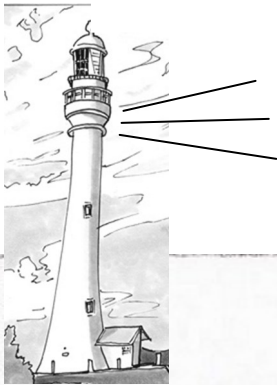


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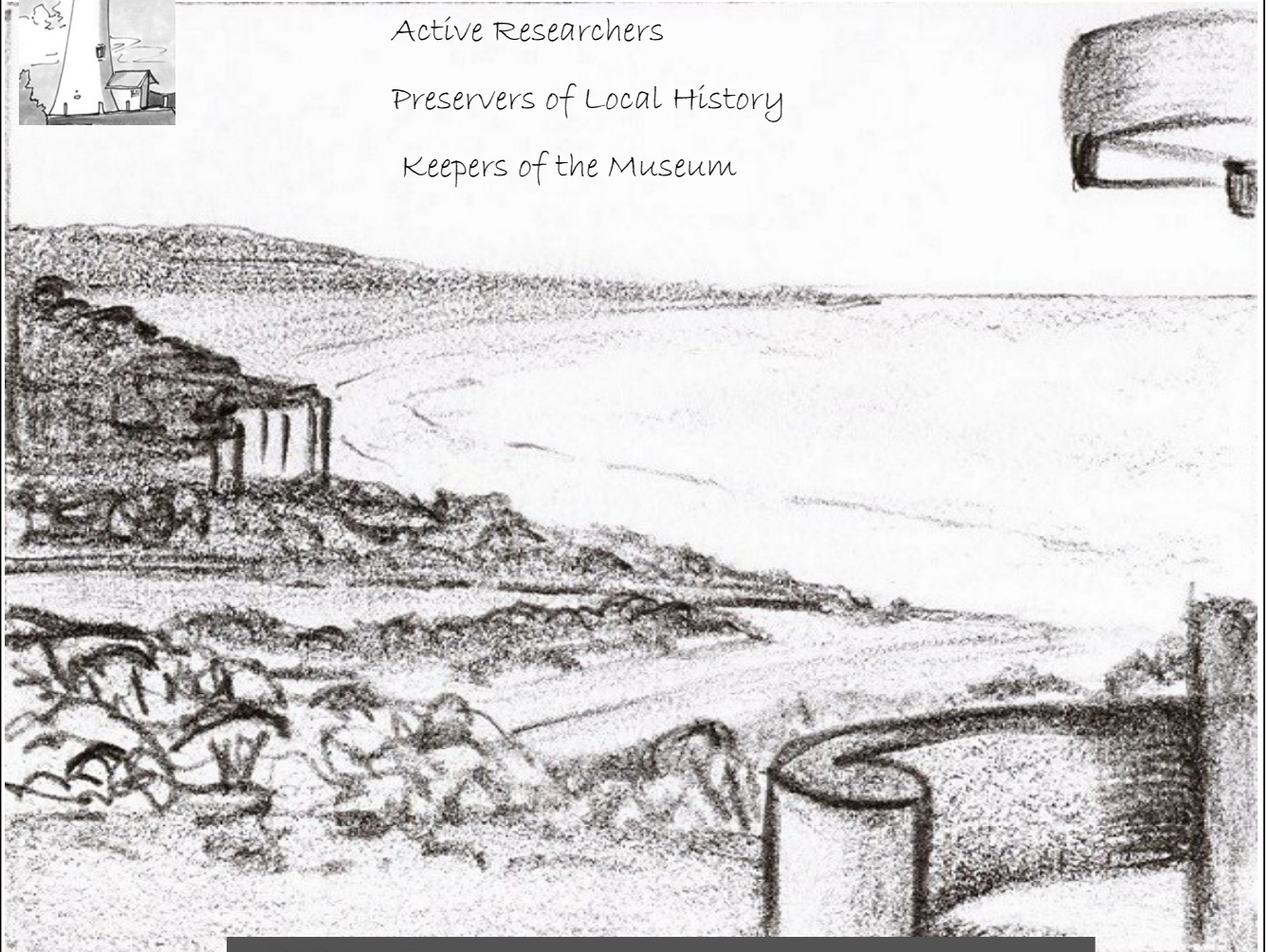
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*The Anglesea & District Historical Society is a not for profit organisation staffed by volunteer members of the community, whose aim is to research and preserve history of the local area.*

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Marilyn Robinson

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### Meetings & Activities

Meetings are held at History House  
5a McMillan Street, Anglesea  
Entrance 4 of the McMillan Street  
Community Precinct

The Historical Society meetings are usually on the first Sunday of the even months (February, April, June, August, October & December).

### COMING UP

#### MARCH

**Outing** Thursday 10 March to *Tarndie Historic Homestead*, Warncoort, leaves History House at 10.00am Bookings list on front desk or phone Jan on 5263 3085. Cost \$33 includes transport.

#### APRIL

**Meeting** 2.00pm Sunday 10th April at History House  
Speaker: Barry Davidson "History of the Anglesea Proving Ground"

#### MAY

**Outing** Wednesday 4th May "Tragedies Along The Great Ocean Road." Leaves History House 10.00am Cost \$15 BYO picnic lunch. Bookings essential—put your name on the list on the front desk or phone Jan on 5263 3085.

#### JUNE

**Meeting** 2.00pm Sunday 5th June at History House  
Topic: "Then and Now Photos - Bellbrae to Eastern View." Gary Johnson and others.

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### *Tragedies Along The Great Ocean Road*

#### OUTING

**Wednesday 4th May 10.00am– 3.00pm**

**Cost \$15 BYO lunch lunch Limit 17 places**

Booking at History House

Or phone 5263 30853



### Photographs

Anglesea & District Historical Society has an extensive collection of photographs that may be ordered through Jan Morris ph. (03) 5263 3085

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Prices		On high quality	On 100 gsm
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### MUSEUM OPEN TIMES

Second Sunday of the month 2.00 - 4.00 pm or by appointment - Ph. 5263 1249 or 5263 3085.

Open for browsing when groups in attendance.

Mondays 1.30-3.30pm Thursdays 1.30-3.30

Tuesdays & Saturdays 10.30 - 1.00pm

Individual tablet self guides are available for use in the museum.

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**Box 98 Anglesea 3230 Victoria Australia.**

The year 2016 is well and truly here and we have an exciting year organized. We have not been idle over the holidays. The Museum has been open each Sunday afternoon in January and most days we had visitors.

We have removed the old bookcase that held cameras and replaced it with a glass display case in which Marilyn Wendt has displayed the collection of old cameras. Many of these were cameras used by the late Keith Cecil. This interesting display can now be seen easily and all items are labelled.

The new desk has been installed in the museum room and a bank of power points has been provided to run the new computer and recharge the tablets for the museum. Karl has done a wonderful job in writing programs for the tablets and also for the computer screen, telling the story of Anglesea's history. The two tablets are up and running with earphones. Thanks to the Surf Coast Shire Small Grants Program, for the \$1,000 they provided towards the cost of this project. It means people can show themselves around the museum whenever it is open or being used for anything else.

The photos mounted on wood are being stored in a cupboard just inside the garage door. Malcolm McDougal has put shelves in the cupboard and members are completing the task of numbering each photo, checking it against the index and putting it in order. The cupboard is a heavy wooden one that gives excellent protection to the photos and they are more easily accessed than in the heavy boxes. This also frees up more display room in the museum.

The Lindsay Braden corner now has a computer to show our photo collection. People wanting photos will now have the index, the thumb-nails and the computer on which to view photos.

Jim Tutt has done a great job on the back display-deck. We will move many objects currently in the garage, and put them out on display on the deck with an explanation of what they were and who owned them. Bruce Bodman has also brought a part of the brick mural from the old primary school which we will put on display at the back.

A lot of people have shown an interest in the restored ice-chest. We made note of the fact that the ice-chest displaced the old Coolgardie Safe that people usually hung under their tank stands. On reading this, Helen & Jim Tutt donated an old Coolgardie safe that was at their son's farm. It will hang under our back veranda. Other acquisitions are medals from Thelma Western and spinning wheels from Bev Berryman.

Karl has the computerized library almost ready to go. Your borrowings can soon be recorded with the wave of a wand. We have some great books for you to borrow. One is the book written by February's speaker, Prue Weber and her husband Graeme – a great book on the history of Anglesea and the Regatta.

On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February a group visited *Barwon Park* to see the costumes from the film *The Dressmaker*. It was a great film and the costumes were outstanding. We also have an outing to *Tarndie* Sheep Property and homestead, near Birregurra on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March. This outing leaves History House at 10.00am. If you wish to come, please add your name to list on the front desk.

It has come to our attention that the only remaining Anglesea bathing box may be moved. It is currently behind the Art House. The Art House people are planning extensions so I have registered our interest in moving the bathing box to behind History House. We will keep you informed of any progress.

Lindsay Braden often made references to a small book called *The Hut* written by Peggy Bunton (nee Paton). Susan Clarke and Marilyn Wendt have been in touch with Peggy's son Frank and we now have a copy of that book. It makes fascinating reading as Peggy starts her story in the early 1900's before there was a bridge over the Anglesea River and before there were any streets. The only roads were Geelong Road (now Camp Road) and Aireys Inlet Road (now Harvey Street). See page 4 of the Inverloch Log for article on the Paton family and Peggy's memories.

Many of us have often driven past *The Proving Ground* in Gum Flat Road, without having any idea of what it is or what goes on there. Come along to the April meeting and you will find out all about it when Barry Davidson is our speaker. Barry has worked at *The Proving Ground* for many years. Visitors are always welcome so bring your friends to this meeting.

Do you have old and new photos of your house, the street or some other place of Anglesea and district? In June we are holding a "Then & Now" photo session when we will look at how Anglesea and district has changed over the years. Please let me know if you can add to this session.

The Resale Shed at the Anglesea tip has been a great source of income for the Historical Association. Last year we raised \$800 from our work at the tip resale shed. We are roster on duty at the shed once a term. Our next rostered day is Saturday 5 March from 2.00pm–4.00pm. If you can help for a couple of hours please let Bruce know on 5263 1249.

# GHOSTS IN THE FAMILY HISTORY CUPBOARD

*A true family history story from Jan Morris*

*All names and places have been changed*

When researching our family history nearly thirty years ago I continually turned up well kept family stories and secrets of illegitimate children. We all discover these things that were seen as a social disgrace years ago but are accepted today as just a part of history.

One day I had a phone call from June, introducing herself as Gordon's daughter. I knew Gordon was single and had continued working the family farm. He was now in his late 60's. I couldn't help the surprised tone in my voice. June knew I would be surprised and began to explain.

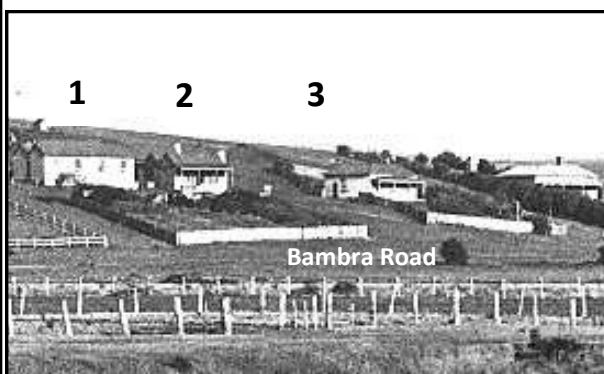
She had always know she was adopted and despite having loving adoptive parents she always wanted to find her birth parents, so she applied for her birth certificate. In those early days of disclosure she had to wait six years. When the certificate arrived she found she had been adopted twice, her first adoptive parents being killed in a car accident. June had survived aged two. She had been adopted once again.

The next step was for June to apply again for her original adoption papers and wait another six years. Eventually she was able to obtain her original birth certificate. She was surprised to discover she was born in a country town in Gippsland where June and her husband Ron had lived for seven years. Ron had been the bank manager in the town. The surname of June's mother was the same as that of the local garage proprietor. They visited the town and purchased petrol. Being served by the owner Bill Johnstone, they asked if Margaret Johnstone was any relation to him. He replied that no she wasn't but he had been in the same class as her at school. He added that Margaret had married Peter Williams and lived in Frankston.

It was not difficult to track Margaret and Peter down and a phone call asking about history on the date of June's birthday brought a response of, "Phone me anytime during the day Monday to Friday and I'd love to tell you about that time." Of course June did this and met her birth mother Margaret who was delighted to meet June but explained she had never told her husband or children about June's existence. They then met monthly for lunch. Margaret explained that she was 17 when June was born. June's father Gordon was in hospital with rheumatic fever and not expected to live. He had been told the baby was premature and would not survive. June's parents banned any further contact. Obviously June did survive. Margaret had never seen Gordon since but had heard he recovered from rheumatic fever. She phoned him and organized for she and June to visit.

June and Gordon got on so well that the next weekend June brought her husband and three sons to meet him. June was not looking for an inheritance but Gordon really wanted a descendant to pass his farm on to. One of June's sons fitted the bill perfectly and is now a successful farmer. Gordon passed away last year after enjoying a world trip with June and Ron. He died a happy man knowing he had family who loved and cared for him.

## THE HASTY'S BAMBRA ROAD HOUSES



### **'Sea View House' ('Robin Hill') and 'Lulotte'**

William Hasty and his son James were joint owners of two homes in Bambra Road, Aireys Inlet. William lived at 'Sea View House' (No.2) later known as 'Robin Hill.' William ran this as a boarding house, and James was proprietor of the Aireys to Anglesea 'four-in-hand' coach service. A site just down on the opposite side of the road was used to stable his coach horses. In 1890 James was awarded the Mail Contract between Aireys Inlet and Anglesea River twice a week £25. James married Annie Murray (daughter of Anglesea Postmistress Agnes Murray) during 1891, and they lived at 'Lulotte' (No.3). William built several bedrooms at the rear of 'Sea

View,' plus a detached dining-room (No.1) at the side, to accommodate workers when the erection of the Lighthouse was proposed. 'Sea View' became a post office, butcher's shop, and general store. The dining-room was eventually used as the district schoolroom. William Hasty died in 1902. His widow moved to Lodden Vale. James, Annie and five children moved to Lalbert. The mail run and business was leased to G. S. Warner until 1906. William Dorman succeeded him. The property and business was sold to Albert Anderson in 1911. Anderson moved the extra bedrooms and the School room to the Hotel site. James' cottage (No.3) was sold to William Berthon (Jnr.) an Accountant from Camberwell in 1912, who named it *Lulotte*.

*From the research of Lindsay Braden*

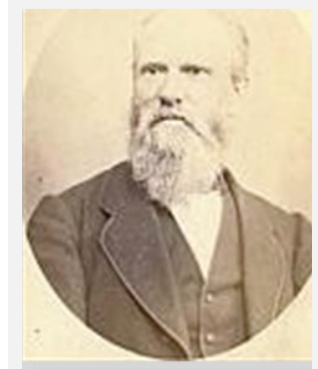
## NORMAN MUST OF ANGLESEA

When you sit on a chair at History House, you can thank Norman Must that you have a comfortable padded seat. Norman and his wife Pat were notable members of the Anglesea Community for over 30 years from when they retired to Anglesea, until Norman's death in 1995. Pat then moved to Sydney where she died in 2002.

I had only ever heard the surname MUST once before and that was in Portland where a street my aunt lived in was named Must Street after an early Portland settler Thomas Must. Thomas Must, I discovered was the grandfather of our Norman Must.

Thomas Must was born in Shoreditch, St. Leonard, England in 1815. His mother died two years later. Eighteen year old Thomas migrated to Sydney as an unassisted immigrant in 1833 on the ship Guardian. In 1842 in Sydney Thomas married 17 year old Ann Wilcox. They had 13 children over the next 25 years.

Thomas Must was first an employee, later a partner, in the firm Marsden & Flower, merchants and shipping agents. Thomas and his family moved to Portland in 1846 where he set up branch business with Horace Flower. When the partnership dissolved c1851, he carried on alone till 1876 and opened branches in South Australia and NZ. Thomas also had an interest in station properties, but suffered business and property losses. Thomas Must was the member for Portland Roads Board; member of the shire and borough councils; the first chairman of the municipality of Portland in 1856; Mayor of the borough of Portland 1864-1866.



Thomas Must

Thomas' wife **Anne Must** died in 1894 at Portland and Thomas died in 1905. Anne and Thomas were well-known residents of Portland. A few years after his arrival in Portland, he had an architect design a home resulting in *Prospect* being built in 1855. The couple lived there for the rest of their lives. In 1908 a stained glass window was unveiled at St Stephens Anglican Church, Portland, in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Must. *Prospect* is a grand old home that still stands today. Surviving issue of Thomas and Ann Must were Anne 1845-1915, Frances Ellen 1848-1923, Emily Kate 1849-1933, Amelia 1851-1932, Marion Lily 1853-1931, Clara 1855-1938, Thomas Beilby 1857- 1890, **Phillip William 1859-1839**, Edith 1861-1939, Alice 1863-1946, Frank 1866-1934, Charles Edward 1867-1939.

Phillip William Must 1859-1939 was Norman Must's father. He was a solicitor in Ballarat. In 1898 Phillip married Jane Ann Morrin Acheson. They had three children who survived including twins Mary and Norman. *The Argus* 17 July 1939, announces Phillips death:- *Mr Phillip William Must of Drummond Street, senior member of the firm of Cuthbert, Morrow and Must, barristers and solicitors of Lydiard Street, died today after a period of ill health. Born at Portland in 1859, he was educated at Geelong College, where he was a notable cricketer and footballer. He was for more than 30 years a member of the Melbourne Cricket Club. Mr Must was the sole survivor of the original legal firm of Cuthbert, Wynne, Morrow and Must (1887) and was one of the oldest legal practitioner in the state. He was prominently linked with the affairs of Ballarat Anglican Diocese.*



*Prospect in Must Street, Portland*

From the eulogy presented at his funeral we learn that Norman (second son of Phillip, and twin to his sister Mary) was brought up in Ballarat. He was educated at Ballarat Grammar. On leaving school he commenced work for a Ballarat real estate agent while also studying accountancy. With a desire to go on the land, in 1923 Norman joined the office staff of Denny's Lascells in Geelong.

Ford Motor Company opened in Geelong in 1926. Norman went to work for them before returning to Denny's Lascells, but this time in the Melbourne office. In 1930 the depression hit and Norman was retrenched. His next move was to *Toganain Station* in NSW where he was the station book keeper.

Phillip spent a year travelling overseas with the station owners son. In 1936 he branched out on his own purchasing a property near Edenhope. Norman cleared this property and increased its value enabling him in 1951 to buy his second property at Vite Vite North near Skipton. Here he developed a first class Merino stud, producing extremely fine wool. In 1955 he married Frances Patricia Vaughan (Pat). In 1963 they retired to Anglesea where they became involved in many organizations including the Historical Society. Pat donated several valuable objects to the museum, one being a beautiful old writing desk set from the early 1800's. Following Norman's death, Pat donated the chairs we have in the meeting room in memory of Norman. A plaque on the wall acknowledges this fact. So when you sit comfortably on a chair or admire items in the museum, thank Norman and Pat Must.

## INDIGENOUS HERITAGE

*by Jan Morris*

We know very little of Aboriginal Culture around Anglesea as indigenous people did not have any written records or even have ownership of land as we know it today. They did have a tribal area and spent their year moving from place to place where they knew there was food at different times of the year. Kuarka-dorla or Anglesea as we know it today was well known for abundant shellfish, especially cray fish. In 2012 a Heritage study of the Surf Coast Shire was commissioned by the Great Ocean Road Coastal Committee. It was carried out by staff from *Terra Culture Heritage Consultants*. The complete report can be access on the internet at

<http://www.gorc.com.au/file/file/projects/>

[GORCAboriginalCulturalHeritageConservationManual1070212.pdf](http://www.gorc.com.au/file/file/projects/GORCAboriginalCulturalHeritageConservationManual1070212.pdf)

*Ariel map by Terra Culture Heritage Consultants*



The Wathaurung Aboriginal Corporation is also the Registered Aboriginal Party (RAP) for all GORCC Crown Land Reserves east of Painkalac Creek at Aireys Inlet under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006 (Vic.) and as defined in that Act, has responsibilities under that Act in relation to the management and administration of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage matters in those areas.

The area that is now the Surf Coast Shire is the traditional home of three Aboriginal nations, the Wadawurrung, the Gulidjan and the Gadubanud. The Gulidjan were based to the west of the Barwon River at Winchelsea and past Colac. The Gadubanud were located west of the Painkalac Creek along the Otway Ranges. The Wadawurrung covered the rest, which is most of the Shire. Each nation had their own language and their own Country for which they were responsible.

Aireys Inlet was a favourite stopping place for indigenous people. It provided a fresh water spring, a cave that gave shelter, a variety of fish and shellfish including crayfish, abundant edible berries and shade trees that also made good fire wood. The remains of middens are found in the sandhills and along the cliffs both sides of Painkalac Creek for a considerable distance. William Buckley recorded he Warautharong people spending long periods of time there. Some local Aboriginal words are listed below.

Mirri - sun	Yallock, yaluk, yaloak - river	Banyul Warri - Banyul Hills	Yuurok – Goanna
Dya - earth	Ngobeeyt - water	Parwan - Magpie	Modewarre - Musk Duck
Wiyn - fire	Karreenga - grow	Narrody - Female Meeting Ground	Angahook - Iron Bark
Yirn - moon	Wadawurrung - no	Goim/Koim – Kangaroo	Connewarre - Swan
Warradjak - wind	Merrijig - very well done	Gherang - Black Cockatoo	Moorabool - Mussel
			Barrabool - Oyster