

GUSTAV'S NEWSLETTER



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Welcome to our latest newsletter.

As always we have been very busy with our Heritage Gallery and catering has once again been a reliable source of fundraising.

HERITAGE HAPPENINGS

We have held our AGM and we welcome Terry Carter back on the committee, Terry has always been our general handyman and works long and hard for the Gallery.

We also welcome a new committee member, Kath Bowden;

Kath and her husband Ted are huge supporters of our Gallery, donating cakes and yeast goods each Saturday from their Eudunda Bakery.

We look forward to both Terry and Kath being part of the committee.

Jim Reese continues as our President and his report to the AGM is later in the newsletter.

AROUND THE ROOMS

Have you noticed our front windows? Cheryl Stapleton has sign written them and they look fantastic. Thank you so very much Cheryl. Cheryl is also working on signage for within the Gallery. The new signs are really going to take our Gallery up a level. Keep an eye out for them.

We have moved the Railways Display out to the big shed. Come and look at its new, enlarged section. The Railway Display has always been popular, and is now much better set out.

We have taken delivery of new Colin Thiele books for sale. These are always popular so get in and organise your Christmas Shopping early at the Heritage Rooms!! We have DVDs too, the latest being, Memories of Anlaby, 1839 to 2007 by Joan Schutz. This is a wonderful DVD tracing the history of the once huge and great Anlaby. It explores Anlaby's history from original settlement through to the current owners who

are thankfully restoring the house and gardens to its former glory.

Irene has been incredibly busy on the photocopier. Whilst it was a large investment, we really do make very good use of it; I think Irene spends more time with the photocopier than she does with Ken!! We really appreciate your efforts Irene. We now once again have copies of the Tarnma and Schools No More books for sale.

GALLERY GOSSIP

The Committee members are looking forward to a bus trip to Mitcham Council. The Mitcham Council has been to visit our gardens several times and we have catered for them. Jim and Ronda Dunstan have completed lots of work for them with tiled tables etc through workshops and we will enjoy seeing their work in a different setting.

We are catering for the Show on 9th November. We will be in the Sporting Complex so come along for your yummy 'cold serve'. Always popular so get in early!!

Talking popular... Thanks must go to Gordon Heindrich for the plaited floor mats he is making for us to sell on our stall. Indestructible, made from baler twin.

Have you noticed we finally have our 'Heritage Lights' up in the new section joining Bruce and Gunn Streets? Don't they look good with no visible wiring? Maybe one day we can have them right along the Main Street and Top End!

The Railway Station has been fenced and awaits restoration. Look out for the Giant Boot Sale which is in the planning as a fundraiser for the restoration of the Railway Station.

The Gardens are looking spectacular and are well worth a walk through, and even sitting and spending some quiet time there. They are a credit to our town and a huge credit to the volunteers, headed by Pam Dutschke and Betty Pfitzner.

The plans have been completed for the new kitchen at the Eudunda District Hall and the Committee has approached Builders for quotes.

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON

As a fundraiser towards the new kitchen the Eudunda Hall and Catering Committee will be holding a Melbourne Cup Luncheon. This will be on 4th November at 12 noon in the Eudunda Hall. Tickets are \$12 each and there is a smorgasbord lunch. There will be sweeps, raffles and lots of fun so make sure you put it in your diary now and ring Dot 85 811 218 or Yvonne 85 811 369 and book your ticket.

Our next newsletter will be a bumper Christmas Issue, please drop off your contributions at the Heritage Gallery or post to us, 17 Bruce St Eudunda, 5374. Tell us how you spent your childhood Christmases and some of your memories of the special time shared with your families.

President's Report 2008

It is with great pleasure that I present this report on the past twelve months activities of the Eudunda Heritage Gallery.

Again we have had an extremely successful year both financially and by way of activities within the gallery. My thanks go in part to the continued support of our 'friends of the gallery" and the catering section of the committee, your efforts are invaluable.

Tour buses and private functions have played a big part in the financial stability of the gallery and my thanks go to our tour guides and the girls of the committee for their contributions in the catering.

To have a successful year many people other than the committee have contributed time and efforts toward the continuing existence of the gallery - to mention them individually is too hard - they know that we appreciate the part they play. However, I do feel that I would be remiss if I not pay tribute to Terry Carter for his invaluable efforts as "Handy Man" and the work and time he has contributed "Thank You Terry". Negotiations are underway with Council to have the drain covered and that area turned into another working area and also we are at present progressing on out Internet Technology.

Thank you one and all for your support and contributions during the past year and may you all continue to be friends of the Eudunda Heritage Gallery in Eudunda.



If you have missed or mislaid a copy of the Gustav's Newsletter you can now look it up on our website $\underline{\text{www.eudundaheritage.com}}$ which now includes Issues 1-22. Our thanks go to Leonie Fretwell for retrieving the first 6 copies and to Web South for updating the site with the additional copies. We hope to have Issues 23-26 on the webpage shortly and then we will update as we go along.

RIDDLES

APresident.

He who has it doesn't tell it He who takes it doesn't know it He who knows it doesn't want it What is it? I am taken from a mine and shut up in a wooden case from which I am never released and yet I am used by almost everybody What is it?



JAMES DUELL b. 14 Jan 1841 d. 14 Nov 1910 and wife MARY JANE (nee Green) b. 5.10.1845 d. 29.8.1888 Photo sent in by Joyce Pike...Uraidla SA

With the subdivision and sale of the new Town of Eudunda in 1877 and the subsequent forming of the District Council of Neales, came the need for streets and footpaths in the town. Without a work force the Council called for Tenders for various jobs.

One of those granted a contract was James Duell. It was he who was responsible for all the footpaths and streets now know as Gunn & Bruce Street. Gunn Street (past the National Bank) remains today almost unchanged from 1878/1880.

STORIES OF EUDUNDA CHILDHOODS

If you have a story to tell about your childhood in Eudunda or surrounding districts and would like to include it on our webpage or incorporate it into the Library at the Heritage Gallery just put pen to paper and jot down those happy memories which come flooding

back to you. It could be a trick you played on a friend, a chore around the house or where ever your memories take you. We would love to hear from you.

PATH TO PROSPERITY

from the book Eudunda 1870-1970

South Australia in the 1890's had experienced a succession of poor seasons: the rainfall had been well below average and the country generally was in the throes of drought.

The agricultural industry universally was in a perilous state and it was only by marketing mallee wood resulting from their clearing land that settlers were able to eke out an existence.

But as is often the case when times are bad, they become worse. The supply of wood which previously had met a ready sale was now exceeding the demand. Soon, wood merchants, who were also storekeepers, were accepting the value of wood by way of barter as payment for supplies.

From 1893 Mr. Thomas Roberts would travel to Eudunda every fortnight and would redeem cartnotes which were being accepted by storekeepers in exchange for goods. It was felt by settlers that something better was needed, so at the suggestion of Mr. Henry Mucklow, a wood buyer of Eudunda, the forming of a co-operative organization was investigated. On December 26th 1895 a gathering of some 100 farmers and residents of Eudunda met in the Eudunda Hotel assembly room to form a committee to draft a set of rules under which the new Co-op society would function.

Within 12 days another meeting was held under the auspices of the new society. The date, January 7th 1896, the location, Mann's Eudunda Hotel.

The first board of management was elected: J. F. G. Kernich - Chairman, Thomas Roberts - Secretary-Manager, W. Krummel - Assistant Secretary, J. Gosden, A. Schiller, J. F. Mickel and G. H. Kluske, with F. W. Paech and G. A. Hilbig as auditors.

Operations commenced immediately, with woodyards opened at Eudunda and Sutherlands. 517 tons of wood were handled in the first 3 months of activities. It is on record that Mr. C. H. Lindner of Eudunda delivered the first load of wood to the society.

The purchase on December 15th 1896 of Gale & Co. store at Sutherlands (formerly Sutherland & Co., est. 1879) and its subsequent opening on February 1st 1897 signalled the entry of EUDUNDA FARMERS CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD. into the general merchandise trade.

Bower and Mt. Mary stores followed soon after Sutherlands.

The activities of the society eventually became focussed in Eudunda itself. At the beginning of 1901, the lease of Messrs. Nock Bros. store was acquired, and trading commenced immediately.

With four stores operating and with a rigid economy, the society prospered.

In 1966 the old store at Eudunda was demolished and replaced with a modern store and residence which proves the society's faith in this district.

From a membership of 155 and two stores in 1898, the EFCS has grown to a membership of 89,345 and 49 stores with an annual turnover in excess of \$11,000, 000 under the leadership of C.A. Mann (Chairman), E.O. Eime, C.M. Giles, F. S. Arnold, H. O. Goldfinch, P. B. McLaren (General Manager), and A. V. Hollands (Secretary).

100 years with the Eudunda Club.... continued 1888-1988

The first of the preserved minutes began in January 1891. At this time the bank balance stood at £238, which was a large sum for those days; however, £225 were paid towards the lease of the club house and contents, the purchase price being £575. A very strict code of rules was followed. Meetings were held fortnightly, and those who missed three meetings and failed to pay the monthly due of sixpence, were automatically struck off the membership list; also black-listed were those members, whose rowdy behaviour brought discredit to the club. They usually received a letter asking for an apology. At the first recorded meeting a vote of thanks for the efficient work of the office holders was moved by a foundation member, Mr. C.F. Leditschke, of Point Pass. Mr. Wittdorf was president from 1891-4 followed by Mr. Hoffermann. There were numerous secretaries. Among the first were Messrs. Lutz, Macher, Reimann, Kerutke, Schulz and Riebe. The first president appears to have been Mr. Carl Urlaub, a teacher at Peep Hill School. He resigned from this position in 1890, when he became an English teacher preparing Lutheran missionaries for field work at Immanuel College, Point Pass. However, he was instrumental in obtaining bricks from Joseph Willis' brick works, (situated about two miles from the Peep Hill School, (in an easterly direction) for the improvements made about this time to the Unterhaltungs Club. A helper, known as a waiter, was needed for the barman. He was paid fifteen shillings a week plus a boarding allowance of five shillings.

Part of the first preserved minutes of the Unterhaltungs Club translated from the German minutes by Mrs. Pauline Dreckow, are as follows:

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of CLUB

1st Jan., 1891

The President, Mr. G.A. Wittorff opened the meeting.

The minutes of the last General meeting were read and adopted.

Balance sheet of the treasurer was read:-

Balance from Jan. 1st 1890 ### £84- 6- 9

Income for the year 1890 ### £1255- 6-10½

Total ### £1340-13- 7½

Expenditure for year 1890 #### £1102-12- 9½

Cr. Balance at Dec. 28 1890 #### £238- 0-10

During the year, 104 new members were added but after subtracting all "bad" and resigned members there were still 205 members left in the Club.

The Auditors found everything in good order.

Mr. Ulrich suggested that the General Meeting give the Club house manager permission to buy supplies according to the lease. He also stated that the Club was now to pay £225 as first payment for the property and some more in a few months time. The balance was to be taken on Mortgage at £575 which may be able to be paid within two years. After a lengthy debate this suggestion was adopted unanimously.

Moved by Mr. G. Johinke, seconded by Mr. Gaehl, that from today no money is allowed to be paid to people who are not absolutely destitute. This is to be in force till the Club is free of debt. Unanimously adopted.

A further suggestion that a business secretary and a business Controller be appointed was also agreed to unanimously.

After a lengthy debate during which it was unsuccessfully attempted to retain the old Office bearers it was decided to have another election. The following were elected unanimously:

President Mr. Uhrlaub
Vice President Mr. G.A. Wittorf
Secretary Mr. C.E. Lutz
Vice Secretary Mr. C. Bergmann

Treasurer Mr. Hacker

Business Sec. Mr. C. Siegele

Bus.Controller Mr. E. Sachse

Moved Mr. Ledischke, seconded Mr. Gehl.

If a member, because of sickness, should be unable to pay his debt he would receive financial assistance from the Club. Unanimously adopted.

A letter from the Sutherlands Club was read and after being moved by Mr. Bergmann and seconded by Mr. Gaehl the proposition was rejected. The secretary was instructed to reply to the letter from Sutherlands Club in a courteous manner.

It was agreed by the Meeting of 13th Sept., that Mr. C.L.E. Lutz be paid for his work in the year 1890. Adopted.

After a vote of thanks was given to last year's office bearers by Mr. Leditschke the meeting was closed at 5.30 p.m.

G.A. Wittorf Vice President

Time has flown by so quickly since we started putting together this newsletter so will bring you up to date on a few things

OUR MITCHAM TRIP

It was a nice sunny morning for our annual trip and arrived early enough at our destination for a quick tour around Mitcham with a few reminiscing and pointing out where they lived as a child or where their Aunty and Uncle lived or the school they attended, a wonderful trip down memory lane.

Arriving at the Mitcham Research Centre we were welcomed by Maggie Ragless and her wonderful team and treated to morning tea before our tour of the centre which is mainly research relating to Mitcham and the various Wards in Mitcham. We were particularly interested in their compact filing system and were given some pointers in bookbinding. The best thing about visiting other places is the ideas you pick up and which can be incorporated into our own gallery.

Back on the bus we visited various parks to look at the commemorative 'table tops' and were amazed at the wonderful detailed work done by our local artists Jim and Ronda Dunstan.



We enjoyed lunch at Zone 72; the former Mitcham Hills Baptist Church which is now a volunteer operated café and restaurant and it was great to sit down and be waited on for a change. Continuing our trip with Maggie who gave a well informed commentary of the Wards we past through and places of interest while visiting other parks to view the 'table tops'

and meeting up with either Ron, Max, Phillip or Ros who explained the story behind the 'table top' in a particular Ward.

By late afternoon our legs were getting tired of climbing in and out of the bus and we decided to call it a day and thanked Maggie and all her helpers for a wonderful time.

A very special thanks to Mike Colbey who drove the bus all day and delivered us safely back to Eudunda around 7 o'clock that night.

The Storytelling & Book Festival has come and gone with many a good yarn been spun around the campfire and at the Gardens. A lot of hard work goes into this event and we wish the committee all the best in planning and achieving an even bigger festival for 2010.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

<u>Traditiona</u> l	<u>Modern</u>
Paper	Clocks
Cotton	China
Leather	Crystal, Glass
Fruit, Flowers	Appliances
Wood	Silverware
Candy, Iron	Wood
Wool, Copper	Desk Sets
Bronze, Pottery	Linens, Laces
Pottery, Willow	Leather
Tin, Aluminium	Diamond Jewellery
Steel	Fashion Jewellery
Silk, Linen	Pearls, Coloured Gems
Lace	Textiles, Furs
Ivory	Gold Jewellery
Crystal	Watches
	Paper Cotton Leather Fruit, Flowers Wood Candy, Iron Wool, Copper Bronze, Pottery Pottery, Willow Tin, Aluminium Steel Silk, Linen Lace Ivory

20 th	China	Platinum
25 th	Silver	Silver
30 th	Pearl	Diamond
35 th	Coral	Jade
40 th	Ruby	Ruby
45 th	Sapphire	Sapphire
50 th	Gold	Gold
55 th	Emerald	Emerald
60 th	Diamond	Diamond
75 th	Diamond	Diamond

BIRTHDAYS

	<u>Flower</u>	<u>Birthstone</u>
January	Carnation	Garnet
February	Violet	Amethyst
March	Jonquil	Aquamarine
April	Sweat Pea	Diamond
May	Lily of the Valley	Emerald
June	Rose	Pearl
July	Larkspur	Ruby
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August Gladiolus Peridot (sardonyx)

SeptemberAsterSapphireOctoberCalendulaOpalNovemberChrysanthemumTopazDecemberNarcissusTurquoise

TELEPHONE

The Heritage Gallery at long last has the phone connected and can be contacted during opening hours on 8581 1552 if you wish to speak to someone or any other time by leaving a message.

Riddle Answers

- 1. Counterfeit money
- 2. Pencil lead

We hope you enjoyed our Newsletter, and if you have any ideas or suggestions you would like included in the next newsletter, please let us know. Cheers from everyone at the Gallery.

Editors

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