

NEWS from Farrer Place

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Important Dates for Your Diary!

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Working Bee Sat 9th April from 9.30

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To contact us: send an e-mail to gbnmuseum@yahoo.com.au to the attention of who you want to contact and your message will be passed on to the appropriate person. President 62972730

Members Get Together – Sunday 20th March – 1 – 4
Theme: Our Settlement History. Join your hosts Marilyn and Nancy for history chat, a cuppa and to catch up on what is happening at the Museum. All members most welcome.

– Queanbeyan Heritage Festival – Discovery and Rediscovery April 2016

From the Editors

Join us for our next Members Get Together on 20th March. The theme for this year's Heritage Festival is *Discovery and Rediscovery*. Check out all the Queanbeyan events in the flyer. Two great events at the Museum: *Made By Hand Open Day and Fair* and *Gran's Bag*. Put the Flyers and Calendar of Events on your Fridge, so you don't miss out on Museum events in 2016!

Eds: Kerrie Ruth & Nancy Monk.

Thursday 7th April 5.30 – 7.30pm History and Heritage Meeting:
Launch of Heritage Festival + *Frank Gallagher's Legacy* (past Headmaster of Queanbeyan Public School) talk by Brendan O'Keefe + Museum News + Other History News

Sunday 10th April 1- 4.30 'Which Pub?' Heritage Pub Crawl

Bookings: Lucy.Gravina@qcc.nsw.gov.au

April @QCC Library The Meat Pie Australia's Own Fast Food

Saturday 16th April 12 noon Queanbeyan City Council Heritage Awards @Museum

Saturday 16th April 12.30 - 4pm Printing Museum Open Day

From the President

As usual we have a busy year ahead and have been busy in the first two months. We have hosted a very appreciative group from Warrigal and had a presence at *Carnivale*. For the Heritage Festival we are stretching our vision and resources to hold a themed fair which will enable us to show off some of the treasures of the Museum and connect with the community in new ways. You can read about this fair elsewhere in this newsletter. You can also read about some of the many tasks for volunteers at the Museum. New society members are always welcome, particularly if they can offer time, skill and enthusiasm to help run the Museum. We also hope to contribute a regular column to the Queanbeyan Age.

John McGlynn

Made By Hand Open Day and Fair

At Queanbeyan Museum

16th April 11am - 3pm – Free Admission

Gran's Bag

At Queanbeyan Museum

For pre-schoolers to year three accompanied by an adult

20th April 11am – 12 noon – Gold Coin Donation

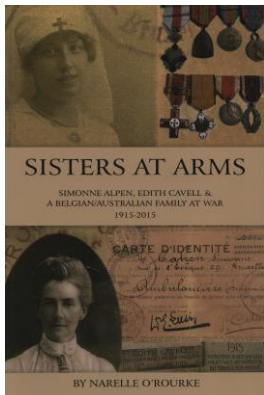
Bookings: Kerrie Ruth 02 6297 2730

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New Books and Reviews



The book *Sisters at Arms* Simonne Alpen, Edith Cavell & A Belgian/Australian Family at War 1915-2015 has been accepted into the Historical Museum reference book collection. It is a record of dedication and heroism during World War 1. It was launched on the 26th November 2015 with Guest Speakers: His Excellency Belgium Ambassador Bodson, Dr Michael Gillespie and Peter Crisp – world renowned glass maker.

The author is Queanbeyan's Narelle O'Rourke who tells of the finding of a photograph of Simone Cahen wearing Croix-Rouge Belgique armband and her medals in an antique shop in Mogo, NSW; of the contacts made of Australians with family connections: Alpen, Gillespie and Crisp and 18 years of research including a visit to Europe. A special readable book with many photographs. Congratulations, Narelle.

Nancy Monk

History Group

We are planning to organise e-mail groups. If you are interested in answering history queries, please let us know. We can share with each other and increase our knowledge of our region's history. Many of these are family history and we work closely with the QCC on these.

Some recent queries from Museum

Visitors: Please contact gbnmuseum@yahoo.com.au if you can assist with answering any of these queries

Request for info on a Bungendore House 65 Molonglo St first occupied mid 1800s by Marsden. Contact Michelle 0402716414 michelletemlin@hotmail.com

Any info on Beazley Family of Arthur, Ada, James and Fred. Contact: Charmaine Fripp cfripp3@gmail.com

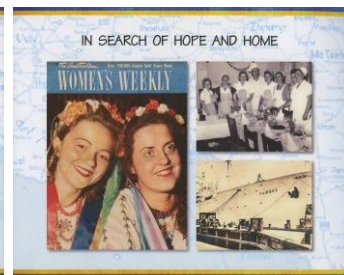
Headmaster of Intermediate School High School in 1947. Contact randpwalker@optusnet.com.au

Info on James Hutchison (or John) carpenters and builders in Qbn 1948-1962. Contact hutchison.alison@gmail.com

I have a photo of Southern team that won the NSW Country Week cricket competition in 1930 includes J. Senior who came from Queanbeyan. Would you know his Christian name (and perhaps his year of birth and death)? Alan Clark, life member, Shoalhaven Historical Society.

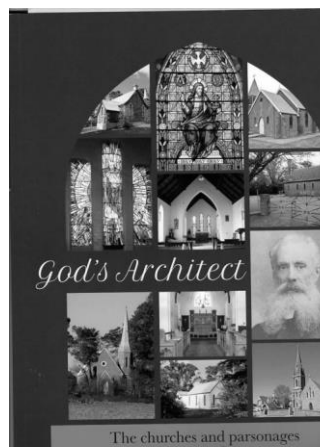
Membership Reminder

Memberships due in April 2016 will receive a renewal notice with the April 2016 edition of *Quinbean*. Renewals are due annually in either April or October.



Thank you to Marusya Jacyshyn for the generous donation of *In Search of Hope and Home* to our reference book collection. The Author is Sydney School Teacher Vasilis Vasilas who has gathered photographs and anecdotal stories from the Ukrainian Community and post-war emigrants coming to Australia between 1948 and 1949; including those who came to live in Queanbeyan. They found freedom of religion and in the early days Mass was held at St Gregory's Church. In the early 1960s Mr and Mrs Beysiuk donated land for a church and church plans were designed and donated by architect Mr Lacheta. St Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church, constructed using these generous donations and unpaid labour, was consecrated on the 14th May 1967 and continues in use. *Divine Celebrations* were held in November 2012 to commemorate the buildings. This is when this book was commenced.

Nancy Monk



A copy of *God's Architect: God Churches and Parsonages* by Graeme Barrow has been donated to the museum reference collection. The Rev. Alberto Soares, Anglican Rector of Queanbeyan for 20 years from 1857, was an accomplished architect, if without formal qualifications. He designed and built 31 structures, mainly churches and parsonages, and probably more. Almost all of Soare's

buildings still stand today and can be seen in many places in our region including Queanbeyan, Hoskintown, Bungendore, Goulburn, Marulan and Gunning. Soare's life and achievements are examined in this new book. Individual essays discuss buildings, including the human element. The book includes maps and illustrations many in colour and is available printed for \$24.95 (partial colour) and USB \$20.00 (full colour). Inquiries Graeme Barrow 02 62627533.

Quinbean

Keep your contributions coming! You are most welcome to submit articles to the President or Editor Gillian Kelly. Your next *Quinbean* will be in the mail shortly.

Fred Monk

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Raising the Public Profile of the Museum

Can You Assist With Any of these Tasks?

Social Media

Task: Update our Facebook page once or twice a week.

Goal: Build our presence on Social Media and get more coverage for Museum Activities & Qbn History.

How easy?: This is a fun task for one person or a group that might want to work together. This would suit someone already familiar with Facebook but you can be shown how. It is very easy to use.

Contact: Kerrie Ruth

Web Site

Task: Update our web site as required.

Goal: Build our website to get more coverage for Museum Activities & Qbn History.

How easy?: This is a rewarding task for one person or a group that might want to work together. This would suit someone already familiar with the web, but you can be shown how. It is a very easy to use interface.

Contact: Kerrie Ruth

School Groups

Task: Liaison with Schools, President and volunteers.

Goal: Build our school group attendance to cover all schools in Queanbeyan and widen net to other areas.

How easy?: Need to do some planning and work with the President and volunteers. This would suit someone already familiar with the education sector, but not necessary.

Contact: John McGlynn

Graphic Design

Task: Design Museum information and publicity flyers posters etc. as required.

Goal: Get more people through the door and get more coverage for Museum Activities & Qbn History.

How easy?: This would suit someone already familiar with and with an aptitude for graphic design.

Contact: Kerrie Ruth

Publicist

Task: Write press releases and develop and implement a marketing plan for the Museum.

Goal: Get more people through the door and get more coverage for Museum Activities & Qbn History.

How easy?: This would suit someone with enthusiasm, writing skills and confidence in dealing with the media.

Contact: Kerrie Ruth

Distributor

Task: Do a regular run to Motels, Visitor Ctr etc, to check Museum flyers and publicity material are current.

Goal: Get more people through the door and more coverage for Museum Activities & Qbn History.

How easy?: Would suit someone with a car and would only take a small amount of time.

Contact: Kerrie Ruth

We are on Facebook!

<https://www.facebook.com/queanbeyanmuseum>

Check out our new Facebook page

and like us and follow us to keep up to date with Museum news.

It's all happening at the Queanbeyan Museum! - Photo Gallery

The Men From Snowy River Re-Enactment 8 November 2015



Museum Visits **LHS**

Australian
Society of
Archivists ACT
Branch

RHS

Supporters of
the Men from
Snowy River
March Re-
enactors



We had a great turn out for our end of year get together



Museum collection items were on display at The Q as part of Queanbeyan Art Society's *The Art of Lest We Forget*



LHS Museum
Assistant Ximena
Briceno gave a
presentation on
her PowerHouse
Museum Internship
RHS Maria, Nancy
and John at our
Member's Get
Together on
Schools

