

Kogarah Historical Society Inc

Carss Cottage Museum – Carss Park
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Newsletter

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The Queen in her Coronation gown, brought to Australia in 1954 and worn to the opening of Federal Parliament (see story on p.9)

Meetings and Speakers

Thursday 9 May 2013

Colin Beacroft, Canterbury Historical Society will tell us the history of *Roselands*.

Thursday 13 June 2013

Carol Baxter, well known historian and author on *Captain Thunderbolt and his Lady*

Meetings are held at the School of Arts, Bowns Road Kogarah, at 2pm. Enjoy the speaker, then the opportunity to chat over afternoon tea. A short business meeting follows. Apologies for non-attendance at meetings should go to the Secretary, Gill Whan (9546 4623). Visitors welcome.

Mondays at the Museum

27 May 2013 – Jim Counsel

Former Detective Inspector Jim Counsel who was in charge of the investigations into the murder of Dr Victor Chang is our speaker. Join us at 10 am for a delicious morning tea in the courtyard and then adjourn to the Kogarah Room in the Museum for the presentation. Cost is \$5 which also gives you the chance to win a door prize. Please book as numbers are limited and it helps with the catering. Ring Adele Ryan on 9529 6730 (leave a message if she is not there) to reserve your place.

Museum Roster

May 2013		June 2013	
5 th	Carole Tier & Ken Grieve	2 nd	Gill Whan & Deirdre Schroeder
12 th	Mavis Ward & Mary Williams	9 th	Adele Ryan & Lawrie Corry
19 th	Trudy Johns & Elizabeth Emerson	16 th	Trudy Johns & Elizabeth Emerson
26 th	Betty Goodger & Janette Hollebone	23 rd	Betty Goodger & Janette Hollebone
		30 th	Cath and Leo Sullivan

Hours 1 pm – 4 pm (winter hours). Problems, contact Gill Whan, 9546 4623

We are always looking for members to volunteer for either a regular spot at the Museum or to go on the emergency list. Training given. Contact one of the Committee if you are willing to help.

Committee 2013 (* denotes Executive)

President:*	Beverley Earnshaw	Ph: 9546 1091
Vice President (1):*	Janette Hollebone	Ph: 9529 7117
Vice President (2):*	Mavis Ward	Ph: 9546 5704
Secretary:*	Gill Whan	Ph: 9546 4623
Treasurer:*	Cath Sullivan	Ph: 9579 6149
Committee Members:	Beryl Butters, Lawrie Corry, Trudy Johns, David Martin, Adele Ryan, Carole Tier,	

Committee meeting venues

6 May 7.00 pm	Janette Hollebone, 1 Meriel St., Sans Souci (9529 7117)
3 June 7.00 pm	Beverley Earnshaw, 15 Hamer St., Kogarah Bay (9546 1091)
1 July 7.00 pm	Gill Whan, 11 Dewrang St., Carss Park (9546 4623)

Welcome

New members who have joined us

Margery Bennett of Connells Point and Helen Burton of Lilli Pilli.

Still the best value in town - \$10 per annum single, \$15 for a couple. If you haven't renewed your membership yet, it is now overdue and we look forward to hearing from you.

KOGARAH HISTORICAL SOCIETY AGM 2013

President's Report

Kogarah Historical Society now has a membership of 116. Attendance at our regular monthly meetings at Kogarah School of Arts on the second Thursday of the month at 2pm is about 25 to 35 members. Gill Whan organized wonderful Speakers for the year 2012 for the General Meeting and Mondays at the Museum. Our Speakers for the General Meeting were:

February	Bruce Welch, Photographs in the Jenolan Caves 1860-1940
March	AGM & Show & Tell
April	John Ives, The History of Heron Airlines
May	Sue Castrique, Convicts & their conditions on Cockatoo Island
June	Harold Dews, The Movietone Man—It all began in 1896
July	Judith Godden, Discovering Lucy Osburn
August	Elizabeth Ellis OAM, Sydney People & Places
September	Judy Dunn, Colonial Ladies, lovely, lively & lamentably loose
October	Bruce Shaw, Ellis Rowan: More than a Flower Painter
November	Brad Manera, WWII in Sydney

Attendance on Australia Day at the Museum was down and so were the donations. Cath & Leo, Beverley Earnshaw & Gill Whan, Betty Goodger & Janette Hollebone were on duty, and Jan Magrath, new member, turned up to help. For the year we had an increase in attendance: 578 adults and 132 children, a total of 710 visitors through the Museum. There were 17 group visits plus the bus trip from Kogarah Library. In April Gill and I (Janette) had 32 children aged from 5 to 12 year olds. Gill took the children who could not read and we both showed our groups games children used to play. We had intended taking them on a walk but it rained heavily so we played games for 2 hours. It was great, but exhausting.

We charge \$2 for an adult and 50 cents for children to visit the Museum on Sunday afternoons when we open Carss Cottage from 1pm to 5pm. We increased the cost in 2013 for tour groups when we open up specially for them from \$3 per head to \$4. Carers, bus drivers and guides are free. Tours for school children remain at \$1 per head.

Marjorie Pritchard needs to be congratulated on keeping the Museum so clean for **12 years**. Congratulations, Marjorie. There is also a big thank you to Rosemary Maughan who volunteered to research the names on the Carlton Honour Board. A big task.

There were three working bees at Carss Cottage, two for the stocktake and one for the local theatre display. These were well attended by Janette, Gill, Beverley, Lawrie Corry, David Martin, Cath and Leo, Deirdre & Graeme Schroeder and the two Betties. Beverley had photocopied and laminated the photographic display. Stocktake will continue through 2013.

In January 2013, we opened the Museum on Wednesdays from 10am to 1pm, and were very happy with the number who visited. Our Volunteers were Irene and Warren Selmon who spent three Wednesdays on duty, and Mavis and Jan Magrath (Jan's first time) on one as well as our two Betties, Goodger & Reynolds. If we have the Volunteers next year we will do it again. We can always do with more Volunteers for duty at the Museum on Sundays (except public holidays) from 1pm to 5pm so please let Elizabeth Emerson or Gill Whan know if you are available. Trudy Johns, Elizabeth Emerson, Betty Goodger and I are on duty each month, and Carole Tier, Ken Grieve, Mavis Ward, Mary Williams, Gill Whan, Deirdre Schroeder, Adele Ryan and Lawrie Corry go on duty every two months. Cath and Leo are on the roster for the

