



MARRICKVILLE HERITAGE SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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OUR NEXT MEETING

Saturday February 22

10.30 a.m. at the Alderman's Room, Petersham Town Hall

Richard Apperly, School of Architecture, University of New South Wales, will give an illustrated talk on 'Australian Architecture from Federation to World War II'.

FUTURE PROGRAMME (to be confirmed)

Saturday March 22

Peter Arnett's Marrickville Mystery Tour Part II

Saturday April 26

Paula Gard will speak on heritage roses

Saturday May 24

Annual General Meeting

Saturday June 28

Dennis Condon will organise a musical morning

NOVEMBER MEETING AND PICNIC

Society members enjoyed viewing some excellent slides of Marrick, most of which were sent to us by Tom Carr of the Richmond (Yorkshire) Civic Society. (Marrick is within Richmond Shire). Tom, who has a house in Marrick, wrote that 'we are all very happy that communication between the two communities [Marrick and Marrickville] has been re-established.'

Some 32 adults and 20 children enjoyed a picnic in Petersham Park. I'm sure all the younger fry would like to thank Chrys for her games and various prizes. The Executive performed well in the adult athletics with our President showing a steady hand in the egg-and-spoon and Gregory Robertson demonstrating great pace out of the blocks with his ingenious one-handed bare-footed sack-race style. Regrettably he snatched defeat out of the jaws of victory when he tripped just before the rope with the line wide open. Thanks are also due to John Fenton-Smith for donating two handsome books for the raffle. The winners were: Laurel Richardson (89a pink) and Andrea Loder (68b orange). Thanks are also due to Anne Carolan and the Social Subcommittee for their effective organisation.

THOMAS CHALDER MYSTERY!

Recently Chrys Meader received a letter from Elizabeth Hodgson from Darlington, Yorkshire. She is writing a history of her family which includes memories of growing up in Marrick. Elizabeth Hodgson enclosed a newspaper clipping about Thomas Chalder, the son of a vicar, who left Marrick in in dubious circumstances and travelled to Australia as a bounty passenger. It is good to get some feed-back from our new friends in Yorkshire. We are making every effort to obtain an accurate picture of Chalder's early life in England before he became a leading property-owner in Marrickville.

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If you are interested in Marrickville and its history you won't want to miss this publication which is bigger, better and brighter than No 1, 1984. You can buy an issue for \$5 from the Marrickville Library. When you join the Society you get the next issue free.

THE NEW YEAR

Happy New Year to all Members from the Publications Committee! This is our 17th Newsletter spanning 3 calendar, and 2 Society, years. Our membership is now approximately 180. We hope that you will enjoy the wide range of activities planned for the coming year.

ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL FAIR AND MARKET DAY

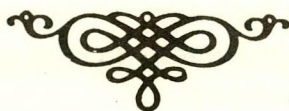
The Rotary Club of Marrickville will hold its second Annual International Fair and Market Day on **Saturday March 8**. There will be continuous entertainment throughout the day in Marrickville Road, between Victoria and Illawarra roads. Special guests will include Humphrey B. Bear and the Green Dragon. Our Society will again have a stall to disseminate Bicentennial merchandise. Chrys Meader would appreciate some volunteers to assist at the stall. (See the back page for her address and phone number).

HERITAGE WEEK, APRIL 13-20

After the success of last year's **Concert** at St Brigid's Church, another is planned for **Friday April 11**. For the youngsters and the young at heart, there will be a **Bush Dance** of the Marrickville Town Hall on **Saturday April 19**. More details in the next Newsletter.

COOK'S RIVER FESTIVAL, APRIL 27

New members are urgently needed for the Cook's River Festival Committee which has organised this annual festival since 1975. The aim of the festival is to promote interest and awareness of the river's history and potential. Contact Chrys for more details.



MORE ON 'HERITAGE'

Articles in this issue include: 'A Trip to Marrick'; 'Petersham, Stanmore, Dulwich Hill, Marrickville: What's in a Name?'; 'Pubs'; 'Jean Moncur of Moncur Street'; "'By Tranquil Waters" and Cook's River'; 'The Petersham Estate'; 'Early History of Stanmore'; 'Bayview House, Tempe'; 'History of the "Winged Victory"'; 'St Peter's Church, Cook's River'; 'The Gannon's of Tempe Part 2'; 'Memories of Fort Street Petersham'. **Errata.** Our apologies to Drs J.P. and F.M. Morgan who now operate the Fort Street Petersham practice; they were inadvertantly referred to as 'Moorhouse'.

\$100,000 MARRICKVILLE ARCHIVAL GRANT

Last November Marrickville Council received a State Government Bicentennial Grant to set up a local archives study centre in the old Council Chambers at the Petersham Town Hall. The project involves restoration of the old Council Chambers and existing art deco furnishings and the microfilming and re-binding of the archival collection. The project is to commence this year and is scheduled for completion in 1988. When the Archives are 'open' to the public we will be able to find out a lot more information about your house and street.

NEW MEMBERS

Nigel Butterley, Anthony Griffin, Helen Harvey, Jacqueline Isles, Tom Kennedy, Elizabeth LLOYD, Mary-Ann McDonough, Sally Murray and family, Ronald Myers, Newtown Chamber of Commerce, Michael Pearce, W. Sutton, Gordon Telfer.

HOW TO JOIN THE SOCIETY

It's only \$7 for individuals, \$10 for households and institutions, \$2 for pensioners and students. In addition, you will receive copies of the monthly Newsletter and **Heritage**, published annually each November. Post your subscriptions to Chrys Meader, our Secretary, at Marrickville Library, Marrickville Town Hall, 2204. (Phone 560-9333 Ext 282). You don't have to wait until the AGM or the end of the financial year. Our 'rolling membership' enables you to remain financial for twelve months from the time you join.