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From the Editor's Desk

In the previous issue of the *Newsletter* we reported on the water mill built by John Cannan on Waterfall Gully Creek. Since then we have heard Don Goldney speak about John Dunn who built his first water mill at Bridgewater. Dunn later built in other areas of the State as cereal growing expanded. This issue has an early photo of Dunn's mill at Bridgewater.

We are always grateful for members and friends providing information on areas of interest that help to record our history. If you have things relevant to Burnside's history, then please contact me at esmyth@adam.com.au or on 8332 8019 if you can help.

Thanks go to the *Newsletter* Committee members for their contributions and support during the year. Also to Shirley Sumerling and her band of deliverers who have seen that all members receive their *Newsletter* promptly.

Wishing you all a safe and happy Christmas time and looking forward to seeing you all again in the New Year.

Elaine Smyth (Editor)

* Deadline for March 2014 Newsletter is 24 January.

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The Society gratefully acknowledges annual grant funding from the City of Burnside to support the production of this *Newsletter*.

President's Message

Our speakers for August to October, Jim Everett, Don Goldney and Geoffrey Bishop, emphasised the history and development of specific areas of the colony of South Australia, by men of vision, Charles Campbell, John Dunn and Dr W.T Angove. Some of their ventures involved agriculture pursuits. The traditional festive supper followed the November meeting, a presentation about our Oral History Project, which was supported by a \$500 grant from the Historical Society of South Australia. We were pleased to have present some of the interviewees from the project present at the meeting and we have applied for a further grant for Stage 2 of the project. The Society provided two digital recorders and support for Anne Both and me to attend one day of the History SA 21st State Conference conducted concurrently with the National Oral History Association Conference.

The bus trip to Willunga in November was an opportunity to have time to socialise and discover what the local National Trust is recording and promoting through the old Courthouse, the new Slate Museum and Bassett's Schoolhouse. Thanks to **Anne and Ross Both** for organising the tour and providing the commentary. Thank you to **Margaret and Ally Preiss** for conducting the Knightsbridge Spring walk and **Colin Harris** for the Beaumont walk. The 2014 program and trips will be included in future *Newsletters*. On 20 January we will tour St Peter's Cathedral followed by dinner at a nearby hotel.

The Society's meetings and events are publicised on our website www.burnsidehistory.org.au and by email to the History SA network. **Colin Harris and Elaine Smyth** update and add to the website details. The website has several new features – the beginnings of a photo gallery on the Homepage and the addition of an electronic Membership Form. If possible, the Direct Transfer of funds to pay for subscriptions and events is the preferred means of payment.

Committee members have been busy planning and organising meetings, events and keeping you informed of history-related matters. You will have seen them providing assistance with various tasks – **Margaret Beare** with name badges, **Ally Preiss** as Treasurer **Richard House's** assistant and **Anne Both** and **Geraldine Treloar** assisting where necessary. In particular, thanks to **Sandra Lachlan** for preparing the

information table each meeting. **John Love**, with support from **Derek Bransbury**, records monthly meetings. John organises the transfer of the recordings to digital format, copies of which are available in the Local History Room. **June Ward** has continued as the Committee's Minute Secretary and we thank her for her faithful service. **Glen Cowley** has regularly collected the key to open up the Community Centre and, with the help of others, set up the hall. Thanks to those members and **Ken Lawson** who is also providing assistance. **Hazel Newton** has been Supper Convenor for many years and we are appreciative of the service she and her regular helpers have provided. **Glen Woodward's** colourful floral displays always brighten up the hall.

Ross Both, Colin Harris and I are continuing to examine practical ways to reopen Wheal Watkins for public tours. I appreciate Ross and Colin's perseverance and wise counsel on this longstanding matter. We have been encouraged by a recent report on the mine which was funded through the generosity of our late member, John Clark and, in part, by the Society's past mine tours earnings.

The Committee appreciates your encouragement and attendance at meetings and on excursions. Many of our members cannot attend meetings regularly, but we know that they enjoy reading the quarterly newsletters which are of a consistently high standard, thanks to Editor **Elaine Smyth**. Thanks also goes to all those who have written reports on events during the year. We thank the Burnside Council for the grant that enabled us to continue to produce this newsletter in 2013.

Remember: We don't just want to maintain our membership but to grow, so please make it your New Year's Resolution to introduce our Society to a friend and/or relative or maybe someone new to the City of Burnside. Give them a Membership brochure or our website address and invite them along. They are welcome to our general meetings and to activities.

Meredith Ide, JP

A warm welcome goes out to our new members Jan and Bryan Harris. Hope you can enjoy our friendship and interest in the history of the City of Burnside.

Program of MEETINGS and EVENTS for 2014

MEETINGS of the Burnside Historical Society are held in the Burnside Community Centre, corner of Portrush Road and Fisher Street, Tusmore (car park and entrance off Fisher Street) at **7.30 pm** on the third Monday of the month, unless an alternative time or venue is notified. Admission is free and supper provided. Visitors are most welcome.

Monday 20 January, 5.30 pm

Guided tour of St Peter's Cathedral, North Adelaide

Our January meeting will be a tour around this historic building. The Anglican Cathedral was built in Gothic Revival style which was popular in the second half of the 19th century. Tour leaders from St Peter's Cathedral will describe the history of the building, directing attention to the varied stained glass windows, the woodwork carved in English oak and a range of artefacts.

Family and friends of members are welcome, including to an optional dinner afterwards at The Sussex Hotel, Walkerville from 7.30 pm.

For details see the enclosed flyer.

Bookings close Friday 13 December.

Monday 17 February – Richard Venus

Edward Maurice Grant – The Forgotten Electrical Pioneer

There were a number of significant events in the establishment of electricity supply in South Australia including the first installation of electric lighting, the supply of power to Adelaide's first electric street light, the supply of power to Adelaide's first electricity consumer, and the formation of the company which became Adelaide's first electricity supplier. One man alone was responsible for all of these achievements, and more, but his story has been largely consigned to

the back pages of history. Richard's presentation, first given at the SA Engineering Heritage Conference in 2013, will correct that oversight.

Richard is currently Chairman of the Engineering Heritage SA Committee and Vice President of the History Council of South Australia. Richard gained his interest in engineering heritage when he worked for the Electricity Trust of SA and became its unofficial historian. In 2009 his illustrated guide to the *Engineering Heritage of the City of Adelaide* was published. One section of the guide deals with electricity supply, but the story he will relate in his address came as a surprise, revealed only during his research into the electrical engineering career of Sir Charles Todd.

Monday 17 March – Dr Keryn Walshe

Nineteenth century post-contact Adelaide archaeology

Post-contact archaeology in the Adelaide region commenced with the arrival of whalers and sealers off Kangaroo Island and Fleurieu Peninsula around 1800. The next one hundred years witnessed the dynamic growth and development of a Victorian-era Adelaide. The archaeology of this century will be presented in overview by looking at sites such as the Adelaide Gaol and the new Royal Adelaide Hospital.

Keryn is a Senior Research Fellow in the School of Humanities Faculty at Flinders University and a Researcher for Archaeology at the South Australian Museum. She is currently President of the Anthropological Society of South Australia.

Monday 21 April - David Wyatt

Searching Coromandel Valley's history

David's talk will present some aspects of Coromandel Valley history that prepare the way for the bus tour to take place in History Month (May) 2014. In the course of his address he will focus on some of the early European pioneers and their colonial homes, land use in the Valley over time and highlights of the Valley's golden age when it was a commercial precinct of some importance.

David is currently Secretary of the Coromandel Valley & Districts Branch of the National Trust and a Volunteer at the Mitcham Heritage Research Centre. His professional background and career has been in the teaching of literature and academic administration in South Australia's tertiary education sector. His interest in the history of Coromandel Valley has seen him develop, amongst other things, detailed databases relating to property transactions and school enrolments.

Monday 19 May – Anne Both
Who Killed William Hyde?

Monday 16 June - Pam Gray
The Teapot and The Bible

Monday 21 July – David O'Loughlin
Art Deco

Monday 18 August - Alan Hartley
They Crossed the World to Settle in South Australia – A Song writers View

Monday 15 September – Lyn O'Grady
Kennion House – the Anglican Boys' Home in Walkerville

Monday 20 October – Dr Geoffrey Bishop
Mary Penfold

Monday 17 November – Christeen Schoepf
South Australia's cheer Up Society

Day and Half Day Trips

Visit to Coromandel Valley

A walk along the historic shopping precinct of Prospect

Flower Power: George Smith an Adelaide Landscape

Monday 17 June 2013

In England George Smith qualified as a gardener and worked for Sutton English seed merchants and Veitch Nurseries. He was well known and highly respected. He arrived in South Australia in 1883 with wife Ellen and three daughters. Later, three sons were born. His first wife passed away in 1908, and he then married Elizabeth Gurr in 1911. Veitch Nurseries employed people to travel the world collecting new exciting trees, shrubs and flowers. Many were planted in the gardens of the grand estates of England's wealthy.

George probably came to South Australia because several of Veitch's trained nurserymen had settled and worked here. Some of the gardens that George designed and laid out were *Barton Vale*, Enfield for William and Elizabeth Brooks, *Eurilla*, Mt Lofty for Sir William Milne and *Broadlees*, Crafers for Sir George Brookman. George established his own nursery in 1890 on eight acres of land between Heathfield and Longwood roads. At his Heathfield Nursery George's legacy was to show how it was possible to propagate English and exotic plants in an Australian environment.

In 1896 Hills landowners, head gardeners and local nurserymen formed the Mount Lofty Gardeners' Association. The name changed in 1907 to Mount Lofty Horticultural and Floricultural Society. Members met to exchange knowledge and ideas about plants and garden design. Hills owners often travelled overseas in winter returning with new species. Flower shows were also popular, often being held in the local Hills institutes. Competition was fierce amongst the nurserymen. George gained particular fame for his strains of Delphiniums.

George contributed his time and expertise to local community projects. Amongst other things he was instrumental in the Stirling District Council planting oak trees, including an avenue of honour in 1915 for men of the Stirling District who had enlisted for service.

George passed away in August 1922 and is buried with his first wife Ellen at Aldgate. Sadly, none of his diaries or records have ever been found. After George passed away the business went to his son Percy. After Percy died it

went to his son Beverley, continuing with much the same type of stock as his grandfather and father cultivated.

Members of the Mt Lofty Historical Society joined us to hear Kate Walsh's well-researched paper.

Ally Preiss

Have you enjoyed the cup of tea or coffee after our meetings? Not to mention the biscuits. Thanks go to Hazel Newton and her band of helpers during the year for providing this service. It gives our members the opportunity to chat to one another and the helpers as well!

Future of the Royal Adelaide Hospital Heritage Precinct

Monday 15 July 2013

Marcus Beresford's theme spanned a time frame from the first use of the site in 1855. His approach was from an *outsider's conservation viewpoint*. Some in the audience had practical medical, nursing or other experience spanning many years. My own is an example – I've worked in the hospital's Heritage Office for the last 17 years, creating their record of photographs!

His introduction contained an apology – his computer had crashed recently and the lost contents included photographs. Nevertheless, the ones shown were good (e.g. different views of Bice Building and others I hadn't seen). The supporting text for each slide clearly outlined his theme.

The Margaret Graham Nurses Home is the oldest building on the site

(opened 1911) and several slides extolled its features. The Women's Health Centre (1929 – formerly Outpatients) on the corner of North Terrace and Frome Road was next. Historical background information on both buildings was included. Both buildings are protected by State and Local Heritage listings and are the *only two protected on the site*.

Several other iconic buildings along North Terrace and Frome Road (including the Medical School and the Dental Hospital) were described. There was extensive historical background information for many. He also included their architects, plus their backgrounds and places in the Adelaide scene. He was particularly enthusiastic about the East Wing (opened 1962) and spent time (and photographs) promoting its features. When it was built it was the largest hospital building of its kind in the southern hemisphere. The hospital precinct was discussed with the three big cores built in the 1960s expansion nominated for demolition.

An important segment was his description of the **heritage significance** of the RAH, including:

- some of the architecture
- associations with a huge number of important people (names were mentioned of patients, staff and events)
- important associations for the community (SA + interstate + overseas)
- huge money was spent which embodied wealth and energy
- the precinct meeting seven of the SA Heritage Places Act criteria.

Finally he presented his own ideas for future possible uses of the buildings he nominated. These included a Florey museum of medicine/human health; an aged care/wellness centre; a hotel with public restaurants (Margaret Graham); apartments (East Wing) and others.

Barbara Parker PSM

Did you know that the two Misses Cook, daughters of William Cook farmer of Sydenham, in the City of Campbelltown were gifted teachers/ One was Mrs Hübbe, the head of her own School in Statenborough Street Leabrook and .the other, her assistant, Miss Harriet Cook.

The Honourable John Dunn: ‘the father’ of Mount Barker

Monday 19 August 2013

A chilly winter evening may have reduced the number present, but it did not reduce their appreciation of Don Goldney’s absorbing reflection on the life and times of the Honourable John Dunn, ‘The Father of Mt Barker’.

Don, the Chairman of the Mt. Barker Branch of the National Trust, presented a well- researched and sympathetic picture of a boy from Devon who became the richest man in his adopted Hills town and a well-known philanthropist in the Colony. Noting that the *Mt. Barker Courier* coined the admiring term ‘Father’ in announcing his death on 13 October 1894, Don listed a few of the things that made him a household name in Mt Barker and the colony:

- A deeply religious and extremely humble man, Dunn provided the land for the town’s Wesleyan and Primitive Methodist Churches, as well as the Methodist and Catholic cemeteries (sadly, the first burial was his daughter Eliza.)
- A member of the House of Assembly from 1857-1868 and the Legislative Council from 1869-1877 with a focus on roads, bridges and land transactions
- Chairman of the local council for 2 years
- The first and largest contributor to the Mt. Barker Institute, built in 1874, he was also one of its first trustees; in 1879 he built 10 Salem Cottages for widows and spinsters, a venture that required a special Act of Parliament.
- In 1884 he gifted, as a ‘thank you’ offering, the Dunn Memorial Church, with all its fittings and pipe organ, to the Wesleyan Methodist Church (\$2 million in today’s currency)
- He and son John were involved in the establishment of Prince Alfred College, where there was a Dunn Scholarship from 1894–1948.

Don then concentrated on John Dunn the master miller who built his first mill in 1844. This grew eventually to 13 mills in various locations such as Bridgewater (still famous today), Nairne, Port Adelaide, Quorn, Hawker and Wolseley. It was essentially a family business with his sons and in-laws

contributing. Don listed a number of reasons for the success of the Dunn milling business where others failed. Perhaps the most potent was the frugality and conservative outlook of its founder, who kept a watchful and fatherly eye on all aspects of the company.

Eventually the business expanded from mere milling to being a flour merchant servicing, among others, miners on the various goldfields. It was questioned why the successful Dunn and Co. failed so quickly after the death of its founder. The answer lay primarily in the fact that all of the partners had died before their patriarch and his grandchildren lacked the necessary business acumen and milling experience.

Don dwelt at some length on Dunn's two wives – Ann (nee Rowe), who was a wonderful helpmate and support in the demanding early days, and Jane (nee Williams) who shared enthusiastically in many of the benefactions around the district. Unfortunately, on her death in 1929, the landmark property *The Laurels* was sold by the executors of John junior's will without any of the family being given the opportunity to purchase it.

Don concluded his tribute by reiterating that the grand old man could so rightly be called 'The Father of Mt Barker'.

Peter Davies

Errata: September 2013 Newsletter

The second paragraph of the article about the Survey of Plaques should read that Barbara Parker handed the books to the Mayor and not Drew Treloar.

On page 17 the last line is missing in the reference to additional information in the erratum box. It should read that Osmond Gilles named his Glen Osmond vineyard in honour of Mary Woodley Giles.

And on page 10 the last sentence of the first paragraph should read that after a public meeting confirmed this interest, the Society was then formed.

Charles Campbell's backyard – then and now

Monday 16 September 2013

Jim Everett has lived in Campbelltown for over forty years and was foundation President of the Campbelltown Historical Society. His address to an appreciative audience demonstrated the depth of his knowledge of Campbelltown and its early European settlement.

Charles Fox Campbell was born on the Isle of Skye in 1811 and subsequently migrated with his family to Sydney. Orphaned at 16, he completed his education and continued his family's involvement in pastoral pursuits. In 1838 he came to Adelaide as a member of Joseph Hawdon's party, overlanding cattle from New South Wales. It would seem that he judged South Australia to have good prospects because he soon became involved in a pastoral venture near Burra.

In 1842 he bought two eighty acre sections on the River Torrens and established himself on the land, extending an existing cottage into a town house he called *Lochend*, named after a family estate in Scotland. *Lochend* was surrounded by four acres of garden, with the balance presumably used for cropping and grazing. In 1849 he subdivided 140 acres into 40 gardening blocks under the name *Campbelltown* and in the following year he married Martha Levi, sister of the well-known pastoralist and Adelaide businessman Philip Levi. By now Campbell was established, successful and well-connected in Adelaide colonial circles. Building on his prosperity, he sold *Lochend* in 1858 to James Scott from New South Wales and purchased from Philip Levi *North West Bend* Station on the Murray near present day Morgan. Sadly for the family, his time there was short for in 1859 he died of blood poisoning after a laceration on his hand became septic.

Meanwhile, the gardening blocks that Campbell had created developed steadily, attracting services and infrastructure to the area, so much so that by the 1860s the residents had combined with those of adjacent Athelstone to petition for their own local government administration. Their case was accepted and the newly created District Council of Campbelltown, named in honour of Charles Campbell, held its first meeting on 2 March 1868. Subsequently, much of Campbelltown continued as market gardens well into the mid twentieth century. Inevitably, however, subdivisions commenced in the 1950s and accelerated in the 1960s to a point where

there is now little evidence remaining of the original market gardens.

Campbell's house has fared better though than the market gardens. After enlarging *Lochend* to 11 rooms and surrounding it with stables, a coach house and vegetable and fruit gardens, James Scott had sold *Lochend* to retired pastoralist David Mundy and it was Mundy who built the two storey house *Lochiel Park* on a rise just to the south of *Lochend*. Subsequently, members of the Hobbs family occupied both houses before selling to the State Government in 1947, with *Lochiel Park* becoming a junior boys' reformatory. *Lochend* deteriorated significantly over this time and in the early 1980s ownership was transferred to Campbelltown Council. Entered on the State Heritage Register in 1983, it was to be over twenty years before a combination of State and Commonwealth funding saw it restored to near original condition and opened to the public on 29 February 2004.

Colin Harris PSM

Burnside Village

In the June 2012 edition of SA Life, on page 56, there was an article about the history of the current Burnside Village and the involvement of the Cohen family in its development since the 1970s. The article was given to Judith Millman of Renmark by her brother and it has prompted her to recall some of her memories of living in the vicinity in the 1950s. She hopes these recollections are useful to you in piecing together the history of that small section of Greenhill Road. It was good to reminisce about a relatively short, but important part, of her family history.

In about the middle of 1954 my parents, Rosa and Royle Foreman, bought a small business on Greenhill Road. Travelling west from Portrush Road, there was the Glenside Post Office on the corner. Next there was a block of six shops – Adcock's Real Estate, a hairdresser, Monreith Private Library, our shop, a butcher, and a grocer. Then there was a vacant block followed by the Demasius store. I do not remember a bakery, but I do remember the doctor's house. On one occasion I went there to play with his daughter.

She had a doll's house we could walk into, and I believe it had running water and electricity – quite amazing to this then 10 year old.

There was a roundabout on the corner of Portrush Road and Greenhill Road. It was built inside a concrete circle about 30 cm high, and a number of vehicles collided with it, especially late on Saturday nights or very early Sunday mornings. My brothers witnessed a sedan losing control, mounting the roundabout, and finishing in the middle of it. My mother rang the ambulance on many occasions. The accidents were particularly bad when the vehicle in question was a motor bike. Some years later I had a nasty fright when a vehicle in which I was passenger turned right from Greenhill Road into Portrush Road, taking the roundabout anti-clockwise!

Our shop sold cards, ice-creams and cool drinks, chocolates and lollies, cigarettes and tobacco, and books for adults and children. In addition, we were a sub-agency for the newsagent, and sold newspapers, comics, Australian magazines, and English magazines, quite a number of which were pre-ordered. We had a large pigeon hole system for the pre-ordered magazines, and sometimes I was sent to Gordon and Gotch in Currie Street to pick up the parcel of overseas magazines. I also went to G and R Wills in Gawler Place (near David Jones) to pick up items for the shop. Mum took a lot of care with her choice of cards, choosing ones with meaningful words. If she thought they were a little unappealing on the front, she used glue and glitter to improve their appearance. Word spread, and people came from some distance to buy her cards.

On August 10th, 1954, our family moved to two flats behind the shop. The first flat opened from the shop. It had a small kitchen and a large dining room and blocked off passage, both of which were used as stores. It also had a small sitting room (lounge), a bedroom, bathroom, and laundry. The back door led to a small paved yard, a garden, the other flat, which also had a small garden, and a sleep-out. The yard had a second entrance, which ran alongside the grocer's shop and through a gate. The sleep-out was attached to a shed which the grocer used as a store, and was my bedroom for a while. The yards of both flats finished with a fence that ran along the back lane that came off Portrush Road in between the back of the Post Office and the block of shops pictured in the article. My brothers slept in the kitchen of the second flat, and eventually the bedroom of that flat became my bedroom.

We lived there for approximately 5 years. During that time, my brothers and I played on the large empty block between the back of our properties, and Cator Street. There was a creek at the far side, but it didn't often have water. It was more of a drain, and disappointing to children who had come from Clapham where we had played in a permanent creek at Lynton. We also built a rudimentary tree house in one of the two almond trees in the back yards – more a case of planks across some branches than a tree house, but a lot of fun. At some stage in those five years the National Bank placed a transportable building on the vacant block between the grocery and Demasius businesses.

My brothers also became newspaper boys, and sold papers after school on the corner of Portrush Road and Greenhill Road, in front of the Council Chambers. I looked after the shop while Dad had his tea, as it wasn't regarded at the time as seemly for a girl to be selling papers on the street corner. The shop stayed open on Burnside Town Hall dance nights to serve ice creams and cool drinks to the interval crowd, and as I got older I was allowed to stay up to help. One of my brothers remembers being woken by an angry dance crowd on our first Saturday at the shop, demanding their usual refreshments, as Dad hadn't realised the shop usually stayed open.

Judith Millman

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What is to become of the existing RAH site?

What is its future?

It is a vast area. It has been the place of Adelaide's first and largest public hospital since 1855. In April 2016, it will become the "Old RAH Site". That is when the new hospital is due to open at the western end of North Terrace.

To help plan for the future, the SA Government set up a competition for architects to present their ideas. One hundred and twenty-six entries were received from all over the world – six of these were selected to further develop their proposal. Each in co-operation with a firm of Adelaide architects then competed for final selection. The competition closed on 8th November 2013. Two weeks later the proposals were published with the opportunity for public participation.

Of the six finalists, one was from Victoria, another from Queensland and a third from New South Wales. The successful entrants from overseas for this stage were from Columbia, Slovakia and Germany.

By the time you are reading this account, the decision in the competition will have been announced. The winner will receive \$200,000 and will then work with *Renewal SA* in developing the next stage. The second prize is \$70,000 and the third \$30,000. The People's Choice winner will receive \$10,000. The government budgetted \$1.5 million for the competition and associated costs.

Dr Peter Hetzel
Chairman, Royal Adelaide Hospital
Heritage Committee

BHS member Anne Both will address the Society in May next year with a very topical story about Constable Hyde, killed on duty at Marryatville in 1909. Members will be aware of a current controversy about the memorial to his memory and the future of the adjacent reserve.

**Biennial National Conference of Oral History
Association of Australia
Held in conjunction with 21st State History
Conference University of South Australia,
21-24 September 2013**

Report for Saturday 21 September

The program for the day was a varied one with talks ranging across a number of topics in history of place and society and the ways in which oral histories can facilitate learning and community development.

Themes included community renewal, validation of difference, use of theatrical presentation derived from oral history transcription, community development through networking advocacy and the ways in which groups have spent holidays in a particular place over time.

Groups which were the subject of these themes included Aboriginals, Gay Men, Older Persons and Women Volunteers in the first half of the 20th century.

The Friday afternoon, prior to the conference start, offered a number of visits for delegates. My choice was a Crime and Punishment Tour of West Terrace Cemetery. This included a viewing of the remains of the original crematorium. On Path 19 was William Wyatt's grave (a Burnside resident) whose only son was murdered by Burnside farm labourer James Slape, who later hanged himself at Adelaide Gaol.

I appreciated the opportunity provided by the Society to attend this conference.

Anne Both

*Wishing you a Merry Christmas
and Happy New Year*

OBJECTIVES—The objectives of the Society shall be:

- * to arouse interest in and to promote the study and discussion of Australian and South Australian history and in particular, the history of the City of Burnside;
- * to promote the collection, recording, preservation and classification of works, source material and artefacts of all kinds relating to Burnside history;
- * to assist in the protection and preservation of buildings, works and sites of historical significance in the City of Burnside;
- * to co-operate with similar societies and other bodies throughout Australia;
- * to do all such other things as are conducive or incidental to the attainment of any of the above objectives.

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Membership fees: are \$37 family and \$25 single, due in April each year and may be sent to the Treasurer at the Society's address (above), paid at a monthly meeting or by a direct bank transfer.

Front Cover:

Bridgewater Mill, showing the water wheel, two children playing in foreground. 1907

A back-shot watermill of the kind constructed on Waterfall Gully Creek, Burnside in the late 1830s.

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