

# Founders

Newsletter of Fellowship of First Fleeters



## From the President's Desk

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Congratulations to Life Member Warwick Wilkinson, FF Henry Kable/Susannah Holmes, who received an additional accolade in the Queen's Birthday Honours of an AO. He had previously been awarded an AM for his untiring efforts to the Pharmacy profession. He was invested at Government House, Canberra by the Governor-General and celebrated the event with family and friends at the Commonwealth Club in Canberra.

Some older members of the Fellowship have fond memories of his mother, Lola Wilkinson, who for many, many years was a volunteer helper to the Fellowship during the 1970s and 1980s.

Fellow Pharmacist and Life Member Peter Christian OAM, and his wife Joy, were present in Canberra to celebrate this event with Warwick and his family.

Sadly we record the passing of Naida Jackson, Life Member and descendant of William Tunks FF, (see separate vale by Peter Christian on page 3).

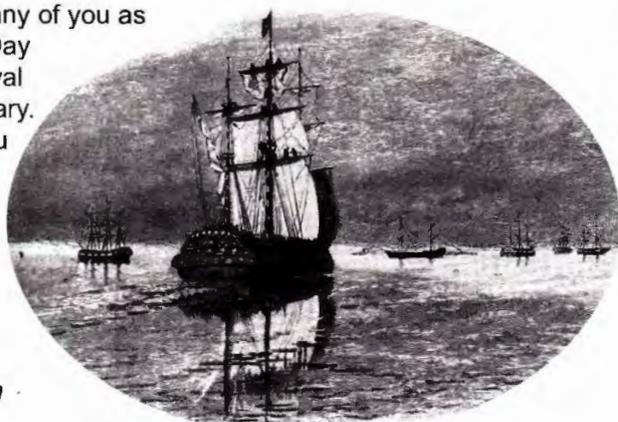
We have received for safe keeping the MBE of the late Thea Hosking (FF Mary Turner). Her biographer, Mr Phil Young, has graciously agreed to provide us with copies of some of Thea's documents as well as her speech to the Fellowship, which will be on disc.

The Perth Mint has advertised a forthcoming issue of *The First Fleet Commemorative Coin and Medallion Set*. This will probably be released in the new year. We will keep you posted.

The Directors decided to pilot a suburban Chapter establishment. Ryde/Parramatta area has been chosen for this, and an invitation to members has been mailed with an initial good response.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as are able to attend the Australia Day Celebration Luncheon at the Royal Automobile Club on the 19 January. The Directors and I extend to you all the compliments of the Christmas Season, and trust that in 2008 we will see the Fellowship prosper and grow through the association of our members.

*In Fellowship, John*

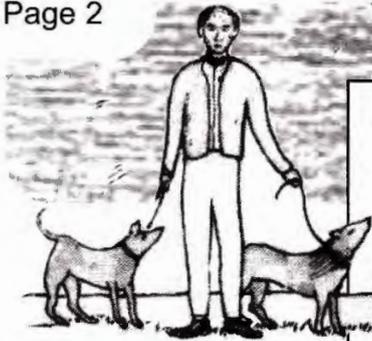


p.s. I must apologize for the mistakes in the last *Founders*. I was not aware that some articles had been retyped after they had been proof read in the original form.

### Dates to Remember

• **Saturday 15 December**  
11am  
Volunteers' Christmas Party

• **Saturday 19 January**  
Celebrate the 220th Anniversary of the landing of the First Fleet, luncheon.



**FFF Office Bearers 2008**

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**Maintain-a-Brick Donations** We have gratefully received donations from the following people:  
S N Keough; M A Houstone; J L Westmore; R D White; L Potts; L Dudman; Northern Rivers Chapter.

**News of Members**

*Membership Report  
for 24 November 2007*

**New Members**

We extend a warm welcome to new members who joined: **19 Adults, 3 Associate Spouses, 9 Juniors:**

THOMAS ACRES  
Elizabeth Margaret McGree  
(Spouse: Jason Paul McGree)  
Thomas Nelson Nichols (Junior)  
Georgia Lorraine McGree (Junior)  
Charlee Elizabeth McGree (Junior)

WILLIAM BROUGHTON  
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PHILLIP DEVINE  
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Ardunn Adelaide Surjan (Junior)

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Alan Leslie Jarman  
Olivia Clare Jarman (Junior)  
Emma Louise Jarman (Junior)

ANDREW FISHBURN  
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Marilyn Eva Long  
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Margaret Joan Selth

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Daisy Holley

EDWARD PUGH / HANNAH SMITH  
Mollie Elizabeth Munro (Junior)

ANTHONY ROPE / ELIZABETH PULLEY  
Delma Joyce McDonald  
Phillip John Foster (Spouse: Amanda Foster)

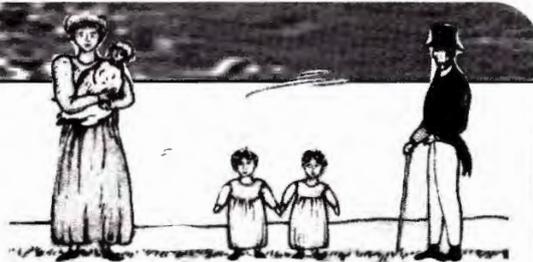
JAMES RUSE  
Anthony Stephen Springett

JOHN RYAN  
Pamela Mary Harvey

JOHN SMALL / MARY PARKER  
Paul Phillips

WILLIAM WHITING  
Sophia Louise Hinrichsen (Junior)

JOSEPH WRIGHT  
Effie May Walker  
Lynette Margaret Potts



**Births**

**Welcome to First Fleeters' Descendants:**

Ezekiel Matthew Potter (FF Anthony Rope & Elizabeth Pulley) Born 7 October 2007 a son to Matthew and Naomi. 7th Grandchild to Pamela #5897 and David Potter. 13th Great Grandchild to Stella Minter #5825.

Amy Claire Heldon (FF William Tunks, Mary Phillips, Thomas Spencer) born 3 November 2006 Canberra ACT. First daughter to Ian and Charmaine and 5th Grandchild to Ken #2983 and Jan Heldon. Ninth generation.

James Matthew Heldon (FF William Tunks, Mary Phillips, Thomas Spencer) born 26 December 2006 Benowa QLD. First son to Matthew and Marna, and 12th grandchild to Brian Heldon #6850. Ninth generation.

Sarah Monique Macfarlane (FF William Tunks, Mary Phillips, Thomas Spencer) born 21 March 2007 Benowa QLD. Second daughter to Darren and Kate and 6th grandchild to Kaye Macfarlane. Ninth generation.

Kyan Axel Heldon (FF William Tunks, Mary Phillips, Thomas Spencer) born 28 April 2007 Benowa QLD. Second son to Shane and Lina, 13th grandchild to Brian Heldon #6850. Ninth generation.

Noah Harold Vincent Whitehouse (FF Anthony Rope and Elizabeth Pulley), born 30 October 2007, at Horsby NSW to Craig and Renee. Grandson of Julie and Warren Whitehouse; Great Grandson of Rita Dunham.

**Deaths**

Deepest sympathy is extended to the families of the following:

Audrey May Wellington #3139 (FF William Tunks, Mary Phillips, Thomas Spencer) late of Bulimba QLD. Died 9 October 2007.

Donald McLennan #4281 (FF William Douglas, Mary Groves) late of Casula NSW. Died 27 August 2007

Leslie Alan Bennett #6873 (FF Matthew Everingham) late of Toormina NSW. Died 23 June 2007

Dorothy Mooney #1140 (FF Matthew Everingham) late of Taree NSW. Died 14 July 2007.

Peter William Russell. Husband of Mrs Lynette A Russell #2726. Died 15 October 2007. Late of Cameron Park NSW.

Lillian Irene Heath #6272 (FF Benjamin Cusley). Died 24 September 2007.

## Obituaries

Here are four obituaries of valued members. All were extremely proud First Fleeters, all participated in the life of the Fellowship as well as making their mark among fellow Australians.

### **Elizabeth Adele King #2403**

#### **FF William Tunks**

Elizabeth, or Betty as we knew her, was born on the 19th November 1921. She joined the Fellowship during the 1980s and was a volunteer with the Membership Committee and a Foundation Member of the Tunks Descendants Association, which awarded her a Life Membership. Betty's business and secretarial skills were of the utmost help during the surge of FFF membership around the Bicentennial year. Failing health necessitated a move from her family home in Earlwood where she resided after a marriage break-up, to eventually settle in the Hawkesbury Retirement village in Richmond. She managed to keep up her happy and gregarious spirit surrounded by her family and friends. As we shared Great Grandparents I always looked forward to her reminiscences of the Tunks Family. She passed away on the 18 October 2007 and we convey our deepest sympathy to her immediate family, sister-in-law Doreen Tunks, and her beloved niece Vicki-Lynne.

### **Benarr [Bunny] Philip Sloan #6215**

#### **FF Anthony Rope/Elizabeth Pulley**

Bunny was born on 24 October 1921 and died on 31 May 2007. A service to celebrate his life was held on 28 October at Boronia House, Mosman, attended by friends, FFF members, cousins from the Rope/Pulley family, members of Legacy and former business associates. My one regret is that I did not get to know Bunny better. He would invariably appear at our Australia Day Luncheon accompanied by his lovely wife, Elizabeth. They both spent part of the year in the United States but it was patently obvious that his thoughts would always stray back to his homeland, Australia. At the service we were regaled with a selection of his favourite tunes, mainly of the 40s, 50s and 60s. We heard a splendid rendition of Mackellar's *My Country*, and sang a stirring version of *Waltzing Matilda*! The finale was *Wish Me Luck as You Wave Me Goodbye!* It was a happy occasion of thanksgiving for the life and work of this proud First Fleeter and above all a proud Australian. During his lifetime Bunny was a free thinker but always respected the views of his fellow men and women. Some of us would pray that his soul would rest in peace and that he would rise in glory. Bunny, no doubt, would debate this point but God does move in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform. The Fellowship offers to Elizabeth and Bunny's family deepest sympathy on their loss.

### **Dorothy Mooney FF Matthew Everingham**

I have not the details of Dorothy's birth and death but was saddened to learn of her passing in the last Newsletter. Over the past two decades Dorothy has donated to our Library a number of volumes of her literary efforts including details of her life and a host of her down-to-earth poems. She was a proud descendant of Matthew Everingham and the love of her fellow human beings shone through the pages of her writings. I had never met her, but always looked forward to her written thoughts. She was one of those few souls who sincerely believed and acted according to the principles of the Good Book. Our deepest sympathy to her beloved spouse, Dallas, and family.

### **Naida Jackson #877**

#### **FF William Tunks**

Naida's descent came through her mother, Laura Liebau nee White. She was born on the 9 December 1917 and died on the 8 September 2007. She joined the Fellowship in 1970 and over the years took an active part of the Executive. She was also a Foundation Member of the Tunks Descendants Association, a member of the first Committee and an Honorary Life Member. I first had the distinct privilege of meeting Naida, a distant cousin, when I joined the Fellowship in 1981. That year the Membership Committee consisted of some four Tunks Descendants out of the seven members. Joyce Cowell, [Convenor and Archivist], Len Chalmers, Naida and her sister Hazel Liebau. She became the Convenor of the committee in the 1990s and was involved in the processing of over four thousand members from 1981 to 1990. Naida had a great gift of getting along with people, she had a dedicated commitment to the Fellowship, a wonderful sense of humour, was a help and mentor to new chums and, indeed, it was my great fortune to work closely with her during my Presidency. A number of we older members have happy memories of her. There was that day in July 1988 at the opening of First Fleet House and Naida was out on the footpath with a broom to ensure that the Governor and his Lady would have a tidy entrance to our new headquarters. On another occasion, soon after, a thief entered the premises and took off with Naida's purse. She chased him to Cathedral Street, cornered him in a nearby garage, grabbed her purse from him, and returned a little breathless, but triumphant, to the office. Not bad for a 71-year-old! After that incident she ensured that a security grill was installed at the entrance doorway. I was delighted when she was nominated and received Life Membership of the Fellowship. With her passing another chapter in the history of our Fellowship has closed. We give thanks for every remembrance of her and offer our deepest sympathy to her family, Penelope, Paul and her grandchildren. Regrettably I was unable to be present at her funeral but John Daniell AM, a former President of the Tunks Descendants Association, wrote"

*The celebration of the life of Naida Jackson was held in a lovely, small sandstone church, St John's at Mona Vale on Tuesday the 11 September last. Three members of Naida's family gave Eulogies to remind us what a devoted Mother and Grandmother Naida was. And how she was always looking after family members when they needed her love and care. A lot of the Tunks/White connection and even more members of the Fellowship of First Fleeters will miss her for her general knowledge about the family trees of so many first Fleet Families.*

For these First Fleet descendants and all who have gone before.....

*"To Live on in the Hearts and Minds of  
Descendants is never to Die"*

Peter Christian

## A Souther Highlands Calvacade of Fashion



Neville Usher inspecting a nineteenth century bowler hat!

On 6 October 2007, about sixty members and friends of the Southern Highlands Chapter of the Fellowship of First Fleeters attended a very successful afternoon event in the Senior Citizens' Hall in Mittagong - *A Cavalcade of Fashion* -- which featured bridal wear and trousseaux from the early 1800s to the 1900s. This was followed by an afternoon tea and a friendly get-together with our visitors from Canberra and the South Coast Chapters who had joined us for the Cavalcade. The Guests of Honour were Mr John Haxton, President of the Fellowship, and his wife, Beryl.

Whilst the beautiful gowns and accessories were being shown around, we heard stories of how the first multiple wedding was conducted on the shores of Sydney Cove shortly after the First Fleet's arrival. Catherine Bartho, who gave the demonstration and talk, was most entertaining and raised quite a few laughs by comparing the customs and traditions of those days with the present time.

Catherine talked about the comparison between pioneer bush brides' weddings on a selection, with those of the rich daughters of the squatters and landed gentry.



Some of the items, especially the underwear, were very ingenious and it was fascinating to hear how the Cavalcade Group had acquired many of their collections of early Australian clothing and articles of fashion, and the great care and attention needed to preserve them in order to be shown and appreciated by following generations. We recommend this group to other Chapters.

Rosemary Kirkby  
(Associate member SH FFF)

Left: *Five O'Clock Tea: In Town and in Bush*. Australian Sketcher 22/01/1876, Pictures Collection, Image from National Library of Australia, [www.nla.gov.au](http://www.nla.gov.au)



Right: from the Cavalcade Collection -- *Mary Tween* (circa 1780). This gown did not come to Australia for quite a few years, but perhaps was worn as she waved a fond farewell to friends or family sailing on the First Fleet. Mary Tween was born in England in 1762 and married in 1787. Image from: [www.thecavalcade.org](http://www.thecavalcade.org)

### James Ruse

#### Plaque Replacement Ceremony Sunday 10 February 2008

2pm at St John the Evangelist, Pioneer, and the Roman Catholic Cemetery, corner Broughton Street and George Street, Campbelltown.

Members, descendants and friends wishing to attend this ceremony, should contact First Fleet House by phone, fax, email or letter, by *Friday 1 February*, so that catering and other logistical items may be provided.

The ceremony will be followed by afternoon tea at 'Glenalvon' Museum, 8 Lithgow Street, Campbelltown. Cost \$5 for adults.



## Attention: FF John and Hannah Barrisford Family Members

Sunday 5 October 2008, will be the Bicentenary of the arrival at Hobart from Norfolk Island, of the *City of Edinburgh* sailing ship carrying John and Hannah Barrisford, their family, and future son and daughter-in-laws. This was the third start in life for John and Hannah!!

We hope to form a group of family members to travel to Hobart to celebrate this event. The replica of the *Lady Nelson* sailing ship in Hobart will have a special sailing on Sunday 5 October 2008, 10.00am to noon and 1.00pm to 3.00pm.

Irene Schaffer, the *Lady Nelsons'* historian, will be on board to talk about the passengers arriving on the *City of Edinburgh* and other ships at the time.

For more information contact FFF Denis Smith phone (02) 9906 3579.

*Left: Lady Nelson in New Norfolk, Tasmania. Picture of the Month by Fiona Peate, from the website: [www.ladynelson.org.au](http://www.ladynelson.org.au).*

### ROBERT FORRESTER DESCENDANTS

Edith Turner # 5426 is interested to hear from other descendants of First Fleeter Robert Forrester.

**Email:** [edith.turner@optusnet.com.au](mailto:edith.turner@optusnet.com.au) **Phone:** (02) 4943 1197

**Write:** Edith Turner, 15 Phoenix Crescent, Erskine Park NSW 2759

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### A Chance Connection

By Cheryl Wickens

My daughter is a ninth generation descendant of Jacob Bellett. She was in her Australian history class learning about the First Fleet when her teacher asked if there were any descendants in the class. Hers was the only hand raised, but the teacher mentioned that there was another such descendant in the school.

My daughter sought him out and he turned out to be a 'Garth'. They got to know each other at school over the years because of their connections. They found out that their ancestors shared a great friendship 200 years earlier, traveling to Tasmania and building bridges there together. Then they found that their families married into each other; two brothers marrying two sisters and thereby discovering that they too were related.

So our ancestors have once again caused a connection between these two families some 220 years later.

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### Christmas Break

First Fleet House will be closed for the Christmas vacation from  
Saturday 15 December 2007 until Sunday 13 January 2008.

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### ITEMS for SALE

Fellowship of First Fleeters Christmas Cards;  
With wording "*Seasons Greetings and Best Wishes for The New Year*"  
\$5 for 10 cards with envelopes and postage.

FFF Car stickers (2nd edition) \$5 each including postage.

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### Daytime Fellowship Tour

Sunday 6 April Camperdown Cemetery. Commences 11.30am from St Stephens Church Newtown.

## Australia's First Chief Constable

*Who knows the first Chief Constable of Australia?*

by Steve Pierce, President of the Australian Branch of the International Police Association.\*



Sydney Cove, 1794, by an unknown artist. [www.atmitchell.com](http://www.atmitchell.com)

Upon arrival, Susannah and the other women of the Fleet were kept on board the *Charlotte* in Sydney Cove until nine days after the men had been disembarked. Upon disembarkation, Susannah and Henry were confronted with most of their goods having "disappeared" during the journey of the First Fleet. Henry Kable was determined to care for his family and stubbornly sought assistance from First Fleet legal minds. This led to his successful suit five months later in Australia's first civil action against the captain of the ship *Alexander* who was ordered to pay the Kables 15 pounds in compensation. The significance of this case was that as a convict in England, Kable would never have been allowed to bring a case to court (felons were 'dead' in law). It was a radical departure in common law for Phillip and Judge Advocate David Collins to

allow Henry to bring the case to court in the Colony and says something about Governor Phillip's liberal attitude towards convicts. Phillip wrote that he intended to build a free society here. This case created a precedent in law: It was used down the ages by convicts to win court cases and so accrue political freedoms that would otherwise have been denied them. Professor Neal in his book *The Rule of Law in a Penal Colony* has a lot to say about Kable's role in building today's free society. "[They] conscripted the rule of law to transform New South Wales from a penal society to a free society" pp.195-6. Remarkably in 1981 Judge Staples successfully used the precedent set by Kable to allow prisoners at Bathurst Gaol (including the infamous Darcy Dugan) to bring a case to court.

This action supports the view that Arthur Phillip governed the convict colony in a sensible and humane way, despite conditions which included poor quality food, largely infertile land and a lack of experienced farm labour which led to near-starvation.

Earlier Henry and Susannah's marriage ceremony was conducted on 10 February, very soon after the Fleet's disembarkation. Reverend Richard Johnson married them before a large crowd including Governor Phillip who personally wished them well. At this time the settlement consisted of nothing more than filthy hovels and tents that gave no privacy to their occupants.

By the end of the first year of settlement the Kables' second child Diana was born. The settlement had progressed somewhat to include stone houses for Governor Phillip and Major Ross of the Marines, secure store houses and raked vegetable gardens. Phillip requested a detachment of marines to stand watch at night over these gardens and attendant poultry -- this however was deemed unworthy of the marines by Major Ross and led to one of many arguments between the two men.

To overcome the lack of protection at night twelve convicts including Kable were appointed to patrol the settlement, divided into four groups of three to patrol their sectors which included the convicts' huts and public farm area, the brick kilns and surrounding gardens, the western side of Sydney Cove and the huts and gardens around the hospital area. On only his third night of watch Kable made an arrest of a convict found "unlawfully about".

This lawful determination of Kable brought him to further notice of Governor Phillip who appointed him as an overseer of one of the convict gangs responsible for clearing land for the new town of Sydney. Kable enjoyed his new-found responsibility and was renowned for his forthright attitude and 'forceful' method of ensuring other convicts complied with his instructions. He continued on his watch duties and was able to make a harsh life a little easier for his growing family.

But a commercial centre was also growing -- where were to be found the wharves and dockyards, the bonded stores, granary and provision stores, the market place, the small general hospital and the town gaol.

*(To be continued next issue)*

\* The article printed in the previous issue of *Founders* was attributed to Zillah Campbell. This is incorrect. The article is reproduced from "Police Down Under" magazine, and the editor Sgt Graham Hunt has given permission for us to reproduce it. The author is Mr Steve Pierce, President of the Australian Branch of the International Police Association. We apologise for the previous error. (Ed.)

## From the Chapters

### **Canberra Chapter: (ACT, Queanbeyan and surrounding areas)**

A Christmas BBQ will be held Sunday 9 December. starting at 12.30 pm. Venue: 7 Portus Place, Bruce. Cost is \$ 5.00 per person. Please bring your own drinks. For further information ring (02) 6251 4095

### **Central Coast Chapter: (Gosford, Tuggerah Lake, Wyong, Budgewoi)**

Meetings are held at Wyong RSL on the second Saturday of each month starting at 10.30am 8 December. The Christmas Luncheon will be held after a short meeting. All FFF members wish to attend please inform Beryl Haxton (02) 4353 2524. The first meeting for 2008 will be held on 9 February.

### **Hunter Valley Chapter: (Hunter regions, Newcastle & surrounding areas)**

Meetings are held bi-monthly on the third Monday from 10.30am to 12.30pm. at St John's Hall on the corner of Parry & Dawson Sts. Cooks Hill, N/Castle. Next meeting will be held Monday 17 December, 10.00am for a 10.30am start, to be followed by Bring/Share Christmas Luncheon in the hall. The first meeting for 2008 will be held on Monday 18 February. All welcome (02) 4942 2631

### **New England Chapter: (Armidale & surrounding areas)**

A Christmas Luncheon has been arranged. Please contact the Chapter on (02) 6772 3140 for the time and venue. All interested FFF members are welcome.

### **North Coast Chapter: (Coffs Harbour, Woolgoolga, Leigh & nearby regions)**

On Sunday 2 December the Christmas Party will commence at 10.30am at Boambee Creek Reserve. Please refer to the NC Chapter Newsletter or phone (02) 6657 1962. The next meeting will be held on Sunday 3 February at 9 Waratah Place, Grafton. The speaker is Jeanette Calvi on FF William Whiting who sailed on the *Alexander*.

### **Northern Rivers Chapter: (Lismore & surrounding regions)**

Meetings are held bi-monthly at 16 Atlas St, Lismore, from 10.30am for a barbeque lunch. The cost is \$7 for members and \$8 for visitors. After lunch we have an interesting speaker or activity. Please phone Marg Soward on (02) 6686 3597 for details of the 2008 Australia Day celebrations.

### **Northwest Chapter: (Tamworth & surrounding areas)**

*Please Note New Meeting Venue:* The venue for the Christmas Party on 1 December is 46 Jenkins St, Nundle, meeting at 11.00am followed by lunch. For further information please call (02) 6769 3295. Australia Day 26 January 2008:- please wear your First Fleet T-Shirts. Breakfast at Kootingal followed by members participating in the activities at *The First Fleet Gardens Wallabadah* and all local Australia Day Events including *The Cavalcade in the Country Music Festival*.

### **South Coast Chapter: (from Engadine to Burrill Lake)**

Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the months February to November inclusive, from 10.00am to 1.00pm. We hold Saturday or Sunday Luncheon in May to commemorate the sailing of the First Fleet from Portsmouth and a Christmas Luncheon in December. In 2007 the Christmas Luncheon will be held at Harbourside Brighton Restaurant, Kiama, on 2 December. Please phone John Boyd on (02) 42616893 for details of the Luncheon and the proposed new Meeting Venue for 2008.

### **Southern Highlands Chapter: (Moss Vale, Mittagong & surrounding areas)**

Meetings are held at Mittagong Community Centre, Cnr, Albert Lane & Queen St, Mittagong. Please note that the new meeting time for 2008 is Wednesday 10.30am to 12.30pm, with the first 2008 meeting being held on 13 February. A Christmas Luncheon and Third Anniversary celebration will be held in a function room at Bowral Country Club from 12.00 pm. Cost is \$38 for Mains, Dessert, Tea or Coffee, Champagne or Orange Juice on arrival. For booking information phone (02) 4862 4849.

### **Chapter Liaison News**

Ninety-one letters have been sent to FFF members who reside in the Ryde, Parramatta and surrounding areas advising them of a '*Proposed Metropolitan Sydney Chapter*' and it is evident by the response that a Chapter is needed in Sydney. We called for suggestions of possible venues and some very suitable places close to railway stations have been recommended. All replies have been activated and other interested members are encouraged to contact us.

*Wishing Everyone a Happy and Safe Christmas  
May Future Generations Celebrate in the same way.*

*In Fellowship, Jean Mortimer, Chapter Liaison Officer.*

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## Advance Notices 2008

### • Saturday 19 January

Luncheon to celebrate the 220th Anniversary of the landing of the First Fleet.

### • Sunday 10 February James Ruse Plaque Replacement Ceremony

### • March (date tba)

Cocktail Party to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the founding of the Fellowship of First Fleeters.

The Fellowship of First Fleeters is proud to host our

## Australia Day Luncheon

**Saturday 19 January 2008**

at the Macquarie Room, Royal Automobile Club  
80 Macquarie Street Sydney

The Macquarie Room opens at 11.30am (seated by 12.00pm, start 12.15pm)  
Concluding at 4.00pm.

Pre-Dinner Drinks will be available in the ICS Room adjacent to the  
Macquarie Room from 11.00am at your own expense.

The Governor of NSW, Her Excellency Professor Marie Bashir,  
and her husband, Sir Nicholas Shehadie, will be attending,  
with Dr Ken Knight as Special Guest Speaker -  
**Early Pubs & Publicans 1788-1850.**

The venue is a short walk from Circular Quay Station, and there is plenty of  
parking at the cost of \$9-\$10 all day at Domain Carpark,  
or use Wilson's Parking in Macquarie Street.

**Dress:** Lounge Suit for Men, Smart Casual for Women

**Cost:** \$50 pp for fully financial Members

\$55 pp for non-financial members and non-members

An outstanding two-course meal will be served, together with tea/coffee.  
Beer, wine and spirits at your own expense.

**Bookings close on 31 December 2007 or when 130 places are booked.**

Numbers are limited to 130 Guests, so completed  
Booking Forms plus all moneys due will be processed  
and a seat allocated as they are received at FF House.

*The Lucky Program prizes will be presented during the Celebration,  
as will the drawing of our Annual Grand Raffle.*

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