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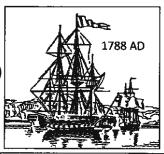
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EDITORIAL - HELP WANTED

In the editorial of the last edition of Founders we explained how that edition had been compiled and the reasons for it. In addition we sought help from our members to continue with the production of this important magazine. We requested articles from the Chapters as well as stories from individual members, however we have only received articles from a couple of members. The temporary committee, rather than using articles from earlier editions of Founders would prefer to use articles supplied by the members about your First Fleeters or relevant articles that will interest our Members, so please help us out. Articles can be sent to fffaus@optusnet.com.au and marked attention Founders Committee.

In addition to the above request we are still looking for volunteers to accept the positions of Editor and Layout Designer. We do have a couple of volunteers to proof-read, however we could always do with more helpers.

Thank you to the new committee members of all the Chapters that have been recently been elected. It is wonderful to witness the dedication and interest that is shared throughout the Fellowship of First Fleeters' community.

The Founders Committee

DIARY DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday 27 October 2012— 10.30am Civic Reception & morning tea, at the Wyong R.S.L. Club, Anzac Avenue, Wyong N.S.W. followed by the 25th Annual General Meeting at 11.15am.

Saturday 19 January 2013— Fellowship of First Fleeters Australia Day Luncheon in the Ibis Room, Pullman Hotel, College Street Sydney. Further details in the next Founders

March 2013- Norfolk Island Trip

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our Editorial again this issue seeks assistance, articles, in short HELP. Not only are we asking you as members to get out of the archives those family histories that have been sitting for decades, waiting for one of your offspring to show some interest in your well researched work, but to continue on the good effort you have put into this document. 'WHAT', you say, are you talking about John? Well I suppose that I'm asking you all to look at what research you have done, and really go that extra mile and finish it off, and send in your story.

We thrive on information; we try and put onto the web site articles that will grab the imagination of children at primary school doing their First Fleet projects, so that they can enlarge on the information we supply and look for possible Family association with the names; e.g. My ancestors are Ann Sandlin and John Winter; other family names that have become attached to this beginning are:-Boulton, Grosvenor, Owen, and Haxton. There are other families that have married into this tree which are not at this stage verified by me, but have never the less happened over the decades. If you have any of these family names associated with your own 'tree', then please get in touch so that we can share information. I have been contacted by a lady in New Zealand a few weeks ago with a possible photo of a painting of Elizabeth Sandlin. What a joy it was to see that picture, (I don't know how anyone could have loved this person, I suppose we all get old and grumpy, but she is formidable). No family resemblance was seen in this picture, but there may be some gene passed on which may become evident to later generations. So what about it? Will you ALL please dust off those archives and share your stories. We need them!!!!

In Fellowship

John Haxton

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PART 2 OF THE VOYAGE OF THE FIRST FLEET RIO BOUND

On leaving the Canary Islands on 10 June, the fleet headed south west towards the Cape De Verde Islands reaching the Island of Sal, the northern most of that group, on 18 June. The intention was to call into Saint Jago for additional supplies as those procured from Teneriffe were running low, however they experienced trouble when the wind began bearing down on each ship in different directions. Possible danger was averted by the signal being made to make way from the port.

- **20 June** Having lost time steering east of Saint Jago, the fleet moved southward towards the Equator. Winds were variable and light, with frequent calms, dark cloudy weather and heavy showers of rain. Progress was slowed due to currents running against the ships.
- **25 June** During the day Surgeon John White did a tour of inspection of the transports and found, 'the troops and convicts- from the very great attention paid to cleanliness, airing the ships- in much better health than could be expected in such low latitudes and unfavourable weather'. Watkin Tench attributed this good health to 'frequent explosions of gun powder, lighting fires below decks, and a liberal use of that admiral antiseptic, oil of tartar'.
- 7 July The south-east trade winds picked up at last, and carried them westward.
- **12 July** The seamen went on strike on the *Lady Penrhyn* and three of the ringleaders were taken on board *Sirius* for punishment.
- **14 July** The fleet crossed the equator in the evening and thereafter with a fresh and steady breeze and carrying as much sail as possible Capt. Phillip made for the Island of Trinidada. However, because of the wind they did not come close and were forced to sail on.
- **2 August** The *Supply,* sailed on ahead and signalled when she sighted land. This was Cape Frio. Capt Phillip signalled for lights to be hung and for the ships to gather close and shorten sail, and in light winds they headed for Rio de Janiero.
- **4 August** The *Supply* was sent ahead, as the fleet prepared to anchor to tell the Viceroy that Capt Phillip had arrived. Light winds however, prevented the entering of the harbour. Canoes began to paddle out to the ships, two reached the *Lady Penrhyn*, each carrying three Portuguese gentlemen and paddled by four naked Negroes.

More daring canoes made contact with *Charlotte*, and the crew were able to buy some oranges, plantains and bread. 'Contact' was just what some of the convicts had been waiting for. After months of planning, they seized the opportunity to put a daring plan into action; as Surgeon White wrote: 'In trafficking with these people, they discovered that one Thomas Barret, a convict, had, with great ingenuity and address, passed some quarter dollars which he, assisted by two others, had coined out of old buckets, buttons belonging to the marines, and pewter spoons, during their voyage from Teneriffe. The impression, milling, character, in a word, the whole was so perfectly executed that had their metal been a little better, the fraud, I am convinced, would have passed undetected'.

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Next morning a breeze from the sea carried the whole convoy into the harbour. As they passed the Fort Santa Cruz they saluted with 13 guns, which was returned by an equal number from the fort.

On the run from Teneriffe to Rio, there had been six deaths. Many had been lingering from diseases which they had brought aboard with them when they embarked.

Fresh provisions were immediately provided on their arrival, and served to the ships' companies, marines, and convicts. Vegetables, oranges and other tropical fruits were in abundance at this time. The fleet stayed in Rio for a month and Capt. Phillip needed every minute of it to replenish supplies of food and water and to make repairs to the ships that had been damaged in the run down to South America.

Capt. Phillip writing to Evan Nepean at the Home Office said. 'with respect to the convicts, they have been allowed the liberty of the decks in the day and many during the night, which has kept them much healthier than could have been expected'.

They were met with everything that was civil and polite and a day or two after arriving, the whole of the ship's officers were introduced and paid their respects to the Vice-King, who was desirous of making the place as convenient and pleasant as possible. Arthur Phillip had been in service with the Portuguese navy some years previous, with the result that he was given every courtesy by the Vice-King. Every officer was permitted to walk wherever he pleased, except the forts, a liberty never granted to strangers.

3 September After the watering of the convoy, and the necessary refitting had been completed, the signal was made from the *Sirius* for everyone to return to their ship. Next morning they weighed anchor and, passing the Fort Santa Cruz saluted with 21 guns, which was answered by the Fort with the same number, a very high and uncommon compliment, seldom paid to foreigners.

It took 39 days to reach Cape Town.

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SHIPPING TERMINOLOGY Bowsprit

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The bowsprit of a sailing vessel is a pole (or spar) extending forward from the vessel's prow. It provides an anchor point for the forestay(s), allowing the fore-mast to be stepped farther forward on the hull. On large tall ships the bowsprit may be a considerable length and have several forestays attached. When not in use the headsails are stowed by being tied onto the bowsprit. The crew must then work out on the bowsprit to stow or prepare the sails. To minimise the risk of the bowsprit (and any crew working on it) being buried in large waves, the bowsprit is normally angled upwards from the horizontal.

The bowsprit has an ominous nickname widow maker; maintaining the headsails upon the bowsprit was very dangerous business, especially on rough or stormy seas.

The Botany Bay Family History Society Inc will be hosting the Family History State Conference & Expo 2012, at Tradies Gymea, 57 Manchester Road (Cnr Kingsway) from 14 to 16 September. The Fellowship of First Fleeters will be having a table at the conference on Friday 14 September from 10.00am to 4.00pm. Information about the First Fleet will be available & there will be various items for sale. If you are in the area on the day please come and say hello.

Amusing Incidents During the Journey

Extract from Growing Up In the First Fleet by A.T. Yarwood

Sailors are famous for the stories they tell. At the time they sailed for Botany Bay, few people, apart from sailors, ever travelled more than thirty kilometres from where they were born, so it was the men of the sea who went to distant lands and had strange and wonderful adventures. When they came home there were eager audiences waiting on their every word, and many was the small boy who ran away to sea with his imagination fired by the tales of a sailor.

One calm Sunday, when they were about a week out from Rio, a huge whale surfaced no more than twenty metres from the ship and blew water high into the air. It was the first time Surgeon Bowes had seen a whale, and he was terrified, to begin with, by the rush of water and the sight of the animal's great bulk, as it was nearly as long as the ship itself. Most of them had at least a glimpse of the animal, as it spouted several times and swam slowly beside the ship. At last it spouted one final time and went straight down in a dive, with its enormous tail lifted out of the water high above the ship's deck.

In late November, after leaving the Cape of Good Hope on the final leg of the voyage, Surgeon Bowes had two experiences that made an impression on his daily journal. While on his rounds one stormy day he was dressing a sailor's blister when a heavy sea chest was dislodged by the violent motion of the ship. His legs would have been crushed had it not been for a ladder stopping it, just in time. Later that day, Mr Bowes was washing his white trousers in the lazy mans' way, by towing them on a heavy line behind the ship. To the doctor's amazement, a shark no less than five metres long made a grab for the trousers, thinking perhaps they were the white underbelly of a big fish. The shark then plunged below the ship's stern and in a few moments the trousers reappeared on the surface, with the shark following them.

Accidents and near misses

There is only a thin line separating comedy from tragedy. For example, when they were 'crossing the line' of the Tropic of Cancer on 15 June 1787, the sailors held their usual ceremonies. All sorts of tricks were played on the 'new chums', which concluded with their being introduced to a dressed-up King Neptune, complete with beard and crown and trident. Sailors are more superstitious than most people, perhaps because their lives are continually in danger. Their tradition goes back to the mythology of the ancient Romans, who believed that Neptune controlled the seas, and therefore worshipped him in the hope that he would not use his power to destroy them. For the children it was a lot of fun, and for everyone it served as a break from the monotony of a long spell at sea.

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However, they were all laughing so much that even the officers forgot to keep a look out. As usual, the two 'ladies', the *Lady Penrhyn* and the *Charlotte*, were at the rear of the fleet, and they came within a hair's breadth of colliding. Only at the last moment did the helmsman of the *Lady Penrhyn* became aware of the danger, and steered away just in time.

One of the less fortunate fellow travellers was William Brown, a convict on the *Charlotte*, who had the reputation of being a particularly well-behaved man. Having some of his clothes out to dry in the breeze at the end of the bowsprit, he went out to fetch them, but lost his balance and fell overboard. He was seen by the people on the forecastle to go directly under the ship, so the poor fellow had no chance of surviving. There are many stories of how badly the convicts were treated, but in this case every effort was made to save Brown's life. Lieutenant Ball on the fast little sloop, *Supply*, instantly changed course to give assistance, while the *Charlotte* hove to and lowered a boat, all without success.

Another fatal accident took place when the fleet was at anchor in Table Bay. Patrick Valance, the second mate on the *Friendship*, fell overboard from the head of the ship, a sort of open-air lavatory at the bowsprit, when he went to relieve himself late one night, after having had too much to drink. Three of his friends jumped in to save him, but he had already disappeared. Phoebe Norton on the *Lady Penrhyn* was more fortunate. She fell from the head on a dead calm day, and was saved by two men who leapt in and hauled her into a ship's boat that was towed astern.

On the final run up the coast of New South Wales they sailed for a while with the wind directly into their teeth. The rolling of the ship damaged many of the plants which had been collected at Rio and the Cape to start Australian gardens, including bananas, grape vines and oranges. Many of the sheep, cattle and poultry, intended to stock the new colony's farms, had already died from hunger, as their fodder had nearly run out. For some of those remaining, the storm that hit the fleet on 10 January 1788 was the last straw. All of the masters had been called aboard the *Sirius* for a conference with Captain Hunter. Captain Sever had barely returned to the *Lady Penrhyn* when the sky grew black, the wind rose and it blew a hurricane, with thunder, lightning and rain. They were lucky enough to suffer no more than a split jib sail.

SHOPPING AT FIRST FLEET HOUSE

First Fleet Christmas Cards The Beginning

30 cents each or 10 for \$3 plus \$2 postage &

handling

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-\$20 plus \$6.50 postage & handling

The Founders of a Nation Chart is the new 2011edition of our 420mm * 590 mm (A2) full colour wall chart recording the names of all of the people who arrived on the First Fleet, together with sundry data on the voyage.

BOOKS

'Where First Fleeters Lie' by Joyce Cowell & Roderick Best \$10 plus \$5 postage & handling

BOOK REVIEW

Liz Flaherty, an author of children's books has written a series of books about the First Fleet. The books reveal to the reader some of the facts and stories about the First Fleeters, from what life was like in 18th Century England, through the voyage of the First Fleet to what life in the colony was like soon after the fleet's arrival.

The series includes: 'First Fleeters', 'Life in 18th Century England', 'The Voyage' and 'Life in the Colony'.

Even though the books have been written for primary age school children, they are quite suitable for anyone interested in the First Fleet, because of the historic photographs and timeline of key events that have also been included.

The book 'First Fleeters' features a double-page story about George Raper, George Johnston and Esther Abrahams, John Palmer, Henry Kable, Joseph Tuso, Edward Whitton, Edward Miles, Jane and Henrietta Langley, Olivia Gascoigne, Edward Parkinson, James Bloodworth and Elizabeth Hayward.

Liz Flaherty has also written other books entitled 'Links to the Past 1' through to 'Links to the Past 4'. In 'Links to the Past 2' Liz has included a story called 'Meet Sharon', a story about how I remember my First Fleet ancestors because of a wooden box. It is this wooden box that is on display in the 'First Fleet' Section at the National Maritime Museum at Darling Harbour, Sydney.

The books 'Life in 18th Century England', 'The Voyage' and 'Life in the Colony' have been donated by Liz Flaherty to the Fellowship's library.

Pearson Australia through Pearson Places has designed the books and they are colourful and well presented at a cost of \$19.95 each.

The series of books would make a wonderful present for grandparents to give to their grandchildren.

Sharon Lamb #1318

Family Tree Information

Due to privacy laws, the Family Trees and the relevant certificates, are not available for general viewing by Members.

The Fellowship is able to allow Members access to certificates under the same circumstances that apply at the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages, i.e. Birth certificates older than 100 years, Death certificates over 30 years old and Marriage certificates over 50 years old.



DRINKING IN THE COLONY

Extract from 'the Bonded Store Alcohol at Sydney Cove 1788-1810' by Terri McCormack

From the earliest days of the settlement, the importation, storage and distribution of spirituous liquors were governed by strict regulations. No liquor could be bought on shore without a government permit and smugglers were severely punished. All merchant ships arriving in Sydney Cove had to take on a guard to ensure that no unauthorised people came on board.

Shipments of spirits, usually known by the collective name, rum— could be landed only at the public wharf. The casks were hoisted from the ship to the wharf and rolled up into the Bonded Store, which was situated in Sergeant Major's Row, just near the junction with High Street and opposite the Old Parade Ground. Here they were gauged to ensure their stated contents were exact and any damaged casks were repaired by a cooper or cask-maker. The staff included a storeman-gauger, several coopers and a guard.

The Bonded Store was one of the earlier buildings constructed at Sydney Cove. It was also one of the most substantial buildings in the settlement with brick walls two feet thick to provide insulation for the stored casks and bottles, big double doors, and high windows to deter would be trespassers.

Most of the convicts and sailors of the first settlement in New South Wales came from the sort of poor urban background where their main recreation was drinking gin or other cheap spirits. Long inured to alcoholic excess, they sorely lacked it during the first struggling years of the colony. When spirits started to arrive in quantity, they were only too eager to trade all they had for some brief escape from the unpleasant realities of their situation.

As well as gin, the most popular drink, various other alcoholic beverages were drunk in eighteenth century England, and most of these reached the thirsty population in New South Wales. The convicts brought their taste for gin from the London slums to the shores of Sydney Cove, and the quantities of Geneva and Holland's gin arriving found a ready market. Despite an official prohibition on private distilling in the colony, the Sydney Gazette dated 26 March 1803 gave detailed instructions on how to make brandy.

Cordials were a fashionable rather than a popular drink and were taken a little at a time in small glasses. They were brought into New South Wales already made up in three hundred and eighteen litre cases or bottles. Shrub was a particular type of cordial, it was imported into New South Wales, no doubt for the use of wealthier officers and settlers. As in so many eighteenth century beverages, the ingredients varied, comprising perhaps white currants, rum and sugar, or else brandy, lemon juice, white wine and sugar. Both rum shrub and raspberry shrub were for sale in Sydney Cove..

Home grown wine was originally intended to set up a self sufficient wine industry and the First Fleet

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arrived with vine cuttings which were sown in the Governor's Garden. The Reverend Richard Johnson brought canes from the Cape of Good Hope intending to grow them in the colony and produce 'New Holland Wine', but his plans were unsuccessful.

By 1791, Mrs McArthur was praising the quality of the grapes grown in the colony and Governor Phillip had several grape-producing acres planted. Sir Joseph Banks assisted vine growing efforts in the colony by dispatching quantities of Frontinac, Constantia, Frankendal, and Black Portugal vines.

In 1826, John Busby was granted 'Kirkton' on the upper Hunter River, and the Hunter Valley vineyards and the Australian wine industry became a reality.

In 1796 John Boston brewed beer in Sydney from Indian corn 'properly malted and bittered' with the leaves and stalks of the Cape gooseberry. Unfortunately his efforts failed after a short time.

Governor King was one of many who encouraged beer as a healthier substitute for spirits. In 1803, a Government Brewery was set up in Parramatta under Thomas Rushton and in 1805 it produced more than 12,000 gallons (45,425 litres) of beer. Half the produce was used for government wages and the remainder was sold to licensed retailers and settlers.

By 1808, several breweries were in operation in New South Wales and much beer was also brewed privately for domestic consumption. Beer was usually sold in alehouses rather than in licensed taverns, which sold spirits and wine.

Despite government encouragement of the brewing industry, only small quantities were produced in the colony, the popular demand was still for spirits.

How to Make Vinegar

This recipe for making Vinegar appeared in the Sydney Gazette and New South Wales

Advertiser Saturday 2 April 1803

Boil a quantity of water an hour, and when it is cold, put to every gallon of water one quart of ripe currants, which have been picked from the stalks and bruised with the hand, stir it frequently for two days, then put to every gallon of liquor a pound and a half of brown sugar; when it is dissolved and well mixed, put the whole into a barrel, and place the barrel in a warm place till currants are ripe the following year, when the vinegar will be ready for bottling.

N.B. You must paste a paper over the bung-hole of the barrel, and make a few small holes in the paper. Coarse muslin is better than paper.

The acid currant of New South Wales will make as good vinegar as the currant, and which by the above method makes the finest vinegar in this Country.'

The Chapters in Action

ALBURY-WODONGA DISTRICT: President: Keith Crossley, V-Presidents: Stewart Ross & Malcolm Ross, Secretary: Sue Webb, Treasurer: Mary Chalmers-Borella. Next Meetings, 15 September 10.00am for 10.30am. Speaker: Chris Gissel, A Look back at Sydney Cove. 20 October: Pam Palffy, Meet My Ancestor James Williams. Venue:. Albury Library/Museum, Kiewa St. Albury.

Contact: Sue Webb 60433727

ARTHUR PHILLIP: Area: North Shore Sydney, Milson's Point to Brooklyn and across to all northern beaches. President: Gillian Doyle, V-President: Alan Beresford, Secretary: Joy Zamiatin, Treasurer: James Kemsley,. Next Meetings: 21 September 10.30am to 12.00noon. Speaker: Tim Barker, Potted Family History, 19 October Andrew Tink, Lord Sydney. Venue: Meeting Room, Old Gordon Public School, 799 Pacific Highway, Gordon. Next Event: Thursday 6 September, Macquarie Street Heritage Tour, Library & Parliament House, 10.30am.

Contact: Joy Zamiatin 9451 8665 or Gillian Doyle 9440 5340

ACT: President: Geoff Cameron, V-President: Gina Pinkas, Secretary: Brian Mattick, Treasurer: Toni Pike,

Next Meeting: No meetings during September & October.

Contact: Brian Mattick 62318880

CENTRAL COAST: President: Coraleen Barton-Bishop, V-President: Margaret Tomlinson, Secretary: Jon

Fearon, Treasurer: Raylee Jones, Next Meetings: 8 September 10.00am for 10.30am

Speaker: Karys Fearon, Our Travels in Family History, 13 October, Speaker: Bruce Walker, Historian &

Bush Poet. Venue: Wyong RSL Club, corner Anzac Ave & Margaret Street, Wyong

Contact: Jon Fearon 4323 1849

EASTERN FARMS: Area: Ryde, Eastwood, Parramatta, Kings Langley, Pennant Hills & surrounds. President: Sharon Lamb, V-President: Judith Newell, Secretary: Robin Palmer, Treasurer: Neil Menger, Next Meetings: 6 October, Speaker: Jennifer Anderson, First Fleeters William Roberts & Kezia Brown, 3 November, Speaker: Yvonne Stewart, Benevolent Society. Venue: The Hall at Brush Farm House, 19 Lawson St. Eastwood -Meetings first Saturday of every month (except January) from 10.00am - 12.00 noon. Contact: Robin Palmer 9871 4102

HUNTER VALLEY: Area: Hunter Region, Newcastle & surrounds. President: Barbara Turner,

V-President: Cynthia Huggup, Secretary: Yvonne Bradley, Treasurer: Helen Pacey.

Next Meeting: 15 October, Speaker: Phil Aubin, Governor Phillip's Early Years. Venue: Adamstown Senior Citizens' Hall, 153A Brunker Road, Adamstown - bi-monthly on the third Monday from 10.00am-

12.30noon. Next Event: 21 September: Visits to Newcastle & Maritime Museums

Contact: Yvonne Bradley 4957 4758

LACHLAN MACQUARIE: Area :Orange, Bathurst, Parkes, Dubbo, White Rock, Cowra, Kelso.

President: Phil Foster, Secretary: Judy Dwyer, Treasurer: Amanda Foster,

Next Meeting: 17 November at the Errowanbang Historic Woolshed Open Day, 11.00am

Contact: Judy Dwyer 6365 8234 or 0428 173 213

MORETON: Area: South East Queensland, President: Jean Stewart, V-President: Gloria Wallace, Secretary: Don Cornford, Treasurer: Julie Webb. Next Meeting: 6 October, Speaker: Geoffrey Swan, Going to School Contact: Don Cornford 04 5746 6020

NEW ENGLAND: :Area Armidale & surrounds, President: Robyn Crossle, Secretary: Wal Whalley, Treasurer: Robert Lemcke, Next Meeting: 13 October from 11.00am at History House Museum, Glen Innes, Our First Fleeters, RSVP by 5 October. Contact: Wal Whalley 67723499

NORTH COAST: Area: Boambee, Coffs Harbour, Dorrigo to Woolgoolga, President: Margaret Bass, V-President: Mark Troy, Secretary: Mal Dale, Treasurer: Pat Robinson, Next Meeting: 14 October at home of Pat & Darrell Davis, 45 King Parade Gulmararrad, Speaker: Bob McPherson, McLean Scottish Festival, Contact Robyn Condliffe 66533615

NORTHERN RIVERS – Area Lismore & surrounds, Next Meeting: 23 September at 11.30am. Meetings are held bi-monthly at Alstonville Bowling Club. Contact: Marg on 66863597

Next Event: Advance Notice 25th Anniversary Celebrations on 25 November.

NORTH WEST – Area: Tamworth & surrounds, President: Graham Tydd, V-Presidents: Barbara Hodgson & Jenny Porter, Secretary: Jo Crossing, Treasurer: Steve Docking, Next Meeting: To be advised, Contact: Jo Crossing 6766 8255

SOUTH COAST — Area: Engadine to Burrill Lake, **President**: Fae McGregor, **V-President**: Stan Keough, **Secretary**: Dorothy Conkey, **Treasurer**: Bob Rickards, **Venue**: Laurel Room, Ribbonwood Centre, 93-109 Princes Highway, Dapto — Meetings first Tuesday of every month (except January, May & December), from 10.00am to 12.00 noon **Next Meetings**: 4 September **Speaker**: Terry Nunan, *Bong Bong Road Farm*, 2 October **Speaker**: Helen Woodward, *Travelogue*, **Next Event**: 9 October: Visit to Fleet Air Arm Museum, HMAS Albatross, **Contact**: Stan Keough 4232 1060

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS – Area: Mittagong, Moss Vale & surrounds, President: Pam Cormick,

V-President: Trish Scott-Wandmaker, Secretary: Wendy Selman, Treasurer: John Kirkby.

Next Meeting: 10 October: 10.30am at Mittagong Community Centre, Speaker: Dr Christine Wright, Wellington's Men in Australia, Venue: Mittagong Community Centre —bi-monthly meetings on the second Wednesday at 10.30am -12.30pm. Contact: Neville Usher

SWAN RIVER – Area: Perth, Fremantle & surrounds, President: Kay Hooper, V-President: Julie Aitken, Secretary: Toni Mahony, Treasurer: Lynton Symington, Next Meeting: 17 November at C. R. Community Hall, Swanbourne, 2.00pm, Next Event: 4 September, Visit to Mundaring Weir No 1 Pumping Station. Contact: Toni Mahony 08 9271 7630

Why a ship is called 'SHE'

A ship is called a 'she' because there is always a great deal of bustle around her; and there is usually a gang of men about, she has a 'waist' and 'stays' and it takes a lot of paint to keep her good looking; it is not the initial expense that breaks the bank, it's the upkeep; she can be all decked out, but it takes an experienced man to handle her correctly, and without a man at the helm, she is absolutely uncontrollable.

She shows her topsides, hides her bottom and when coming into port, always heads for the buoys.

Preserving Maritime History
Pauline Walker #7055

A WARM WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS

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DEATHS:OUR SYMPATHY GOES TO THE FAMILY & FRIENDS OF:

FLORENCE MALMBERG #3486 passed away, in Bowral, on the 13th July, 2012—aged 90

FF's William Tyrrell (Alexander)

James Williams (Sirius)

Florence is survived by her husband Svante #3486.1 and family

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