

# Kogarah Historical Society Inc

Carss Cottage Museum – Carss Park  
Postal Address PO Box 367, Kogarah 1485

Patron: The Mayor of Kogarah

President: Beverley Earnshaw (9546 1091)

## *Newsletter*

*March/April 2011*

*Volume 3 No 1*



*Australia Day in Carss Bush Park*

### **Meetings and Speakers**

#### **Thursday 10 March 2011**

Annual General Meeting followed by Show and Tell. Bring your treasures and tell us about them in five minutes or less.

#### **Thursday 14 April 2011**

Speaker: Bill Little, former Sales Manager for Arnotts Biscuits: *Everyone's favourites.*

*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.*

# **Mondays at the Museum**

**First event for 2011**

**28 March – Lyn Smith**

**Lyn Smith** is a nurse/educator and she will talk about the history of Coast Prince Henry Hospital. Join us at 10 am for a delicious morning tea in the sunny courtyard and then adjourn to the Kogarah Room in the Museum to hear the speaker. Cost is \$5 which also gives you the chance to win a door prize. Stay after the presentation and look around the Museum if you wish. Space is limited so bookings are essential. Contact **Mavis Ward** on 9546 5704 to book

## **New Members**

**We welcome Frank Stephenson, Kirsten Broderick, Ken Langley and Warren and Irene Selmon to the Society. We hope you have a long and happy association with us.**

## **Museum Roster**

### **March 2011**

6<sup>th</sup> Carole Tier & Ken Grieve  
13<sup>th</sup> Mavis Ward & Mary Williams  
20<sup>th</sup> Trudy Johns & Elizabeth Emerson  
27<sup>th</sup> Betty Goodger & Janette Hollebone

### **April 2011**

3<sup>rd</sup> Evelyn Buckingham & Adele Ryan  
10<sup>th</sup> Gill Whan & Deirdre Schroeder  
17<sup>th</sup> Trudy Johns & Elizabeth Emerson  
24<sup>th</sup> Betty Goodger & Janette Hollebone

Hours are 1 pm – 5 pm. Any problems, please contact Elizabeth Emerson on 9579 4118  
*Any members who are willing to volunteer for a regular spot at the Museum or to be on the emergency list, please contact the President or any committee member.*

## **Annual General Meeting**

**10 March 2011**

**All positions are declared vacant. Nominations close at 2 pm on 10 March, a nomination form is included with this newsletter. Please consider joining the Committee. It only involves one meeting a month, the first Monday (not public holidays) and members who can, take turns in hosting the meetings. Jobs are not onerous, you can elect to take on something or just serve as a committee member.**

***Why not give it a try?***

## **Committee meetings**

7 Mar, 7.00 pm  
4 Apr, 7.00 pm  
2 May, 7.00 pm

Beverley Earnshaw, 15 Hamer St., Kogarah Bay  
Trudy Johns, 2/900 Forest Road, Peakhurst  
Beryl Butters, 36 Louisa St., Oatley

## A MAGNIFICENT FAILURE

The KHS Newsletter of November-December 2009 contained a most interesting paragraph, entitled *Our Links with other Societies*. It mentioned the Royal Australian Historical Society and other organizations with whom we are affiliated in our wide interest in history and those historical societies with whom we keep contact by the exchange of journals.

In the many years I have been interested in local history, I have always been enthusiastic to promote co-operation between societies. One way is the annual conference that the RAHS arranges each year, enabling societies from all over NSW to meet, display their publications, exchange ideas, speakers, etc. etc. Another way that I remember with pleasure was monthly outings by bus, to visit other societies to explore their territory, and often their return visit to us.

Recently I found evidence of a fine experiment in co-operation that Kogarah Historical Society had pioneered.

Citizens of Kogarah had participated in celebrating the two-hundredth anniversary of Captain Cook's arrival in NSW in 1770 and then decided they should form a historical society. After a public meeting on 9 February 1970, the first meeting of Kogarah Historical Society was held on 12 March 1970.

This makes Kogarah the youngest historical society in the area. St George Historical Society was formed in June 1961, as Rockdale Historical Society, but changed its name in October 1962. Hurstville Historical Society was formed on 6 November 1967 and operated until 2007 when it was forced to disband by lack of members. Sutherland Shire Historical Society was formed in 1966.

Yet KHS was not even one year old, when, in November 1970, it proposed that there should be a District Council, comprising the Hurstville, Kogarah, St George and Sutherland Shire Historical Societies to facilitate the *participation and co-operation of each Society in activities of mutual interest*.

In February 1971 delegates from each society met at the Kogarah Municipal Chambers and decided to form a District Council. They planned to meet quarterly at Rockdale own Hall and publish a quarterly Bulletin after each meeting. The Bulletin was edited by Colleen McEwan, Secretary of KHS.

The aims of the District Council were lofty and expressed in six points.

1. To foster a wider interest among the members of each Society in the history of the St George and Sutherland Districts as a whole.
2. To facilitate the interchange of information concerning the activities of each Society by the publication and circulation of a District Council Quarterly Bulletin among the members of each Society.
3. To enable a wider group of members to participate in the social and formal activities of each Society.
4. To facilitate mutual co-operation between Societies in joint activities such as the mounting of historical exhibitions and displays and the organization of historical celebrations and commemorative events.
5. To enable each Society to utilize the joint endeavours of the District Council to give support to the preservation of historic buildings and other objects considered to be of historic value.

6. To compile and circulate a list of lecturers who may be prepared to address each Society on subjects of historical interest.

These aims are still relevant today and perhaps even more so in these days of aging membership.

Mrs Doris Hatton was probably the instigator of the District Council and the first five meetings were held in her home. The sixth meeting, and the last I have been able to find, was held in the Hurstville Civic Centre. Peter Orlovich was generally the chairman.

St George Historical Society attended the first meeting but none thereafter, so they probably decided not to join. However they did send an observer to the last meeting in June 1972 and evidently attended the tour to Camden on 20 May 1972.

The delegates from the three societies were active. At their first meeting the District Council discussed the preservation and restoration of the historic church of St Peter's Cooks River. They considered a project of transcribing the headstones but finally abandoned it as the graveyard was in a bad state of repair.

When the 1828 census became available they discussed a project of copying those entries relevant to the St George and Sutherland areas. They planned a Symposium on the Development of the St George and Sutherland districts to 1850. It was to be held on 28 August 1972 but I have found no report of it.

They did carry out a combined excursion to Camden with historical notes prepared by Mr N. Horwood of Sutherland Historical Society.

The Quarterly Bulletin featured the activities of each society detailing its meeting place and listing the speakers. So far as I can ascertain, the Quarterly Bulletins were published from No.1 March 1971 to No.6 June 1972.

I discovered these six issues while I was sorting the records of Hurstville Historical Society. They were in a volume of the Newsletter which had been returned to the HHS when culled from the Parliamentary Library. Tucked into the volume were the Newsletters of the District Council. No other Library has a complete set.

The Local Studies Section of Sutherland Library has Nos 1-5; the RAHS has only Nos 1 and 2, even the Mitchell Library has only Nos 1-5, not a complete set. They are not held in the Local Studies Libraries of Kogarah, Hurstville or Rockdale. However, Peter Orlovich was able to supply photocopies of a complete set and I shall see that it goes to the Local Studies Library.

I did not find any references to the District Council in the various societies' journals, beyond a few in the KHS Newsletter. The March 1972 issue (p 8) notes that *on Saturday 20 May 1972 a full day outing to the Camden area has been arranged by the District Council.* Further notes about the outing appeared in April (p 4), May (p 2) and June (p 3). No other mention of the District Council was found.

Apparently this excellent attempt at co-operation foundered. I feel that the fact that the societies in the St George and Sutherland districts worked together for two years is of great importance and deserves to be remembered.

As KHS will be celebrating the fortieth anniversary of the opening of the Carss Cottage Museum in 2011, I am proud to record this valiant attempt by the Society in its very early days.

**B. Goodger**

### FLOODS IN THE HURSTVILLE DISTRICT.

Our Hurstville correspondent telegraphed last night :—" The climatic change here is extraordinary. Such has not been known for years. It has rained unceasingly from midday on Saturday, and there is every indication of its continuance. The creeks, which are numerous, are running exceptionally high, and houses in the low lying parts are completely under water, and the occupiers are leaving. Large trees are being torn up by the roots, and many of the orchards are totally destroyed. Poultry farms have suffered severely from the loss of stock. The newly made roads have sustained more or less damage, and the culverts recently erected by the Hurstville Council have so far held, but, if the weather continues, their stability is doubtful. Bexley, Carlton, West Kogarah, Kingsgrove, Moort's Hill, Penshurst, Dalmorton, and Peakehurst present a peculiar spectacle, fences being thrown level with the ground. The house of the stationmaster at Hurstville, although elevated, is submerged. Kogarah and Rockdale have likewise suffered in a similar manner. The Government surveyor's camp at Carlton presented this morning a curious picture. The tent was high up in one of the trees, and the debris was to be seen floating about. The water at Cook's River still continues to rise. Telegraphic communication is blocked from Helensburgh, no trains having passed through. The mail train that passed for Kiama to-day returned from Sutherland, there being no possibility of getting it through, in consequence of landslips in several places along the railway line. The train leaving Hurstville at 10 a.m. was delayed at Rockdale some considerable time owing to the flooded state of the line. As yet no fatalities have been reported. Gangs of men are stationed between Hurstville and Sutherland watching the railway embankments, and they have worked night and day; while at Helensburgh, where the severest damage has been done, the men are working night and day, their only shelter being a carriage sent from Hurstville yesterday morning."

*Found by Janette Hollebhone during her research – a reminder of times past and present.*

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## Historical Teasers

1. How many Australians died in WWI: 38,000; 43,000; 55,000 or 60,000?
2. Name the Australian prime minister who disappeared into the sea, and what year.
3. Who was the Australian aviator who flew from America to Australia in 1928 and what was the name of his plane?
4. There are two egg-laying mammals unique to Australia. What are they?
5. Which Australian invention was initially made from billycart wheels, an old engine and an empty peach tin?
6. Who was Australia's prime minister when WWII ended?
7. Does a drongo have fur, feathers or fins?

### Answers

(1) 60,000; (2) Harold Holt in 1967; (3) Charles Kingsford Smith and the Southern Cross; (4) Platypus and echidna; (5) Victoria lawn mower; (6) Ben Chifley; (7) Feathers

*Subscriptions for membership for 2011-2012 are now due. Fees remain at \$10 for single and \$15 a double. Please fill in the subscription form and return to the Treasurer or see Cath at the meeting. Entitles you to newsletters, notices, invitations, free entry to Museum on Sundays.*

## “Excuse me Elizabeth, your house is on Fire”

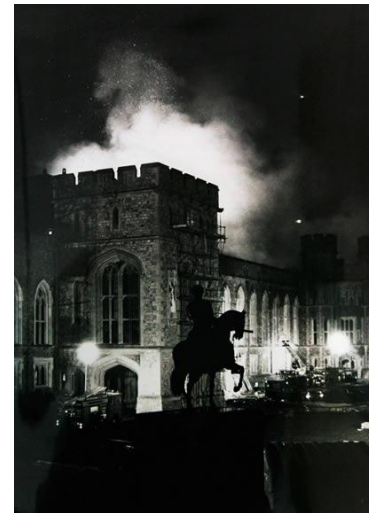
Dennis Overton was our guest speaker in November 2010. He is a Churchill and ANZAC Fellow and has expertise and years of experience in preservation, conservation and restoration of heritage buildings in many countries.



Dennis’s talk focused on the 1992 fire in Windsor Castle which destroyed 100 rooms and some 900 years of history, how it happened, could it have been averted, what lessons were learned and what message it gave us in Australia. He was an entertaining and very informed speaker with excellent slides to illustrate his points, some from the Queen’s own collection.

I think we all remembered the coverage of the fire which happened on the Queen’s 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and led her to make the statement that it had been an “annus horribilis”.

The mediaeval castle was built in Norman times, a day’s march away from its sister castle which is the Tower of London. It is a working castle containing the Queen’s office and has around a 1000 people working in it. The Queen has 7000 valuable paintings, for example - 27 by Van Gogh, 53 by Canaletto and 236 Da Vinci drawings, many originally bought by Charles 1<sup>st</sup> and she was in the process of having the paintings taken down and catalogued by specialists. There was no humidity control in the rooms where the paintings were displayed and the curtains were 200 years old and not treated to repel fire. The fire started in the Queen’s private chapel and severely damaged St Georges Hall and many other rooms and, destroyed the Brunswick Tower. It was 15 hours before it was brought under control.



Dennis told us that the cause was not faulty workmanship but rather the protection that was being put in and human error. Several areas were being rewired at the time and baffles had been removed to install fire protection. A curtain touched a spotlight and the air vent above caused the ensuing fire to go up into the ceiling and take hold. The temporary workers in the area were not trained in the emergency procedures and it was 25 minutes before the severity of the fire was realized. Despite this most of the paintings were saved but the damage was immense. 8000 garbage bins of fire debris were saved to be used in the painstaking subsequent reconstruction. Water used to put out the fire did as much damage as the fire and it took two years to dry out.

The question of restoration was a matter for much discussion and whether it would be restored to the original, with copies or duplicates, or could changes be made. Dennis pointed out that successive monarchs had put their own touches on the building and although there was a Restoration Committee, the Queen made her preferences known and had to approve all decisions.

We heard about the history of the Order of the Garter and how a shield was made up for each recipient – 614 originals had been on the ceiling of the destroyed St Georges Hall. St

Georges Hall was redesigned after the fire. There were discoveries also – 300 years worth of original menus for banquets held at the castle were found.

The reconstruction and restoration which was paid for by the Queen and entrance fees to Buckingham Palace and the Castle, took five years and cost almost 40 million pounds.

Dennis investigated all this and many other heritage buildings during his period as a Churchill Fellow. He and his wife also met the Queen and attended a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace. We were fascinated to discover that if you eat with the Queen you have to be quick because when she stops eating, everyone does!

His serious message for us was that CPR means Conservation, Preservation and Restoration. We must record everything we can about our built heritage. Photographs are crucial as is detailed information, particularly about the materials used in the building process. Not a lot of money is necessary to record such things but it is important. He also stressed the importance of training people in the skills of restoration work, these are few and far between in this day and age and we need to have apprentices allocated to all restoration work.

Members interested in the report that Dennis made to the Churchill Fellowship Fund will find it on the internet.

*G. Whan*

### ***THE PASSING OF OLD FRIENDS***

On 8<sup>th</sup> January we lost a long time member, Bill Curnow, after a long illness. Bill was a regular attendee at meetings, as well as at our “Mondays” and is remembered for his friendly manner and ready smile.

Sadly, only two weeks later, on 20 January, Bob Williams passed away, having been ill for only a short time. He was also a long time regular, always ready to lend a helping hand when needed.

Ironically, Bill and Bob had been friends for many years, their children having been at school together. They joined the Army at the same time, were together when the Army camped in Carss Park during the War and their friendship continued through the years.

Bill and Bob will be sadly missed and our thoughts and deepest sympathy are with Pat and Mary and their families.

*Mavis Ward*

Just before Christmas we heard about the passing of Glad Baldwin a long time member who had moved to Springwood Nursing Home earlier in the year. She died on 10 December and her ashes will be brought to Woronora Cemetery to be placed with her late husband John's.

Glad was a long time resident of Carss Park and being a friend of Gwen Coxhead was always a willing helper at Carss Cottage. She was on the Museum Roster and a regular attendee at the monthly meetings. Glad's interest in the Kogarah Historical Society never wavered and she remained a member even though she moved away.

Our sincere sympathies go to her daughter Jeanette and son David and their families.

*Beryl Butters*

***R.I.P.***

# RENOWN PARK

By B.Goodger

A recent request for information about the name of this park, takes us back in time to the Great War, World War I. From 1914 to 1919 the young men of Australia fought on foreign soil for the British Empire. When the war was over, King George V sent his eldest son, Edward, Prince of Wales to all his dominions to express his gratitude.

The British war-cruiser, HMS *Renown* brought the Prince to Melbourne and he began his strenuous tour on May 27, 1920. Every state in the commonwealth was included in his itinerary. He shook hands with so many Australians that for a time his right hand was in a sling! The Prince left from Sydney on August 18 1920 after a most successful visit<sup>1</sup>.

Edward's Aide-de-camp was his cousin, Prince Louis Francis Albert Victor Nicholas Mountbatten, later to be the first Earl Mountbatten of Burma, and his Private Secretary and Public Relations Officer for the tour was Colonel Grigg.

The Minutes of Kogarah Council for June 28, 1920 show that C.Munro, the popular local auctioneer, submitted "subdivision plans also sections for roads for approval, for 68 acres in Mortdale and stated that he had arranged with the vendor to dedicate 11 acres as a public reserve and suggested that it be known as "Renown Park"<sup>2</sup>. The Council resolved that the park be accepted with thanks. Street names when the land was subdivided reflect the newsworthy story of the times.

Munro advertised in the local press as a Leading Auctioneer, Real Estate Agent and Valuer. He had offices at Martin Place, Sydney and Cronulla. In the 1920s he was an alderman of the Shire of Sutherland and is famous as the auctioneer who conducted the sale of Carss Park on January 26, 1924.

The Renown Park Estate No.1 was offered for sale by C.Munro on Saturday, July 31, 1920 at 3.15 pm<sup>3</sup>.

Eighty six lots were offered for sale fronting on Judd Street. The pamphlet advertising the sale had photographs of the area and the enticement that electrification of the railway line had begun and that an island platform for Mortdale Railway Station was promised.

To locate the Estate, a map showed Judd Street, Mort's Road and Hurstville Street with the new streets, Renown Avenue, Edward, Mountbatten and Grigg Streets.

Judd was named for the family who owned the brickworks that provided the main employment in Mortdale, William George Judd, MLA 1885 to 1887, and his sons, Percy and Harold Judd who managed the brickworks<sup>4</sup>

Thomas Sutcliffe Mort, who lived from 1816 to 1878, was involved in so many enterprises that he could best be described as an entrepreneur. He bought land in the area in the early 1850s and his land was subdivided into 17 farms in 1855<sup>5</sup>.

Munro was astutely taking advantage of the publicity surrounding the Royal Tour in choosing to name his streets Renown, Edward, Mountbatten and Grigg.

The second subdivision was called Renown Park No.2. There is no date on the plan. It states that Estate No.1 had sold out in three weeks. It also gives the size of Renown Park as 11½ acres. I have not been able to find a date for the sale but Munro wrote to Kogarah Council on the subject in March, 1922, so it may have been in 1922.

The third subdivision offered for sale was Renown Park Panorama Estate and was on the opposite side of Renown Park. It has left a street name, Panorama Street, as a reminder. Again there is no date on the plan.

Although Munro boasted that all 86 lots offered for sale in July, 1920 and fronting Judd Street had been sold within three weeks, no houses were built for some time. In fact, I did not find any householders listed in Sands Directory of Sydney until 1927 when two people, Herbert Tritton and



David Muir, are listed as living there. No people are listed in Edward, Mountbatten or Grigg Streets as late as 1931.

Another reminder of the visit of the Prince of Wales is that Kogarah Road became the Prince's Highway. Before the Prince left Australia, the National Roads Association had obtained his approval to naming the coastal route from Sydney to Melbourne as the Prince's Highway. An opening ceremony was held at Bulli by the Minister for Local Government, Mr T.D.Mutch, on October 19, 1920<sup>6</sup>.

The future held interesting developments for both Edward and Mountbatten. Edward, Prince of Wales, born in 1894, was a great-grandson of Queen Victoria. He succeeded his father, King George V as King Edward VIII but abdicated the throne in January 1936 to marry Mrs Wallis Simpson and spent the rest of his life in exile as the Duke of Windsor.

Prince Louis Francis Albert Victor Nicholas von Battenberg was born in 1900, also a great-grandson of Queen Victoria. During the 1914-1918 War the family changed its German surname to the English version, Mountbatten. His career was in the British Navy and he was Admiral of the Fleet in 1956. He became Viceroy of India and the first Earl Mountbatten of Burma. He died tragically in 1979, the victim of a bombing attack in Ireland.

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1. What happened when, by Anthony Barker (Penshurst Ref.929/BAR)
  2. Kogarah Council Minutes June 28, 1920 p.97
  3. Photocopies of subdivision plans, Local Studies Section, Kogarah Library
  4. Mortdale in Early Days by Joan Hatton, Hurstville Historical Society
  5. Thomas Sutcliffe Mort by June and Les Lane, Hurstville Historical Society
  6. Main Roads, March 1951 pp 83-84



## Australia Day in Carss Park

Our volunteers had a busy but satisfying day on 26<sup>th</sup> January. Carss Cottage Museum was open from 1 pm to 6 pm and had 101 visitors.

It was a hot sunny day and there were thousands of people of all nationalities in the park.

50 people became Australian citizens in a naturalization ceremony; there were events from many cultures on stage throughout the day and the

evening sky was lit up with a spectacular firework display synchronised with some stirring classical and traditional music, a fitting finale to the day.

Macedonians with their music



They all call Australia home



**KOGARAH HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC**  
**ABN: 2859 6235 94 5**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR 2010 – 2011**

<b>EXPENDITURE:</b>	\$
Energy Australia	258.63
Telstra and Australia Post Box	629.21
Insurance and Affiliations	691.00
Purchase of Books	60.00
Museum Cleaning	1226.80
Museum Expenses	140.40
Donations and Catering	1211.15
Petty Cash	590.90
Newsletters and Postage	984.87
Administration and Publications	1368.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>7161.46</b>

<b>INCOME:</b>	\$
Annual Subscriptions	850.00
Museum Admission	709.00
Groups and Mondays at the Museum	553.95
Outings, Raffles, Pens etc	1141.60
Publications and Book Sales	2865.55
All Interest	3457.69
<b>Total</b>	<b>9557.79</b>

Signed



David Shaw  
CPA 1443198

*Agrees to cashbook*

**KOGARAH HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC**  
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**RECONCILIATION STATEMENT**

Balance at Bank as at 1 February 2010	6667.75
Add Income to 31 January 2011	9557.79
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>16,225.54</u></b>
Less Expenditure from 31 January 2010	7161.46
Plus 22 unrepresented cheques	220.00
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>6941.46</u></b>
<b>Bank Balance as per statement 31 January 2011</b>	<b>9284.08</b>
<b>Fixed Deposits at St George Bank</b>	<b>60,000.00</b>
	<b>12,000.00</b>

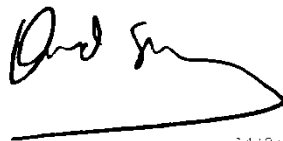
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I have audited the records of Kogarah Historical Society Inc. and in my opinion the records are well kept and the financial statements drawn up for the period 01 – 02 -2010 to 31 – 01 - 2011 reflect fairly the position of the organisation.

Signed

David Shaw  
CPA 1443198

✓ = agrees to year end  
bank statements

  
14/2/2011

## Member Profile



Fred Scott is well known to KHS members. He joined the Society in 2006 and is a regular at the monthly meetings. Last year we were pleased to also welcome as a member, Beverley, his wife. Fred has lived in the St George district for most of his life attending Carlton South Public School, then Hurstville Opportunity School (which he says curtailed his usual recreational activities of marbles, climbing trees and hanging out with friends). He finished his schooling at Canterbury Boys High School where he obtained his leaving certificate and became an apprentice machinist followed by a period at the Air Force College at Point Cook and then a laboratory assistant at a government research and testing laboratory. This was a turning point for him and he started a Bachelor of Science degree. He had met and married Beverley by this time so did the degree part-time, held down a full time job and fathered the first of three sons.

After graduation, Fred took up a position at the Uni of NSW in the fields of X-ray analysis, electron microscopy, electronics and computing. It was a challenging and satisfying career and he worked there until he retired. He remembers the working conditions as very pleasant and a far cry from the uncertainty of tenure and rat race of today and extra-curricular activities could be comfortably accommodated.

Fred became Secretary of Bexley Public School P&C Assn for ten years while his sons were there, and was involved in their sporting and other activities, including soccer, scouts and athletics. He realized that young children were not well catered for in athletics and initiated the formation of the St George Little Athletics Centre where he was the inaugural Secretary and then served on the NSW Board of Management.

When he retired in 1996 he developed an interest in genealogy, which Fred says is both addictive and time consuming. He is currently a member of a number of genealogical societies and is presently involved in a project on pubs and publicans in NSW from 1860 to 1900.

He also took on a voluntary position as Secretary of the Bexley Chamber of Commerce, during the time that Beverley was the President. He organized the annual Spring Fairs for many years and when six banks all left the Bexley area he was actively involved in establishing a branch of the Bendigo Bank in the suburb. This he sees as a major achievement for the community.

His association with computers has continued and he is responsible for Hurstville Seniors Computer Club web site and conducts web design classes. He has stood down from other active positions now that Beverley has retired and they intend to travel and spend more time with their children, grandchildren (13 of them) and hopefully great grandchildren. Their first trip will be to Tuscany for their eldest son's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday and then 6 weeks in Europe and Great Britain. We look forward to hearing all about it when they return.

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## KOGARAH'S MYSTERY SOLVED



In the last Newsletter we asked if anyone could identify an old Kogarah building. Our enquiry brought a response from a number of people, particularly those who attended St. George Girls High School. They recognised the building which had been on the corner of Victor and Gladstone Streets and which they passed on their way to school. Daphne Kingston provided the attached photograph which she took in 1974 and I think all will agree that this is the building.