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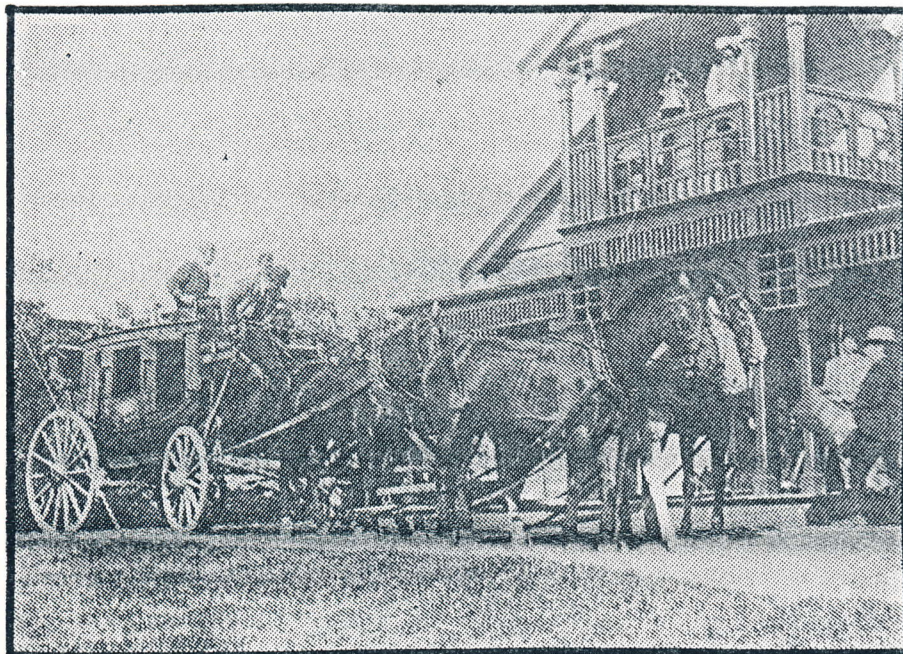
HERITAGE WEEK

To participate in this event, promoted by the National Trust, we are planning an exhibition at the Society's Museum, McMillan Street, Anglesea on April 8th between 10am and 12.30pm. Visitors are invited to bring items for display with a note giving details of their history, and approximate age if possible.

Miss A Searle, a descendant of John Batman, will provide some interesting items, including a musical box, still in working order, and given by Melbourne's founder to his son.

History vignettes of two local families - the Nobles and Gerlachs - will also be featured.

Coffee and biscuits will be served during the morning and there will be a donation of \$1.00 to boost funds



COBB & Co's COACH
outside the
ANGLESEA HOTEL

note the
"Inverlochy Bell"

RECENT DONORS

The Society gratefully acknowledges donations from Miss M Borritt, Mrs L King, Dr J Wark, Mr K Cecil and the Forsyths.

CORRESPONDENCE CARDS

Member Edith Lawn is providing the sketches to be used on stationery we plan to have printed and sold to augment our funds. The first four drawings have been completed and we are hopeful that we will have cards ready for sale at Heritage Week. These will feature sketches of the Aireys Inlet Lighthouse, the Anglesea Bridge, the Wreck of the "Hereford" and the Anglesea Hotel

SPECIAL EFFORT

Mrs J Morgan, of Indented Head, has generously donated two delightful little cross-stitch pictures - tickets for a chance to win these will be on sale on our Open Day.

GRANT

A cheque for \$500 has been received from the Victorian Ministry for the Arts, with the stipulation that the funds are to be used towards display cabinets and the like. Enquiries are being made to ensure that we get the best value for the money.

SHIRE MAINTENANCE

New garage doors have been installed making this area much safer for storage purposes - when a power point is added members will be able to work on maintenance, restoration tasks etc without the need for long leads. A new back door has also been provided (the old one would have been little trouble for a determined intruder to open). The Society members are most appreciative of the continued Shire support.

WORKING BEES

Have you forgotten?

Members are asked to give a hand on the Friday morning prior to the monthly meeting(s). There are always jobs to be done, either in the garden or in the house. If you have a spare hour or so your presence will be appreciated.

To involve more members in the running of the Society, several sub-committees have been formed.

STREET NAMES - P Denham, J Murch, K Cecil, N McDonald and A Poigndester will compile a list of residents (past & present) after whom new streets can be named. The Shire have agreed to consult with us whenever the need arises for a new name.

RESTORATION OF ARTIFACTS - J Lawn, J Barsby, A Poigndester

SCHOOL VISITS - P Denham, E & J Lawn,

BUS TRIPS - A Poigndester

SUPPER ROSTER -

April - M Keat, N McDonald, L King
May - N Clarke, A Barsby, A Poigndester
June - B Marsh, I Forsyth, E Lawn
July - J Murch, J Wendt, S Forsyth

Dr.J Wark reports each month on interesting snippets from the R.H.S.V. Newsletter.

OUR FIRST PUBLICATION

As you are no doubt aware, two of our members, Keith Cecil and Roger Carr, have been busily engaged over the past few years collecting material for a local history.

They already have produced "The White Queen", a history of the Aireys Inlet lighthouse, and have agreed to make the rest of their manuscripts available to the Society, so that this information will be readily available to all.

Owing to high production costs, it has been decided to produce this material in booklet form, with each chapter forming a work in its own right. Already two booklets are definitely on the go. "The Anglesea Regatta" is almost ready for printing and binding and "Coastal Christianity", a history of the churches of Anglesea and Aireys Inlet, together with the other church activities in the area, is not far behind. This one is of special significance as both the Uniting and Anglican Churches are this year celebrating 100 years of Christian Witness in the area.

Other chapters in course of preparation are devoted to Local Wrecks, the Story of Scouting in the Area, the History of the Anglesea Pine Plantations, Anglesea Street Names and, of course, an outline of the History of both Anglesea and Aireys Inlet. We can assure you of much interesting reading to come.

These books will be available through the Society, and perhaps, selected outlets in the area.

BI-CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS

Steps have already been taken towards staging a special effort in Anglesea involving various town groups on Australia Day 1988.

Members P Denham and A Poigndester recently attended a seminar in Geelong and reported to our last meeting about the travelling exhibition, costing approximately 13 million dollars to mount, which will visit Geelong in January next.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Ray Clarke will speak at our next meeting, April 4th. Ray will give interesting side lights and background on some of our historic photos.

In May, Mr Damien Meadley will speak. He is the author of a book on how to record your family history and will put emphasis on where to look for information.

It is hoped to get Bill Allardyce, the inventor of "Aussie Chopsticks" to address a future meeting and tell us of the origin of the invention and the stages in development up to the recent successful marketing of same. Recently, Bill received an award from Derryn Hinch of 3AW for his efforts.

PROPOSED GARAGE SALE

Miss Mary White has kindly offered her garage as the venue for this fund-raising activity, which will take place on Easter Saturday morning from 10am till 12 noon.

Please look through your cupboards and sheds for any saleable items. Turned into cash these could provide the means for an important restoration project.

Watch the "Echo" for future news items.

ARE YOU A FINANCIAL MEMBER?

\$5.00 per year

