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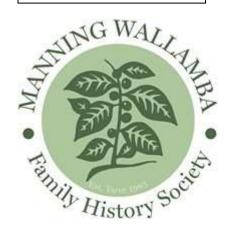
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

What is retirement?

Being busy doing that you had no time to do in your busy working life.

How time flies when you get to do those things.

Where do we spend this time?

Mostly volunteering doing what we like doing.

Our researchers have been getting busier and busier which leads us to believe that people are still very interested in their roots.

A big shout out to those not feeling 100% also to those who are recovering from theirs.

Penny and Janine have been very busy with Mid Coast Stories and would appreciate more stories.

They had a very successful Lebanese shop owner walk and are now in conjunction with The Manning River Times some very interesting videos.

The workshops have been very interesting and instructive and I believe that more people could benefit by attending as it would have helped them with their own collections as well as the societies.

We attended genealogy day at Bonnie Wingham Scottish Festival.

The Societies many thanks to all our volunteers as you are aware they keep it going.

Going forward looking back.

Thanks

Ken Beeton President

OFFICE BEARERS 2018-2019			
President:	Ken Beeton	Research Officers	Sue Robinson
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	Social & Management Committee	Graeme & Pam Jarman	



WANTED: ARTICLES FOR THE FIG TREE

As you know the main theme for last year was "My Military Ancestor". **Thank you** to all those who contributed.

The themes for 2019 are

"The History of Taree And "Family Heirlooms & Treasures"

BUNNINGS BAR-B-QUE



BBQ's will be held on the last Sunday of March, May, July, and September. The next one will be Sunday 28th July 2019

If you are able to spare an hour or two on any of our BBQ days, please add your name to the list at the Library or email -

secretary@manningwallambafhs.com.au

NB: COVERED SHOES MUST BE WORN

Research Service

Research Forms can be downloaded from Society website.

http:/manningwallambafhs.com.au/

Initial Research
Enquiry \$20.00
including up to
2 hours research and
limited photocopying, to
the value of \$5.00
Extra microfilm copying
\$1.00 per page.
Additional Research
\$10.00 per hour.

NEW MEMBERS: Welcome to the following new member -

Roslyn Logan (Researching Heath Family of Taree)

Our Membership now stands at 139

REGULAR EVENTS

GENERAL MEETING: 1.30pm 3rd Saturday of every month except Dec & Jan

WORKSHOP: 1.30pm on the 4TH Saturday of every month except Dec & Jan

(Upcoming Workshops) 22nd June - Webinar Pod Cast. (Subject to be advised)

27th July - Walk through MWFHS Resources.

30th Aug - Preservation of Documents & Memorabilia with Debbie Summers from Port Macquarie Historical Society.

USEFUL WEBSITES

The following are some useful links to help you in your research.

These are just a few of the many sites available and it is proposed to make this a regular feature in the FIG TREE, building it up overtime, with **your help.** With this in mind please share your favourite site(s) and I will add to the lis

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META SITES	CEMETERY/BURIAL AND DEATH NOTICES		

toolkit.com/

USEFUL WEBSITES Cont'd

Church of Ireland Parish Registers -

https://www.ireland.anglican.org/cmsfiles/pdf/AboutUs/library/registers/ParishRegisters/

A colour-coded resource accounting for what survives; where it is and with additional information of copies, transcripts and online indexes

Catholic Parish Registers at the NLI –

https://registers.nli.ie

This website contains images from the NLI's collection of Catholic parish register microfilms. It contains records of baptisms and marriages from the majority of Catholic parishes in Ireland and Northern Ireland up to 1880.

Westmeath Genealogy - 9000 records (baptisms, marriages, deaths, gravestones) http://www.westmeath.rootsireland.ie

Waterford County – 12,000 records added.

http://waterford.rootsireland.ie/generic.php?filename=sources.tpl&selectedMenu=sources

Limerick - This site consists of 10 websites.

https://www.irishcentral.com/roots/genealogy/websites-researching-klimerick-roots

West Cork Genealogy -

http://www.westcorkgenealogy.com

This is a genealogical database of people from West Cork where information is difficult to get. There are some interesting links including parish map links and West Cork families to name just two.

Wales - http://www.welshgenealogy.net

The pages of this website, or links to other websites, are all pages that have been transcribed and are viewable on line.

Carmarthenshire, Wales -

https://forebears.io/wales/carmarthenshire

https://www.ukbmd.org.uk/county/marmarthenshire/parish records

https://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/countil-services/libraries-archives/archives-family-

history/

http://www.dustydocs.com.au/county/3/wales/94/carmarthenshire.html

IN KEEPING WITH THIS YEAR'S THEME - "THE HISTORY OF TAREE"

Manning River Times and Advocate for the Northern Coast Districts of New South Wales (Taree, NSW) 1898-1954, Saturday 28 May 1921, page 6.

Mainly About People – Submitted by Ken Beeton

"Miss Ruby Beeton, daughter of Mr and Mrs Beeton, Taree, became very seriously ill on Tuesday, and was taken to Mayo Hospital for treatment. An operation was performed. In the course of treatment it was necessary to make a 'transfusion of blood, and her two brother's Messrs Horace and Charles Beeton offered themselves for the ordeal", in the interest of the life of their sister. The transfusion was made from the last named brother. At first grave fears were entertained that Miss Beeton would not recover, but her condition has considerably improved. We understand this is the first operation for transfusion of blood which has been performed in this district.

MANNING RIVER (From the Empire's Correspondent) 2 December 1856

THE NEW LINE OF ROAD FROM NEW ENGLAND TO THE MANNING RIVER (PUBLIC MEETING)

In consequence of the favourable report of the Government Surveyor, Mr. Hall, and the Manning road party accompanying him, that they had fortunately discovered a very practicable dray road from the Manning Valley to the tableland of the New England, also a probable goldfield – concerning both of which you have already received an interesting report from one of the party, Dr.Bruhn .The provisional directors of the Manning River Steam Navigation Company memorialised the senior magistrate to call a public meeting to consider the propriety of asking the assistance of the Government to help them in the attainment of this very desirable object.

A public meeting was duly called and held at Tinonee, on Monday, December 1st. James Hawthorn, Esq., J.P., was noted to the chair; and having briefly stated the business of the meeting, called upon J. Andrews Esq. to move the first resolution, viz: "That as a line of road has been found out along the valley of the Manning River into the New England district, this meeting is of the opinion that £2000 (two thousand pounds) should be granted at once by the Government for the purpose of opening up the road in question for immediate traffic. This was seconded by Robert Searle, Esq., one of the discoverers. Both these gentlemen enlarged upon the advantages that would accrue to each of the districts concerned, and upon the strong claim the Manning settlers had upon the Government, from the fact that they had never yet received anything from the public treasury for improvements, though tens of thousands of pounds had flowed therein from the sale of the wastelands in their district. The seconder, a practical man, felt so assured of the suitableness of the proposed line, that he would even now undertake to drive a dray, loaded with a ton and a half, either from or to New England by it. The resolution was carried unanimously. The meeting was then addressed by James Donaldson, Esq., who moved, and by Thomas Renwick, who seconded, the following resolution, viz: "That, as the usual Legislative vote of public money for roads and bridges, anticipated from the approaching consideration of the estimates, will prove, as it has repeatedly done on former occasions, too late to be availed of during the best season of the year for such works, and thereby lead to imperfect and additionally expensive work of most urgent necessity; this meeting is further of opinion that an emergency has

The New Line of Road from New England to the Manning River (Public Meeting) Continued

arrived which will justify the Government in proceeding at once upon the contemplated expenditure. "Carried unanimously. The enclosed memorial to the Governor General having been read and slightly amended, was adopted, and signed by the chairman of the meeting. The chairman was then requested to vacate the chair, and Henry Flett, Esq. having been voted to occupy it, Dr. Stephenson moved that a vote of thanks be tendered to J. Hawthorn, Esq. for his able conduct in presiding at the meeting, which was carried by acclamations Brief but cordial thanks were returned by this gentleman for the honour they had done him, and expressing his willingness at all times to serve then, he declared the meeting which had become a numerous one at its close, to be dissolved."

"Memorial to his Excellency Sir William Thomas Denison, Governor General of the Australian colonies, &c, &c, &c. "MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY – We the undersigned settlers on the Manning River, loyal subjects of the Queen, beg most respectfully to memorialise your Excellency on the important subject of the foregoing resolutions, passed by us at a public meeting assembled at Tinonee, on Monday, December 1st 1856.

We humbly beg that your Excellency will cause to be put on the supplementary estimates of this session of Parliament the sum of two thousand pounds, for the purpose of opening and putting in a proper state for immediate traffic the roads between the Manning River and the tableland of New England.

"Your petitioners beg to inform your Excellency that this line of road is only about 50 miles from the Government townships of Tinonee and Wingham to the top of the tableland and can be put in proper order at a fraction of the cost of any line now in existence or in contemplation from the interior to the coast; at the same time, it is not subject to cause so much detention as other lines of road, two or three days being the most at any time, in consequence of very heavy rain, that could cause the slightest detention.

Your petitioners beg further to state that the Manning River district has never received a shilling for improvement of any kind, although it contributes to the general revenue more than any other district in the colony having the same number of inhabitants.

Your petitioners would further observe, that the Manning River district would not exclusively reap the benefit of this new line of road. The New England district would participate equally in the advantages of its completion by having easy and rapid transit to the capital.

The Government likewise would gain still more than either districts, inasmuch as there are great tracts of land on the Manning unsold. The line of road from New England to the Manning, connected as it would be by steam to Sydney (a company for this purpose being in the course of formation, would cause an immense population to settle down on those waste lands, and at the same time lay the foundation of two or three flourishing towns along the new line of road. By taking the foregoing proposition into favourable consideration, your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray."

Editor's Note:

I have been trying to find out if the money was in fact approved <u>and</u> received. I'll keep looking, however, if anyone has the answer, please let me know!

¹ Maitland Mercury and Hunter River General Advertiser (NSW: 1843 – 1893) Thursday 11 December 1856 Page 4.

Winners Announced National Trust Heritage Awards 2019

CONGRATULATIONS to two of our members – Janine Roberts and Penny Teerman who were joint winners in the **Category: Heritage Publications** (Publications, books, websites and videos that promote the conservation of, or tell the story of, our heritage.

"Mid Coast Stories" is an online collection of stories and local resources that preserve and promote the Mid Coast's unique history. While the stories are central to the project, other resources include transcribed historic rate books, local photographs and education materials. The project encourages active participation connecting community to their local heritage.¹



Unfortunately, Janine and Penny were unable to attend the awards ceremony as it was held on the same day as the "History of Lebanese Shopkeepers in Taree" tour.

If you haven't already visited the website, do so, it is well worth it.

https://midcoaststories.com/stories/

¹ https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/news/national-trust-heritage-awards-2019-winners-announced/

"HISTORY OF TAREE" LEBANESE SHOPKEEPERS IN TAREE TOUR

This twilight walking tour starts in the 1930s and traces the journey and contribution of Lebanese shopkeepers to the fabric of modern Taree. Stories of humour, hardship and near calamity came from the shopkeepers themselves. You will not look at these businesses the same way again.

Walking past the familiar shops of Dans, Yarads, Saads, Solomons and Dahdahs, shoppers may be largely unaware of the long history these Lebanese families have had with Taree.²









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² https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/ahf event/the-history-of-lebanese-shopkeepers-in-taree/

PRE LOVED MICROFICHE & CD's

All items <u>very</u> reasonably priced for further details please contact secretary@manningwallambafhs.com.au

WA index 1829-	-1896 (27 Fiche)
WA Index Inqui	rer death notices 1874-1876 (1 Fiche)
WA Nineteenth	century Newspapers death (A) (1 Fiche)
WA Nineteenth	century Newspapers death (B) (1Fiche)
WA Nineteenth	century Newspapers Marriages (A) (1 Fiche)
WA Nineteenth	century Newspaper Marriages (B) (1 Fiche)
WA Nineteenth	century Newspapers births (A) (1 Fiche)
WA Nineteenth	century Newspapers births (B) (1 Fiche)
SA index of dear	th registrations 1916-1972 (53 Fiche)
	riages registrations 1842-1916 (54 Fiche)
SA index of dear	th registrations 1842-1915 (31 Fiche)
	h registration 1842-1906 (66 Fiche)
Victorian pionee	ers index Births, deaths & marriages1837-1888 (133 Fiche)
Victorian Federa	tion index Births, deaths & marriages 1889-1901 (72 Fiche)
Victorian Edwar	dian index birth, death& marriages 1902-1913 (44 Fiche)
NSW pioneers in	ndex BDM's 1788-1888 (146 Fiche)
NSW Federation	index BDM's 1889-1918 (175 Fiche)
NSW between the	ne Wars index 1919-1945 (159 Fiche)
Macleay Chronic	cle Newspaper Index 1899-1908 BDM, inquests, Obituaries, Probates etc. (CD)
•	gistrations marriage (CD)
	ictoria 1853-1920 (CD)
Tasmanian Fede	ration index 1900-1919 Deaths & marriages 1900-1930 (CD)
Unassisted Arriv (CD)	vals (NSW) index 1842-1856 & Ships & Masters to Sydney index 1842-1856
Deane index re-	ndexed 1823-1840 settlers, Military & Convicts etc. (CD)
New South Wale	es Public Service List (Teachers) 1925. (CD)
Wingham Chron	icle Newspaper index 1886-1908 (BDM's Inquest Obit Probate etc) (CD)
Wingham Chron	icle Newspaper Index 1889-1908 BDMs, inquests, obituaries Probate etc. (CD)
Australian Vital 1905 (4 X CDs)	Records index NSW-1788-1905, Tas-1803-1899, Victoria-1837-1888, WA-1841

Microfiche reader X 2

PRE LOVED BOOKS FOR SALE

Working with Clay (Brickmakers of Ashfield District) Bathurst Pioneers families & District pre 1900 Bungonia District cemetery & burial records Bungonia District The spot on the Creek Cambewarra, A History by A Clark Camden Pioneer Register 1800-1900 (2 X books) Castle Hill cemetery Record Series 53 Castle Hill cemetery Records Series 51 Castle Hill cemetery, Records Series 52 Cemeteries St John CoE & Uniting church Badgerys's CK, St Marks Greendale & St James Luddenham Collection of Shoalhaven History by A Clark Early History of Camden Haven Extracts 1828 Census residents Goulburn Plains Grafton District Burial 1850-1896 Grenfell Cemetery Transcriptions Vol. 1 Grenfell Cemetery Transcriptions Vol. 2 Gulgong, Written in Gold, the story of Gulgong Hills District, The Beginnings of the Historic Lane Cove Historic Sites of Berry Illawarra Pioneers pre 1920 Inverell Cemetery CoE section Transcription & burial Register 1999 Inverell Cemetery new section burial Reg.2000 Inverell Cemetery Non-Conformist & independent section 2002 Kangaroo Valley Cemetery & Memorials Nepean Badgerys creek Uniting CoE, Greendale St Marks CoE, Luddenham Methodist, Regentville, Jamison R/C Inscriptions Nepean Cemeteries, St Bartholomew CoE, Prospect NSW Cemetery Inscriptions Nepean cemeteries, St Matthew CoE the Oakes, Glenmore Uniting, the Oaks Catholic Cemetery Inscriptions Nepean Cemeteries, St Thomas Mulgoa, Rossmore, Cemetery inscriptions B3. Nepean FH, St Mary Magdalene CoE, St Marys NSW Cemetery Inscriptions book 6 Nepean St Marys General cemetery Anglican Section Nepean St Marys General cemetery Methodist & Presbyterian Section Nepean St Marys General cemetery Roman Catholic Section

Nepean St Stephen Martyr CoE, Penrith cemetery Inscription

PRE LOVED BOOKS FOR SALE Cont'd Northern Champion Death index 1950-1961 Northern Champion Obituaries and inquest 1920-1929 Northern Champion Obituaries and inquest 1940-1949 Nowra Births 1856-1859 Nowra Births 1860-1869 Nowra Births 1870-1879 Nowra Births 1880-1889 Nowra Births 1890-1899 Nowra Births 1900-1905 Nowra Births 1906-1918 Orange & District Pioneer Register to 1860 Penrith cemetery Anglican Section 1,2,&3 Penrith cemetery Independent/General & Lawn sections 1,&2 Penrith cemetery R/Catholic sections 1,2,&3 Penrith cemetery Uniting church, Presbyterian & Salvation Army Portions. Pensioner from the past 1901 by R White & J Martin Pioneer Register Cessnock Local area. R/C Greendale cemetery Photographic Collection series 50 Randwick Destitute Childrens Asylum deaths 1853-1916 Randwick General Cemetery Monumental Inscriptions Rouse Hill Mile End Rd Monumental Inscriptions V39 Shoalhaven Persons deaths 1822-1922 Index Shipwrecks of NSW 1800-1899 By G Berry St Paul CoE Cobbity NSW Cemetery Inscriptions Book7 St Paul CoE Emu plains CoE, Methodist, R/C & Presbyterian Section, Monumental Inscriptions Book 13 St Stephen Martyr CoE cemetery Heritage Photographic collection Vol.1 St Stephen Martyr CoE cemetery Heritage Photographic collection Vol.2 St Stephen Martyr CoE cemetery Heritage Photographic collection Vol.3 St Stephen Martyr CoE cemetery Heritage Photographic collection Vol.4 St Stephen Martyr CoE cemetery Heritage Photographic collection Vol.5 St Stephen Martyr CoE cemetery unmarked graves 1831-1931 St Thomas CoE Mulgoa Mon. Inscriptions & Burial Records Book 3 The John Price Diaries by Nepean F H Society The Liberators, Aust. Struggle for independence 1820-1855 Tour alone Old Northern Road. Town od Camden by Liz Vincent Unfinished Revolution by Ann-Maraa Whitaker Warialda new cemetery Transcriptions & burial Register 1898-1990

Young Cemetery Mon Inscriptions



Have you ever wondered where our "Fig Tree" logo and title came from? I have been going back through old issues of our Society's Newsletter and in the very first issue in April 1986 this very subject was the first item.

"This is our first newsletter. It is full of ideas, however the editors ask for your suggestions, articles, ideas etc. e.g. We need a title and a logo for our Newsletter. Several examples are given throughout this issue."

The Man-u-Wall (manual- a play on words Manning Wallamba)

The Memo-Wall : The Meander Wal : The Menagerie : Fig Leaves or Our Fig Leaves : $Around\ the\ Fig\ Tree^3$







By the 4th Issue in September 1986 the Society was granted the privilege to use the "Fig Tree" symbol from the old Taree Council Insignia (see below)



Then in September 2012 Issue 123 the symbol was highlighted in a box with a green background and finally, the current logo was used in the Journal for the first time in August 2016.



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