



Narre Warren & District Family History Group

GENERAL MEETING 12 MAY 2018 MINUTES

1 A WOMAN'S STORY - HOW WE FOUND INFORMATION ON OUR FEMALE ANCESTORS

Jane Rivett-Carnac, Kerryn Maxwell, and Lyne McGregor are all members of our cemetery tours group. They told stories of females that have been included in various cemetery tours and how they went about finding details on them.

2 WELCOME

Lynne Bradley welcomed all to the meeting that started at 3.30 pm. Lynne apologised to those who went to the wrong meeting room in the complex and suggested to go through the Research Room if in doubt in future.

3 ATTENDANCE

Names removed from web minutes for privacy purposes.

4 APOLOGIES

Names removed from web minutes for privacy purposes.

5 MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING – 11 APRIL 2018

Minutes Moved: Rex McFarlane

Seconded: Maureen Abbott

Carried

6 BUSINESS ARISING

- No business arising.

7 CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

- Correspondence Report for April 2018 was circulated with the minutes.
- Correspondence Report was tabled by Lyne McGregor.
- This time last year we received 25 general mail newsletters and this month we have received 35. Shows the trend of newsletters is not necessarily going down as stated at last meeting but they come in seasonal. Also the trend of us emailing our newsletters to members rather than mailing them is also increasing. This is good as it is saving the group money in printing costs.

Correspondence Report Moved: Lyne McGregor

Seconded: Fay McCoubrie

Carried

8 TREASURER'S REPORT

- Treasurer's Report for April 2018 was circulated with the minutes.
- Treasurer's Report was tabled by Jane Rivett-Carnac.

Treasurer's Report Moved: Jane Rivett-Carnac

Seconded: Lyne McGregor

Carried

9 REPORTS

President (Lynne Bradley)

- I started the year with three objectives, the first was to get the notice boards up, the second was to get the last two bays of shelving so that the books and magazines could go to their forever shelves and the third was to get a telephone line in. As the song says, two out of three ain't bad!
- Congratulations to the cemetery tours group on another fabulous tour. It was really wonderful to see so many members supporting them by helping out on the day or joining the tour.

- The Heritage Festival last Sunday was an overwhelming success. Six of us represented the group, Valerie Barnett, Lorraine Taylor, Mary McGrath, Jane Rivett-Carnac, Eileen Durdin and myself. We got reacquainted with some old friends, made some new contacts, and generally had a really good day out. Val is one of our new members and it was great to have her support.
- We've just become aware that the honour boards for Berwick and Cranbourne that were in the old Casey Civic Centre are not going to Bunjil Place. It is very early days yet, but we have expressed our interest in having these boards in our new hallway leading to the research room. We expect a decision about the boards and the other artefacts from the Civic Centre to take some time as the process of deciding where everything will go is not yet established. We would expect council to call for EOI from other interested parties before any decision is made and we'll keep you informed.
- I think a lot of people by now would have seen photos of Phyllis Bould and her poppies at our cemetery tour or in the roundabout at Pakenham Cemetery on Anzac Day. Phyllis would love to fill the roundabout on Remembrance Day with poppies but has run out of knitting needles to put them on. If you have any you don't need any more we've offered to collect them on her behalf. There will be a container in the Research Room.
- At the moment we have no IT Officer as such, but we are very lucky to have two members John Elliott and Steve Brodbeck acting in a VIP capacity and liaising with the president on behalf of the research room manager and librarians. The job at hand right now is to take stock of where we are and where we'd like to be and then to develop a plan to get us there. Thank you to John and Steve.
- We had a mildly successful New Members' Morning on 3 May, we're going to continue with the trial for another few months before making a decision about continuing indefinitely. The next one will be on Thursday, 7 June and invitations will be sent out before the end of May.
- We'd like to wish Fay McCoubrie happy and safe travels, it will be awhile before we see her again in the research room or at meetings. I know she will be missed, certainly by me as she's as good a vice president as any president could wish for.
- I'd like to offer an apology for the June meeting myself, I won't be here in the last week of May and the first week of June thereabouts and ask you all to be kind to my committee while I am gone as they are the kind of committee that every president wishes for.

Vice President (Fay McCoubrie)

- Thanks for your ideas on guest speakers.

Librarian (Lorraine Taylor)

- The last two bays of shelving have been installed and the books are now on their forever shelves. We will soon be placing labels indicating where books are. Librarians have got room for more books and will be able to assess future needs but if there is no more room and we want more books then some resources may have to go.

Membership Officer (Kerryn Maxwell not in attendance)

- 104 members.

Publicity Officer (Wendy Goodwin)

- There was only one notice on the General Meeting in the paper which was disappointing. There was a lot of publicity on the cemetery tour and recently an article on the Heritage Festival.

Research Room Manager (Anne Blair not in attendance report read out by Jane Rivett-Carnac)

- Prior to the report being read Lynne Bradley thanked Anne Blair and Fay McCoubrie for organising a great morning tea at Maryknoll for our volunteers. Anne gave an interesting tour of Maryknoll where she grew up. John Uren was awarded the Shirley Award for being the Barby King.
- The new roster for June, July August is published in Spreading Branches. Please contact another volunteer if you cannot do duty as rostered.

- *Book Sales*: if you are selling any of our publications there's no need to open new boxes as books are in boxes marked 'for sale' in bottom of grey cupboard.
- We welcome Barbara Sharp as a research room volunteer.
- Please remember that the lights in research room work automatically, so there's no need to turn switch ON or OFF. If switch is used the lights stay on until someone visits room again and this can be days later.

Newsletter Editor (Marianne Rocke not in attendance)

- Congratulations to Marianne for another fabulous newsletter and Meg Hunter for winning the writing competition. We apologise that Meg's prize is not here today and will be awarded next month.
- The writing competition has been good as we are seeing great stories in the newsletters. The amount of stories that are being submitted has declined and it would be terrible to see them disappear. If you the members do not support the writing competition then unfortunately we cannot run it.

Casey and Cardinia Projects (Eileen Durdin)

- Thanks to Bev Lambie who has indexed *The Presbyterian Church in Cardinia*.
- Thank you to Barbara Sharp who has scanned Max Thompson photos for us. It was great to see the interest of the public who were looking through all the Max Thomson Folders at the Heritage Festival.

Research Officer (Lynne Bradley)

- We have a few jobs to do from the Heritage Festival, we're going to look at a clipping collection to assess its suitability for the Research Room and we've been lent a couple of family histories to copy and return which we're working on.
- SEHA Cemetery Seminar at the Springvale Botanical Cemetery on 28 October. We will be holding the Lang Lang Cemetery Tour on 14 October.

Cemetery Tours (Jane Rivett-Carnac)

- Two new volunteers are joining the cemetery tour group. The Lang Lang Historical Group have offered to assist with the cemetery tour.
- We have got names for people to start researching and writing stories. If people just want to do research then that is OK as we have guidelines of what and how to do the research. Lynne Bradley will look after new researchers giving them guidance where required.

Reports Moved: Lorraine Taylor

Seconded: Brenda Wheeler

Carried

10 GENERAL BUSINESS

- Dandenong Historical Society has had a few security issues and advises that you need to contact the group before you attend. It was suggested that you contact any historical family history group before you visit them.
- Next Meeting: 2.00 pm, Saturday, 9 June 2018; Location: Cranbourne Complex Meeting Room
Speaker: Resources at State Library - Ann Copeland.

Meeting closed at 4.15 pm.

Raffle was won by: Meg Hunter

NWDFHG - Correspondence Report

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| Newsletters/Magazines/Letters | Newsletters/Magazines/Letters |
| Irish Gen Group; Blarney May 2018 Vol 30 No 2 | GSV; Notices for June meetings |
| KooweeRup Swamp Hist; No 402 May 2018 | Casino Fam Hist Group; Crossing Place No 121 |
| AIGS; DNA Testing? Seminar details 3 June 2018 | Bundaberg Gen Assoc; Family Ties June 2018 |
| Carol Kelly; Membership renewal | NAB Statement; March - May 2018 |
| National Trust; Heritage Festival What's On, Places, Membership | Coffs Harbour Dist Fam Hist Soc; Genie Allergy May 2018 |
| Essex Soc for Fam Hist; Membership of their society | Genealogical Society Gladstone District; Timeline March 2018 |
| K + D Swadling; Membership renewal | Traces; Vol 2 2018 |
| Wonthaggi Genealogy; May 2018 Newsletter | FAHS; Ebulletin No 177 May 2018 |
| Benalla Family Research Group; Roses & Thorns N'letter May 2018 | Malvern Historical Soc; History of Golf Courses in Malvern Seminar 16 May |
| Mornington Pen Fam Hist Soc; Past times May 2018 | Phillip Island & Dist Gen Soc; Reflections 105 May 2018 |
| GSV; Insurance reminder | East Gipps Fam Hist + Hist Soc; Black Sheep No 96 |
| Irish Roots; Issue 106 2018 Second Quarter | President Mail |
| AIG; Seminar on Families in British India 1 July 2018 | State Lib Vic Ann Copeland; June guestspeaker arrangements |
| Kerang & Dist Fam Hist Grp; Ibis Heritage April 2018 | H Arnold SEHA; meeting response, honour boards |
| F + R McCoubrie; Postcard from Smoky Bay Sth Aust | GSV; Group report + apology to meeting |
| Placenames Australia; June 2018 | J Owen; Contact details Cranbourne Cemetery Trust |
| State Library of Vic; Acknowledgement of receipt of "They Answered the Call" | M Upston; John Faine radio show |
| Y Stephenson; Membership renewal & Chq | James Bennett; order for They answered the call |
| Tasmanian Ancestry; Vol 39 No 1 June 2018 | T Nguyen; Telephone line |
| Yellow Pages; Directory for Mornington Peninsula, include Pakenham Cranbourne Upper Yarra | J Uren, B Sharp, M Abbott, J Elliott; Lang Lang Cemetery Research |
| GSV; Ancestor Vol 34 Issue 2 June 2018 | J Thomson; Robyn Browne |
| Sth Gipps Gene Soc; June 2018 | J Hart; John Fickling |
| Research Room Manager | S Axelsson; Resources in the research room |
| 5 Members attending new members session | B Wheeler; Writing competition |
| H Arnold; WIFI connection to research room | P Bould; Use of our images (Via FB) |
| Sausage Sizzle Co-Ordinator Mail | Emailed 18 New members; June New Members Morning |
| Letter to Bunnings for next BBQ | D Westlake (City of Casey); Honour boards from Civic Centre |
| Cemetery Tour Group | Treasurer Mail |
| Focus Print Group; print details for Lang Lang Tour book | H Arnold; Heritage day at Upper Beaconsfield and info re internet/our computers |
| Brendan Rees; Star Newsgroup reply | M Madden; Invite to be guest speaker and acceptance |
| J McGregor; Lang Lang Cemetery walk | RHSV; Insurance reply |
| Casey Council; Community Grants forum | GSV; Insurance reply |
| Minutes Secretary Mail | Grill'd; Advertising |
| 9 x Volunteers 2018 Certificates mailed to receivers | |



Narre Warren & District Family History Group Inc. - Statement of Receipts and Payments

Inc. No. A0023666M ABN 15 397 153 919

May 1, 2018-May 31, 2018

| <u>Receipts to NAB Account</u> | |
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| Membership renewal 11 X Single 2 x joint | \$ 485.00 |
| Donations | \$ 57.80 |
| Visitors | \$ 10.00 |
| Printouts | \$ 13.50 |
| Book sales Early Settlers x1, Cemetery walks | \$ 185.00 |
| Secondhand book sales | \$ 11.00 |
| Meeting Door | \$ 58.30 |
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| Fundraising: | |
| Meeting Raffle | \$ 23.00 |
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| Total | \$ 843.60 |

| <u>Payments from NAB Account</u> | |
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| Phone handset for room | \$ 89.00 |
| Reprint Pakenham Cemetery book 2011 x 5 | \$ 15.20 |
| Postage Cranbourne Cemetery book 2018 x 1 (Vic) | \$ 10.55 |
| Newsletter Printing | \$ 30.50 |
| Refreshment Volunteers Morning tea reimbursed AB | \$ 20.00 |
| Donation Maryknoll Hall Volunteers Morning tea | \$ 30.00 |
| Dynagift lanyards x 100 | \$ 308.00 |
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| Total Payments | \$ 503.25 |

| <u>NAB Account</u> | |
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| Balance carried forward from April 30, 2018 | \$ 1,499.35 |
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| Plus Receipts for May 2018 | \$ 843.60 |
| Sub Total | \$ 2,342.95 |
| Less Payments for May 2018 | -\$ 503.25 |
| Total | \$ 1,839.70 |
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| Balance NAB Account at May 31, 2018 | \$ 1,839.70 |
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| Balance May 31, 2018 | \$ 1,839.70 |

| <u>ING Direct Regular Account</u> | |
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| Balance carried forward from April 30, 2018 | \$ 17,436.15 |
| Plus transfer from Grant acc for CCR web | \$ 184.80 |
| Plus Interest for May 2018 | \$ 22.45 |
| Balance May 31, 2018 | \$ 17,643.40 |

Note: Some Receipts for the current month may be included in the next Statement

Prepared by Treasurer - Jane Rivett-Carnac