

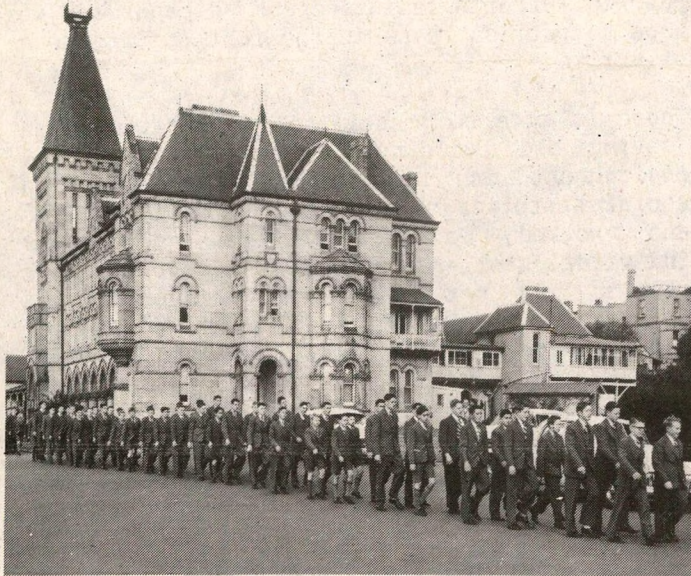
MARRICKVILLE

HERITAGE

SOCIETY

Covering Dulwich Hill, Enmore, Lewisham,
Sydenham, Tempe and parts of Newtown.

Marrickville, Petersham, St Peters, Stanmore,
Camperdown and Hurlstone Park.



Newington pupils marching to chapel about
1960.

OUR NEXT MEETING TOUR OF NEWINGTON COLLEGE

Saturday November 30, 10.30am
Meet outside Newington College,
Stanmore Rd, Stanmore

If you've ever wondered what's behind the stately sandstone walls of Newington College, here's your chance. At our next meeting Newington Chaplain and Archivist Dr Peter Swain will conduct a guided tour of the college buildings, old and new. The college was originally established at Silverwater on the Parramatta River in the 1860s and moved to its present site in 1880 when college president Rev J.H. Fletcher, headmaster Joseph Coates, two assistant masters, 70 pupils, together with furniture and equipment were transported by water to Abbotsford and then overland by cart to Stanmore. Students from more than 50 nationalities now attend the college.

Newington has a rich variety of architecture. The original building, now known as the Founders Block, was designed by Thomas Rowe and built in the late 1870s with an impressive stone colonnade and bell tower. The garden war memorial was designed by William Hardy Wilson and the modern chapel has stunning stained glass. Since our last visit to Newington in

1987 the college has acquired a new arts centre and the old church has been converted to a drama centre. Parking is available in the grounds, through the entrance opposite the Concordia Club - tell the gateman you're from the MHS. Don't forget to bring lunch for the picnic after the tour.

Please note: This meeting is being held on the fifth Saturday of the month not the fourth as is usually the case.

CHRISTMAS PICNIC

All members and their families are invited to attend our Christmas picnic which this year will be held in the magnificent grounds of Newington College following our November meeting. The picnic should get under way around 1pm in the Wyvern play area near the Stanmore Road entrance. Please bring along a picnic lunch and the Society will provide soft drinks, entertainment, Christmas cake, games and, we hope, a visit from Santa.

COMING EVENTS

POT LUCK CHRISTMAS DINNER
Tuesday December 17, 7pm

This year's pot luck dinner will be held at the home of member Sylvia Hale. Her Petersham house was originally built as the official residence of the American Consul Mr G.W. Griffin in the 1870s. This grand Victorian villa will provide an elegant setting for our members' evening. Drinks will be served at 7pm and dinner at 8pm. A non-alcoholic punch and a leg of ham will be provided by the executive. Members are asked to bring along a plate of food. The evening is also B.Y.O. drinks. If you would like to come along please advise Geoff on 568 3029

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HISTORY OF CAMPERDOWN

Chrys Meader, Marrickville's Local Studies Librarian, will give a talk on the history of Camperdown to C.R.A.G. (Camperdown Residents Action Group) at 8.00 pm, Wednesday 20 November. Venue: Chrissie Cotter Hall, Pidcock St, off Mallett St, Camperdown. The Hall is below the Bowling Club and next to the Grasshopper Tennis Courts. For further information contact Sue Miller, 519 9988



CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

7.30-9.30 Wednesday 11 December
The Bandstand, Camperdown Oval
Mallett Street, Camperdown

EVENING ON THE HARBOUR

Monday December 30, meet at 5.45pm

Join us for a delightful evening harbour cruise on the yacht *Silver Spray* to celebrate the new year. The cost is \$20 per head and the cruise suits all ages. The yacht leaves Man-O-War steps on the east side of the Opera House at 6pm sharp and returns at 10pm. Bring your own refreshments for a twilight picnic on Clark Island. Numbers are strictly limited. Bookings to Anne on 417 4862.

NEW MEMBERS

Paul F. Hynes, Marrickville; Ian Phillips, Marrickville; Simon and Anne-Maree Johnson, Marrickville; Sam Nadile, Earlwood; Dorothy Blyth, Stanmore; Diersendorf family, Dulwich Hill; Iain Carolin, Sydenham; Dorothy Skinner, Marrickville; Norma Hayman, Marrickville; Megan Hicks and family, Stanmore; Sandra Hatzl, Dulwich Hill; Angela Collins and Rod Koloc, Marrickville West; Christine Gibbons, Petersham; Adrian Clarke and Cyrus Dumasia, St Peters.

FROM THE PRESIDENT RECORDING ORAL HISTORIES

The deaths this year of three of our senior members Maisie Cox, Ronald Sawkins and Amy Needham bring into sharp focus the importance of recording the personal histories and memories of our longtime residents. Maisie lived in Marrickville for more than 50 years while Amy spent almost all her 101 years in the area. They undoubtedly saw many changes in that time. Fortunately Ronald's son John has put his father's reminiscences on paper and we hope to publish these in the forthcoming issue of *Heritage*.

There is more to preserving our heritage than "saving old buildings". Although the built environment is undoubtedly important, the social histories of the people who have lived and worked in Marrickville and their individual stories are just as important. Such stories may not have great historical or political significance but they enrich our understanding of the past. I would like to hear from members who are interested in forming an oral history group, either to record their own life story or to help others record theirs. Please phone me on 560 1751.

- Judith Matheson.

OUR LAST MEETING ART DECO SYDNEY

Art Deco is a popular subject, if the unusually large turn-out at the society's last meeting is anything to go by. A full report on the meeting will be included in the bumper December-January issue of the Newsletter!

HOW TO SUBSCRIBE

It's only \$12 for individuals, \$18 for households and institutions and \$6 for students and pensioners. You will receive copies of our Newsletter (either posted or delivered

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