in the Great War.

ALEX SAVIDGE showed a **fob compass** of the kind used by coachmen in the early 1800's in England.

DOUG HUNTER showed a **mystery item** that had come from the collection of memorabilia retained by **Bertie Sheather**, a native of Cudgewa. He served on the Western Front in the 21st Battalion in the Great War. The family believed it was a document case. Members present suggested it might have been an article of clothing.

ANNE DAVIES - **Wool on Canvas**, dated 1884. The **sampler** was sewn by **Eva Jane Gladwin** in 1884 when she was at a village school in **Herefordshire, England**. She left school when she was 13 to work as a nursery maid. When she was 23, she went as Nannie to a family where she stayed until she was over 90. She was Nannie to two generations and at other times, housekeeper. Much loved.

PAM JOWETT spoke about her grandfather, **James Selby Grinton**.

The report of her talk will appear in a later **Bulletin**.

JOHN CRAIG The item John showed was essential in everyday life of the late Mr **Laurie Purss**, during his years as a cattle station worker and drover in the Northern Territory and Western Australia. John called it, for want of a better name, "a **Drovers Friend**". Approximately 3 inches long, the casing as thick as a man's finger, unscrews to reveal within its body five pieces all of near the same length : a screwdriver, corkscrew, awl, boring bit, tweezers. All pieces are slotted at one end to fit a recess in one half of the brass cylinder. The two halves when screwed together form the handle for working the various pieces.

JANNETTE GRIGGS Her treasure was a **Cup and Saucer**.

It bought back very vivid fond memories of her childhood. It was bought for her when she was very little by her paternal grandmother **Florence Ethel Stonnill** who was born in 1884 and died in 1971.

These cups and saucers were made in **England** and were the highlight of visiting her Grandmother.

They were kept in the glass sliding part of the kitchen dresser, which was painted a light green. It had two drawers and two doors underneath.

She thought it great to be able to drink **Ovaltine** from the cup, as they didn't have Ovaltine at home. As a kid, Janette particularly liked the cups because they had characters on them and even on the inside. They were special, as they did not have them at home. Her Grandmother used to play **tea parties** with her, and her plastic tea set. The normal was to use cut outs and drawings of food for the plates imagine her surprise when one day she arrived with a real custard tart to share at a tea party.

JINDERA PIONEER MUSEUM by **Lee Howard** – two items

During **WW1** the farmers of **German** descent were required to report to the **Police Station** each day, as proof they were in the district, not off on espionage!!!.

Constable Herbert Palmer was in charge of the **Jindera Police Station**, and as he had earlier been a drover, knew that a daily trip to town to report was a waste of working time for the farmers, so each day he would ride out around his area, wave to the workers who were required to wave back, thus fulfilling the requirements to report in each day.

After the war, the residents presented him with this **desktop writing set** in grateful thanks for his assistance to them.

Remembering the Germans arrived in this district 1860, most of the farmers would have been born in Australia and to take up land they had to be naturalised.

(2) The second item was a **Wooden Lemon Squeezer** - This was carved by Master **E.Snart**, who attended the **Gooramatta Public School** in the 1880's.

Carved out of a **red gum** piece it is about 6 inches in height. The top of the tower is where the ½ lemon is placed to squeeze juice. A square "V" shaped piece, which slides up/down, catches the seeds whilst the juice can run through to the bowl at the base.

HOWARD JONES displayed an **ADDIATOR mechanical calculating machine** with the serial number 241817. It came to the Society as part of the **Fielder** Collection and was made in **Germany 1920-30's**. It is a sterling version £.s.d. It has a value of US \$153 and similar machines were still available in the 1950's. One side of the instrument is used for addition and the reverse for subtraction. The stylus advances each column by the number to be added or subtracted. It also had a carry over facility, and calculations could be cleared, by pulling a lever. This type of calculator was introduced by the **Frenchman, Troncet** in 1889. It was once one of the most popular calculators of this sort. From the "Calculating Machines & Instruments", Science Museum, London, about an exhibit there – "Made and presented by **Addiator Gesellschaft**, Berlin.

JIM PATTERSON

1. Souvenir from the **Albury Show – 1913** (Ruby Glass – **milk/cream jug**).
2. **Drinking Mug** – EPNS – A1-Regal "Theatre Royal"
3. Salt & Pepper – **pottery set** – **W.Malcolm Caterer, Albury** (Kiewa Street)
4. **Bottle Shapes** (non related to Albury) (a) White Horse **bottle cap opener** (b) Keuck – **Dice Holder** (c) Sparkling Minchinbury – wooden – pencil (d) German wine bottle – pencil sharpener (e) Napoli **Cigar cutter** (f) Dewers – Imperial Whisky **corkscrew** (g) Cedar of Lebanon "Jerusalem" **cigarette filter and pipe**.
And lastly item No.5 - C.B.C – 2 badges.

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ANCES-TREE : Journal Burwood/Drummoyne F.H.S. – Nov 2001

1. Report of A.C.T/N.S.W F.H.S. Conference.
2. Ances-Tree Notice Board

HISTORY – R.A.H.S. Magazine – December 2001

1. Society's Calendar of events Jan 2002- April 2002
2. Sketches – Archeacon W.J.Günther – Norman Selfe- Rev. W.H.H. Yarrington – Alfred and Minnie Lee.

INSIGHT -Newsletter N.S.W. Historic Houses Trust –Summer 2001.

1. Trusts Events calendar – Dec 2001 to Feb 2002.
2. Acquisition by Sydney Museum; Models of First Fleet Ships made by Lynne & Laurie Hadley over nine years.

R.A.H.S Journal – December 2001

1. Andrew Fisher – A Proud and Honest Man.
2. Muloobinbah (Newcastle) – An Aboriginal Presence – Past & Present.

RICHMOND RIVER H.S. Bulletin – December 2001

1. Lismore Fire Station & Brigade History to 1948.
2. Recycling of a Past Era.

R.H.S of Victoria : Newsletter – November 2001

1. Calendar of events, affairs and exhibitions Nov 2001-Feb 2002.
2. Around the Societies.

MILITARY HISTORICAL SOC. Of AUST: Albury/Wodonga Newsletter No.6/2001

1. Service in International Intelligence Unit WW11-Lyle Wright.
2. Show and Tell "Coincidental Sacraments" – Don Horne.
 - (a) 1848 Copy of "Wilson on the Lords Prayer"
 - (b) Copy of "St John on the Hill 1943-45" by Chaplain F.M.Hill.

R.H.S. Victoria. Journal – September 2001

1. All articles : Celebrating 150 years of goldmining in Victoria.

BORDERLINE NEWS – Wodonga F.H.S. Newsletter – December 2001

1. History of Horse Brasses – by Glynn Brown
2. Cornish Festival: Bendigo, March 2001. Reg form attached.

LINKS –n- CHAINS – Newsletter Liverpool F.H.S. – Nov 2001

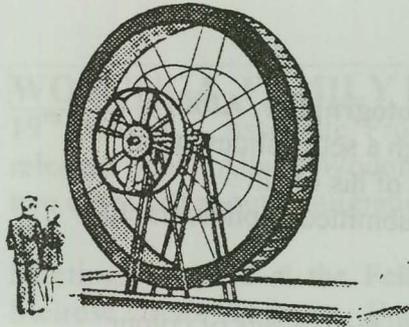
1. President's Report.
2. What did Women Really Do; Women's Roles / Occupations over eight generations.

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Ray Harrison, Harrisons of Albury.

Come and learn about what used to be Albury's premier hardware, then stationery store and the family that ran it. This is the second in a series of three on Albury's well-known and much respected commercial families.

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Who was the organiser of the Victory Vanities
60 years ago.

LOOKING AHEAD

10 April: Tony Smith, Going to the Pictures in Albury.
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20 April : Book sale at Myer centre. 9am-12.30pm

Any Spare Books?

During **Heritage Week**, we have organised a bookstall in Myer. To be held on the Saturday April 20 commencing at 9am, we hope to sell many of the Society's **publications**, as well as some of our members' works, on a commission basis. We would like to sell pre-loved books that our members have donated. (Anne Davies set an excellent example by giving books she did not need and we were able to sell them for the Society). We are trying this again and we would like all members to scan their bookshelves and think of giving us any old history books - books they have not looked at for, say, five years. Ron Braddy has offered to pick up books from members. John Craig is helping put up the stall. We hope you can donate a book or two, and be prepared to work at the stall for an hour or two on **Saturday 20 April**.

URGENTLY WANTED - A NEW BULLETIN EDITOR

Our *Bulletin* Editor, Janice Lynch will soon retire from this position, a task she has undertaken since arriving in Albury from W.A. in 1992 (her first edition was No.309-October 1992). Janice is currently undertaking studies at TAFE, & can no longer attend the meetings necessary to gather material for publications. She is prepared to assist a new Editor for the next couple of months.

FEBRUARY REPORT

It was good to see 'Through the eyes of Jack Dallinger, Photographer, Albury' at our February meeting. Jack's grandson, **Justin Dallinger**, took us through a set of slides and a tape that Jack had prepared at the time of his 75th birthday. The tape told of his life in photography and the slides included many prize-winning slides he had submitted to photographic competitions.

Jack Dallinger, the humble man of photography, wrote his biography through sets of colour slides, recording his involvement with his family, the **Horticulture Society, Camera Club** and **Rotary**.

Jack related, on tape, that his interest in photography started at 12 years of age with a box camera with which he photographed the **Hume Weir** construction. He later graduated to a 620 folding **Kodak camera** with which he captured **Charles Kingsford Smith** in 1928. He had a photo of the **Railway Tennis Club** whose members were the first to wear shorts for tennis in Albury. He supplied many pictures to the **Border Morning Mail** when they started publishing photographs in 1937. He was there to record the **Albury Horticultural Society's floral map** of Australia in Dean Square (now QE11 Square) and the **car races** on the Wirlinga circuit.

He married in 1940 and bought the **Oakley Studio** in 1942. In a fire at the shop in 1957 he lost countless early photos. He closed the studio in the 1960's and focused on the retail side of photography. His son, John, became a partner in 1965, the year Jack indulged his passion for photography during a five month world tour with his wife. They were back in time to photograph the 1966 **snowfall** in Albury before touring Japan in 1968. Jack appreciated achieving an entry in **Who's Who in Australian Photography**. His daughter-in-law and four of his grandchildren proudly carry on the family business under the name of **Foto Supplies**.

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION OF THE MONTH – February

The Royal Jubilee:

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What direct connection have you had with the present Head of State.

In answer to the February Question about the Royal Jubilee, **Alec Savidge, John Craig, Roddy & Anne Davies**, and **Bruce Pennay** had memories to share.

Lee Howard brought along a 1988 **Border Mail** recording the royal visit to Albury and **Janice Lynch** sent books given to her by her parents, on the Queen's coronation which was printed in Melbourne, & also the Illustrated London Times Coronation (costing 10shillings).

The most entertaining story was told by **Lil Smith** who lived in London for two years at the time of the **Queen's coronation**. In the evening of the day there was such a crush outside Buckingham Palace that some of the ladies lost their shoes and they were still in front of the Palace next morning.

When the **Queen** was to be driven around the suburbs Lil chose the closest destination to her. As she left home she found the **Border Morning Mail** in her letter box and took it with her. When the Queen, and Lil, arrived in Croydon there was almost no one else in the street and Lil waved the **Border Morning Mail** at Her Majesty!

WODONGA FAMILY HISTORY GROUP

19th March – Associate Professor **Bruce Pennay** (from CSU), will talk about his recently released book “Albury Wodonga’s Bonegilla”, which sheds light on how the communities of the two cities felt about immigration and the development of Bonegilla.

Meetings are held at the **Felltimber Community Centre**, corner Felltimber Creek Road and Melrose Drive, Wodonga. Entry is via Ritter Road.

Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm.

Albury in 1942

Bruce Pennay

This month we have as a nation been remembering the **Fall of Singapore** and the Bombing of **Darwin** in 1942. In that year **Albury** residents also prepared for attack and possible invasion.

One of the first **air-raid trials** in **Albury** was held in February 1942. Shops were closed.

Citizens were asked to pull all vehicles over to the kerb. Pedestrians were asked to move to the site of public shelters in places such as the **Bungambrawatha Creek** drain, Fallon's old capacious wine cellar (beneath the former Twin Cities Post building), and the large basement under **Dalgety's wool-store**. Householders were asked to take shelter and to have at the rear entry of their homes, a hose and a bucket of dry sand at the ready.

Unfortunately the plane from **Wagga Wagga**, which was to give a sense of realism to the test, was delayed and consequently the all-clear was not sounded for some time after the end of the trial had been scheduled. In the meantime a locomotive whistle was mistaken by most citizens as the all-clear, and ordinary business had been resumed by the time of the actual “raid”.

Roy Collings the **Town Clerk** was to recall his embarrassment of being involved in a ‘Denial of Resources to the Enemy’ exercise that was part of a ‘scorched earth strategy’ should there be an invasion.

‘...sometimes it was most laughable, particularly when I instructed the Impounding Officer, who I thought best fitted to the job, to find out how many fowls there were in Albury. Of course he wanted to know why, and I could not tell him. He thought I had gone mad. He also had to count all the livestock, cows, horses, etc. I had to find out how many vehicles there were in Albury – motor and horse drawn. Every electric motor had to be located and listed. The stock of liquor normally carried in each Hotel [had to be listed].’

The Council reported that its officers found, among other things, 10,231 fowls, 2,980 cycles, 307 horses and 1,816 wirelesses in Albury.

References :

Border Morning Mail 25 and 27 February 1942

Roy Collings, unpublished memoirs.

Plan for denial of Resources, Circular 5/457/42 HQ Lof C Sub/Area Albury, AWM

52, 1/8/37. National Archives.

Anyone for the Outback?

Libby Newell is looking to arranging an overnight bus trip to Hay for the Year of the Outback and is getting a good response from Jindera. About ten people from Albury have expressed interest. If it is a one-night trip it will probably be held in May. If a two-night-stay is necessary, it will probably be held on the long weekend in June.

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MURRUMBIDGEE ANCESTOR – Journal Wagga F.H.S. –Jan. 2002.

- 1. Family History Seminar, May 2002, Juvenile Justice Centre Wagga.
- 2. History of Junee from 1855 to present time – Part 2.

DESCENT : Journal of S.A.G. – December 2001

- 1. Education and Social Activities – Jan-July 2002
- 2. Bounty Migrants “Good or Bad for Colonies?”
- 3. Australia’s Thomas Stubbs –Soldier, Composer, Auctioneer.

THE MUSTER - Journal Central Coast F.H.S. –December 2001

- 1. The “Machine Breakers” The Luddites Transported for Rioting 1831
- 2. Accident of a Painfull Nature –Death of James Thorn, Chiltern 1887.

UPDATE : Information Victoria Newsletter –Dec-January 2002

- 1. New Legislation – New Acts, Acts reprinted.
- 2. Local history publications.

MILITARY HISTORICAL SOC. Of AUST: Albury/Wodonga Newsletter No.1/2002

- 1. Intelligence Update.
- 2. Farewell Colin W LaMotte- Curator of Museum since its birth in 1976 to 2001. Welcome new Curator Mrs Libby Newell.

MOMENTO – from National Archives – January 2002

Walter Burley Griffin’s drawings of Canberra. ”Safe at Last”.
Searching for the Baltic Connection-Baltic Migrants to Australia late 1940-50’s.

HAWKSURRY CRIER : Hawksbury F.H.G. Newsletter –December 2001

- 1. Dairies of John Thomas Matcham Pitt.
- 2. Craignish Private Maternity Hospital, Windsor NSW.

STOCKMAN HALL OF FAME – Newsletter –December 2001

- 1. Recommend all items.
- 2. “Salute the Pioneer” Poem by Judy Brindley of Albury NSW

WAGGA WAGGA H.S. Newsletter – Dec/Jan 2002

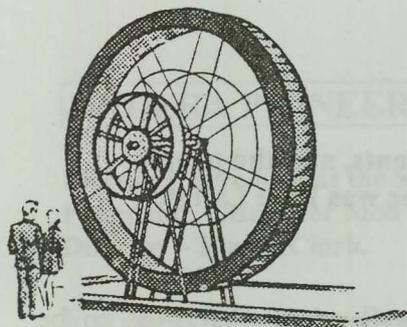
- 1. “To Wait & Weep” the Bruce Family Contribution to WW1.
- 2. Wagga Wagga Remembers WW1.

The Wagga Wagga & District Family History Society will conduct a seminar “Your British Ancestors” to be held at the Juvenile Justice Centre, Fernleigh Rd, Wagga Wagga on Saturday 4 May 2002. The cost is \$20/person. Contact Secretary, Box 307 Wagga Wagga NSW 2650. Further information contact Alan Nichol 02-69227308 or Bruce McAlister 02-69263466.

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BULLETIN 412 APRIL 2002

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Commercial Club, Dean Street, Albury.

GUEST SPEAKER

Tony Smith "Going to the Pictures in Albury"

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

**Who provided the music for the silent movies
in Albury?**

THIS MONTH'S DIARY

20 April: Book sale at Myer Centre. 9am – 12.30p.m.

Volunteers are needed to help at the stall. There will be two shifts... 9am-10.30am and 10.30to 12.30pm. If you can help for the bookstall please let our Secretary know.

Reminder – Please bring to the meeting your pre-loved history books on history– either donated or to sell on a commission basis to the meeting, or let our Secretary know and he will pick them up.

20-28 April: Heritage Week. Theme: Bridging the Gap.

**21 April: Heritage Week – Heritage Walk, of the Albury Railway Station,
2pm – 3pm. Tour leader will be Geoff Hamilton**

**26-27 April: Heritage Dinners at Jindera Pioneer Museum. 3 course meal and
entertainment starts at 7.30pm. Cost \$35. Further information and Bookings to Diane
McElwaine 02-6040 3494. Colonial dress optional.**

**20 May : Nominations close for 12 positions on Committee of Albury & District
Historical Society Inc. AGM to be held on 12 June.**

URGENTLY WANTED – BEFORE MAY 30.

BULLETIN EDITOR

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ANSWER TO THE QUESTION OF THE MONTH – March

Who was the organiser of the Victory Vanities 60 years ago.

Members were able to recall many happy memories of these events, and the people associated with the running of the Victory Vanities. The answer was Raie Langley

MARCH REPORT

Our guest speaker was **Ray Harrison**, who spoke about the history of what used to be Albury's premier hardware, then stationery store, "**Harrisons**" and the family who ran it.

Ray's story started with his Grandfather, Reuben who began working at a solicitors office in Melbourne. He met **Elizabeth Jane Trevethan** and they married in 1894 and lived at Northcote. They left in 1910 to move to **Colac** for 6 years. By this time they have 4 boys & in 1913, the fifth is born. There was **Alf, Harold, Horace, Frank, and Stanley**.

The family returned to Melbourne in 1916 & Reuben buys into a grocery business in East Malvern.

1917 – **Horace** (Ray's father) attended **Melbourne High School** to finish education, and in 1918 his first job is a clerk with **Gippsland & Northern** – sorting eggs. In 1919 he returns to Colac to work with eldest brother Alf, who managed **Castles Bros. Hardware Store**. In 1920 Horace opened a branch for Castles in **Terang** then in 1924 another branch in **Camperdown**.

While in Terang, he met **Isa Jessie Brown**. They were married in 1926, moved to **Albury** and established **Harrison Bros Ironmongers** – later to become **Harrison Good Hardware**. The first premises opposite **Foto-Supplies** (where the new night-club is being established) but a little later the brothers purchased a building a few doors to the East No 483 from **Messrs O.Gilpin's**. (they had big canvas covered trucks & trailers).

They were later to purchase the two small shops beside them. The newly weds (Horace & Isa) took up residence in North Street for 3 months then moved to the corner of Macauley & Crisp Sts, diagonally opposite the **Baptist Church**. They rented this house from the **Misses Waite** – 2 dear old spinsters who live next door on the western side.

In 1936, his parents – plus 3 boys moved to Forrest Hill Ave. **Alf Chick** built the house from plans Horace drew up. He also undertook this task for **Stan Jackling** and for two houses in Sackville St for **Frank Thomas** and **Fred Latham**.

1930-1940 – **Harrisons Hardware flourished** and expanded. His younger brothers Frank & Stan, move to Albury to work with Horace. They lived in Avoncourt, in Olive Street. Frank a great tennis player – introduced cream shorts instead of longs.

They have a good customer base of rural, trade and householder accounts established. Some new people join the team – **Pete Garnsey, Jack Curtis** (Gerry's older brother) and **Lyla Shipard**. In the 40's Lyla married Pete and became Lyla Garnsey. (who said hardware couldn't be romantic!) Co-incidently Pete's sister Marj, married Geoff Castles in late 50's-early 60's- then the manager of Castles Bros Colac Branch.

Also to work in Albury are **Alan Ferguson, Mac Lamb & Trev Osbourne** – all more or less just finished their schooling. Around 1940, Horace's son **Ray Harrison** – our guest speaker, started working on Saturday mornings and school holidays.

In the mid and late thirties, Frank & Stan married two Wodonga sisters – **Edie & Phyllis Phillips**. Meanwhile Alf, the eldest brother, had married Flora McDonald and commenced a wholesale hardware operation in Melbourne – **Harrisons, Macdonell & Co Hardware Store**.

The second brother Harold had married **Lucy Richards** of Melbourne, moved to **Swan Hill** and opened **Harrison's Hardware** there.

TO BE CONTINUED.....next month

JINDERA PIONEER MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY Inc

Elections were held at the Society's annual meeting held on 11 March.

President Mr Peter Moll

Secretary Mrs D. Hueske

Director – Mrs C.Clark.

Extracts from the President's Report for 2001 - The Museum has had a steady year with the number of patrons virtually the same as last year

Because we had some problems with our **public liability insurance**, we regretfully had to cancel our **pioneer day**. The company told us that they would not be renewing public liability insurance for 2002 and they would have imposed prohibitive conditions on the pioneer day. We were able to obtain suitable insurance through the **Royal Historical Society**. This will enable us to carry on with our pioneer day and heritage dinners.

We are organising the supply and erection of a **new shed** which will cover in the U shape between the two arms of the existing machinery shed. This will give more room to enable us to reorganise the exhibits thus presenting them in a more attractive and informative manner.

The **Piano Box Buggy** has been restored to its former glory. The buggy, complete with a **fibreglass horse**, will be housed in a glass sided dust proof enclosure in the new shed.

The fencing of the rear of the blacksmith shop is in hand.

The long and arduous task of **cataloguing** the exhibits has started with Gail working on it with help from Diane & Libby. This job is essential as we have quite a number of items on loan, these are listed but as none of them have been marked it is very difficult to link them to the listing. The purchase of a **computer** and specialist software will be of great assistance in keeping track of all our exhibits. The importance of this is that there could be serious legal problems arising from the owners of items on loan wanting to claim their items. It is important that members having loan items in the Museum help with the identification of their items.

Later in the year we are having an **assessment** done by a conservator from **Museum's Australia**. This will help to point the way to better conservation of the exhibits. As a heritage museum we have a responsibility to maintain the exhibits in as good an order as possible.

Thanks were extended to The **Hume Shire** for their help throughout the year, also to the volunteers in running and maintaining the Museum. At times it is an irksome task but it is essential to maintain the excellent reputation the Museum has. Grateful thanks goes to all who have helped over the past year.

The main task of the day to day running of the Museum has fallen on Dot and Diane. They have put in much time and effort over the year. A special thanks must go to them.

The Museum & Historical Society was **awarded the Hume Shire Councils Community Event of the Year Prize**.

The Museum plays an important part in preserving our history and heritage giving the present generation an insight into the trials and tribulations of the early settlers. They are the people that forged the foundation for the society that we value today. The numbers of schoolchildren that visit is heartening and it is hoped they get a better understanding of the pioneering days.

EXHIBITIONS

ALBURY REGIONAL MUSEUM 7 March – 28 April

INDIGO - The Blue and White Embroideries of Sichuan.

A travelling exhibition of rare Chinese embroideries from the collection of Ballarat's Gold Museum. The peasant made blue and white embroidered textiles were collected by missionaries living in the western province of Sichuan from 1894 to 1915 and acquired by the Gold Museum in 1983. This unique exhibition appeals to both embroiderers and those with an interest in Chinese culture.

ALBURY REGIONAL ART GALLERY 8 March – 28 April

Contemporary Wearables, an award winning exhibition of Australian and New Zealand jewellery.

LIFE STORY OF JAMES SELBY GRINTON - as written by Granddaughter, Pam Jowett.

My Grandfather, **James Selby Grinton**, usually known as Jimmy, was born at Sandridge, on **23 June 1864**.

He left home at about 14 years of age. He was of slight build and was a keen athlete, excelling in running. Jimmy worked around the **Bendigo** area, firstly as a brickies' labourer, then as a competent bricklayer. He was a very good tradesman, who specialised in building chimneys. When he was about 20 years of age, he left the **Bendigo** region and moved along the **Murray River** getting work on many properties where the early settlers were upgrading their dwellings. His skill as a specialist chimney brickie enabled him to get plenty of work. It was while working around the **Brocklesby, Walbundrie** district as a carpenter & brick layer on **William Ellis's** property at **Moorwatha** that he met his eldest daughter, **Elizabeth**.

Jimmy and Elizabeth were married at **Moorwatha** in 1894. For a number of years they lived at **Brocklesby**, before moving into **Albury**. While Jimmy was working on the **Trades School Building** (now the **Conservatorium of Music**) he got to know **Tom Ryan** from **Ryan's Hotel** (now where **Darrell Lea** is). Tom was in charge of the **Volunteer Fire Brigade**. At the turn of the century he was taking a keen interest in the fire brigade and became Tom's 1st Lieutenant. Demonstrations and competitions were regularly held and featured hose, reel and ladder events. Because he was such an accomplished athlete, Jimmy always participated in these events.

The 1910 Board of Commissioners appointed James Selby Grinton as **Engine-Keeper**. There were many changes at the station, the first station was connected to the local **exchange**, the first **petrol driven pump** came into operation, application was made to provide a motor fire engine of 400 gallons a minute capacity, which was rejected. December 1915 **T.H.Mate** had a major fire, the water pressure from the main was negligible, no horses could be found at such an early hour, so the firemen physically dragged the turbine to the scene. The pump boosted the water supply, but by then the fire had taken hold. With supreme effort they managed to contain the fire, but by daylight **Mate's** was a smouldering ruin. Land was obtained on the corner of Kiewa and Mitchell Streets where a **new fire station and residence** was built. September 1914 the Board appointed James Grinton First permanent Staff with the rank of Second Class Fireman.

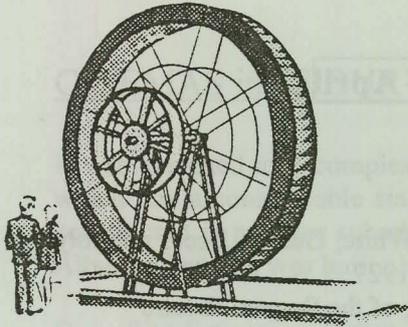
When the new station was **officially opened in August 1916** he became the First Resident Fireman in Charge. **Electric power** became available to **Albury in 1916**. The fire station had an **electrically operated siren** installed in 1927. The day after its first sounding, the **Border Morning Mail** carried this headline - Dogs Death Howl nothing on new siren....Children and patients terrified....Medical opinion sought. He lived at the residence which is alongside the station until his retirement in 1930 with his wife Elizabeth (nee Ellis), daughters Edith & Doris (my Mother) & son Ralph, who died in January 1906, aged 5 from sunstroke, which was why Mum was very insistent we always wore our hats when out in the sun. When Mum & Dad were married in April 1930 the fireman formed a guard of honour with their fire axes for the happy couple. They were keen gardeners and won many prizes with their garden at the Fire Station, as well as the house in David Street. To help supplement the family income, Mum was very adept at flower arranging, the flowers coming from their own garden, making wreaths, flowers for the church etc. Jimmy & Elizabeth retired to live in Sydney. Elizabeth died in 1939. Jimmy divided his time between his two daughters' homes in Sydney & Mansfield. Edith died in 1949 & he lived with Doris at Mansfield. **James Selby Grinton** died 12th February 1950 at Mansfield aged 86, when I was 7 years old.

As a young child I can just remember him, this kindly old man with a beard.

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Tuesday APRIL 23. 2002, 5.15pm ALBURY CITY LIBRARY

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BULLETIN 413 MAY 2002

NEXT MEETING

8pm Wednesday May 8.
Commercial Club, Dean Street, Albury.

GUEST SPEAKER **Barry Hart**, will talk about the Commercial Club's Centenary which is being celebrated during May.

QUESTION OF THE MONTH What businesses operated upstairs in the Commercial Club in the early 1950's ?

THIS MONTH'S DIARY

May 7 : The Wodonga Historical Society "Formation of the River" 1950's at Tony Conway's Rooms, 7.30pm.

May 20 : **Nominations** close for 12 positions on Committee of Albury & District Historical Society Inc. **AGM to be held on 12 June.**

REPORT ON HERITAGE WEEK ACTIVITIES

APRIL 20 A very successful **bookstall** held at the **Myer Centre** raised more than \$300-00.

APRIL 21 Past President, **Geoff Hamilton**, conducted a Heritage Week **Tour** of Albury **Railway Station.** About thirty people attended. Geoff showed how the Railway Station had functioned over many years.

It was a good way to celebrate Heritage Week at what must be Albury's Finest Public Building.

URGENTLY WANTED - BEFORE MAY 30.

BULLETIN EDITOR

We are looking for a new editor and invite members to think of trying out the job as a guest for a month or two

ANSWER TO THE QUESTION OF THE MONTH – April

Who provided the music for the silent movies in Albury?

A number of people provided the names of musicians.

1920 – Theatre Royal – Jim Bolger, Mrs Jensen, Hoyt's Regent: Sam White, George Becu, possibly Mrs Churchill Shann, and Adeline Mims.(nee Cobham) at the Regent in 1927

Gerry Curtis displayed a programme from the opening by Mayor Waugh, of the Regent Theatre 19 February 1927.

REPORT of the APRIL MEETING “Going to the Pictures”

The Smith Family's Connection with Cinemas In Albury

As special guest speaker, **Tony Smith** gave us a very interesting talk about the involvement of three generations of his family in the **cinema industry** in Albury.

Tony began with an outline of the careers of his grandfather, **Charles Henry (Pivot) Smith**, whom he explained was often known as ‘**Champagne Charlie**’ and his father, **Geoff. P. Smith**.

Charles Henry "Pivot" Smith was born in Jerilderie on June 30 1896 and died about 1968 ??

His father was a baker

Pivot Jewellers started in about 1925 on the site of old Coles site in Dean Street. **The Border Morning Mail** commented during the war, that “It has a significant and varied stock of jewellery and watches equally and in many cases surpassing displays made by big city houses”.

During this period Pivot became involved in cinema.

The early years of movies-

- In 1908 a “**Biograph**”, a moving picture machine, was operated in the **Mechanics Institute** and by 1910 screenings were taking place every Wednesday night.
- The **Mechanics Institute** (also known as the **Literacy Hall**) was built in 19th century and for many years was used as the **Civic Theatre** for live shows and movies. It seated 774 and became known as the **Plaza** in 1934. (Our Guest speaker Tony Smith believes that his Grandfather ran it for a period of time, but has no evidence of this).
- **F.C.Blacklock** constructed the **Theatre Royale** (later it became the **Palais Royale**) which opened in May 1914 and was licenced to seat 774.

Blacklock ran the theatre for about 6 years and sold it to Mr **Lee Tet** who ran open-air pictures during the summer. **Lee Tet** then sold it to Grandfather **Charles Henry “Pivot” Smith** in the 1930's. He made improvements to the building and all the large Balls and Receptions were held there including indoor/outdoor roller-skating. The open-air section was so large that the floors were polished by a Land Rover pulling a large polishing platform.

This was sold in 1969 when **Blacklocks** re-purchased the area. The **P.M.G.** had also resumed some of it to erect the **Telephone Exchange**.

Eventually the **Palais** was all knocked down and **West End Plaza** occupies it now.

The **Abicare** Family, of the Big Store (owned until recently) ventured out on an ambitious scheme and built the **Regent Theatre**, (designed by **Louis Harrison**) which was leased by **Hoyts** for ten years from 1927-1937 and seated 1374.

Hoyts and **Abicare** had a disagreement about rent and consequently **Hoyts** built the Olive Street Theatre, which opened in 1937 to seat 1167 at a cost of \$25,000.

Pivot Smith leased the **Regent** in 1937 with an option to purchase and it became his property in the early years of the war and he added many features, improvements and shops.

Unlike most of the other major **Regent Theatres** in Australia, it was not designed for **Hoyts Theatres Ltd**, yet approximates more closely to a picture palace style than perhaps any other existing cinema in N.S.W.

CINEMAS in ALBURY – (continued)

It was designed as a complex to cover a large site. It contained shops, professional suites and the theatre, which has a considerable stage with fly tower. The design is very much of the time, being equal to any constructed in a major suburb of Sydney or Melbourne – certainly one possessing a greater population than Albury when this was built. Its capacity was 1374.

One of its distinctions is that it has not been modernised or rebuilt during its history therefore it is an excellent example of a typically designed and decorated cinema of the period when movie films occupied a dominant position in a community's recreational activities.

After a world trip in the early 1950's Pivot expanded the **Royale** and carried out further improvements to the **Regent** including the addition of superb air conditioning and the roof gardens.

The Smith family lived next door at 512 David Street, built in late 1940's and also enjoyed air conditioning.

Geoff.P.SMITH – 1922-1996

My Father was born in 1922. He grew up in Albury at 627 Olive Street.

He was sent to **Geelong Grammar School** in the early 1930's and became School Captain in 1940. He then joined the **RAAF** late in 1940 for the remainder of the war.

His brother Bob, served with the **AIF** in New Guinea. Their sister is still alive, **Carole Bickford** living in Adelaide.

After the war my Father went into the Jewellery business in Melbourne. After several years the family returned to Albury, where Geoff started working in the business and our house was built at 512 David Street (now the City Council car park).

He assisted "Pivot" to expand the business and run the **Palais**. He established the **Regent Café** on the corner of David and Dean Streets. It was "the place to be seen" and it had the first **expresso machine** in Albury – an **Italian Gaccia** machine which cost a fortune to buy then.

TO BE CONTINUED IN NEXT ISSUE.....

Are you and the Society insured?

The Society is arranging insurances through the **Royal Australian Historical Society (NSW)** in 2002 as it did in 2001. There are two policies – one for **Public Liability**, the other for **Personal Accident Insurance**.

They cover the Society for holding meetings; the research, writing and publication of history; historical tours, site visits, and walks; historical functions and activities which could focus on fundraising; the management and opening of museums or research centres; giving talks to other community groups; holding exhibitions and lectures; organising cemetery visits; and holding working bees.

The **Public Liability Insurance** is for cover up to **\$10 million**. It covers injury to members of the public and damage to property arising from the activities of the Society.

The **Personal Accident Insurance** is for **Voluntary Workers**. The workers must be members of the Society. They are covered up to the age of 86 years. It is not a Private Health Cover. It provides specific benefits in the event of injury sustained whilst acting as a Volunteer of the Society. The weekly injury benefit only applies if there is a loss of income as a result of injury sustained.

HARRISONS OF ALBURY – CONTINUED FROM APRIL BULLETIN

The three brothers Alf, Harold & Horrie from Albury, helped launch their other two brothers in retail hardware businesses – Frank in Benalla & Stan in Ararat, so there were five Harrison's Hardware stores. Benalla store still exists – owned by Ray's cousin Gavin, who is a solicitor there and run by a very efficient manager who has been with the business for the last 25 years.

Ararat was sold and still operates. Swan Hill and the Melbourne ceased operations with the advent of time.

Ray's parents married in 1926. Les was born 1927 in the **Meramie Hospital**, before it became a motel, Ray in 1929 in the **Rokeby Hospital**, David Street, halfway between **Swift and Wilson Streets**, Col 1933 and Ian 1937. Ray said that he must have been destined to be a shopkeeper.

In late 1944 he started work in earnest – 3 months before his 16th birthday. He bought his first bike from Motor Spares, when his father advanced him funds from future wages.

By 1941 Harrison's Hardware staff was only three, full time – Dad, **Jack Curtis** and **Lyla Garnsey**. Opening hours were 10.30am – 5.30 weekdays, 9-12.30 Saturday. Not open Thursday mornings. Even though there were many stock shortages, for the small number of staff there was plenty to talk about, sell and deliver. **Dave Wise** was one of the first motorised carriers for town deliveries after the war and the cessation of petrol rationing.

Fellow Traders in Albury were **Hunter & Stelling**, **Mates Hardware** (2 places), **Sammons Edwards**, **Logans**, **F.A.Stow**, & **Permewan Wright** plus **Manns & Dunstans** in Wodonga.

About mid-fifties we revamped 483 Dean Street, by extending into one of the two next door shops and generally altering the inside layout. The second of the two shops was still occupied by **Syd Lieberman** (Lou's father) who traded as **Syd the Tailor**. When he retired (early 60's) we established **Astra Gifts** – a separate shop but part of the whole. This was a very successful enterprise for a number of years.

By the late 60's there was a need for some form of diversification looming. One day Ray had lunch with Syd Gregory resulting in **Blake's Office Equipment** becoming **Harrison's Office Equipment** in October 1970. We ran it from **AMP Lane** premises and then relocated it to **Dean Street**, in the **Astra Gifts** section, which we had then condensed into the main shop area. Twelve months passed and from the trading figures we could see the Office Equipment & Supplies Department moving very rapidly ahead of hardware, so we decided to go completely Office Equipment and wind up hardware, which we did in 6 months and from 1.7.1972 **Harrison's Hardware** had disappeared and **Harrison's Office Equipment** spread right through the front half of the main store.

Ray's father retired, but still continued to help when needed. In 1929, **Horrie Harrison** was nominated for membership of the **Albury Rotary Club** by **Percy Burrows**. Ray & his brothers grew up with Rotary always being a part of their lives. Horrie was a very conscientious actively involved member. This was his main area of community service. Horrie was a Director of **Albury Building Societies No. 1 & 2 Co-op**, commenced just after the war and designed to assist young people obtain a home.

Ray was to meet his future wife Judy in 1947 and they married in 1950. Between 1950-56 they lived in Prune Street Lavington on 4 acres. Three sons are born to them. During 1956 they built a new house in East Albury. Between 1956-60 they produced two more children – a total of 4 sons and a daughter. In 1981 Horace Harrison died – the end of a very productive era with lots of happy memories.

In closing his talk on the family, and **Harrison's of Albury**, Ray stated that assuming he and Judy, Ian & Marg can hang on for another 24 years then the Harrison's will have completed 100 years in Albury.

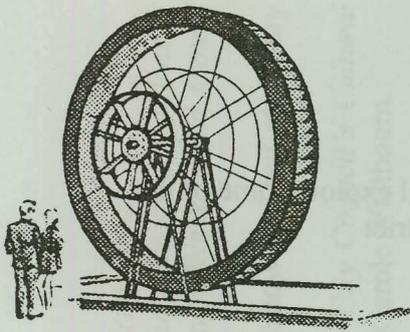
Being unsure of the future movements of any of our children or families, it's hard to say whether or not it will extend further than this – but who knows – miracles can happen and some of the flock may return to their roots.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING :

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NEXT MEETING

8pm Wednesday June 12.

Commercial Club, Dean Street, Albury.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING followed by the monthly meeting.

AGENDA FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1. Minutes of the previous AGM held on June 13, 2001
2. President's Report (see pages 3 & 4)
3. Treasurer's Report & Audited Accounts
4. Election of Committee of twelve (including Office Bearers), Public Officer and Honorary Auditor

The following nominations have been received

President	<i>Jim Paterson</i>
Senior Vice President	<i>Claude Burke</i>
Junior Vice President	
Secretary	<i>Ron Braddy</i>
Minute Secretary	
Treasurer	
Committee (6 required)	<i>Claire Simpson, Chairmain O'Halloran</i>

Hon Auditor	<i>Kevin Higginson</i>
Public Officer	<i>Helen Livsey</i>

5. General Business – To set the annual Membership Fees and discuss policies as listed on page 2.

Annual Meeting

The Society will be establishing a new committee to guide it through the coming year. One of the important jobs is that of bulletin editor. Members are asked to think of trying out the job as a guest editor for a month or two.

Farewell to Bulletin Editor

This is the very last Bulletin prepared by Janice Lynch. The Society wants to thank Janice, who has served well as Bulletin Editor for nearly ten years. We believe that Janice has done a splendid job, keeping members involved and interested in our work.

Many members are simply 'Bulletin members' and their only contact had been through the pages Janice has prepared so well. A good job, well done Janice.

Bruce Pennay

TOPIC FOR JUNE MEETING

Howard Jones – Place Names in Albury-Wodonga and District.

Howard has served on Council place name working parties and will explore some of the unusual names that have been given to streets and places in the district

QUESTION OF THE MONTH - JUNE

Albury City Council is anxious to find all sites within the City that may have been exposed to contamination as a result of past land uses or events such as manufacturing processes, the use of excavation sites for tips or chemical and fuel spills. Do you know of such sites that Council should be alerted to ?

POLICIES to be discussed at ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- Setting Subscriptions
- The committee is recommending that the subscriptions for Individual and Family members be \$20 and for corporate members \$50
- Election of Officers

Consideration of Society Policies -

Program Policy:

That in each year the program should, where possible, provide for

- *A bring and tell meeting in December*
- *A meeting based on photographs or illustrations in February*
- *A members' night with three short talks*
- *A visiting speaker from beyond Albury-Wodonga*
- *and, one meeting at a venue other than the Commercial Club.*

Publication Policy -

1. *That the Society only enter into publication projects when the Committee is confident that a realistic business plan indicates that any funds required beforehand will be returned as a result of sales.*
2. *That the Committee may approve authors selling publications themselves at a Society meeting, but this will usually only be at a one-night promotion meeting.*
3. *That the Committee may approve the sale of published materials, on a sell or return basis, with a bookseller's markup for the Society of about one-third the sale price.*

Financial Policy

1. *That Membership fees be gradually increased each year for the next few years so that they match, as near as possible, the average cost to each member of the Society holding meetings, insuring members, and preparing and posting the newsletter through the year.*
2. *That each year the Committee may advise Society on a project to be supported that encourages the study of the history of Albury and District. The funding should not exceed interest earnings from the Society's investment funds.*

ANSWER to the Question of the Month for May

What businesses operated upstairs in the Commercial Club in the early 1950's ?

The answers were – The Wool Exchange and also the Lido School of Dancing.

Annual Report: Albury and District Historical Society Inc 2001-2002

What did the Albury and District Historical Society do in the last twelve months?

- Produced a cd rom on the construction of the Hume Dam
 - Held heritage walks – around QE 2 Square – around the Albury Railway Station – around St. Patrick's School, The Monastery, St Patrick's Presbytery and Catholic Church.
 - Organised a heritage bus trip to Corowa for the Centenary of Federation and saw inside the Court House, the Museum and the newly renovated Oddfellows Hall.
 - Joined Jindera Pioneer Museum and Historical Society in a heritage bus trip to Hay to view the pastoral and shearing heritage of the Riverina.
 - Sold all of its publication *Vanishing Albury*.
 - Held a bookstall and raised nearly \$400 on new and well-loved books.
 - Heard the stories of three of Albury's oldest commercial families – the Dallingers and their photography shop, the Harrisons and their hardware and stationery stores, the Smiths and Albury's movie theatres and entertainment centres.
 - Arranged a showing of Albury City Council's treasures and trophies.
 - Published in *The Border Mail* a local guide for students learning about the First World War.
 - Heard from members about the Sunday School at Happy Valley and the early days in South Albury.
- Won a grant from Albury City Council to put up a society web site. The web site has pages on local history A to Z, heritage trails, timelines and links.
- Hosted the visit of an author to tell us about his book on the First World War in North East Victoria.
 - Researched and found answers to 50 letters and about 50 telephone inquiries. Our research officer dealt with about two queries per week.

Winter Program

- 12 June Annual Meeting; *Twentieth Century Trivia Quiz*.
- 11 July Paul Scannell, *Development of the Albury Botanical Gardens*.
- 22 July Winter heritage walk – Local Government Week *In and Around QE2 Square* Leader Gerry Curtis.
- 25 July *Council's Trophies And Treasures*. Show and tell at Albury City Council chambers.
- 8 August *Preliminary thinking about Albury City Council's Cultural Precinct Proposal*, Les Tomich, Helen Pithie, Carole Whitbourn.

Spring Program

- 12 September: Members short talk evening. Ron Braddy, June Shanahan, Gerry Curtis.
- 10 October: Eddie Kneebone, The indigenous peoples of Albury-Wodonga and reconciliation.
- 14 November: John McQuilton, *The First World War in the North East*, CSU.
- 18 November: Spring Heritage Walk, *The Monastery, St Patrick's School and Catholic Church*, Leader, Gerry Curtis.
- 22 November: Bus heritage trip – *Corowa at the Centenary of Federation, Oddfellows Hall, Court House and Federation Trail* – Leader, Glenda Campbell.

Summer Program

- 12 December: Bring and tell session.
- 13 February: Through the Eyes of Jack Dallinger Photographer, Albury.
- 13 March: Ray Harrison, Harrisons of Albury.

Autumn Program

- 10 April: Tony Smith, *Going to the Pictures in Albury*.
- 20 April Bookstall at Myer centre.
- 21 April Autumn heritage walk: Albury Railway Station, Leader Geoff Hamilton.
- 15 May: Barry Hart, *Commercial Club Centenary*.
- 13 June: Annual Meeting. H. Jones, *Place Names in Albury-Wodonga and district*.

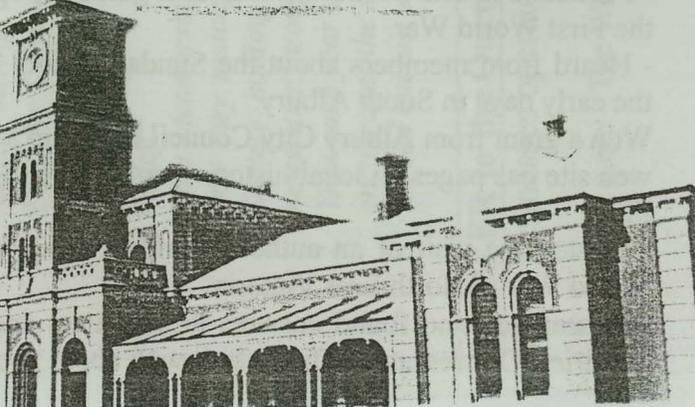
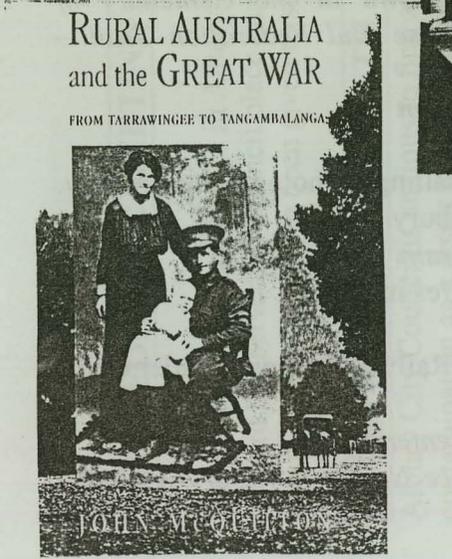
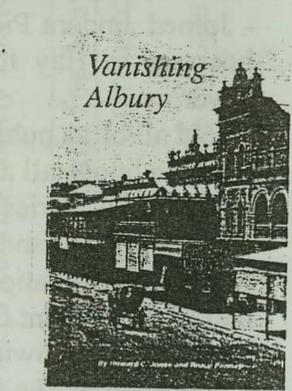
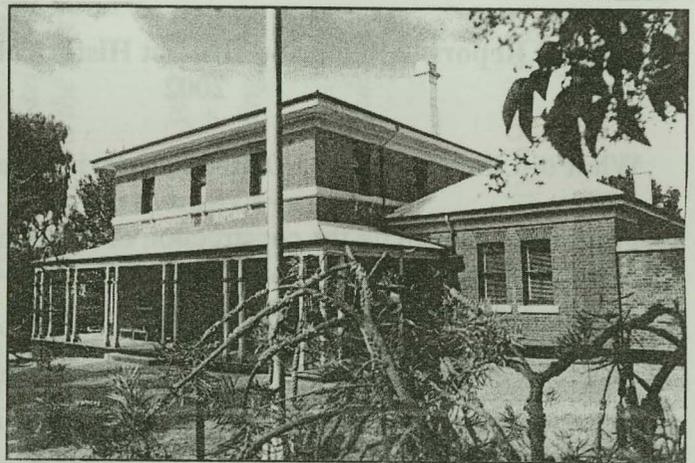
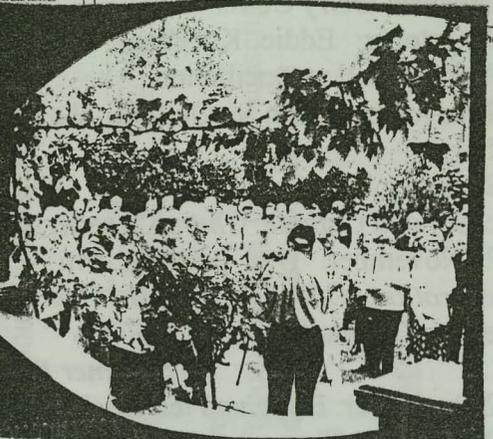
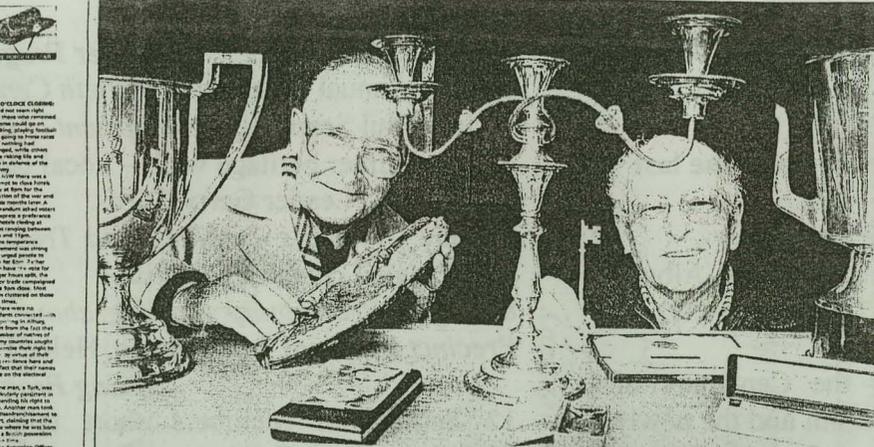
War the rallying cry yet public opinion divided

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:
The Albury Herald has published a number of articles in its recent issues on the subject of public opinion in the district during the war. It is interesting to note that the public opinion in the district is divided on the subject of the war. Some people are in favour of the war, while others are against it. This is a natural result of the different views of the people on the subject of the war.

THE WAR:
The war has been a great blessing to the world. It has brought about a new era of peace and prosperity. It has also brought about a new era of unity and brotherhood. The war has shown us that we are all in this together, and that we must stand together in the face of adversity.

THE DISTRICT:
The district has been a great beneficiary of the war. It has seen a great increase in its population, and a great improvement in its standards of living. It has also seen a great increase in its sense of community and responsibility.

THE FUTURE:
The future is bright for the district. It is a land of opportunity and promise. It is a land where the people are united in their love of their country and their determination to build a better future for themselves and for their children.



Top: Newspaper supplement; Council's Trophies and Treasures; Heritage bus trip, Corowa. Middle: Heritage walk, the Monastery; Through the eyes of the late Jack Dallinger; CD Rom The Hume Dam; *Vanishing Albury*. Bottom: Book by visiting author; Happy Valley Sunday School Heritage Week Walk, Albury Railway Station.

REPORT ON MAY MEETING

Barry Hart, a former president of the **Commercial Club**, gave us a foretaste of the book he has prepared for the **Commercial Club's centenary**. The book will be published in November and will include a section on the celebrations that started this month. Barry based his history on the minutes and annual reports of the Club that have been carefully preserved.

The first verifiable meeting of the **Commercial Club** was held on 7 May 1902. There had been moves to establish a club in April 1886, and there are later references to a club in the 1890s, but there is no documentary evidence to support claims of an earlier beginning.

The first premises were in the back of a **tobacconist's shop**. **Mrs Hughes**, the proprietor, agreed so long as her husband was employed as a steward. The first **poker machine** was bought in August 1904. In 1906 the Club moved from the shop to lease rooms in **Day's building**, next to the present day **Westpac building**. The Club got off to an unsteady start and faced financial problems in 1905 and 1916. However, **Abraham Nathan** was elected President and he saw it out of its troubles.

In the first years they sold bottled beer from Melbourne. They first went to keg beer when the **Hume Weir** was being built and the Club won the custom of a large number of weir workers. In 1928 the Club bought a **wireless** to entertain members. In 1929 it bought its first **refrigerator**.

Nathan helped the Club to buy its first premises in Dean Street. The building still stands across the road from the current entrance and has '1926' on its façade. These premises were opened by the **Governor of New South Wales**, who donated his portrait to the Club to commemorate the occasion.

In 1928 the Club donated 1,000 cigarettes to the patients at **Albury Base Hospital** and a similar number to prisoners being held at the **Albury Gaol**.

In 1934 the Club thought it would be unable to expand its premises so it bought the Wool Exchange across the road. **Dalgety's** had a wool office upstairs and paid rent, which helped to keep the Club solvent. Club rooms were erected behind the wool exchange and the new premises were opened for the first time in 1937. Invitations of the opening were given for the first time to ladies.

Each member enlisting in the Second World War was given an **engraved tankard** and a metal identification tag before they went overseas. The Club donated a set of **drums** to '**Albury's Own**' regiment, the 2/23rd.

At the end of the war and until 1960, the **SS and A Club** occupied the Club's former premises in Dean Street.

Since the Second World War the Club has bought more properties along Stanley Street.

In 1971 **lady associates** were permitted to join the Club. In 1978 women were admitted as full members. In 1972 the current manager, **Bruce Duck**, was appointed. At that time he was the youngest registered club manager in the state.

In 2002 the Club has 30,000 members. It employs 220 staff. It has 420 poker machines. Last year the Club distributed just over \$208,000 to charities and community and cultural groups.

ALBURY REGIONAL MUSEUM – CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Exhibition - 7 May – 16 June

Bringing The House Down – 12 Months of Australian Political Cartoons – The best work from the National Museum of Australia's 2001 Political Humour Competition.

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WODONGA HISTORICAL SOCIETY – ARCHIVAL ROOM

Congratulations to the Wodonga Society on the official opening of their **Archival Room** in South Street, Wodonga on Sunday, May 19.

In the absence of the President, **Jean Whitla** welcomed members and guests, including **Mayor Lisa Mahood** and her two young children, and four representatives of the Albury Society. She referred to the waves of dedicated people who had driven the Society over the years and had laid the foundation on which present members hope to build.

Bernie Gibney unveiled a plaque on an internal wall of the premises, just below the honour board listing **life members Olive Codling, Jean Whitla and Jim Morrison**, all of whom were present. Guests enjoyed the hospitality of the Society, also the display of artefacts, photo albums, and scrap.

GOING TO THE PICTURES - continued from April Bulletin

The Smith Family's Connection with Cinemas in Albury – by Guest Speaker, Tony Smith.

The **Café** he established had open sliding doors and the street was a real forerunner of what is now common place.

Times started to change and the 1956 **Olympic Games** saw the introduction of black and white **television** in Australia. (Tony recalled sitting in Elwood in Melbourne watching the opening ceremony on a 10" Astor T.V with the ceremony being compared by **Michael Charlton**). But the war and the decade after had been the boon years of cinema and patrons had permanent weekly bookings at the cinema.

The Regent was at its peak in the mid 1950's.

Cinemascope was introduced in 1954 with the release of "White Christmas" starring **Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye and Rosemary Clooney**. It was a big hit.

By this time **Hoyts** had built their **Drive-In at Wodonga**, but there was room in the area for 3 outlets.

The Melba in Wodonga also ran during this time but it had little impact. The Manager of **Hoyts** was **Stan Henry** and at the **Regent, George Osborne** both who were well known for many years.

Until recently Tony has had people working for him from those years – e.g. **Ron Farmer** whose son and daughter are currently working.

The writing was on the wall and when television came to Albury in 1964 movie attendances declined significantly as the penetration of T.V. became higher.

Television brought many changes to society and its introduction marked one of the most significant events in the 20th century.

Tony's Father however, became a founding director of **Television AMV4** and one of its most significant shareholders for many years. The cinema spluttered on and **Hoyts closed** in 1972 after only 35 years. It was later burnt down and is now a retail premises opposite **Baker Motors**.TO BE CONTINUED

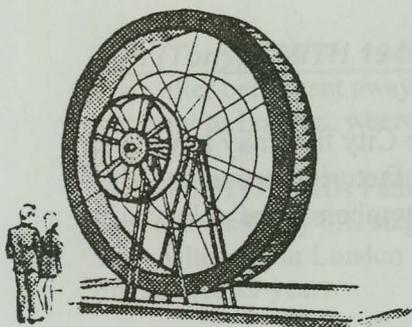
A FINAL WORD – *As Bulletin Editor since arriving in Albury from W.A. in 1992, it would be remiss of me not to make a final comment. I have really enjoyed the last ten years as your "Bulletin" editor. This task has been made much easier with the help of Helen Livsey, who has helped me with proof reading of each issue, to whom I personally thank, and also to Bruce Pennay who has provided information when I was unable to attend meetings, since February, due to my T.A.F.E. commitments. I shall miss my involvement with the Society, and hope that my replacement will gain as much mutual satisfaction as I have over the years. I wish the new committee a successful year..... JANICE LYNCH*

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday JUNE 25. 2002, 5.15pm ALBURY CITY LIBRARY

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JULY 2002

NEXT MEETING

8pm Wednesday July 10.

Commercial Club, Dean Street, Albury.

GUEST SPEAKER

Rex Fuge of Chiltern will talk about Chiltern Athenaeum.

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Which Hollywood film was made in Chiltern?

WHO DOES WHAT IN THE COMING YEAR

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ANSWER to the Question of the Month for May

A request from the Albury City Council to locate all sites within the City that may have been exposed to contamination as a result of past land uses, such as manufacturing processes, the use of excavation sites for tips or chemical and fuel spills, several members were able to give details, which in turn will be forwarded to the Council.

REPORT ON JUNE MEETING

Howard has served on Council place name working parties and explored some of the unusual names that have been given to places in the Albury-Wodonga district. A full and very interesting report of these names was printed in the Border Mail on Saturday June 15 (pages 42-43).

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'DOUGHTY' FAMILY RE-UNION

The family of “Doughty” is celebrating 150 years after the arrival of **John and Rebecca Doughty**, from Norfolk in England to Australia.

After their arrival they lived for some years south of Braidwood in NSW and then in 1866 they travelled over the Great Dividing Range to Glenroy near **Tumbarumba**, where they spent the rest of their lives. They had eight children and their descendants now number in the hundreds and are scattered all over Australia.

A letter to our Society requested help in informing descendants that a Reunion will take place in Tumbarumba during Easter 2003.

Further information from Jan Doughty Hewett, 20 Keppell Rd, Marmion. W.A. 6020 or by Email – njhewett@webace.com.au

GOING TO THE PICTURES - continued from April, May & June Bulletin\$

This is the final instalment of the Smith Family's Connection with Cinemas in Albury– by Guest Speaker, Tony Smith.

The “Lights went out” as they say in the business and the decline of Suburban and country cinema is well documented.

Tony's Father was to bear the brunt of these difficult years by holding on until the business began to turn around ever so slowly in the early 1970's.

Drive-Ins in particular boomed and were very successful with a building boom, which saw most suburban and country communities having their own Drive-Ins.

Tony's Father had started to lose interest in the cinema and the battle, and by the 1970's had developed other interests. He effectively retired in the early 1980's and after poor health died in 1996. His Mother is still alive and is still living in Albury.

A.P. (Tony) SMITH 1946 -

Tony after being sent away to school at the age of 10 went to University where he graduated with two degrees and went to London, where he travelled and worked as an accountant.

In the mid 1970's His Father told him that he was intending to quit the cinema business. The **Palais** had been closed and sold by this stage and the **Pivot** sold to **Coles** in the late 1950's.

Tony who was in London at this stage, decided to return to Albury and since that time Cinema has been his life and for 25 years.

During the early 70's there were signs that there was a revival in cinema. The novelty of **television** had started to wane and people, especially the young, were becoming tired of being couped up in their houses with Mum and Dad.

Several habits were changing. Society was more prosperous, the motor vehicle gave young people more mobility, the contraceptive pill changed courting habits and young people did not want to stay at home with the oldies.

The cinema revival had of course preceeded Australia in the States and Hollywood started kicking goals and the blockbuster was invented (or re-invented – there was nothing new in Hollywood).

In 1977 we had **Star Wars**, which was a phenomenal success and ushered in the concept of event movies. Every kid had star wars toys, badges, shirts, hats etc. It was not just a movie.

Other blockbusters came. **Superman**, the **Towering Inferno** and **ET**, which is now screening as it has been re-released after 20 years.

But times were not easy. The only way forward for cinema was to construct new modern cinemas and this needed a great deal of capital.

In the late 70's we formed a partnership with **Roc Kirby** who later created **Village Roadshow**, which is run by his sons Robert and John.

Tony then added cinema 2 to the **Regent**, refurbished the old auditorium and opened the twin cinemas in 1977.

In 1978 our partnership purchased two Drive-ins from **Hoyts** in Wodonga and Wagga Wagga as they were withdrawing from regional Australia to concentrate on the growing suburban areas of the capitals. Shortly afterwards we purchased the **Stargazer Drive-In** from **David Scott** in North Albury.

The Drive-Ins were doing very good business but this wouldn't last. Also the advent of colour TV caused a brief hiccup and plenty of anxiety for me for a couple of years. But this was temporary as it was not a new entertainment product but an upgrade of an existing one.

The real drama was the introduction of **video**, which caused a very sharp and rapid decline in attendances but devastated the Drive – Ins.

To understand why this was the case, he explained what is referred to as the release pattern on movies at that time.

Generally movies were released in the key cities first and then in suburban and regional areas. After that they were released "second run" in Drive-Ins. The advent of video replaced Drive-Ins as the second run release so videos competed head on with the Drive-Ins. In addition social changes were turning up the heat on the Drive-Ins. High backed seats in cars; the introduction of the **Breathaliser**, and fast food outlets all made the going tough.

By 1988 they took the hard decision and closed the three Drive-Ins. They were miserable years as a lot of staff were laid off and the business looked ugly.

GOING TO THE PICTURES – continued

Tony then became a property developer. He sold the **Wagga Drive-In** to a man who won the lottery and always wanted a Drive-In, the **Stargazer** to **Brett Pearsall** who was going to build a **Mini Disney Land** and then Tony subdivided the **Wodonga Drive-In** into 56 housing blocks and 8 commercial blocks.

During the late 70's and 80's Tony ran, arranged and facilitated a lot of concerts

- 1 **Edgleys**
- 2 Many Main acts at the C/C – **Roy Orbison, Inxs, Blondie, The Village People, The Seekers, Lou Reed, Harry Secombe, Peter Allen, Joe Crocker** etc. Also ran many shows through the Civic and have been its biggest user over time.
- 3 Murray River Performing Group and Flying Fruit Fly Circus.
- 4 Stars and Celebrities. Most key Australian actors including **Mel Gibson, John Mellion, Jack Thomson, Bill Hunter, Sigrid Thornton, Yahoo Serious** etc.
- 5 Premiers – **Ride a Wild Pony** (Disney) and **Lex and Rory**.

During those years Tony had 4 or 5 trips to the USA to see what was going on. A Country Tour of Regional Cinemas and visits to Show West, the Big Movie Convention in Las Vegas.

LOCAL HISTORY RESEARCH AND PUBLICATION GRANTS

The Secretary has an application form for grants for local history research and publication projects approved by the Royal Australian Historical Society. It is unlikely that any project will be fully funded, but grants from about \$250 up to \$5,000 are available. The grants do not cover newsletter production costs, museum displays, postcards, photographic displays or buildings and equipment. Applications close 31 July 2002.

In 2001, grants were made to twenty-eight organisations. There were grants, for example, to Armidale Historical Society to index the society's journal (\$400); to Carcoar Historical Society to produce *Carcoar and District – an illustrated history* (\$250); to Clyde River and Bateman's Bay Society for an illustrated history *From the Clyde to the Sea* (\$750); Granville Historical Society for a history of the Aboriginal people in the district (\$1,000); to Illawarra Family History Group for *History of Dapto and surrounds, 1825-1975* (\$700); to St John's Anglican Church for a book to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the church at Parramatta (\$1,000).

ON THE WEB

Albury City Council has embarked on a City-wide Heritage Study. There are two web sites that help in understanding the processes involved.

www.heritage.nsw.gov.au/history

Scroll through the history pages and you will find links to the NSW Historical Themes and the Australian Historical Themes. These are the themes that are used to guide a heritage study.

www.heritage.nsw.gov.au/multicultural_heritage

These pages contain three thematic histories dealing with Chinese, Italian and Greek settlement in NSW.

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ALBURY & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MAY 2002

	2002		2001
	\$		\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at Hume Building Society			
All Purpose Account	7514.41	<u>7506.81</u>	
Petty Cash Imprest	<u>141.92</u>		
	7656.33		7506.81
INVESTMENTS			
Hume Building Society (Note 1)	<u>15000.00</u>	<u>15000.00</u>	
	15000.00		15000.00
FIXED ASSETS			
Equipment - Insurance or Est.	<u>5558.90</u>	<u>4245.90</u>	
Value etc (Note 2)	<u>5558.90</u>	<u>4245.90</u>	
TOTAL ASSETS	28215.23		26752.71
Less CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Membership Fees in Advance	-	<u>17.00</u>	
	-		<u>17.00</u>
RETAINED EARNINGS	<u>28215.23</u>		<u>26735.71</u>

Notes to and forming part of the Accounts

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Donations	133.00		12.00
Sale of Publications	393.50		-
Sundry Sales	155.50		355.90
Vanishing Albury	2275.00		14674.50
CD Roms - Hume Weir	346.00		-
Postages - Vanishing Albury	-		116.00
Research	196.00		208.00
Bus Trip - Corowa	492.00		-
Interest on Investments	912.64		1320.36
Sundry Income	134.90		-
Cultural Grant - Albury City Council	<u>2300.00</u>		-
	<u>9087.54</u>		<u>18677.76</u>
EXPENDITURE			
Auditor	100.00		-
Bulletin Costs			
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Postage	658.11		618.35
Insurances	709.50		540.15
Stationery & Receipt Books	209.78		394.15
Meetings Expenses	188.60		288.30
Purchases - Colonial State Borders	-		158.40
Photocopying	162.00		-
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Post Office Box Rental	83.00		79.20
Membership Subscriptions - Royal Historical Society	187.00		187.00
Financial Charges	17.76		47.96
Filing Fees - Annual Return	38.00		37.00
Bus Hire - Corowa Trip	453.00		-
Phone and Sundry Expenses	41.65		45.00
Website Fees (ex ACC Grant)	500.00		-
Projector Repairs	-		49.95
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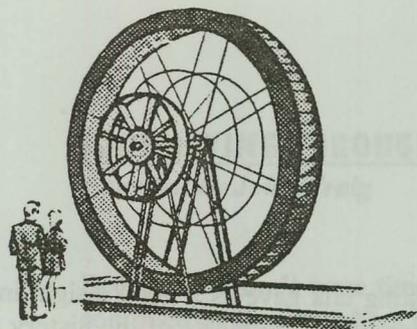
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QUESTION OF THE MONTH

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ANSWER to the Question of the Month for July

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The answer was Ride and Wild Pony.

REPORT ON JULY MEETING

Our guest speaker at the July meeting was Rex Fuge, whose very interesting talk gave us a good insight into the History of Chiltern as preserved by the Athenaeum Trust, which encompasses all facets of the history of Chiltern, from Hume and Hovell 1824-25, Major Mitchell, 1836, to the Drovers Camp on Donamingi (now Blackdog) Creek in 1837 (which became the start of a small community of up to 100 people to service "the Runs" and Police Camp after John Conners registered the first Gold Claim, which swelled the population to 20,000.

After being known as "Indigo" and "new Ballarat", Chiltern was named for the Chiltern Hills in the UK, by prospectors who came from that area.

By 1920 the gold was running out and the town found prosperity in timber. Now it is mainly residential.

The present Athenaeum was built in 1866 and houses the Town Hall, Library, and Council Chambers. The artefacts date from 1850 and embrace all aspects of Aboriginal and European life and art in the times.

The building is maintained by the Shire, and manned by volunteers who meet bi-monthly. Door takings and research fees provide increased archival data.

The McEwen Wing, previously the old Fire Station has been restored through a grant from the Victorian Government and the Shire.

Three films have been made in Chiltern – "Ride a Wild Pony", "My Brother Tom" and "Spit McGee", and the town boasts three Authors in Henry Handel Richardson, Mary Gaunt and Wilfred Basse and such prominent people as Sir Issac Issacs, John McEwen and the artist Alfred William Eustace.

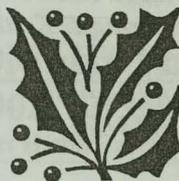
The Athenaeum has a collection of Alfred William Eustace's works on permanent display. Also available for viewing are the Gold Mining Records, Cemetery Records, School, Federal Standard Newspapers, Written Histories of Chiltern, Barnawatha, Cornish Town, Middle Indigo, Chinatown and numerous family files.

There is a large photo collection and an outdoor display of Iron mongery and mining equipment. Tours of all aspects can be arranged.

Question time brought comments on the proposed tramline to Magenta Mine, which did not eventuate. The Aircraft Ariel Beacon for the help of aircraft between Melbourne and Sydney, in use until after WW11, and the eventual closure of the Rutherglen Gold Mining, due to flooding.

CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

Do we wish to hold a Christmas Dinner? The Commercial Club are offering a fantastic Christmas Menu for end of year functions, for further information see Jim Paterson.



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HAWKSBUURY CRIER : Newsletter Hawksbury F.H.S. March 2002

1. Interesting Obituaries 1832-1907
2. Old Occupation Names and Interpretations.

MOMENTO : News from National Archives – May 2002

1. Lifting the Bar – Celebrating the Centenary of Women's right to vote and to stand for Federal Parliament.
2. Christmas Island – Buried Boxes on Treasure Island.

CLAN CAMERON NSW Newsletter No 59 –May 2002

1. Scottish News No 1 and No 2.
2. Tartan Day in U.S.A and Canada.

HISTORY : Newsletter R.H.S Victoria No 227 May 2002.

1. Royal Historical Society Victoria Revisited.
2. New faces at the R.H.S.V.

HISTORY : NEWSLETTER R.H.S. Victoria 228 – May 2002.

1. Grants and Awards.

HILLS & DISTRICT H.S. Newsletter-April/May/June 2002.

1. Heritage Park update.
2. A Changing Streetscape – Garthowen House.

WAGGA WAGGA H.S. Newsletter – June/July 2002.

1. Robert McIntyre : The McIntyre Family selected in Wagga Wagga district north of the Murrumbidgee in 1865. The selection was to become the nucleus of the "Glenfield" estate.

STOCKMANS HALL OF FAME – June 2002.

1. George F Sugan – Wool Scouring Pioneer.
2. The "Cut-out" – meaning the end of shearing.

BEGA VALLEY GENEALOGY Society Newsletter – June 2002.

1. Candelo Methodist Church – Tracking down the story.
2. Towamba War Letters – Written by Private Edward John Beasley – K.I.A. 23 July 1916.

ALBURY REGIONAL MUSEUM – CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Exhibition -22 June – 11 August

Model Transport. An exhibition of model planes, ships and rail.

EXHIBITION 21 August – 29 September

Art on a String – Aboriginal Threaded Objects from the Central Desert and Arnhem Land. A range of intricately coloured and patterned objects, made by artists from twenty-three Aboriginal cultures from across the Central Desert and Arnhem Land, Australia.

REQUESTS VIA THE PRESIDENT

Margaret Schneider of the Newmarket Hotel is looking for any old photographs of “PUBS” in this region to add to the display in their dining room.

Penny MacGregor from the Gateway is looking for a guide (HISTSOC) to lead a group of 36 people from Morwell on a Historic Walkabout around our area. They are coming to Albury on the train.

Tom Weatherall from Elgin’s Wodonga wants to know if we are interested in old architectural plans/drawings. They are presently stored at Jims home.

Street names for development Home Units in old ABH site, also artefacts. See site foreman in South Albury.

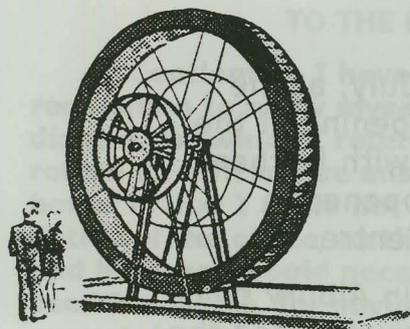
A copy of the “Wodonga Song” was provided to interested people in Beechworth

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday AUGUST 27. 2002, 5.15pm ALBURY CITY LIBRARY

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SEPTEMBER 2002

NEXT MEETING

8pm Wednesday September 11.
Commercial Club, Dean Street, Albury.

GUEST SPEAKER Mr Michael Hogan – General Manager of The Albury Wodonga Private Hospital – will address the Society Members and Guests on the growth of this magnificent regional facility

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

An influenza epidemic caused the border between Victoria and New South Wales to be closed. What was the date and the result of the closure?

WHO DOES WHAT IN THE YEAR 2002/2003

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PUBLIC OFFICER	<i>Helen Livsey</i>

SUBSCRIPTIONS REMINDER : Only those who have paid subscriptions by September 23rd will receive the next Bulletin . A list of all financial members will appear in the October issue.

Robert Brown Room Dedicated

Descendants of Albury's first settler gathered in July, at the invitation of the Albury City Council, to celebrate the opening of the Robert Brown Room. The meeting and function room, with kitchen facilities, is large enough to seat 150 people and was opened in conjunction with the Council's new Customer Service Centre.

Descendants of the Brown family have gathered in Albury twice before to remember our founding father. In 1956 they witnessed the unveiling of a plaque in Noreuil Park recording the fact that Mr Brown first settled in that vicinity. In 1979 they were at the Botanic Gardens to see the restored Band Rotunda dedicated to Robert Brown on the centenary of his death. All of the memorial events were twenty-three years apart and, by coincidence, Robert Brown was 23 years old when he arrived in Albury, facts noted by his great granddaughter, Mrs Vonnie Wharton, of Townsville, who was unable to be present at the most recent event.

A photo/story board on display in the room was unveiled by another great granddaughter, Mrs Honor McDonald, and reads thus:

Albury's founder, Robert Brown arrived in Albury in 1835-36.

In 1836 he built his shanty, Albury's first store, for travellers who were now beginning to travel between Melbourne and Sydney with Albury being established as the crossing place.

Brown operated a dug-out canoe and later a ferry and subsequently built Albury's first Inn, which was licensed on June 17, 1840, and then a second, the Hume Inn, in 1842.

Robert Brown married Ann Crowe and they had 10 children. Many of their descendants still live in the Border region.

Brown's legacy to Albury includes instigating the establishment of the agricultural society and the hospital.

"When I settled down nearly under the shadeless tree on which Mr Hume carved the name Hume River on November 17, 1824, I could little imagine that so rapid a transformation would take place in a few short years, my only companions a few blacks, the kangaroo, the emu, the native dog. Now Albury can boast of its newspapers, fine buildings, steam mills, its churches, courthouse, etc."

Robert Brown 1857. The Border Post

Although he moved to Collendina in 1845 he must have regarded Albury as "his town" because his contribution towards the formation of the Agricultural Society and the hospital occurred after that date. In 1857 he appealed to residents to provide a monument to commemorate the discovery of the river by Hamilton Hume. It was erected on the river bank but now stands in the Botanic Gardens. In 1859 the Agricultural Society awarded him a silver medal for the "First and only sample of oranges ever grown in this district".

Robert's aspirations for Albury were written in a letter to the Albury Border Post of Feb 5, 1859, as follows.

TO THE ELECTORS OF ALBURY AND DISTRICT

Gentlemen, I have to acknowledge receipt of your very flattering requisition to allow myself ... as a candidate for the suffrages of ... of your district, for which I return my sincere thanks, and regret that I am unable to return an affirmative answer to your request. My reason for declining the honor is that I could not devote sufficient time to attend properly to the duties of the office, as the distance of the seat of Parliament from my home and business would necessitate my almost constant attendance in Sydney, a sacrifice which, for obvious reasons, I feel myself utterly unable to make. I cannot, however, allow the present opportunity to pass without naming my political views, and to those of the electors to whom I am not known, I more especially address myself.

I would advocate the establishment of schools, in every town or village that could number thirty children, and would make it imperative, under penalty, on the part of the parents, to send their children to such schools, leaving their religious education to the care of the parents or guardians.

I would strongly recommend the speedy formation of a grand trunk line of railway from Sydney to Albury, leaving it to districts along the line to make their branch roads, knowing, as I do, the capabilities of this and the other districts, to produce commodities which would form an important item in our export trade, and which we are at present precluded from producing in consequence of no ready transit to our seaboard.

Waste lands. Any bill which may be brought in, having for its object the speedy and equitable settlement of this long and much vexed question surrounded by so many opinions, as to its proper solution, that it would be almost presumptuous on the part of any candidate to propose any plan to you by which it must be settled.

I would strenuously oppose any class legislation on such a subject, as I am convinced that the opening up of the waste lands would be a benefit to the colony, and that no interest would suffer by it, as there is plenty of room for all, without any one claim interfering with, or being detrimental to the other. The three great interests of this fine country, mining, agricultural, and pastoral, ought to be united, and not antagonistic, and I should view with horror and suspicion any candidate for legislative honors who would give forth as part of this political creed, that of setting class against class, for he would not be commonly honest.

I would support any candidate coming forward who would advocate measures, the object of which would be the general welfare of the country, and the district of Albury in particular. I would like to see the endowment of money grants, in aid of agricultural societies, for the purpose of developing the resources of the different districts of the country, and for bringing farm machinery into general operation; and I am convinced it is only by the aid of such machinery that we can put it out of the power of importers to compete with us.

Gentlemen, I have again to thank you for the high honor you have done me, in offering to place so sacred a trust as the guardianship of your interests in the house of our colonial Parliament, in my hands: a trust which, could I accept, I would watch over most jealously, for I could not neglect one particle of your interests, without my own suffering, being so identified with the welfare of the district: and I trust we may be able to find a man with a stake in the electorate who may thoroughly possess your confidence.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen, Your obedient servant,
ROBERT BROWN Collendina, 31st January, 1859

To Elliott Herriot, Esq. J.P.
John Roper, Esq., J.P. And the other gentlemen signing the requisition.

Report on the August Meeting

Guest speaker, **Michael Egan**, who has followed the undertaking profession in Albury for thirty-one years, recalled Albury undertakers over the decades. He told of J.S. Adams starting about 1860. The Lester name first appeared in 1907 as Trappold & Lester. John Birnie started in Kiewa Street in 1949 but did not get enough support from the public. He moved to Goulburn, operating as a funeral director there before returning to Albury in 1951. Michael said that Lester and Adams were both keen football supporters so their services to clients were not available on Saturday afternoons. In 1971 John Hossack arrived. He bought out Hayden Miles of Holbrook and then served the Holbrook area from his Albury premises. Other Albury undertakers have been J.H. Kirkpatrick, Field & Maitland, W.J. "Coffin" Jones, F.A. Selle, Haslem, Frew & Logan, James Nelson, and Swain.

The business was strongly aligned to religion. Adams held a strong grip on the Catholics. Lester had a hold on the Anglicans. John Birnie was known to all religious groups and formed a strong bond with the Lutherans at Walla which was previously J.S. Adams interest.

Michael related lots of tales of the industry in recent and ancient times, some more believable than others.

When Michael came to Albury in 1971 he bought the firm of Lester and Son. In 1978 he bought John Birnie's business, in the mid-eighties J.S. Adams, in the late-eighties Culcairn Funeral Parlours, and in 1991 Riddingtons of Tallangatta. In January 2001 he made application to demolish a run-down store at the corner of Mate and Wantigong Streets to build a funeral home. After rumblings from his prospective neighbours, and negotiations with them and the Council, approval was finally received in October 2001. With 7792 funerals behind them they recently commenced in the new location. The Evergreen Chapel has video facilities to link distant families to the farewell of their loved ones in Albury. Michael noted the swing of funerals away from churches and the demand for civil celebrants.

He mentioned, very respectfully, the funeral of Helen Sutherland, the instigator of the Murray Grey cattle breed at Thologolong. Her Murray Grey, Champion of Champions at the Melbourne Show, was chief mourner at her funeral at the Uniting Church Walwa. Right on cue he moored at the Amen!

Question of the Month: Anne Davies read from William A. Bayley's *Border City: History of Albury*: An aboriginal burial ground was on the eastern side of the surveyed town at the lower end of Olive Street at a place called the "Sand Hills". European settlers also used it as their cemetery. The site was bounded by Olive, Ebdon, David and Hovell Sts.

Do you remember Margaret Ritchie who lived in Albury from the early 1930s? Her granddaughter wants information about her role as a singer with Denny Doran's Blue Star Dance Band, including live performances on the Saturday night radio broadcast. She would have been in her teens in the mid to late thirties. Her photo, with the band, was hung in the local radio station and it is hoped that a photo may be available, perhaps from a newspaper. Any one with information can contact the Society's research officer, P O Box 822, Albury 2640

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Minutes of General Meeting of the Albury and District Historical Society Inc. held at the Commercial Club, 14-08-02.

The meeting opened at 8pm. The President Jim Paterson welcomed Members and Guests, and thanked them for their attendance.

Apologies and those present as per book.

Secretary's Report: - referred to 23 letters Inwards and 9 Outwards as per list. Moved Ron Seconded Claude that correspondence be received. Carried.

Treasurers Report: - as attached shows a balance in the General account of \$7887.06; Imprest \$128.87; and Investments of \$15,000.00. Moved June that this report be received. Seconded Claude. Carried

General Business: - 1. There is still a Vacancy of the Committee. 2. Should we arrange Xmas Dinner, at the Commercial Club? This to be further discussed at the Committee Meeting and a decision will be taken at the next General Meeting 3. We have registered with the "Community Volunteers" in the hope of finding a Bulletin Editor, and Proof Reader. 4. We have had some publicity, and our president attended a meeting of the Wodonga Hist. Soc., who are eager to cooperate with our Soc. To make a more active History Base in this area. 5. Albury is fortunate to have the assistance of the Museum and Library. The Albury Library has been through a course to train volunteers and some have already begun assisting. Wangaratta is hosting a Training Course Aug. 16th. 6. Following the request from the Newmarket Hotel for old Hotel Photos, Jim brought some of his collection. 7. We are reminded of "Art on a String" at the regional Museum, and would like to consider a Speaker on this subject in the future.

Guests Brian Roden and Kate Rouse were welcomed, they are students at TAFE doing a course in Community Welfare. Brian presented the Society with a book on early shearing days, for which we thank him.

The President showed a new map of the area showing streets and recreation areas.

The Minutes were read

Mike Egan then gave his interesting talk, followed by question time. The President offered our thanks.

The meeting closed at 9.40pm

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THE MUSTER : Journal of Central Coast F.H.S. - August 2002.

1. Reports from A.G.M. May 2000.
2. Book launch – Gosford Pioneer Register.

ARGYLE BULLETIN : Journal of Goulburn H.S. and F.H.S. - August 2002.

1. Society News.
2. John Lynch – Razorback Axe Murderer.

GOULBURN F.H.S: Members Interest Directory – 2000.

VITAL SIGNS : State Records Office N.S.W - August 2002.

1. Flash Language: Language of the Riff Raff/Criminal Element.
2. Mirrors of Evil.

FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETIES NEWSLETTER - June 2002.

1. Picture Australia: A W.W.Web based service as research tool.
2. Digitisation on demand.

HILLS & DISTRICT H.S. Newsletter – July/August 2002.

1. In Search of History: Where is the Time Capsule Buried 1962?
2. Arthur Whitling and Castle Hill Park.

INHERIT: HERITAGE VICTORIA – July 2002.

1. Breathing life into Victorian Heritage.
2. Digging up Little Lonsdale.
3. Block 19 – Bonegilla.

BORDERLINE NEWS: Newsletter Wodonga F.H.S. -August 2002.

1. Member's profiles.
2. Your New Committee and Society News.

INSITE: Heritage Houses Trust N.S.W. - Spring 2002.

1. Tattered Treasures: Photographs from the 1930's.
2. Breaking New Ground: The Gardens of Government House.
3. Calendar Of Events – September/November 2002.

LINKS 'N' CHAINS: Journal Liverpool F.H.S. - August 2002.

1. The Long Journey Home: Clan MacFarlane.
2. Mormon Immigration Index: England to America Mid 1800's.

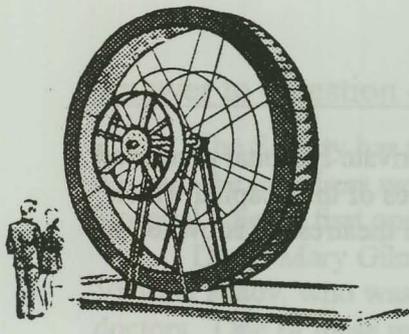
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NEXT MEETING

8pm Wednesday October 9
Commercial Club, Dean Street, Albury

MEMBERS NIGHT. Three members will each speak for 10-15 minutes:

Jan Marsden Charles Brackenridge Jim Paterson

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Name possibly the first real live piper to play in Albury.

FUTURE EVENTS

Jindera Pioneer Museum Pioneers' Day Sunday October 20. 10am to 3pm
Demonstrations of blade shearing, drag saw, spinning & weaving, paintings, lace making, Fabergé eggs, etc. Three-legged races, sack races. Devonshire tea. Heritage buildings, machinery, vintage cars, antique engines. Wheel chair access.
Adult admission by gold coin donation.

Historical Tour of Chiltern Tuesday, November 12. 10am to 4pm
The Committee has arranged a day trip on a bus leaving the Elizabeth entrance of the Commercial Club 10am. Rex Fuge will meet the bus in Chiltern about 10.45am and will give his time free of charge to show us around the town. About 12 noon a two-course lunch, which sounds delicious, will be provided at the Chiltern Hotel. In the afternoon we will be visiting Lake View, Dow Pharmacy, the Athenaeum and Grapevine Museums, arriving back in Albury about 4pm. The day will only cost \$23 per person so it is hoped that members and friends will be able to support this trip. Book with the Treasurer, June Shanahan, at the meeting or phone for further information on 6025 1324.

Christmas Lunch Tuesday, Dec 10. Commercial Club 12.30 to 3.30pm
\$18 per person. This function will take place in the Bridge Room. Members and guests welcome, including members of other historical and family history groups for Christmas fare.

REPORT ON SEPTEMBER MEETING

Michael Hogan, General Manager of the Albury Wodonga Private Hospital presented his listeners with a comprehensive summary of the history and services of the hospital which opened in Pemberton Street, Albury, in 1979 with fifty beds and two theatres. It is owned by a public company, Ramsay Health Care, and now has 103 beds.

The physical changes noted were:

- * 3rd theatre 1985
- * 3rd ward opened July 1986
- * 4th theatre 1993
- * Specialist Medical Centre opened May 1994. Now has about 10 doctors.
- * 6-bed critical care unit November 1996
- * Extension to day surgery unit February 1998
- * Radiology (BMI: Border Medical Imaging) February 1999
- * Extension to orthopaedic ward - 10 extra beds - August 1999
- * Orthopaedic Consulting Rooms October 1999
- * 17 bed ward extension completed June 2002
- * 5th theatre to be completed October 2002

The hospital represents a \$30 million dollar investment in the border cities. There are about thirty admissions daily of which twenty five are for surgery. There are 35 Doctors regularly admitting patients. Albury is short of about eight to ten General Practitioners. When one left recently there were 2000 to 2500 patients to be distributed around other surgeries, some of whom have closed their books to any new clients.

As well as other services the hospital is licensed for babies over six months, psychiatric and home nursing services.

Barker's Pharmacy has provided for the hospital over about fifteen years and now has a retail pharmacy licence on the hospital premises.

ANSWER to the Question of the Month for September

Pneumonic influenza caused the New South Wales government to close the border to Victorians on January 30, 1919. Quarantine isolation camps were set up at the Albury Sportsground and the Wodonga Racecourse. The Red Cross set up an inoculation centre at the Albury Town Hall. The epidemic, known as the Spanish 'flu, was brought back by the troops returning from Europe, and caused the deaths of 12,000 people Australia wide.

In NSW people were required to wear masks in public. Hotels, churches, theatres, etc. were closed, and schools in Victoria closed. One of the dangers of the epidemic was that the 'flu was compounded with a condition similar to pneumonia and it occurred in conjunction with an outbreak of meningitis. (Sources: *The Border Mail Education Mail*, Nov 6, 2001, *Discovering the North East*. Graham Jones. 1992) Anne Davies played part of the Radio Ettamogah Oral History Programme interviews conducted in 1984 with George Saunders and Tom Griffith recalling their memories of conditions in the area at the time of the pneumonic plague.

Answer to Question of the Month continued

The Society has received a letter asking if the Albury Hospital started as a tent hospital because the enquirers were told their ancestors, Bennett/Kennedy, had worked at the Albury Hospital when it first opened. The enquiry is timely when tent isolation camps are under discussion.

Dame Mary Gilmore wrote in *Old Days: Old Ways* that in the years of the diggings in Victoria a lady, who was a born nurse, was in this area when there was no hospital and only two doctors. One of these was Dr. Harris and the woman, Mrs Mary Bennett, had been his nursing assistant. A move was made to apply to establish a small hospital. Mrs Bennett was appointed acting Matron-in-Charge. The hospital began in a surveyors tent, as was also the case in Wagga, according to Mary Gilmore.

If anyone has any information about the Bennett/Kennedy family, Dr. Harris, or Dame Mary Gilmore's story the Research Officer, Helen Livsey, would be glad of information.

FUTURE EVENTS

continued from front page

Albury Regional Museum. Wine – An Australian Social History. Oct. 4 – Nov. 24

This intriguing exhibition draws on the National Archives' extensive collection of wine records, as well as personal recollections of people who worked in the industry. The focus is on four wineries located around Australia and includes life-sized interactive displays.

Reis Family 150th anniversary of settlement in Australia. October 26-27

Descendants of J. George Reis (1813-1883) will gather at the site of the family home near the Albury Airport on Sunday, October 27 to witness the unveiling of a plaque by His Excellency, the Ambassador for the Federal Republic of Germany. For further information: C. Reis, 9 Farmer Street, Brighton 3187 or email: reisfamilyaustralia@msn.com

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HISTORY COUNCIL NSW

August 2002

- 1. Schedule of Events History Week Sept 14-21, 2002

UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND (Armidale)

August 2002

- 1. Journal of Australian Colonial History published by U N E is seeking articles from Scholars in the field of Australian Colonial History

MARBRACT SERVICES letter (Marilyn Rowan)

August 2002

- 1. NSW Births, Deaths & Marriages five application forms

DESCENT. Journal of the Society of Australian Genealogists

June 2002

- 1. Family History Traps – How to Escape
- 2. The Perkins Papers. Social History of Electorate Eden/Monaro and Towns Tumut/Adelong 1823-1948

HAWKSURRY CRIER. Newsletter Hawksbury Family History Group.

June 2002

- 1. The Cattle Killing Case. First and Second Conspiracy Charges. 1896

MURRUMBIDGEE ANCESTOR. Journal of Wagga Wagga F H S.

July 2002

- 1. Five articles on the Discovery of Gold
- 2. Metal Mementos. Medals as a Source of Family History

WAGGA WAGGA FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY NEWSLETTER.

Aug/Sept 2002

- 1. Best Family Cemetery, Flowerdale. Ken Young has advised the Society and Wagga City Council on conservation issues.

ANCES-TREE. Journal of Burwood/Drummoyne Family History Group.

July 2002

- 1. Landmark for Women. Year 2002 marks centenary of federal vote for women
- 2. Members stories of their grandparents

HISTORY NEWS. Newsletter of Royal Historical Society of Victoria.

July/Aug/Sept 2002

- 1. Mr Weston Bates new RHSV President. Susan Priestly steps down
- 2. Profile on Walhalla Heritage Research Centre
- 3. RHSV visits the "Little Lonsdale" Dig

RICHMOND RIVER HISTORICAL SOCIETY BULLETIN.

September 2002

- 1. Early Chinese Communities on the Northern Rivers
- 2. Myocum (Lismore district) Aviation Disaster Remembered
- 3. Protection of Dry Bone Walls in Ballina Shire

HISTORY. Magazine of Royal Australian Historical Society.

September 2002

- 1. The Icely Family and Coombing Park, Carcoar
- 2. William Wilson of Lismore Station

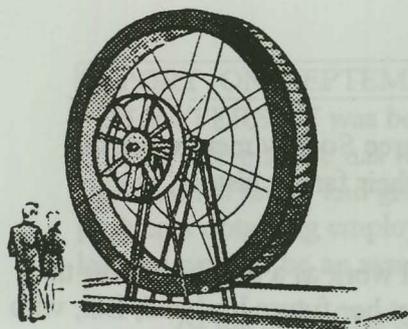
NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday October 22, 2002, 5.15pm ALBURY CITY LIBRARY

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BULLETIN 419

NOVEMBER 2002

NEXT MEETING

8pm Wednesday November 13
Commercial Club, Dean Street, Albury

GUEST SPEAKER

Jim Devlin: Happenings in 1942

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

How many Public Schools were in Albury in 1942?

FUTURE EVENTS

Historical Tour of Chiltern Tuesday, November 12. 10am to 4pm

See Chiltern through the eyes of someone who really knows the town.

Bus tour leaving the Elizabeth Street entrance of the Commercial Club 10am.

Rex Fuge will meet us in Chiltern and will give his time free of charge to show us around.

Enjoy a two-course meal at the Chiltern Hotel. Visit Lake View, Dow Pharmacy, the Athenaeum and Grapevine Museums, arriving back in Albury about 4pm. The day, including the meal, will only cost \$23 per person so it is hoped that members, friends, and other historical groups will be able to enjoy this trip. Book with the Jim Paterson on 6021 2449, or Helen Livsey 6021 3671.

Please book as early as possible to assist the hotel with catering.

Christmas Lunch Tuesday, Dec 10. Commercial Club 12.30 to 3.30pm

Enjoy an entrée of Prawn Caesar Salad, a special Christmas Main Course of a plated selection of Roast Seasoned Turkey, Baked Ham, Roast Chicken and Baked Vegetables, with garnishes. Traditional Christmas Pudding with Cream Anglaise and Brandy Butter will be served for Desert. Also on the tables will be shortbread biscuits, White Christmas, Bon Bons, party fare & mixed nuts. Tea, coffee and chocolate & cherry truffles will be available. \$18 per person. This function will take place in the Bridge Room. Members and guests welcome, including members of other historical and family history groups.

GOOD OLD ALBURY

A new collection of 79 old photographs published by Howard C. Jones. Available at Society Meetings at \$16 a copy.

REPORT ON SEPTEMBER MEETING

Members enjoyed a thoroughly entertaining evening at the hands of three Society members who spoke about aspects of their lives and adventures as well as stories of their family history, work, community service and hobbies.

JAN MARSDEN was born and educated in Queensland. She started work as a telephonist for the P.M.G. (Postmaster General's Department) at Redcliffe where she met her future husband, Bill, who she married in 1955. She spent some years as a telephonist at Lismore (NSW) and went with Bill to New Guinea in 1964 for about four years. They could feel the winds of change and independence coming on. She appreciated the opportunity for her family to experience another culture, and her daughter has since spent twenty two years in the Middle East. After returning to Australia Jan's husband missed out on a timber lease at Orbost from where they came over Omeo and stopped at Eskdale for five years before arriving in Albury in 1973. Jan worked for Ross Bishop, at Bishop's Cool Stores, and later for Campbell's Cash & Carry.

When her cousins decided in 1991 to hold a family reunion Jan welcomed the opportunity to research the Diel/Deal family. The name became Dale and Dale Crescent is probably named after them as David Deal married Susan Popp in 1866 and they had an orchard in Union Lane, as it was then known. The orchard ran from Union Road to Wantigong Street. The Deal Pear is still available for cooking. David and Susan's son, David, married Emma Frederichs of Jindera and farmed out on Tabletop Road before moving to Sydney where he was one of the guarantors of the first Lutheran Church. Jan is descended from Jacob, of Bateman's Bay where the family settled in 1852. He was a gun shearer.

Her Mother's family included the first Police Commissioner, Captain John McLerie, who brought convicts to Hobart. He fought in the Maori Wars and became Governor of Darlinghurst Gaol. When he died in 1874 every serving officer gave one day's pay which resulted in three memorial windows in St Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney, and a monument over his grave designed by colonial architect, James Barnet. His son was Superintendent John McLerie who was involved in the search for bushranger Dan Morgan and died at the Albury Hospital in 1864.

CHARLES BRACKENRIDGE made history by being Manager of an E S & A Bank (later ESANDA) at the age of 31 years. He transferred to Albury in 1958 when the bank was in Dean Street next door to The Little Red Hen coffee lounge and opposite the Beehive Building. He had worked at branches in Broken Hill and Crookwell as well as Sydney, before transferring to the Chase Manhattan and later St. George Bank.

Charles married Valerie Cocks of Granya, daughter of Merv Cocks who raised money, musically, for St. John's Orphanage at Thurgoona. Val, being a gardener and florist, has plenty to occupy her time and suggested in 1992 that Charles pursue a retirement project so he studied archaeology for five years by correspondence with the University of New England. This led to a project with Professor Graeme Connor at Lake Innes House, Port Macquarie. Eighty convicts had built the house, one-third of which is still standing and about another third has been distributed around Port Macquarie buildings! A toilet from the home is in the Port Macquarie Museum. It was manufactured by Wedgwood between 1828 and 1832.

The home was for Police Magistrate Archibald Innes (1800-1857) after whom Glen Innes was named. Charles was given his orders: to find the home's toilets. He found the bathroom and could see the impression from the metal bath. He followed piping east for a hundred feet, then west to the 25 horse stables - where it stopped in the middle, presumably to grow grass for the horses. Charles displayed a stone which he has had diagnosed at fifty million years old! It is from a volcanic eruption at Ouyen.

REPORT ON SEPTEMBER MEETING

continued

JIM PATERSON was born at Hamilton, Lanarkshire, Scotland, the son of Christina (Gavin) and James Paterson. He has two brothers in Scotland and a younger brother, Robert, in Albury. Jim followed his father and grandfather into the joinery/carpentry journeyman trade. He had no problems obtaining employment as the work of his ancestors was well-recognised and the skills he learned were to be an asset in Australia.

At the end of his apprenticeship he was shooed into the Housing Scheme workforce, which was a tragedy. His proud skills on the bench were of no use and were, in fact, a handicap with mass production and piece work being all the go. He started thinking about migrating to Canada, New Zealand or Australia, after never being more than twenty miles from home! After a tearful farewell from Glasgow on June 11, 1952 he disembarked in Melbourne in July with £10 in his pocket (he had given the other £10 to a shipmate on the gangplank of the "Cameronia").

He went straight into a job installing Parquet Block Flooring and eventually came to Albury to install a herringbone floor at Sammons & Edwards in Townsend Street. The beautiful floor is still there under carpet in the building next to Kia Ora. During that trip he met Joyce Heath at a dance in the Red Cross Hall in Dean Street near the Macauley Street corner. While they kept company Jim hooted up the two lane highway in all types of weather at 75 mph. After announcing their engagement, with the intention of eventually living in Melbourne, their first problem arose. Joyce was an only daughter and the family was not happy to lose her to Melbourne. They offered Jim a block of land to stay in Albury so he resigned from Commonwealth Floor and took a position with local flooring company Provincial Floors which operated from a shed behind Gleeson Motors in David Street, Albury.

Joyce and Jim married at St. Patrick's Albury in 1956. Their first home still stands in Knobles Road, Wirlinga. They eventually built their own home in Whinray Crescent and it has been extended four times to accommodate their family which grew to six children. He had a hankering to establish his own flooring company and, in partnership with his former Melbourne employers, commenced trading in 1957 as Commonwealth Floor Riverina next to the butchery at the corner of Olive & Ebden Streets in South Albury. The showroom was full of pumpkins owned by the Plummer family who used to have a fruit & vegetable barrow in Dean Street. Jim sold floors in the evening and installed them during the day, with Joyce assisting all the time. The business moved to Adams' shops at the S/W corner of Dean & Macauley Streets.

When Commonwealth Floor (Melbourne) was taken over by Gibson Chemicals, then by Olympic General Products, Jim merged with them and became the manager, moving to the railway yard corner on Dean & Young Streets. When Olympic General Products went out of flooring Jim took over the labour and lease of the building and was in business for himself, adapting the inherited name Feature Floors to Tru Floor.

The business branched out into suspended ceilings as Tru Ceilings, and to wall linings, office partitions and wall fabrics which operated from a shed in Nurigong Street, South Albury. Eventually Tru Floor and Tru Ceilings grasped the opportunity to work together from Nurigong Street and now work from a modern flooring merchandising showroom run by the four Paterson sons.

ANSWER to Question of the Month Name possibly the first real live piper to play in Albury

John Craig, never one to be lost for an answer, upstaged the Great Scot magnificently when he mentioned Dr Andrews' report that W. Piper was a member of the Vine & Fruit Growers Association in February 1863. John couldn't tell us what Mr Piper played but he was sure he was one of the first Pipers in Albury!!

ANSWER to the Question of the Month continued

President, Jim Paterson, read an item from the Albury Banner of April 1874 (reprinted in our Bulletin April 1974) For the first time, probably, in the history of Albury, the border residents on a recent evening had an opportunity of seeing and hearing a real live piper. At the Presbyterian soir e Mr Bruce of Benalla appeared in full Highland costume and performed on the bagpipes several pipbrochs in such a style as brought thunders of applause from his audience. It was concluded that Mr Bruce appeared to be a perfect master of his instrument.

MEMBERSHIP LIST continued from the previous Bulletin.

Ella Hohnhorst, Wendy Moriarty, Audrey Nugent. Honorary Life Member: Gerry Curtis.

THANK YOU to Society members who attended the Jindera Pioneer Day and gave their time to add even more history to the day with books for sale and a photographic display. John Craig, Anne Holloway, Anne Davies, Mary Thurling, Jim Paterson and Helen Livsey enjoyed a lovely spring day in the back garden of the Museum and some were rewarded with entertainment by the Albury City Band. Those who didn't attend missed seeing our President model his rather fetching pure wool swim suit! Whatever happened to the cream separator could have been something to cry about - but the incident occurred amid gales of laughter.

DO YOU REMEMBER *The Adventures of Dot?*

The Albury Regional Museum has received a request for a copy of a silent film produced in Albury in the late 1920s-early 1930s featuring Tony (Geoff) Moffat as the male lead as well as other local people. Apparently versions of this romantic comedy were filmed in different locations including Temora, Young and Grenfell. The National Film & Sound Archives are not able to help with this request. The museum staff would be most grateful to hear from anyone with any information about the film or the whereabouts of a copy. Phone 6021 4550

DID YOU honeymoon/holiday/work at the Carrington Hotel?

The Carrington Hotel at Katoomba, established 1880, is building on an anecdotal file and would welcome stories from anyone who has memories of staying, working or visiting there. Paul Innes is the Historian/Tour Guide at the Carrington which offers tours of the hotel at \$5 per person. Morning teas & lunches are also available.

Contact Paul Innes, Carrington Hotel, 15-47 Katoomba St, Katoomba NSW 2780. Ph. 02 4782 1111. Fax: 02 4782 2033. Email: carrington@thecarrington.com.au. Web: www.thecarrington.com.au

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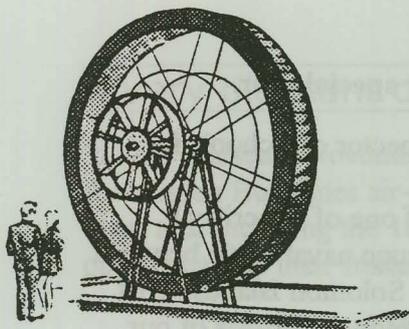
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BRING and TELL

Members & guests are invited to bring an item of historical interest & tell about it

With the Café Culture exhibition coming to the Albury Regional Museum
it would be most appropriate to include café memorabilia in the bring & tell items.

The acting *Bulletin* Editor would be most grateful for a brief written description of items for inclusion in the next issue.

FUTURE EVENTS

Christmas Lunch Tuesday, Dec 10. Commercial Club 12.30 to 3.30pm

Enjoy an Entrée, Main Course, & Dessert of real Christmas fare with all the trimmings. Served in the Bridge Room. \$18 per person. The comprehensive menu was included in the November *Bulletin*. Final numbers needed (preferably with payment) prior to Mon. Dec 9. Members are welcome to bring guests and members of other historical and family history groups are also most welcome.

Albury Regional Museum. Milkshakes, Sundaes & Café Culture. Dec 13-March 2
A nostalgic look at cafés gone by: the milkshake-makers, crockery, cutlery and photographs that bring back the experience of café owners and life in the milk bar.

Back to the Milk Bar. Sat. Feb 15. Albury Regional Museum
Sundae & milkshake-making competitions, juke box, rock 'n' roll demonstrations.

*We wish you a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year
especially to members and friends who have experienced illness this year*

REPORT ON NOVEMBER MEETING

1942: a very special year.

Guest Speaker, Jim Devlin, was well-known as the District Inspector of Schools for eight years until 1983.

He opened his address with reference to the 60th anniversary of one of the critical events in the course of the Pacific War, on that day Nov. 13, when a huge naval battle between Japan and the United States/Australia took place at Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands. This was a truly momentous time in our history and 1942 was the year in which the efforts of our people, the dedication of our leaders, and the courage, endurance and sacrifice of our young servicemen reached its zenith.

He gave us a résumé of the world events leading up to 1942 and an overview of the development during the 20th century of Japanese ambitions for power and influence in East Asia with the emergence of the concept of the East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere under Japanese domination. The war in Europe had brought about the collapse of British, French and Dutch power in S.E. Asia which had enabled the Japanese to advance down through Indo-China, Malaya, Burma, Singapore and the Dutch East Indies. Australia was dramatically exposed to the military, naval and air power of the Japanese with the major part of our military forces involved in the Middle East war zone.

The arrival in Australia of Gen. Douglas Macarthur on March 17, 1942 was seen as the first step in our ultimate salvation and, from that time on, the United States and Australia conducted the war against the Japanese in the South West Pacific area under the direction of Gen. Macarthur as the Supreme Commander with Gen. Thomas Blamey as his Land Forces Commander.

Jim spoke at length on three of the major battles of 1942 which influenced the whole course of the Pacific War to ultimate victory in 1945.

- The Battle of the Coral Sea. May 5 – 8
- The Battle for the Owen Stanleys/Kokoda Track. August – November
- The Battle for Milne Bay. August – September

The talk concluded with a discussion of the scene in homeland Australia in 1942 with some of the aspects covered being:

- Fear, anxiety & civilian morale in the face of what seemed to be certain invasion by Japanese
- The evacuations and preparations for a land war here in Australia. VDC. War production
- Security issues, spies, blackouts, rationing, power shortages
- The increasing work role of women
- "The Yanks" – their impact on Australian life

Jim used large hand-drawn maps to illustrate his popular and informative lecture.

ANSWER to Question of the Month

How many Public Schools were in Albury in 1942?

There were just three public schools in Albury: Albury, Albury North, and Albury West

DO YOU KNOW

of any descendants of John & C/Katherine Keenan of Staghorn Flat who, in 1918, moved to Albury where Catherine died in 1919. Four sons served in WWI & Tom died at Pozieres in 1916. Indigo Shire Council & the RSL are planning an Avenue of Honour at Staghorn Flat for five men killed in WWI and would like to contact relatives of the Keenan family. The surviving sons were John, James and William. Our researcher, Helen Livsey, will pass on any information forthcoming about this family.

A very pleasant day at CHILTERN

Tuesday, November 12 was a warm day but we didn't notice it as we travelled in Rutherglen Bus Lines air-conditioned coach. Rex Fuge gave a full commentary as we did a town tour including the 1874 lock up which has been restored. The voices of previous occupants told their stories which have been researched by community volunteers.

In the National Park we saw a tree which marks the site of the first murder on the Indigo Goldfield in 1858. The victim was employed by Dr Gemmell of Wooragee to take fruit & vegetables to the miners. Nearby was the mullock heap from John Conness' mine. He eventually received £500 reward for finding a new gold seam.

After a substantial meal at the Telegraph Hotel we walked under the shady verandahs to The Athenaeum with its myriad of displays including service personnel and the popular exhibit of A.W. Eustace's work including the gum leaf paintings. Rhonda Summerfield conducted a tour of the Grapevine Museum in the former Star Hotel, and the Star Theatre which served the goldfields with stage plays, dances, public meetings and boxing (probably there were times when the two were indistinguishable!). The courtyard, under the largest grapevine in the southern hemisphere, was a delightful setting on a warm day. The origin of the grapevine cannot be ascertained but it seems there are a few contenders.

Pat Roe (nee Dow), daughter of the former proprietors of Dow's Pharmacy, showed visitors the dispensary and methods of manufacture of pills & potions. Many of the products lining the shop's shelves are no longer available but were so familiar to members and friends.

At *Lake View* Pat O'Connor led tours through the home formerly occupied by the family of Dr Richardson, including Ethel Florence who wrote as Henry Handel Richardson. Pat knew "Ettie" so intimately it seemed she could have shared the home and times of the author. Much of the furniture and ornaments in the home were owned by the family. All travellers were most grateful to everyone who contributed to the success of the adventure.

BOOKS FOR SALE - and a VIDEO

- Good Old Albury:** A new collection of 79 old photographs published by Howard C. Jones. Available at Society Meetings at \$16 a copy.
- Strauss Pictorial:** Gail Mirams has a few copies of her book at \$25 each, including p&p. Her address is 1/72 Charles Street, Warragul, Vic. 3820
- Gold & Gumboots. A history of Staghorn Flat.** By Ian Touzel who was raised on the farm at Staghorn Flat selected in 1877 by his great grandfather, Charles Wright. The book covers squatters, gold, selectors, innovation, faith, rural life, and is illustrated with colour and black and white photos.

Pre-publication orders at \$30 including p&p are being accepted by Ian Touzel, 32 Hanson Way Mandurah, WA 6210. Anticipated availability: February-March 2003

Video: Construction of the Hume Dam 1919-1936. A video has been produced with the same material contained on the CD-ROM which was released last year. Ten copies of the video are available and will sell at \$25 (\$22 to members) plus postage if applicable. Available at Society meetings or from June Shanahan, phone 6025 1324.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AUSTRALIA Publications Catalogue 2002/2004

1. Research Guides – Resources Kits

LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIAN HISTORY. Publications Order Form

HILLS DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY Newsletter September 2002

1. Irishtown! Where is that?
2. The Prickly Pear Story

MEMENTO. NATIONAL ARCHIVES NEWS September 2002

1. Australia's Prime Ministers website
2. Man on a Mission. W. Baldwin Spencer, Chief Protector of Aborigines

STOCKMAN'S HALL OF FAME September 2002

1. Recommend all articles

DESCENT. JOURNAL OF SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIAN GENEALOGISTS. Sept 2002

1. Mortality on Convict Ships
2. N S W Postal Histories Acquired

PARRAMATTA PACKET: PARRAMATTA F.H.G. Newsletter Oct. 2002-Jan. 2003

1. Sir Charles and Lady Mary Fitzroy
2. The Aboriginal School

PARRAMATTA FAMILY HISTORY GROUP Members' Interest List October 2002

WAGGA WAGGA HISTORICAL SOCIETY Newsletter. Oct/Nov 2002

1. Annual Reports
2. Rollo Wilfred Best – member of Wagga pioneering family

MANSFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY Newsletter October 2002

1. Annual Report
2. Local History of Barjarg

UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE (U3A) Newsletter Albury/Wodonga Oct. 2002

1. Schedule of meetings and speakers October – November 2002

HISTORY NEWS. Newsletter of Royal Historical Society of Victoria. October 2002

1. R H S V Exhibition: That was then – This is now
2. Hands On Heritage: Heritage Council and Conservation Volunteer Partnership

HAWKSBUURY CRIER: HAWKSBUURY F.H.G. NEWSLETTER September 2002

1. History of Mud Island, Portland Reach, Hawksbury River

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