



Burnside Historical Society

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August Meeting

Mistresses of Beaumont House – Pioneer Women in South Australia

Speaker: Sandy Whitelaw

Monday 19 August & 7.30pm

**Burnside Community Centre Hall adjacent to Burnside Library
401 Greenhill Road, Tasmore. Enter off Fisher St**

The Topic:

Between the period 1851 – 1967, four women held the position of Chatelaine of Beaumont House. These four women stood beside their husbands and were interesting in their own right. **Millicent Short** was the woman behind a man of the cloth, **Lady Davenport** was a philanthropist, **Emily Vincent** a socialite and finally **Lillian Brock**, nee Bennett, who ultimately donated Beaumont House to the National Trust. Each woman made changes to the House to suit the needs of their family, each held a place in a rapidly growing state.



Beaumont House C1880



Sandy Whitelaw

The Speaker: Sandy Whitelaw has been the curator of the Costume Collection for the National Trust of South Australia for the past seven years. She is responsible for over four and a half thousand items within the collection. The Collection is thought to be the largest collection of Costume in Australia. She is responsible for assessing donations, cataloguing, establishing provenance, restoration, storage, presentation of exhibits, floor talks and providing an advisory service to the public.

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