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Newly Completed CRCC Building 1932

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Schaeffer House is open from 1.00pm to 4.00pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday by appointment. The Museum is registered as a COVID-19 safe environment.

Membership fees are due in **January** each year. Fees remain at \$25 for Individuals, couples or families. Be sure to pay fees prior to the **AGM** in **March** if voting rights are to be retained. New members who join between 1 September and 31 December are deemed to be members up to 31 December of the following year. **Please note that donations to Clarence River Historical Society of \$2 or more are tax deductible.**

JOTTINGS FROM THE HOUSE

Holidays

A number of members/volunteers have been taking a break from the working in the museum and setting out on well deserved holidays around Australia. It is always great to see them off and to welcome them back 'bright eyed and bushy tailed' ready to open the museum with renewed vigour. There is nothing a visitor loves more than enthusiastic and knowledgeable staff. We count ourselves lucky that we are blessed with many volunteers so imbibed.

Work in the House

As always there is much to do in the house including dusting and vacuuming. Much has been done to keep artefacts covered when the museum is not open and this helps. Brian, one of our volunteers has done marvellous work with all the silverware. The trophy room, whilst a little bright now for ones eyes, is nevertheless a magnet for visitors.

Visitors

It is wonderful to see an uptake in visitors to the Museum. The current visiting exhibition has increased visitation to the museum and the recent 90th Anniversary of the Grafton Bridge sparked a lot of interest in the artefacts in the house.

Acquisitions

Additions to the collection continue to come in and a highlight of recent times has been a collection of postcards, many representing Grafton and surrounds c1920s. We thank member Ken Brunker for this wonderful donation!

Apology

In the last newsletter we had a story regarding the history of the Grafton Chapter of the Jaycees and the contributors details were unfortunately left out. We thank member John McNamara very much for his in depth recording of the history of the Jaycees in this area.

RESEARCH ENQUIRIES

(Compiled by our Research Officer, Hazel Lawson)

PERSONAL VISITS

CRAIG: Researching Victor Ivan Preston and wife Lorna May, Children Gordon, Mervyn, Jack, Stafford, Harrod and Marie.

JILL: James Ryall and wife Hannah Hooker (Eggins), Children Mildred, Frederick, Ernest, Walter and Ethel. In May 1893, James purchased Brady's Bakery in South Grafton. Where was this?

JEN: Info on old Dairy 124-132 Villiers Street Grafton. When it ceased, approx. duration, any chemical testing on land and building.

MICHAEL: Information on John Jongerden Born Holland, Shirley born Australia. John died 1985, Shirley 2011.

FRANCES: Charles Lewis Austen. Born 17/8/1876, Died 9/4/1930. Married 3/1/1900 to Sarah Mildred Hume. Is the Austen Homestead still standing, if so, details please?

DON: Fine Flower Copper Mine. Albert Taylor Died 3/2/1909. William Goodall (NZ).

PAMELA: Researching Mark Hodgson Shuttleworth, Father Mark Edmund, Mother Jean.

DEBBIE: Mayor L W Bowtell.

ROSS: Information on Lot 192, 1015 Grange Access Road Jackadgery, Parish of Kaloe County of Gresham.

JENNIE: Photos of old Grafton Racecourse Beer Booth/Pavilion. Now moved to Pillar Valley to be restored. **NEVILLE:** History of Grafton Bridge.

BY EMAIL

BARBARA: Great Great Grandfather Ernest Maurer and wife Augusta arrived from Germany on the "Armin" to Sydney. How did they arrive in the Clarence?

MERCEDES: Memorial to Cub Scouts for History Column. Photos for the Daily Telegraph.

CLEM: Burial location in the Old Grafton Cemetery of Grace Cawley, Died Grafton Base Hospital 12/7/1945.

GINA: Edward Hindmarsh Bawden. Was he part Aboriginal?

KYLIE: Looking for birth mother Lynette May Williams. Rebecca Anne Williams born 4/4/1972. Name changed to Kylie Murphy.

ROD: Photo of corn picker built by A J Davey & Son Copmanhurst. Location of Carr's Creek Sugar Mill.

CHERYL: Birth/death records children born to Sylvia Mendes in Maclean NSW.

JANE: Henry Cosgrove and wife Mary O'Keefe. First 6 children born New Zealand, 2 youngest born Dalmorton. Looking for anything on Mary.

JOI: Marjory Jean Morris, born Ulmarra 1932. Infor on birth, Schooling, family, when she left Ulmarra.

BARRY: Was research Heather Jarratt, birth date 1922l.

AMANDA: Information on a Michael Booth.

GOYA HENRY

Goya Henry was born 1901 in Grafton. He Harbour in was the third? Son of prominent local was encountered and with water entering Doctor, T.J. Henry He was the last of the horse and sulky doctors of Grafton, NSW and was one of the first persons to bring a vehicle to the Clarence Valley.

Dr. Henry and his wife Ada had four sons and two daughters. By any means they would be considered to be 'over achievers'

Alfred, Ernest, Goya, Gwydir, Eileen and Myee. Alfred became a well known solicitor in Sydney, Gwydir was a great mechanic and started the first transport service to Glen Innes and Coffs Harbour.

Earnest became the Australasian Surf Champion and competed in the 1924 Olympics.

Goya was always an adventurer even when very young. He rode his bicycle over an 18 inch wide girder supporting a bridge across the Orara River. Later he took to climbing the local reservoir and edged his way all around the narrow rim, watched by his school mates from a safe distance.

He turned his hand to sailing and swimming and was almost chosen to represent Australia as a sprint swimmer in the 1924 Olympics but was edged out in final selection by none other than his brother Ernest.

From an early age he also picked up the flying bug During his barnstorming days he led a loose association of flyers called Goya Henry's Circus whilst he himself was nicknamed the 'Canary'. This was due to the use of a mining term where other pilots would wait until Goya had successfully landed at a difficult location before they would then follow.

But as always he, on occasion pushed the envelope slightly. He had many minor crashes but also had two major ones the second of which he lost a leg. It was whilst flying a tiny two seat monoplane with one passenger on the 5 July 1930 over North

Sydney. Inclement weather the engine just after he had decided to turn around and return to Mascot, he was left with a decision to try and land the plane at Manly. Crashing into a stone fence the unfortunate passenger was killed instantly and Goya severely injured, ended up losing a leg.

If the authorities and the Federal Board of Aviation thought that this would be the end of his career they were mistaken. According to the rules no one with only one leg could be granted a pilots licence.

With characteristic determination (and letters of reference from such eminent persons as Kingsford Smith and Major de Havilland) he was ultimately successful in keeping his pilots licence.

Goya became the first one legged pilot in the whole of the then British Empire, many years before that other brilliant (one legged) aviator Sir Douglas Bader.



Goya Henry awaiting his mechanic to finish checking his aircraft prior to a flight.

CRCC HISTORY

Monday 23 January 1933 was a big day in Prince Street, Grafton. It was the day that the new Clarence River County Council building was opened. The day was marked but not hindered by some inclement weather.

The opening ceremony was performed by Dr. Earle Page, Federal Member for Cowper and it was reported that the occasion was vested in considerable political significance with regard to Dr. Page as in his capacity as the leader of the Australian Country Party this would appear to be his last public appearance for some time. He was at the time considering his political future.

Invited guests included members of parliament, Mayors of Municipalities, Presidents of Shires and other public bodies from all around NSW. More than 80 representatives attending on the day made for what was described as an important milestone in the history of the Clarence Valley.



Clarence River County Council (Undated)

Along with the Federal Member attending and playing a key role in the ceremony, the State Member for the Clarence, Mr. A.S. Henry also attended. Dr. Page paid mention to the audience of the fact that he was present months ago at the laying of the foundation stone and going back a further ten years the laying of the foundation stone for the Nymboida Power Station.



Clarence River County Council Staff c1932

Dr. Page, in his speech outside the building to all those present, stated that in relation to his becoming Chairman of the County Council when it was formed in 1922, was:

- Electrification of the Clarence Valley,
- 2. An extension to areas outside the Clarence Valley; and
- The erection of an up-to-date office.

The builders were Boulton and Haywood and the architects being Ashe and Gilbert. The building was described at the time as being of a classical revival design.

VALE RUTH HEAWOOD

Kathleen Ruth Heawood 4 September 1931 to 15 Jun 2022. Aged 90 years.

To remember Ruth's life is to be aware of a person of high integrity and a strong sense of duty where ever she lived Ruth came to Grafton to live permanently in 1993, after visiting often since the 1960's She began volunteering at the Cathedral Opportunity shop, becoming the Co-Ordinator and making many friends. After



many years of service there she decided to help friend Pat James at the Historical Society by taking on the Secretary's duties following the retirement of Frank Mack in She 2014. learned new computer skills, production of newsletter

and the many operation needs of the Society and Museum. Her dedication to duty, three days a week for six years ended in 2019, following an attack of shingles causing her decline in Health.

Ruth was born in Orange into a family of a Methodist Church Minister, Rev Brian Heawood. Her siblings were Joan, Peter, David and Judith . After Primary teaching training at Newcastle Teachers' College, Ruth was appointed to Parramatta Girls Department in 1953, then Blacktown, Leeton girls Dept and promotion to the first female Primary Principal at Bingara Central School. Further appointments were to Kenthurst, and North Richmond as Principal and then to Librarian at Londonderry before her retirement in 1992.

Ruth has left us an example of a strong believe in the value of doing one's best and caring for others with respect and love. We are thankful for her contribution to Clarence River Historical Society at Schaeffer House and the community.



'Remarkable Banner'

'Remarkable' Exhibition

One of the six banners from the 'Remarkable' exhibition travelling around Australia brought to Schaeffer House by Australian Maritime Museums Council and the Australian National Maritime Museum.

INTERESTING ITEMS OF THE HOUSE

CANDLE SNUFFER

This item is a pair of candle—snuffers and were used to snuff out candle flames without leaving the usual unpleasant smoky odour. They are operated the same as scissors but also have a box section which has a flat section inside the box which snuffs out the flame. The pointed end was used to eject the candle stub.

item. When the silver wore through, the lead was exposed, which gives a pewter like appearance over time

Candle snuffers were in use from the late

Candle snuffers were in use from the late 17th century until the mid 19th century when kerosene and gas had largely replace candles.

DAWSON PLATE

This plate is recorded as a "Japanese Bread & Butter Plate"

featuring Geisha Girls in bright, colourful Kimono. Apparently this pattern was mainly made for the export market. The plate was made from porcelain and has gold & gilt encrustations which is hand painted. It is believed to date from the 1880's.



These snuffers usually rested on a tray of similar proportions and kept in an appropriate room.

Sometimes made of sterling silver, they were usually made of Sheffield plate. This method of manufacture was popular from 1760 to around 1850, by which time it was replaced by electroplate. Electroplate enabled mass production methods whereas Sheffield plate was very

One method of identifying the embossed Sheffield plate is that sometimes the silver was applied over embossed lead decoration, particularly around the edge of the

dependent on skilled labour.

The plate was donated by Beryl Slade and was in her grandmothers collections having come from her Uncle Ernie Dawson—acquired by him whilst he was in the occupation forces in Japan in the late 1940s.



Dawson Plate c1880s

REV. F.R. NEWTON

June of 1841 at Nailsea, Somerset, Eng- some temporary outdoor work in Bowen in land. His father was Robert Newton, a tim- Queensland before returning to Sydney. ber merchant and contractor, his mother was a Miss Cox.

verely from asthma, which continued dur- of the Queen's College in Oxford, Enging his Australian life, but did lessen as he land. approached his later years. He was one of three children, the boys and their father excelled at cricket in their early years even playing against the Graces.

Frederick was sent to school in Germany School. at a place called Neuvied which was on the Rhine. His knowledge of the language held him in good stead when he arrived in the Clarence Valley and the little Carr's Creek church where he commenced services. In 1857 he was confirmed in the palace of the Kaiser's grandfather, a palace at Coblentz on the Rhine.

It was at this time that his father thought of taking all the family to Australia, so at the age of seventeen, Fred was sent to 'spy on the land". However soon after he left for Australia. his mother died and this caused his father to abandon this idea. Fred never saw his family apart from his brother Walter again.

Reaching Sydney in 1858 via the great British ship "Great Britain" he obtained an appointment as an assistant at Calder House School in Newton.

The Master of the school Mr. J.F. Castle was connected by marriage to the Newton family. Also present at the school was an old friend of Mr. Castle, Mr. R.B. Dawson and he would have certainly made his acquaintance of Mr. Dawson. When the Dawson family left for the Clarence River on the steamboat "Grafton" in 1869, he gave Mr. Dawson's son, Robert Leycester a gift of a book.

Grafton may have had some interest for

Frederick Robert Newton was born in Frederick but at this time he undertook

He then took up a mastership in Eaglesfield School at Darlinghurst where he was He was a delicate child and suffered se- lauded as a great scholar and a graduate

> It was from here from most accounts that Frederick arrived in Grafton in late 1870. Ostensibly to open a new grammar school in 1871, named then Grafton Grammar

> The location we believe from CRHS records that the school was built in Villiers Street and was built by Mr. Thomas Bawden and let to Frederick, CRHS records suggest that he lived in a small brick place in Queen Street, keeping the school in an outbuilding until the Villers Street building was available.

> At holiday times Frederick rode his horse up to the Richmond to visit his brother Walter. Sometime he took several school boys with him. There are accounts of these trips which in those days was both arduous and rewarding, stopping at many locations on the way including Lawrence (from here it was by coach—Vespers).

> Some of the boarders and day boys at the grammar school were the sons of prominent people of a large area of the north coast including as far away as Ballina.

> In 1874 Frederick sold out his Grafton interests and moved to his brother's cane farm at Brockley, where he opened a new school in 1875. Some of his pupils even following him.

> Ordained as a Deacon in 1876, a Priest in 1877 he travelled by horseback attending to lay work. A respondent by the name of Mrs. S.A. West reported that Frederick died 23 April 1925.

LOCAL RAILWAY HISTORY

It would not be a surprise to the reader that given the size of Australia and the distances between towns and cities that in the 19th century plans would exist to join various locations to assist in the transportation of goods and people.

It wasn't long before surveys were being undertaken in the Colony of New South Wales to determine where railway lines should extend from and to. Initial surveys in 1872 in this area were undertaken by

Mr. W.B. Wade. His primary focus on a rail line from west to east in order to facilitate goods being moved to locations where sea routes did or would exist and in particular Lawrence or Grafton.

Having examined the routes between Moleville and Lawrence to Tabulam and Tabulam to Tenterfield, he found that the later

connection to be over 80 klms and much of it difficult country, which would increase the cost of providing a rail line.

Other routes such as Lawrence to Tenterfield or South Grafton to Moleville to Glen Innes were considered but they would have been very costly also.

Further surveying was undertaken and subsequently in 1884 the NSW Parliament voted a large sum of money for the construction of a line from Grafton

to the Tweed via Casino, Lismore and Brunswick.

It was felt that Grafton was more appropriate as the 'end' point for this section of the rail network being envisioned. Also considered was its link with the west (Tenterfield) and as a location on a future coastal route north and south. 1901 saw work commence on the Casino to Grafton line. Labour being supplied by the Public Works Department and contracts let for an initial 50,000



Turning the first sod of the Grafton to Casino rail line 1901.

sleepers with a further 50,000 more to be supplied in 1902.

Other infrastructure including station buildings at Grafton, Koolkhan, Wooroowoolgan (South Casino), Camira Creek, Myrtle Creek and Deep Creek (Leeville) along with a new wharf and 20 tonne crane erected at Grafton.

The extension line being opened in 1905 completed the link between the Clarence, Richmond and the Tweed Rivers.

IN THE GARDEN WITH PAT JAMES!

Here we are again in our wonderful garden. This time we are wandering down the westerly side of the house.



Hippeastrum in bloom!

It's a little to early for some of the native to flower, but their delicate foliage provides shelter for birds, animals and insects. Is that the first blossoms on our lace Thiptomene, struggling out from the red emu bush? Our native bees will find it in a day! Now we have come to the archway being quickly covered by the thornless Pinky Rose,

This is in memory of Mavis Robertson who loved flowers, especially roses and brought them in buckets to Schaeffer House every week; to delight visitors. Walk through the arch, past the lovely birds nest fern and rest on the garden seat to watch the busy ants, lizards spiders and perhaps our resident blue tongue skink. Hear the bird song and become one with nature!

As you return on the concrete path, there is a variety of plants to see. The geraniums are due for pruning and the wet soil could cause rot. I have lost some of mine in pots but may get cuttings from some given away

previously . You are welcome to cuttings from our garden too. Our garden keeps on giving!

Some home style remedies.

For mould on paths

Scrub with 5 tablespoons of borax powder to 5 litres of water.

For mould in the house

Spray or wipe with 5-10 drops of oil of cloves from chemist to a spay bottle of water

For ants inside

Spray with a little eucalyptus oil and methylated spirits in a spray bottle of water Special thanks to Kerrie Quinn, Rosemary Marshall and Brian Pullen for their work ever week also to peter and mark who come to weed and tidy up, making Grafton beautiful!



Basil in flower.

Ps volunteers are warmly welcome!

Pps The golden flowers you see are coreopsis and dwarf cosmos take home some seeds now! If you'd like cutting please call in Tues, Wed, Thurs 9—4 your donations to the garden help us so much and donations are welcome too.

DORIS AND GLADYS O'GRADY

Two Grafton sisters are well known in artistic and ornithological circles.

Gladys and Doris O'Grady grew up in the Clarence Valley, the children of an Irish Immigrant who settled on a 60 ha rural property near the Clarence River in 1900. Gladys was born in 1895 and Doris in 1903 and they lived with their parents and siblings on properties near the river where there was an abundance of trees, flowers, vegetables and fruits and rainforest areas

birds. She developed a keen eye and photographic memory for shape and colour which enabled her to complete beautiful and delicate authentic studies of birds.

Gladys was able to illustrate the book "Australian Birds and their Young" by Terrence Linsey, published around 1979, with her lovely watercolour works of art.

The Society possesses a copy of the book as well as several painting by the sisters.



Doris & Gladys O'Grady in their home

as well as farm animals.

All five siblings in the family were fond of drawing and painting, Doris being drawn to painting watercolours of landscapes, flowers, buldings and fungi, whereas Gladys showed a distinct talent for painting We are also honoured to be entrusted with a collection of beautiful hand painted greeting cards containing poems written by the sisters.

BILL'S COLUMN

(Continued from Newsletter 173)

Amongst his works there is a detailed list of the flora, fauna, inhabiting Susan Island at this time. This extensive list is part and parcel of the many jewels of history at Schaeffer House. I am continually amazed at the number of treasures we have at Schaeffer House. In a letter to the Daily Clarence and Richmond Examiner of April 11, 1870, Wilcox details a list of the Susan Island treasures and advocates the reservation of Susan Island as a public recreation ground. Brush turkeys, emus, sea eagles (they are still here), dozens of water birds, and-yes-flying foxes are included in his list. Mr. Wilcox was keen to always use the correct botanical name for his flora and fauna-and insisted that his children do likewise.

James Wilcox and his wife had 13 children-11 of whom survived. One of his younger daughters, Edith, has sent us a detailed story of their life at "Dallinga". In this, Edith, details the many trees and gardens that her parents planted- some from the Botanical Gardens of Sydney and Melbourne-and tells the amusing story of the many "share" farmers they had. It seems that Mrs. Wilcox was particularly fond of the Aborigines and the Chinese share farmers whom they once employed. As a testament to his world- wide fame. one of his exhibits went to a Museum in Paris and visitors to "Dallinga" included Mr. Karne representing the Museum in Hungary and Mr. Stieman from the museum in Germany.

Mr. Wilcox took an active part in local affairs and was appointed a Justice of the Peace in 1869. It was acting in this capacity that brought about his untimely

death. He had attended a court case in Grafton that lasted will into the night. Rowing home he came into a dense fog which brought about a severe cold which ended in pneumonia. This proved fatal and he passed away 11th July, 1881 The Clarence and Richmond Examiner, July 16, 1881, reported- "his loss, from a public point of view, is a great one, and leaves a gap which will remain unfilled for many years". The report continues "The Bench adjourned the business of the Police Court on Tuesday last out of respect to their deceased brother Magistrate. The Funeral was attended by a large number of Magistrates and other influential citizens". As part of writing this story I have made several visits to "Dallinga" and enjoyed the hospitality and many of the details of this story from the O'Shea sisters whose family are the present owners. Bill Dougherty.

James Wilcox



FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE ANNIVERSARY—PART 3

Continued from the previous Newsletter No. 173.

Eventually she was put in charge as General Superintendent of hospitals outside Turkey, including the regional field hospitals which were managed by various sisters. Back in England a public meeting was held in London at the end of 1855 to recognise Florence's work. Queen Victoria sent her an inscribed brooch and an invitation to meet her on her return to London.

A large sum of money was raised through public subscriptions and other fund-raising activities, and soldiers who had fought in the war gave a day's pay.

This became the Nightingale Fund, with Sidney Herbert as Honorary Secretary and the Duke of Cambridge as Chairman. By 1859, the Fund stood at £45,000 and upon her return Florence used this to set up the first professional nurses' training school at St Thomas's Hospital, London, in 1860. It is now the Florence Nightingale Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery and is incorporated into King's College, London.

Florence's experiences of war gave her a desire to re-organise some of the worst-run London hospitals, especially the Army hospitals, when she returned to England. Criticism of the Army would be met with considerable opposition but nevertheless she jointly created a report on the Army's mistreatment of its men during the war with Alexander Tulloch, John McNeill and William Farr.

She used statistical charts which showed that more men had died from disease than from their wounds.

By 1856 Florence was furious at the lack of progress and threatened to leak the findings on the causes of soldiers' deaths. However in I 857, after Lord Palmerston's general election victory, the draft of the Commission into the Medical Administration of the Army was submitted to Queen Victoria.

It in essence transferred responsibilities for Army medical care to the House of Commons. So many bitter arguments had taken their toll on Florence, however, and that same year she suffered a breakdown.

From this point in her life onwards she was often confined to her sick bed.

Florence continued to throw herself into her battles focusing on the insanitary conditions of inner cities. Her attention later turned to the health of the British Army in India and she showed that bad drainage, contaminated water, overcrowding and poor ventilation were causing the high death rate there. She concluded that the health of the Army and the people of India had to go hand in hand and so campaigned to improve the sanitary conditions of the whole country.

Florence also laboured in 1861-66 for the improvement of Work House Infirmaries and Poor Law Administration, where nursing was done by people who themselves had no standard of cleanliness. Trained nurses were introduced into infirmaries all over the country withinten years of the first appointment.

To be continued in Newsletter No. 175.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Display

This month saw the opening of a major display in the house. 'Remarkable' is a set of banners (6) celebrating the lives of famous people and their boats from around Australia. People in the spotlight included Kay Cottee, William Blue (Blues Point in Sydney) and Phillis Seal. Perhaps in the next newsletter we can add a couple of these very interesting stories.

We also had the opportunity to add to the collection with local people if we wanted. Something which we gladly took up. Easily filling the 12 stories on a further 6 banners some prominent people included Henry Searle, Michael Rush, Brian Monkton and Leila Muir.

Donations

Please think of us when you are having a clean out or moving house! Donations

in recent times have included: Two large containers of the Journals and photographs belonging to Max Godbee who was the Sports Journalist for the Daily Examiner. Four small songbooks from the early 1920s that were used in local schools and a folder documenting the history of the Grafton Public School. Postcards from the 1920's rounded up the additions for the previous month.

May Newsletter

It came to our attention that some copies of the May Newsletter went out with a photograph inadvertently missing from page 7. The photograph was of a model of the Anglican Church of 1854. We apologise for this and if your copy was affected please let us know so that we can send you an updated copy. Ed

Regards Steve Tranter

DIARY DATES 2022 & ON THIS YEAR

Committee Meetings

September 23, October 24,

November 23.

Major Displays

Remarkable 16 August —18 September 2022

In House Displays

Remembrance Day Display — 11 November 2022

Open Days

Jacaranda Week 28Oct—6November 19 November 2022

Christmas Party

TBA November 2022

On this year

Clarence River Jockey Club formed 1862 Gaol (2nd) opened in Victoria St. Grafton 1862

CRCC building completed 1932 Grafton Brewery open 1952 Newsletter No 174 Page 15

100 YEARS AGO

Compiled by our Research Officer, Hazel Lawson Extracts from the Daily Examiner of August, 1922

NORTH COAST STEAM NAVGATION
COMPANY. Sydney Clarence River Trade Passenger Service.

YULGILBAR: - leaves Sydney every Saturday night at 10 o'clock for Grafton and leaves Grafton for Sydney at 12 noon on Tuesdays.

KYOGLE: - leaves Sydney every Tuesday night at 7 o'clock for Grafton and leaves Grafton for Sydney at 12 noon on Fridays.

Passengers proceeding to Sydney by the above Steamers will be conveyed down the river by tender. Time of departure from Grafton will be announced in the local press prior to or on the day of Sailing.

Cargo Steamers engaged on the Sydney, Newcastle, Clarence River trade: - Coombar, Cananbar, Coramba, Poonbar and Tintenbar. All specially fitted for the carriage of livestock.

Cargo for shipment to Sydney will be received at all agencies on the river between the hours of 8am and 6 pm, Monday to Friday and 8am to noon Saturday. Shippers are also reminded that on the day of sailing cargo must be on the wharf at 10 am before the arrival of the outbound steamer by which the goods are consigned.

SHIPPING: The following passengers booked at Grafton by the Yulgilbar for Sydney: Mesdames Foster, McGregor, Nagle, Pert and child, Wolf, Bailey, Hart, Morrison, H. Richardson, Foster (2), Broom, Carthew, A.E. Haig, R Sims, Pert.

SYDNEY: Tuesday: Passengers to the Clarence are: Mrs Bucham, Misses Biccoli and messes Wardell, Leslie, Bucham, Jones, Batlin, Marsh, Armstrong, McMahon and Williams.

ULMARRA ROWING CLUB: The Annual Meeting of members of the Ulmarra Rowing Club will be held in the Club shed on Monday night next at 8 O'clock. Business Reception of Annual Report and Election of Officers. R. J. SPRING. Hon Secretary.

CROWN HOTEL TRANSFERRED: Before Mr. A H. Parkes, Licensing Magistrate, at the Courthouse, Grafton yesterday, a transfer of the licence of the Crown Hotel was granted from John S Walker to Alfred G Greentree.

An application to transfer the Lion Hotel from George Prentice to Edward G Clark was adjourned for a week.

NEW TELEGRAPH LINES: Telegraph in New South Wales to be completed under the Postmaster General's program for the current year include: - South Grafton to Coramba, Tabulam to Wallaby Creek, Tabulam to Lionsville, Mullumbimby to Coopers Creek and Bean Creek to Urbenville.

The death occurred in Brisbane recently of Mrs Graham Mylne, wife of the late Captain Mylne, who with his brother owned Eatonsville Station, ten mile above Grafton, 60 or 70 years ago, The Post Office at that centre is now called Mylneford after them.

Dr T J Henry received word that his son Ernest was dangerously ill in Sydney, left by car for Glen Innes, where he caught the mail train to Sydney.

Captain Frank Hurley, the well- known explorer, left Sydney yesterday enroute to New Guinea, where he proposes to explore the wilds of that region in a seaplane.

BOOKS AVAILABLE FROM THE MUSEUM

(Bold denotes new additions).

TITLE	PRICE
Across the Bar	\$20.00
A History of the Clarence River	\$35.00
A place by the River, 150 Years of Tabulum History, Part 1: 1839 to 1919 by Isabel Wilkinson.	\$35.00
A Place by the River, 150 Years of Tabulum History, Part 2, 1920 to 1989 by <i>Isabel Wilkinson</i> .	\$35.00
Bawden Lectures - with Notes [New Edition]	\$35.00
Bawden Lectures - without Notes	\$20.00
Bombers over Grafton	\$20.00
Corn Beef and Damper - Isabel Wilkinson.	\$35.00
Early Days On The Clarence	\$20.00
Early Midwives in Grafton and South Grafton by <i>Robyn Higham.</i>	\$25.00
Forgotten Country - Isabel Wilkinson	\$35.00
Four Legs But No Wheels	\$35.00
From Glen Innes to South Grafton: Early Days Along the Old Road by Sheila McLennan.	\$25.00
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