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Queen Elizabeth, King George VI and Princess Elizabeth

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Schaeffer House is open from 1.00pm to 4.00pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday. Other times 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

Jacaranda

It has been another successful Jacaranda week for the Clarence Valley. Visitors arrived in good numbers. It was a slow start to the flowering of the Jacaranda trees but as always they were in their prime by the start of the main week. Buses have been aplenty with locations far and wide in the Valley including Schaeffer House visited by international and interstate travellers alike. From our statistics we have noticed a big increase in the number of international tourists this year. We are now looking forward to a very busy 2023!

Work in the House

As mentioned in our previous newsletter, much work was conducted around the house in the lead up to Jacaranda Festival week and now we have had the proof that our work has been welcomed and appreciated. Comments in our visitor's book have been very positive as have the

comments that have been placed on our Google business page.

Media Attention

This year has seen some keen interest from media organisations. It seems that some of the major events that have occurred over the years have sparked an interest. Newspaper, television and radio being the main areas of enquiry. In modern times we are now also seeing requests for material for Podcasts.

Acquisitions

In this edition of the Newsletter we have chosen to focus a little on Her Majesty the Queen. Front and centre is a photograph of the Queen and her parents on a notepad from our Royal Collection. We thank member Ken Brunker for this wonderful donation! A small recollection of her visits are on Page 8 and Page 9 which looks at Her Majesty's Fashion

RESEARCH ENQUIRIES

(Compiled by our Research Officer, Hazel Lawson)

NOVEMBER 2022.**PERSONAL VISITS.**

KAYE. Researching house at 75 Kent Street Grafton.

ELIZABETH. Information on Joseph and Fanny Lyons and the Hynes Family.

MALCOLM. Researching James Paine 1814-1895, Marmaduke Leeson 1797-1866 and John Law 1812-1901.

LINDY. History of 1 Coldstream Street Ulmarra.

BERNARD. Cedar Industry in Northern Rivers. Book, "Red Gold", The Tree that Built Australia.

DEBORAH. Researching Gumbaynggir Massacres. John Coutts.

ROSALIE. Early Photos of South Grafton Public School. Information on Maxwellton, Coutts Crossing.

BRUCE. Location of Ulmarra and Cowper early school records. Location of grave Michael McMahon in Grafton Cemetery, died 15 Feb 1886.

DAVID. Land use and ownership in 1891 of land now known as 60 Duke Street.

BOB. Burial location for James Albert Clarke, died 29th April 1913.

CLARE. Researching Margaret Smith of Palmers Island. Parents William and Ann.

PETER. Researching the Military career of Henry Schaeffer of Grafton.

JUDY. John Thomas McKittrick Born 9th December 1848, Died 9th September 1934. Owned Stores in Grafton. First

Mayor of South Grafton, owned Iluka Hotel.

BY EMAIL.

VICKIE. Winkler Family, Carl and Frederica migrated from Germany 1850, settled in Grafton.

BRUCE. William John Anderson, lived Armidale, Glen Innes and Grafton. Information on Occupation, address, War Involvement. Emigrated to New Zealand 1903. William George their son plied the river and earned his steam ticket.

COLLEEN. Thomas Wilcox, Father Zachariah Thomas Wilcox, Mother Sarah Jane Fry. Bought land at Swan Creek. Any information?

AMANDA. Sydney Hayes and Alice Ann Luckett, timber hauliers Nymboida district. Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander down the line, Hayes Family and Lucketts.

JUDY. Location of grave of Mrs. Susan Reaumur Currey.

ROBYN. Alfred Hadley, Police Sargent in Clarence, Grafton late 1800s or early 1900s. Altercation with Tommy Ryan — aboriginal.

SUE. Grave site at Ulmarra Cemetery of George Henry Hooker.

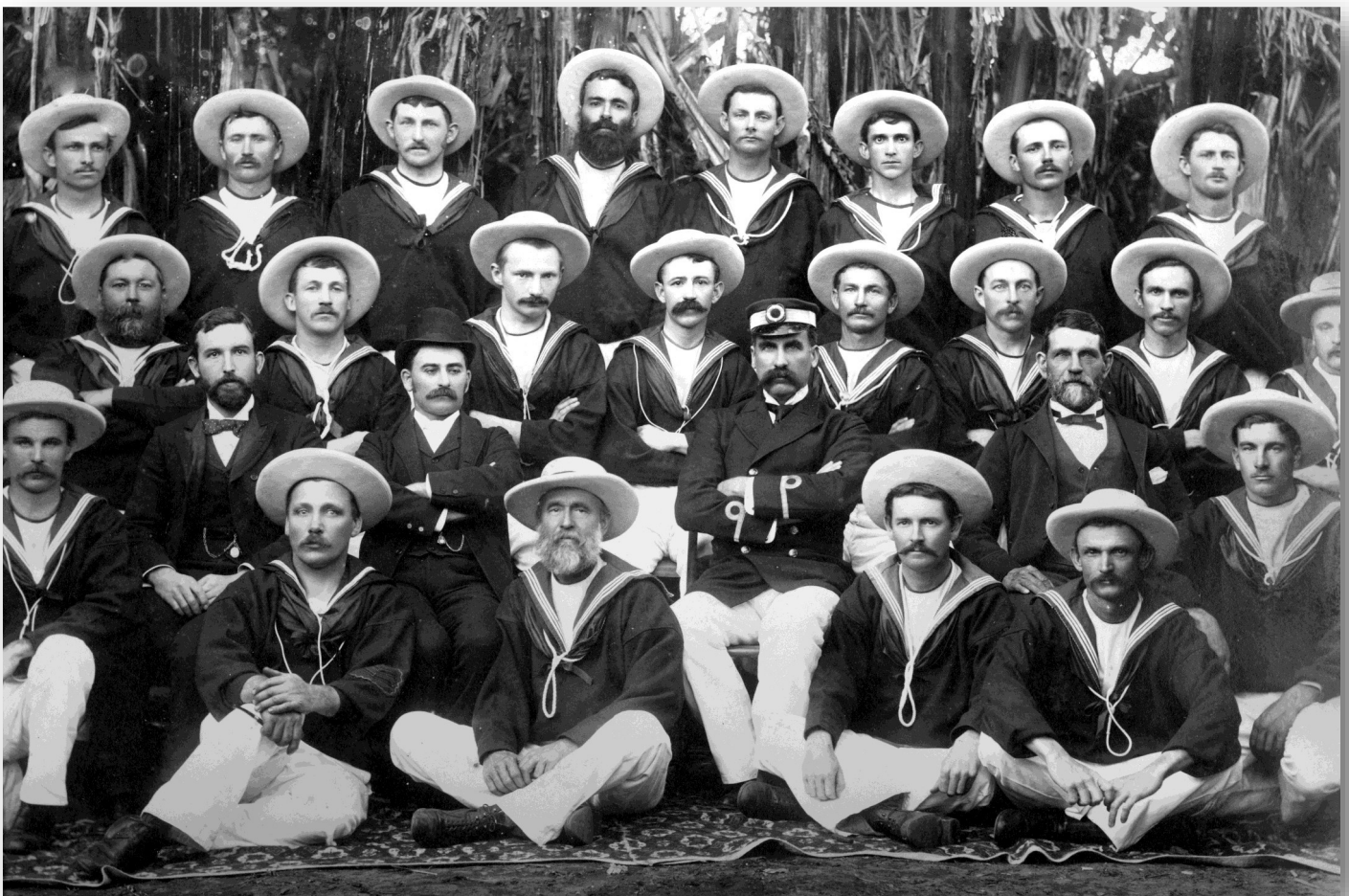
W.J. WEILEY

William James Weiley was born on Oxley Island in the Manning River, NSW in 1874. At a young age he moved to South Grafton in 1889, and with all residents of Grafton and South Grafton in those days, experienced major floods almost on a yearly basis.

Perhaps it was because of these floods he encountered in the early days of his settling in South Grafton that he joined the Grafton Water Brigade.

overlayed with a strong current and floating debris including trees and other large items.

After acquiring a licence for a South Grafton hotel (Globe) he went on to take over the Willow Tree Hotel, now known as the Jacaranda Hotel. Later he purchased the Market Hotel in Grafton (becoming Weiley's Hotel). He was always a sporting person both actively when young and supportive in his later years. A member of the Grafton Rowing Club and won three races at one regatta.



The brigade was established in 1885 and was kept very busy in the next few years with the 1887 and 1890 floods being very damaging. In those days it was an arduous and perilous duty to perform for the volunteers. Pulling their boat from house to house to save people in danger of drowning they had to contend with rain, wind and tide

He was a very active supporter of many organisations around the Valley.

William James Weiley died in Grafton in 1947

Image: Grafton Volunteer Water Brigade c1892 (W.J. Weiley Top Row Second from right) – CRHS Collection 500-009

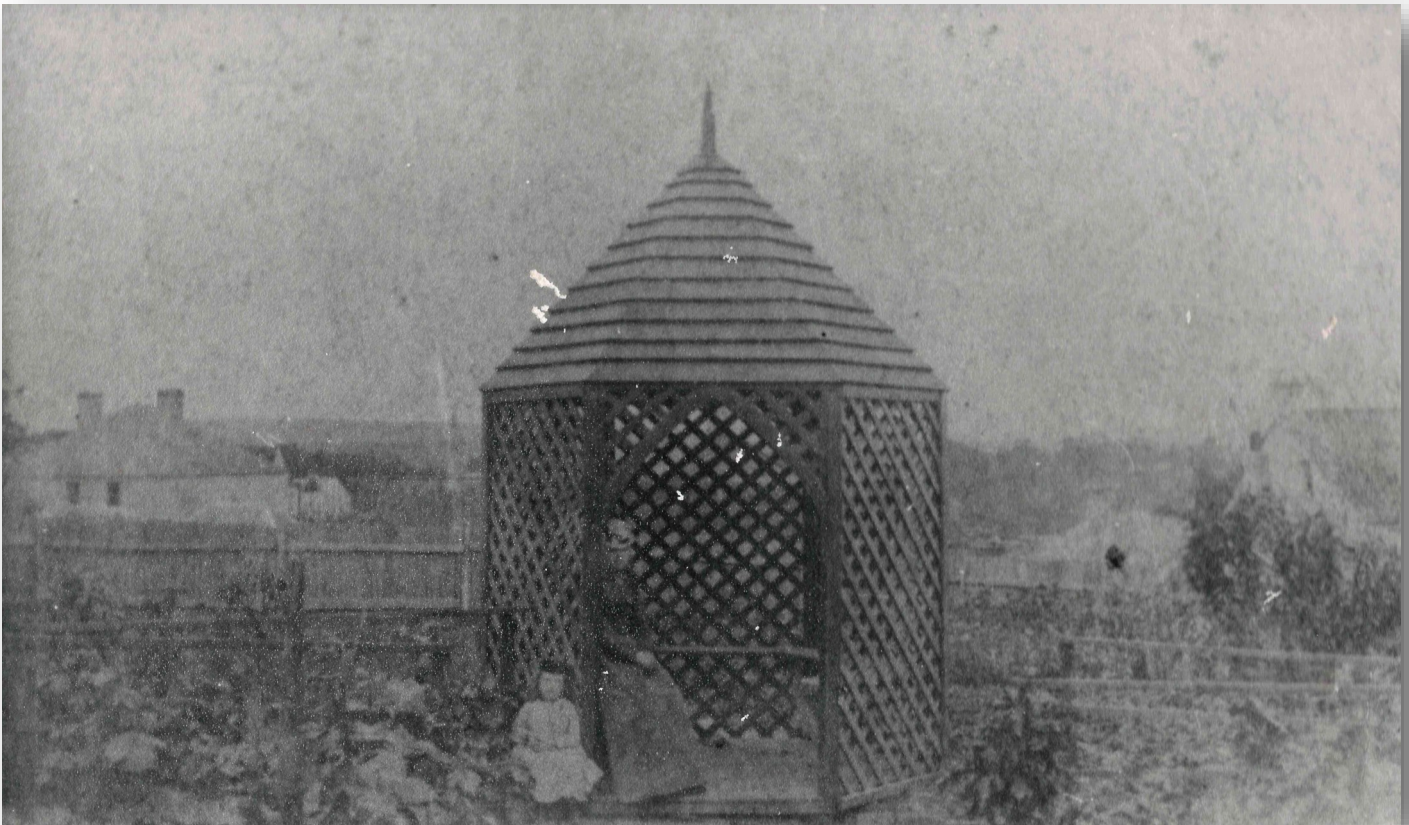
LITTLE PARADISE GARDEN

Mr John August Holmsten, in the 1880s, established the "Little Paradise" garden resort in Oliver Street opposite Lower Fisher Park occupying the site where the Drill Hall currently stands. A row of poplars flanked the Duke Street frontage.

Mr Holmsten was born in Sweden in 1822 and arrived in Australia in 1855. He trained as a gardener before eventually owning the Grafton Hotel on the corner of Prince and Oliver Streets.

popular brass bands and kiosk to help provide entertainment and refreshments for the throngs of people who entered the gardens. There were also cosy corners for courting couples.

On the day the gardens were opened 300 to 400 guests attended the event dressing up in their finest attire. It was an important social affair for the town. Other society functions were held in the gardens after they were opened for the Masonic and



Little Paradise Gardens c1880

In the Little Paradise garden enclosure were graceful trees and beautiful flowers, walking paths and seats with coloured lights adding to the attraction of the place. A spacious pavilion, suitably equipped to "trip the light fantastic" was an inviting prospect to guests who entered the gardens.

There was also a band stand for the

Rowing clubs as well as dancing classes. The pavilion was also converted at times to a skating rink, the first floor in the city where this pastime was indulged in. Sadly, the venture was not a success. The grounds and gardens fell into disuse for some reason and the pavilion became unattractive to hold functions, which were moved into the nearby Criterion Hall.

YATTENDON

Yattendon was bred by Charles Tindal of Ramornie Station on the Clarence River in 1861. His sire was Sir Hercules and his dam was Cassandra.

Wealthy landowners like the Tindals and Mylne families would travel to England to purchase quality bloodlines of the finest horses and cattle.

Yattendon was named after Tindal's home, Yattendon House in Berkshire, England and claims the distinction of being the only horse that, during his career, raced solely at Randwick. He was really an equine aristocrat who inherited all the galloping ability and more from his famous family and was well looked after by his owners.

The horse began his racing career as a two year old in 1864 in the one mile Champagne Stakes at the Randwick autumn meeting and won very easily. Many other important race wins followed as well as the siring of a multitude of individual stakes winners. His genes ripple through the Australian thoroughbred horse industry even today.

Perhaps Yattendon's most famous win was the 1866 Gold Cup in May that year. This beautiful cup is still held in the Chairman's Lounge of the Australian Turf Club and was donated back to the club in 1934 by a descendent of one of the original owners, Mr T Rutledge.

An article in the records of the Society shows a trophy of a silver mounted emu egg with the name of Yattendon engraved on it and this was rumoured to be the trophy won

by Yattendon for that race. It was found in a second hand shop in Sydney in 1940 by a Mr O'Leary. The AJC reports that this trophy was not, in fact, presented to the owners on the day of the race but could have been commissioned by the owners themselves to celebrate Yattendon's win. It would be remarkable if the Society could locate this trophy to include in our collection to remember this famous Clarence Valley horse.



1866 Gold Cup



YATTENDON, by Sir Hercules from Cassandra, who won the first Sydney Cup. Yattendon later became one of the most successful sires bred in Australia.

Picture believed to be Yattendon from The Australasian dated 7 January 1939.

GRAFTON VIEW CLUB & INTERESTING ITEMS OF THE HOUSE

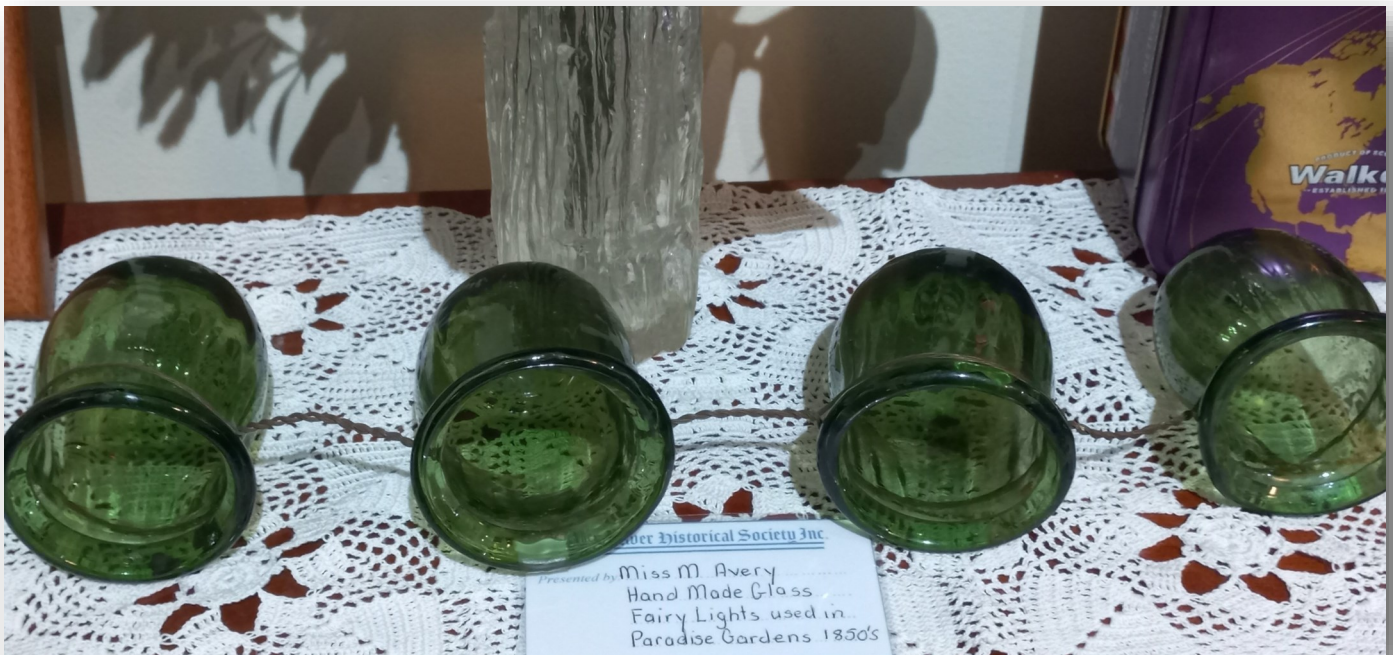
Grafton View Club's 55 year Anniversary

During Jacaranda week. the Grafton View club celebrated 55 years of dedicated service to help those in need near and far. Originally formed in 1968, the Club aimed to assist families in need, particularly children, helping with their education. "The Smith Family" is a charity supported by the View Clubs.

Each View Club is given the names of one or two children to support in another area, particularly the metropolitan area and they are supported by funds to provide uniforms, school books and any other special needs the children may have such as after school help with homework.

What a great mission, to advance the health and learning experiences of our nation's greatest asset- children!

Our long serving volunteer, Suzanne Gibson, also helps at View club meetings and reported that many members came to the celebratory dinner from Maclean, Yamba, Nambucca Heads, Macksville, Woolgoolga, Warren and Urunga as well as representatives of CWA, Hospital Auxiliary, Grafton *Inner Wheel* and the walking group. The National Vice President, Elizabeth Birch gave a slide presentation of the Smith Family Centenary celebrations and the ongoing work and success of our View Club, providing help for others. Happy social outings and lunch meetings each month happen and our club will welcome new members



Hand made Fairy lights

Fairy Lights

This is a string of beautiful hand-made green glass fairy lights. They were used to light parts of the garden in the Paradise Gardens in the 1850s.

Lit candles were placed in each small receptacle. Paradise Gardens was located on the corner of Duke and Oliver Street (where the Army Drill Hall is currently located). They were donated to the Society by Miss. M. Avery

ROYAL TOURS OF AUSTRALIA

Queen Elizabeth's deep respect, affection and admiration for Australia is illustrated by her presence at key moments in Australian history.

During her reign she made 16 visits to Australia and was the only reigning monarch to step foot on Australian soil. Prince Phillip usually accompanied the Queen on her visits, although he did do some solo tours.

Her first tour took place in 1954, two years after ascending the throne following the demise of her father King George VI and she made her last visit in 2011.

When the 27 year old monarch and her prince sailed into Sydney Harbour in 1954, she "stopped the nation" as an estimated crowd of over a million people chose to be present to greet her Majesty.

The 2 month gruelling schedule consisted of visits to all capital cities except Darwin and more than 60 country towns traversing the country by plane, train, ship and car from Cairns in the north to Hobart in the south.

The Queen and Prince Phillip returned to Australian soil in 1963 for Canberra's Jubilee Celebration marking 50 years on from the naming of the capital and again in 1970 to help celebrate the bi-centenary of Captain James Cook sailing up the East Coast of Australia.

More tours followed in 1973, 1974 and 1977 as the Monarch helped celebrate significant milestones in the Australian calendar such as the opening of the Opera House, World Expo, and the Australian Parliament.

Her Silver Jubilee Tour included Melbourne and attracted huge crowds as did her Majesty's opening of the Commonwealth Games in Victoria in 2006 and Brisbane in 1982.

After a visit in 1992 to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the City of Sydney, it was 8 years before her Majesty returned to make an extended tour of the Australian states. In 2002, Queen Elizabeth visited Australia again as part of her Golden Jubilee tour and opened the Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting that year.



Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth

During her tours, she was treated to an endless round of civic receptions, meetings with dignitaries, ribbon cutting, hand shaking, and dancing and singing by school children.

In 2011, her Majesty opened the new Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne and attended the Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting as well as visiting Canberra, Brisbane, and Perth.

This was considered to be her farewell tour of Australia as her Majesty was 85 and Prince Phillip 90.

THE QUEEN'S FASHION

The Queen's Fashion

The Queen's sense of fashion was based on tried and tested staples which were adapted to suit the occasion. She understood the power of dressing for any event so she chose classic, elegant and timeless style pieces. These usually consisted of dresses under matching coats in beautiful shades of rose, lemon, lilac and blues. Crowds to see her Majesty sometimes were up to six deep, so the Queen would wear these feminine rainbow colours in order to stand out.

Norman Hartnell was one of the Queen's favourite designers, providing the perfect outfit for any occasion. Sir Hardy Amies was another of the Queen's "go-to" designers and in her later years, Angela Kelly became her most important dresser as well as close friend.

Queen Elizabeth always wore sensible low heeled black pumps, never high heels. She had quite a number of these and they were 'worn in' by a member of staff to prevent her getting blisters or sore feet. Her shoe style never changed in over 60 years.

Hats colour matching her outfits were specially chosen with brims not too wide to obscure her face and not too tall as to impede her entering and exiting her vehicle.

Her Majesty carried a designer handbag on her arm and these had long handles which allowed her to shake hands easily.

On her left shoulder was pinned a beautiful brooch, selected with a lot of thought to be meaningful to the occasion.

For example when the Queen was on tour in Australia or met an Australian dignitary, she wore the beautiful yellow diamond wattle brooch gifted to her by Australia in 1954. Around her neck was usually a 3 strand pearl necklace.

Queen Elizabeth's waterproof transparent umbrellas were trimmed with the colour of the outfit she was wearing.

Gloves in matching colours were changed several times during the day and were usually made of brushed cotton.



Queen Elizabeth II

IN THE GARDEN WITH PAT JAMES!

After weeks of preparation our gardens were blooming beautifully to welcome many happy visitors for the Jacaranda Festival.

Bus loads of people came to see the Museum and stroll around the gardens on all sides of Schaeffer House.



Norfolk Hibiscus Tree

Special garden tours operated on a small bus led by Rosie Franklin from our local Garden Club which was much involved with projects in Grafton to help beautify our City.

It was so good to point out particular parts of the native gardens, and give cuttings from various sensory plants in particular. The children were really interested in smelling and tasting the herbs, even taking some home. Many questions were answered and perhaps the highlight of the western side of the garden was the native

bee stump under the giant Norfolk Island Hibiscus which is about to flower.

Many thanks to Kerry Quinn and Rosemary Marshall for all their help in weeding and planting and watering . Brian Pullen is regularly cleaning up around the gardens keeping hedges under control. Two other quiet workers are Peter and Mark who keep an eye on our weeds and are so helpful!

We gauge the success of the garden by the cries of delight as people emerge from a bus and see all the colour and variety for the first time!

Because of the cooler weather and



Native bee hive

constant rain—our garden will continue to look and smell beautiful for a long time yet!

Pat James

P.S. We are glad to share cuttings from the garden. Mr. Schaeffer would be pleased!!

ALUMNY CREEK MUSEUM

Alumny Creek School 1872-1969

Alumny Creek Museum 1969—present

Alumny Creek Museum is just five minutes drive from Grafton on the Southgate Road. It is a delightful "time capsule" in an old school and teacher's residence from the 1850's when Grafton was being settled by farming communities. Various small schools were opened at the time with support from local families. Teachers would come and go, often boarding with local families.

Alumny Creek, however had a teacher's residence. The teacher's wife was also employed to teach sewing to the school pupils. Many children went on (after a good basic education) to high school. Many children also had to help at home on the family farms.

Alumny Creek had a hall which was the focal point for all the local families.

One story tells of a gathering in the hall to farewell three young men on their way to the second World War in 1942.

Their names were John Barnier, John O'Donohue and an aboriginal farm worker, Jacky Jackson, who sang "One Day when we're Young". John Barnier quoted a Christmas speech from King George VI.

"I said to the man who stood by the gate of the year; Give me a light that I may tread safely in to the unknown, and he replied, "Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God.

That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way."

They sailed with the 8th Division to Malaya and after fierce fighting, were captured by the Japanese, transported to Sandakan, North Borneo as slave labour to build an aerodrome.

After three years in terrible conditions, 2,550 POWs died there including the three young men from Alumny Creek. Their names are on two Honour Boards at Southgate Hall (also an old school) along



Alumny Creek School

with names of so many who are remembered on Anzac and Armistice Days every year.

There is much more to learn about Alumny Creek Museum. Volunteers are always needed to help care for the buildings and grounds. Donations help to support the rich heritage and to honour those who made it possible. The Museum is open 9-12 Mondays.

Contact Noeleen Grace or Olga Hewitt if you can help.(0472848571)

BILL'S COLUMN

CARL WILLIAM SCHAEFFER. 1909-1991.

I have to admit that I do get a lot of pleasure in researching the various people of whom I write for the Journal. However when I write of Carl Schaeffer, it is only my memory that I have to activate. Whilst he was a boyhood hero of mine, I did enjoy a close friendship with him in later times.

If ever one could be described as an "all rounder" it was Carl Schaeffer. His wonderful contribution to Grafton and district was in so many spheres of life. Family, Church, Business, Sport, Service, made up a full and most worthwhile life.

Whilst Carl's parents were Grafton born, his Grandfather Herman was one of the many German immigrants of the mid 1800's. He was a builder. He began work as a plumber, then decided to open his own business of building supplies in 1898.

The family home "Willoughby" was designed by Herman's brother, F.W.C. Schaeffer who, of course, was the original owner and builder of our present premises, Schaeffer House. The family home was bought by the Grafton branch of the R.S.L., -around 1950- and is now the site of the Grafton District Services Club.

Herman bought property in the main block of Prince St, and opened his business in 1898 and grew the business, forming the Company of Schaeffer & Sons in 1930. The family made up the Company members. Carl took over as Managing Director in 1937, continuing in that role until joining the RAAF during W/War 2.

Many of the Schaeffer employees also "joined up". Under Carl's leadership the

company expanded rapidly after W/War 2, with most of the pre-war staff rejoining the Company. Schaeffer & Sons was one of Grafton's most progressive and successful businesses until merging with Sydney Company, A.J.Chown, around 1980.

Carl's Father, Herman was a member of Christ Church Cathedral Choir for 52 years and Carl followed him into church service, becoming a Corporate Trustee of the Diocese of Grafton and a Bishop's warden. He was also installed as a lay canon of the Cathedral and served on the Diocesan Synod as a most devoted Anglican.



Carl Schaeffer

It was in sport that I knew him well, admiring him in his many achievements with the Yamba Surf club through the 1930's & 40s. Winning his bronze medallion in 1928 he went on to being Club Captain, Captain of the famous R & R team,

BILL'S COLUMN CONTINUED

Chief Instructor, and later was awarded life membership.

In referring to the "famous" R&R team it was their coming 3rd in the Australian championships in 1934,35,36, that gained them this notoriety. They were country champions for many years. Carl continued his Surf Club association being Chief announcer at surf carnivals for some 20 years at a time when surf carnivals at Yamba attracted big crowds.

Rugby League was another sport in which Carl enjoyed considerable success. He played 1st grade at the local level for 5 years after leaving school at Grafton High. He was chosen Captain of the representative team for Country Week. He still had a gold watch inscribed "Best player Clarence River against N.S.W. in Grafton, July 3 1929.

However it was in golf that Carl enjoyed his greatest success. Whilst still playing football he took up golf in the early 1930s and by 1936 won the club championship. He went on to win the title 6 times. Carl was one of the prime movers in leading the movement to change our golf course from the Grafton race course to its present location on the South Grafton hills in the 1950s. He had also been prominent in developing the Yamba golf course. It was in golf that I developed a close relationship with him, playing with him for about 20 years every Thursday afternoon. He was always a helpful, delightful companion. His wife, Nancy, was also a top golfer.

Being such a true Graftonian one would be surprised if Racing did not become one of Carl's many interests and it was so. He was a long time member of the C.R.J.C. He served as Judge for many years -a tough

job before photo finishes-and was one of the Trustees appointed by the Crown to administer the racecourse. He was always a helpful, delightful companion. His service was recognised when he was appointed a Life member of the C.R.J.C.

Carl passed away in July, 1991, pre-deceased by his daughter, Valerie, survived by wife, Nancy, and sons, Robert and Geoffrey. Let's give thanks for a gentleman Carl Schaeffer who served Grafton and its people.

Bill Dougherty. 19.10.22.

Florence Nightingale continued from Newsletter 174

She wrote around 13,000 letters as part of her campaigns and 200 books, reports and pamphlets after the Crimean War. Her most famous work became a mainstay of nursing education. In the 1870s Florence mentored Linda Richards, who went on to become America's first trained nurse. She was awarded the Royal Red Cross in 1883 and in 1907: and was the first woman to receive the Order of Merit, Britain's highest civilian decoration.

On 13 August, 1910, Florence died at the age of ninety peacefully in her sleep. Rather than the pomp of a Westminster Abbey burial, her relations opted for a simple grave at St Margaret's Church in East Wellow, Hampshire. Without her doggedness and persistence, we may never have had the general acceptance of nursing as a career that we have today. In the current crisis, her extraordinary contribution is felt all the more keenly.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Jacaranda Week

Another Jacaranda Festival completed with a high attendance rate! From the statistics we keep, there has been a big increase in visitors, particularly from overseas. Key places of interest at Schaeffer House to visitors has been the garden and the house overall.

Comments about the marvellous displays, content and tidiness of the house give reflection to the amount of work the volunteers put in every day.

The Jacaranda Display

It was pleasing to see the visitors admiring the Jacaranda displays in the house

End of Year Luncheon

A date and venue has been "biro'd" in for the Society's Christmas Luncheon. With the demise of the usual Xmas venue, Suzanne has found us a new

one. One and all are invited to the CRHS Christmas Luncheon at the Grafton District Services Club, 17 December, 2022, 11:30am for Midday. Cost is \$25 per person and there is a choice of Roasts (Beef or Chicken).

RSVP Secretary on 66425212 by 7 December 2022

Christmas 2022

Where oh! Where did that year go! The volunteers and I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our readers the very best for Christmas and a Happy New Year. We hope that you will have lots to share with your families and create very happy memories. Please stay safe on the roads if you are travelling and we look forward to sharing more history stories with you next year.

Regards
Steve Tranter

DIARY DATES 2023 & ON THIS YEAR

Committee Meetings

Jan 25, Feb 22, Mar 22 (+ AGM) Apr 26, May 24, Jun 28, Jul 26, Aug 23, Sep 27, Oct 25 and Nov 22.

In House Displays

Anzac
Remembrance Day

Open Days

Jacaranda Week
28 October - 6 November 2023

Newsletter/Volunteering

The Clarence River Historical Society welcomes contributions to this newsletter from members.

We also invite any members to come to the house to volunteer in any capacity. Jobs in the Research Room, House and Garden are always available

On this year

1843	First recorded marriage—Henry Wall married Bridget Connel.
1853	First Steam Navigation Company formed.
1863	Big disastrous flood recorded. First harbour works at Clarence Heads.
1883	Grafton Gaslights Co. Formed.
1923	Grafton City Council granted permission to use the Duke of Grafton's 'Coat of Arms'. Ramornie Meat Works ceased.

100 YEARS AGO

Compiled by our Research Officer, Hazel Lawson

Extracts from the Daily Examiner of November, 1922

HOSPITAL TELEPHONE SYSTEM.

Copper wire for a telephone system in the Grafton Hospital has been waiting at that institution for the action of the committee for some time. This wire was purchased by Dr. T J Henry who recognised the necessity of telephone communication between the wards and various buildings at the Hospital. The committee decided to leave the matter in the hands of the house committee to carry out the work, provided the cost does not exceed 30 pounds.

GRAFTON HOSPITAL FARM. From a small plot of Grafton Hospital land, a crop of 160 bags of potatoes have been shipped to Sydney, where it is expected they will find a very good market. The financial results will go to the Hospital, besides which the institution has received a supply of the crop for its own use. A crop of maize is now been tried.

At Manly, Ernest Henry, son of Dr T J Henry, was presented with the Kiernan Memorial Medal in connection with swimming contracts held some time ago. The medal is of Gold and is really a most handsome trophy being likened to an America 20 Dollar gold piece. In the same content, Goya Henry, also a son of DR. T J Henry was second and was awarded a silver medal.

GRAFTON HIGH SCHOOL. Third year students will present SHAKESPEARE'S TWELFTH NIGHT. Tuesday December 12 at 8 pm. Prices Adults 3/-, and 2/-. Children 1/6 and 1/-. E S Davies Principal.

CHRISTMAS STEAMERS. During the Christmas Vacation a fast and accelerated

service will be run from Grafton by North Coast Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. A special Christmas time table has been issued and published.

Wanted to rent during the Christmas Holidays. Furnished Cottage at any sea side place handy to Grafton. E.W.S. "Examiner" Office.

DISTRICT NEWS. COWPER. Mr L Gill, late of Windsor, has started business in Cowper in boot making and repairing and no doubt will fill a much-needed want. Mr Gill is giving his personal attention to the business. He has rented J B Osborne's shop, which is centrally situated in the main street, near the post office and store.

LAWRENCE. A long felt want in the shape of baths for the use of the local school children will be completed within the next few days. The Justice Department has granted the old boat shed for use as dressing sheds.

The first section of a fine new butter factory at Ulmarra is nearing completion. The new churns of which there are three of the latest patterns were used for the first time yesterday, as were the up-to-date pasteurisers and other machinery. The trial run was quite satisfactory. The old buildings are now being dismantled to make room for the section of the new factory.

KRATZ PARK RACING CLUB ULMARRA. (Registered under AJC and NRR, Association rules) Saturday, December 2 1922. First Race:- Novice Handicap four furlongs, Second Race:- Flying Handicap 5 furlongs, Final Handicap 5 furlongs.

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 <i>Isabel Wilkinson</i> .	\$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 - <i>Isabel Wilkinson</i> .	\$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 - <i>Isabel Wilkinson</i>	\$35.00
Four Legs But No Wheels	\$35.00
From Glen Innes to South Grafton: Early Days Along the Old Road by <i>Sheila McLennan</i>.	\$25.00
From Rivertree to the Sea	\$30.00
Grafton Floods to 2011	\$40.00
Heritage In Line	\$25.00
History of Grafton Hospital	\$40.00
Life and Times of Eatonsville by <i>Sheila McLennan</i>.	\$25.00
Memories of Southgate Village by <i>Nita Child</i>.	\$25.00
Men We Have Met	\$30.00
Old Grafton to Glen Innes Road: The Recollections by <i>Sheila McLennan</i> .	\$45.00
Pre 1900 Clarence River Pioneer Register published by CRHS Inc.	\$45.00
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