The BHS Bulletin

Welcome to the May issue of the Bulletin. I hope you are well and with winter fast approaching, keeping warm and dry.

In this issue we have a summary of the AGM, a list of members elected and those members who are on sub-committees or help in many other ways.

Also there is the programme for the rest of the year and a summary of some of the History Festival events that can be found locally. You will notice that our May meeting is listed as a special History Festival event and we look forward to an interesting and enjoyable evening.

In May we will email you a copy of the Constitution with the changes highlighted that we had to incorporate to conform to the Act. An explanation of these will be given. We will vote on these changes at a special meeting at the start of the June meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you at our History Month meeting in May.

Derek Bransbury, President

MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE NOW DUE

Your fees include:

- **Enjoy socialising** with other members and visitors. Many have travelled widely and come from all walks of life.
- **Interesting monthly meetings** or special events.
- **Special day trips and tours** organised by the Society.
- **A Bulletin** sent out several times a year with current events and news.
- **A bound Journal** published in November with a range of articles about the Society and History.

Fees are $30 single and $45 family. Pay at the **May meeting** or...

Electronically transfer the membership fee to Account name: Burnside Historical Society, BSB 105086 (BankSA), Account 330298840, Importantly enter your Name and in *Message/Reference* show it as a BHS fees. Or…

Send a **cheque** to the Secretary, Burnside Historical Society Inc. PO Box 152, Glenside, SA 5065.

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The Toll House at Glen Osmond 1841-1847

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The 40th Annual General Meeting held April 2021

The 40th Annual General Meeting of the Burnside Historical Society, was held on the 19th April 2021 in the Burnside Community Centre at 7.30pm

The Society was formed n 1980 with the encouragement of the then Mayor of Burnside, Coralie Soward, The inaugural meeting was held on the 14th August 1980. The first official AGM was held In April 1981 with Dr Roger Angove as President.

At the 40th AGM, President Derek Bransbury addressed his report. This had been emailed to members earlier. Derek referred to the Covid-19 lockdown and the extra work for the committee to manage. He particularly mentioned and thanked all the members who helped make a success of the Society through a difficult year.

Treasurer John Thomas read out his report. A small deficit was largely due to the lockdown and subsequent suspension of society activities and membership fees. **Membership** has increased to 125 while the fees determined for 2021/22 remain as $30 single and $45 family. Alan Jones was elected Auditor.

The election of the president was conducted by Roger Bills, with Derek Bransbury elected unopposed. Derek then conducted the election of remaining committee members. All were elected unopposed. The members are Margaret Ford as Secretary, John Thomas as Treasurer, and general members Gill Nield, Liz Silz, Bob Stace and David Monceaux.

The meeting concluded with the Honourable Vickie Chapman MP giving **Certificates of Appreciation** to: Meredith Ide for persuading Council in 2018 to appoint a History officer, Ken Lawson for organising the hall for meetings and Ally Preiss for organising badges and the attendance record to December 2020. Although not present at the time, certificates for serving on the committee were awarded to Anne Both and Ross Both.

Attached to the Bulletin is the Treasurer's report and the audited Income and Expenditure statement and Balance sheet, year ending March 2021.

Positions & members helping run BHS in 2021/22

General Committee…
President: Derek Bransbury
Secretary: Margaret Ford
Treasurer: John Thomas
Member1: Bob Stace
Member2: David Monceaux
Member3: Gill Nield
Member4: Liz Silz
Co-opted:
Minute Secretary: Elaine Smythe

Specific Positions…
Auditor: Alan D Jones
Public Officer: Margaret Ford

Program Sub-committee…
Member 1: Bob Stace
Member 2: Liz Silz
Member 3: Cathy Bransbury

Journal Sub-committee…
Member 1: Anne Both
Member 2: Helen Bills
Member 3: Bob Stace
Member 4: Liz Silz

Bulletin Sub-committee:
Compiler: Derek Bransbury
Editor: Ross Both
Posting copies: Liz Silz
Emailing copies: Margaret Ford

Plaques Sub-committee:
Member 1: Colin Harris
Member 2: Ken Lawson

Mines Sub-committee:
Member 1: David Monceaux
Member 2: Meridith ide

Marketing and Membership…
Publicity: Derek Bransbury
Web site:
Elaine Smythe and John Thomas
Facebook:
Margaret Ford & Derek Bransbury
Web site manager: Jeremy Carter

BHS & History…
Year book compiler: Richard House
Archivist: Cathy Bransbury
SA History Festival: Various members

Special Projects…
Magill Walk Project: Meridith Ide

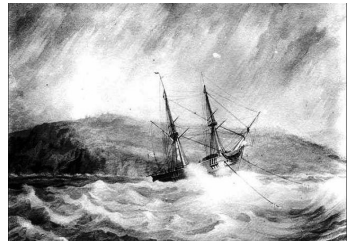
Monthly Meetings Positions…
Open/Shut hall: Ken Lawson
Community Centre Locker keys:
Derek Bransbury/Margaret Ford
Set u/pack up chairs & tables: Ken Lawson, jeff Thompson, Rick Moore
Set up/pack up laptop: Roger Bills
Set up/pack up sound system:
David Monceaux
Recorder of Presentations:
Vacant
Name badges: Margaret Ford
Attendance record & Apologies:
Margaret Ford
Welcomer: Derek Bransbury
Trained Covid-19 Marshals:
Derek Bransbury, Ross & Anne Both, Bob Stace
Emergency wardens:
Sharan Northcott, David Monceaux, Ally Preiss

Mon 17th May 2021

The Lewis family: from Burra to Benacre and Beyond

Presented by Ash Wright

This is a special meeting for History month.



When James Lewis arrived in the newly formed colony of South Australia on the *Rapid* in 1838, he could have had little inkling of the family legacy that would be established in the colony and eventually the Commonwealth of Australia. In this address BHS member Ash Wright will look at the Lewis family and its achievements on both the national and international stage.

In the Community Centre hall at 7.30pm

Monday June 21st

The Virtual War Memorial and a bad night over Lille, May 1944

Presented by Stephen Larkins OAM (Colonel ret,)

The Virtual War Memorial Australia is an outstanding commemorative digital collection available on the internet. It is purpose built to honour the personal experiences of all those who have served the nation in times of conflict, from the Boer War through to Afghanistan. It pays special honour to those who lost their lives as a result of their service and equally honours those who returned, forever changed.

In the Community Centre hall at 7.30pm. A short Special meeting will be held at 7.30pm for members to vote on the amended Constitution.

South Australia's History Festival May 2021

Some local and further afield events

- May, every day, free - *Barwell Boys: South Australia's British Farm Apprentices*. At Burnside Civic Centre. Contact Burnside Library 8366 4280
- 24th April - 22nd May, M-F 10.30-3.30pm, Sat 1.30-3pm, Free - *Trailblazers: Pioneer Lives brought to life*. At Institute Building, RSASA Gallery, Level 1, Cnr Kintore Ave & North Tce., Adelaide. Contact Bev Bills, 8232 0450 rsasarts@bigpond.net.au
- 1st May & 23rd May, 2-3.30pm, Adult $15, Concession $13, NT Member $10, Child $10. - *Z Ward: Behind the Walls.* At Z Ward, 63 Conyngham St., Glenside. Contact National Trust of SA, 8223 1234 or bookings@nationaltrustsa.org.au
- 2nd May, 2-4.30pm, $10 - *Beaumont House: The land and its owners*. At Beaumont house. Chris Perriam 0468 866 492 or burnside@nationaltrustsa.org.au
- 3rd May, 10-11.30am, Free - *Discover the Historic garden at Michael Perry Reserve.* At the reserve. Contact Burnside Library 8366 4280
- **5th May, 2-3pm, $5 - *The Life and Times of Colonel William Light.* Presenter Bob Stace. At the Burnside Library. Contact the Burnside Library 8366 4280 or library@burnside.sa.gov.au**
- 6th - 31st May, 1-2pm, $30 - *Penfolds 1844 to Evermore*. At Penfolds Magill Estate, meet at Cellar Door. Contact Renee Jeffrey 8301 5569 or renee.jeffrey@penfolds.com
- 6th May, 6.30-7.30pm, $5 - *Out of the past - Views of Adelaide Botanic Garden*. At Burnside library. Contact Burnside Library 8366 4280
- 7th May, 7.30-9pm, Free - *A Letter from the Alice: The Passing of FR George.* At Burnside Uniting Church, 384 Portrush rd., Tusmore. Contact Bridget Jolly 7200 5455 or brimar@esc.net.au
- **12th May, 11.30-1pm, $5 - *The Story of Food and the Humble Olive in Burnside*. Presenters Margaret Ford & Derek Bransbury. In Burnside Community Centre. Contact Burnside library 8366 4280 or library@burnside.sa.gov.au**

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- 12,19,26th May, 2-3.30pm, Free - *Researching House History.* At Burnside Library training room. Contact Burnside Library 8366 4280
- 13th May, 6.30-7.30pm, Free - *Bedtime Storytime: Tom the Outback mailman.* At Burnside library. Contact Burnside Library 8366 4280
- 13th May, 1.30-3pm, Free - *The Journey to South Australia.* At Institute Building, RSASA Gallery, Level 1, Cnr Kintore Ave & North Tce., Adelaide. Contact Royal SA Society of Arts, 8232 0450 rsasarts@bigpond.net.au
- **16th May, 1-2pm & 2.30-3.30pm, $5 - *Wheal Watkins 1843 Heritage Mine: Glen Osmond.* An above ground tour led by: David Monceaux & Meredith Ide. Meet at the Wheal Watkins reserve fire track, Allendale avenue, Glen Osmond. Park car near house no 23 in avenue. Contact Margaret Ford 0438 838 894 or burnsidehistorysoc@gmail.com**
- 16th May, 2pm, by donation - *Australian Army band concert.* At Burnside ballroom. Contact Burnside Library 8366 4280
- **17th May, 7.30pm-9pm, Free - *The Lewis Family: From Burra to Benacre and beyond.* Burnside Historical Society at the Burnside community Centre, Contact Margaret 0438 838 894**
- 18th & 20th May 11-12pm & 19th May 2-3pm, $15 - *Tour of the Old Tram Barn*. At the State Herbarium, Hackney rd., Adelaide. Contact Reception 82229311 botanicgardens@sa.gov.au
- 20th May, 10am-12noon, Free - *Discover History through the Trees of Hazelwood park*. Meet George Bolton Swimming Centre in the park. Contact Burnside Library 8366 4280
- 20th May, 11-12.30pm, Free - *Migration: For Better or Worse?* At Burnside ballroom. Contact Burnside Library 8366 4280
- **#22nd May, 11am -12noon, $5 - *Guided Tour of Historic Magill Wesleyan Cemetery*. Led by Michelle Toft. Meet at the Cemetery, 18 Jackson Street, Magill. Margaret Ford 0438 838 894 or burnsidehistorysoc@gmail.com**
- 23rd May, 11am-4pm, Decades of Change in a Primary School. At Rose Park Primary School, IT Centre, Wittber Building, East Entrance, 54 Alexandra Ave., Rose park. Kerrie Davies 0499 884 949 or kerrie.davies@adelaide.edu.au

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- 27th May, 6.30-7.30pm, $5 - *From Dulwich to Dairy Farm: Women and Change.* At Burnside Library. Contact Burnside Library 8366 4280
- **#29th May, 10.30-12noon, $5 - *From Settlement of Makgill the village, to Magill the Suburb*. Led by Meredith Ide. Meet Pepper Street Arts centre, (Near Magill rd. entrance) 558 Magill Rd., Magill. Contact Margaret Ford 0438 838 894 or burnsidehistorysoc@gmail.com**

Members of the public will have priority to attend these two events as places are limited. It is planned to offer these next year to Burnside Historical Society members.

Please help promote these events , by telling your neighbours, family and friends.

Further information on the program can be found at https://festival.history.sa.gov.au

Bits and Pieces

Diana & Noushe von der Borch-Garden have donated a book on their family history. Thankyou Diana and Noushe.

Meredith is speaking on behalf of BHS at the Burnside Council Assessment Panel on Monday 3rd May. This concerns 32 Bevington Street, Glenunga, otherwise known as Glenunga House. This is the original house after which Glenunga the suburb was named. The application is to demolish the house, a local heritage place.

In the March Bulletin we wrote about **Carley Shevlin of L'Estrange street**. Michelle Toft received an inquiry from Alison Bortell. Alison from the United Kingdom, is asking for help to find relatives of her mother's wartime pen pal. Alison also wrote "I've just posted off a package with all of the letters from Carley Shevlin. These were recently received and have been passed to the Journal Sub-Committee

Facebook. A reminder that anyone can post on the Society Facebook page. Go to Facebook-Burnsidehistory.

The West Terrace cemetery Walk, April 17th 2021

On a sunny and mild morning we gathered at the West Terrace cemetery. Anne and Ross Both led the two groups of members and visitors. We visited ten graves (including the grave of Osmond Gilles, recently restored by Burnside Historical Society) and at each Anne and Ross explained the history of those buried there.

After this tour, a number of us had a very pleasant lunch and a nice coffee at the Café Outside the Square. This is a 100% charity café providing food, support and training opportunities for disadvantaged and vulnerable people across SA. **Thank you Anne and Ross for a very enjoyable day tour and here are a couple of photos...**

A full report about this tour with photos will be in the BHS Journal to be published in November 2021