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The Toll House at Glen Osmond 1841-1847

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The BHS Bulletin

Editorial

Welcome to our first bulletin for 2020.
We are sending these out in between the regular quarterly newsletters. These bulletins will keep you informed of the latest activities and news of the Burnside Historical Society. If you have any news that you would like included in the next Bulletin please email it to 'burnsidehistoricalsoc@gmail.com'.

In this bulletin we have some news from your committee, information on the meetings in February & March, a reminder of our Heritage Festival items—the two Wheal Watkins tours and the May meeting, as well as what is happening in the society.

Derek Bransbury and Margaret Ford
Joint Editors

Meeting Programme 2020

Meetings are at 7.30pm in the Coralie Soward Hall, Burnside Community Centre.

We are celebrating 40 years of promoting and recording the History in the City of Burnside.

Monday 17 February - Bruce Munday
"See Mum - no mortar". Dry stone walls in rural South Australia.

Monday 16 March - Darren Peacock & Melissa Ballantyne
Planning and Heritage Protection with reference to the City of Burnside

Monday 20 April 7.30- AGM followed by Helen Chadwick
Burnside in the Archives: researching local government at State Records

Monday 18 May - Ash Wright
The Lewis Family: from Burra to Benacre and Beyond

Monday 15 June - Stephen Larkins OAM (Colonel ret.)
The Virtual War Memorial - the Burnside connection

Monday 20 July - Anne & Ross Both
Osmond Gilles: Colonial Treasurer and Businessman, Pastoralist and Philanthropist

Monday 17 August - BHS 40th Anniversary Celebration with Colin Harris
Growing up in Burnside - memories, stories and anecdotes

Monday 21 September - Stuart Symons
Modernist Adelaide: Hip and Happening architecture 1950s-1970s including Burnside

Monday 19 October - Geoffrey Bishop
Icon of the Barossa - Chateau Tanunda: the origin of a grand winery

Monday 16t November - John Foumakis
"The Antiques Road Show" comes to Burnside

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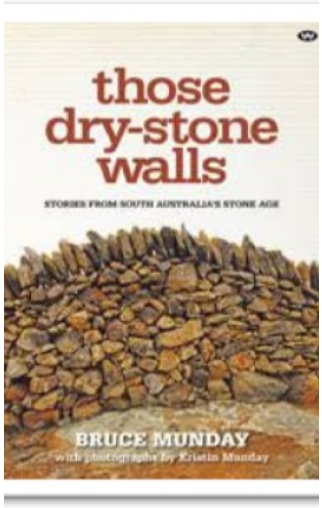
Special points of interest:

- SA heritage Festival in May—we have several activities programmed.
- **See pages 2 and 4**

Our February Meeting



Those Dry-stone Walls Stories from South Australia's Stone Age Bruce Munday, Kristin Munday Wakefield Press

Those Dry-Stone Walls

Bruce Munday is speaking at the Burnside Historical Society meeting on Monday 17 February 2020. We are asking BHS members and friends to find examples of dry-stone walls (no mortar) within the City of Burnside. Please also look out for examples of stone walls such as fences and buildings made with mortar. Record where you found them and, if possible, take a photograph that can be shown on the screen at the February meeting. If you are able to discover the history of the wall or building in question and speak briefly about it at the meeting, that would be appreciated. These details may be published in a future Newsletter.

Our March Meeting

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7:30 pm Monday 16 March 2020

Planning and heritage protection

Presented by Melissa Ballantyne and Dr Darren Peacock

Like many councils, Burnside has in its current Development Plan a listing of contributory items, buildings which collectively add to a historic area's character. A new Planning and Design Code is proposed to take effect from 1 July 2020 and there is a high level of community concern about whether historic conservation zones and contributory items will retain their current level of protection.

Melissa Ballantyne works for both the Environmental Defender's Office and the National Trust and has a keen interest in the preservation of our natural and built heritage through law and legal policy reform. She has been closely following the planning reform process and is an active commentator on the issues that are arising. Darren Peacock is the Chief Executive Officer of the National Trust of South Australia, a role he has held since 2015.

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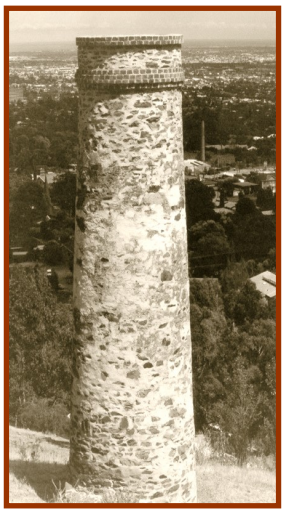
Wheal Watkins Tours, Glen Osmond Sat 9 and Sun 24 May 2020 at 2.00 and 3.30 pm. A SA History Festival activity.

Wheal Watkins, Glen Osmond, is part of Australia's first metalliferous mining area. This above ground tour of an historic 177 year old silver-lead mine site is a general introduction to the origins of Cornish mining in South Australia. Wheal Watkins and other Glen Osmond mines were worked in the 1840s and were the forerunners of a mining industry, later based on copper, that transformed the economy of South Australia from depression to rapid growth and prosperity. Children welcome (free). Please arrive 15 minutes before your tour time.



See us at the Community Day

The City of Burnside will be having a community day on Sunday 29th Marc from 3pm to 7pm in the Kensington Gardens Reserve, 422 The Parade, Kensington Gardens.

Your Society will have a stall there to inform and promote our activities. Derek Bransbury is organising it and help would be appreciated.

The day will include games, karoke, henna painting and at sunset the film “Mama Mia” will be shown on the big screen.

Come along and bring friends and family. It is free and enjoy an entertaining evening.

Help us promote your society and enjoy free entertainment with a film too.

Special library talk. A SA History Festival activity.

As part of History week, Margaret Ford and Derek Bransbury will be presenting a talk in the Burnside library on Thursday 21st May at 10am.

Derek will lead with a short talk on Burnside Historical society and then give a short presentation on the history of food in the Burnside area. This will be a good lead in to Margaret’s talk “The story of the Olive in South Australia: from the Buffalo to Beaumont.

Bits and Pieces...

WHAT, HOW, WHEN & WHERE…

Besides our Bulletin and Quarterly Newsletter, we also have a lot of information about Burnside Historical Society ton our website:

www.burnsidehistory.org.au

And current events and information may also be found on...

Find us on

We have an inquiry from a prospective new member who has moved to Penfold road, Magill and wants to know more about their address. See Margaret Ford if you can help.

Also we have an email from a Bill Holden who lives in Melbourne. He is researching his family history and he is a descendant of James Alexander Holden and he worked in the company (HOLDENS) founded by his great-great grandfather. James Holden purchased 15 acres in Kensington park where he built Arowie house now part of Pembroke school. Jame's grandson lived in Grant avenue, Rose Park and Bill is trying to find out more about this house. If you can help his email is wnedloh@gmail.com

We can all promote our society to ensure we remain an important promoter of Burnside's history. At our February meeting we will be handing out our new Brochure and we would appreciate it if you could pass them on to people you now who may be interested in our meetings and society.

Do you enjoy supper at our meetings? Please see Sharan Northcott if you can help. It would be much appreciated.

And here is one for your diary...

The Lewis Family: from Burra to Benacre and Beyond
A SA History Festival Presentation

7.30 pm 18 May 2020 Burnside Community Centre

When James Lewis arrived in the newly formed colony of South Australia on the *Rapid* in 1838, little did he imagine the family legacy that would be established in the colony and eventually the Commonwealth of Australia. Who is the Lewis family? What were their achievements? How were these achievements felt on the national and international stage? Why did Ash Wright, a Burnside Historical Society member and current serving Senior Officer in the Royal Australian Air Force start researching this topic? All will be revealed at this stimulating talk by one of the society's youngest members.