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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO AGM



Well what a jam packed year we've had. I'd like to begin my report by thanking the Executive Committee and giving a rundown on the year's activities. We've had fabulous speakers, covering a huge variety of topics. Once again thank you to Elizabeth Grocke our Speaker Coordinator. We look forward to what you have organised for us next year.

Journal Editor, Christine Keen has had another stellar year with four fantastic journals. Each Journal Editor imparts a little of themselves into the journals they produce. Webmaster Graham Redman is tweaking the web page when needed, and is hoping to add more content next year. Thank you to Christine and Graham - we have received many compliments from other groups on both our Journal and our Web page.

We introduced renewal forms last year which were successful, so have continued with this method. Nola Clisby who is our membership officer is in charge of these, which we find helps to keep emergency contact details etc. up to date. Thank you Nola for the time you put in to managing the membership database and your work on the front desk.

Vanessa Lawrence joined us this year after being co-opted onto the Committee. We have welcomed a fresh pair of eyes and a willing pair of hands. Thank you, Vanessa. Having a full committee contingent just makes life a whole lot easier when the load can be shared. We hope you have enjoyed your first year back on the Committee.

Kath Fisher leaves the committee this year after four years, two as Journal Editor and two years as a Committee member whilst also operating as Anzac Project Coordinator. Thank you Kath for all the work you have done, I hope you take some time to recharge your batteries, and I know if we need you, you will be there.

Joy Nieass has been on the committee for the last five years, the last three as Vice President. I've always been able to count on Joy either as a sounding board, or when I run out of time to follow up and finish off things that need to be done. She has represented our group when needed, and worked on many additional projects. I thank her for all her help and wish her well in her new role.

We had another two new faces on the committee this year besides Vanessa's. Mary Sedgmen took on the role of Secretary, and I thank her for doing so, as without a Secretary our group would struggle. Lynette Gibson took over as Treasurer and has done a wonderful job too. I think I can safely say both Lynette and Mary would agree to the fact that they have learnt some new skills, and I urge all of you when nominations come round again next year to consider positions. You may not feel you have the skills to do these jobs, but help is available and these major positions definitely are needed to run our group.

On the business side of things, the members voted for a small membership fee increase, and at a Special General Meeting the members voted to accept a few changes to the Constitution and the introduction of Bylaws. I'd like to thank both Barry Maslin and Jan Lokan for their help in putting the constitution and bylaws together.

We have had good numbers of visitors both to our meetings and our Resource Room, and Membership numbers have been maintained. Thank you to Pauline for being the Resource Room Coordinator for the last two years. Pauline is stepping down from the Resource Room Committee and we are delighted that Chris Grivell is moving up from Manager to the Coordinator role. I'd like to thank all the members of the Resource Room Committee, and I look forward to spending more time with this group next year.

The only major fundraising this year had been through the People's Choice Lottery, which we hope to be involved with next year. With having so many activities at the end of this year, the committee rightly decided to move the End of Year Christmas Raffle to the beginning of next year.

The General meeting trading table has been well patronised, and the monthly raffles continue to be popular. I'd like to thank all the members who have donated goods or produce, manned the trading table, helped set up or put away and sold raffle tickets. I am not going to start naming everyone, as I may inadvertently leave someone out, but rest assured the committee and the membership appreciate the time and effort that you have put in.

I would like to single out Bev Beerens, who has continued to not only do up the Raffle baskets each month, but also coordinates the Kitchen and afternoon tea volunteers, as well as the catering for today etc. Thank you Bev, and thank you to all of your helpers and members who also donate cakes for afternoon tea.

Our Special Interest groups have continued to be an integral part of our group.

We saw the Day time Computer Group hang up their boots or in computer speak, Control, Alt Delete mid-way through the year and the beginnings of a new group, Apples and Androids. The Aussie group, Evening Computer group and UK group, continue to provide help and assistance to members. Thank you to all the convenors, those that have decided to retire and those that are continuing on, Anne Van der Linden, Lorraine Pringle, Kerry Edwards, Heather Boyce, Ros Dunstall and David Boyce.

We have been guest speakers ourselves at other groups, talking about our Group, its Resources and the basics of genealogy. The stand we had at Unlock the Past Expo, was well patronised and very professionally represented with our enthusiastic members. Thank you to those that represented our group and showed others what we are about.

This year we celebrated our 20<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the group, with a luncheon at St. Francis Winery, an enjoyable time was had by all, and it was lovely to share this occasion with our members and Honorary member and long-time supporter Graham Jaunay and his wife Elizabeth. I humbly accepted a card and donation as a birthday gift on the group's behalf. Graham also gave the group a number of his books to sell to add to our funds. We thank Graham for his ongoing support of our group, it is truly appreciated. Thank you to Elizabeth Grocke for organising the luncheon.

Last week we saw the Anzac Project Group launch their book in spectacular fashion. The culmination of over three years hard work had paid off and it was a celebrated success all round. Thank you and congratulations to Project Coordinator Kath Fisher and her team; Jan Lokan, Judy Dowling, Lynette Gibson, Jenny Chapman, Mary Ann Minor, Joan Davies, Joy Nieass, Ros Dunstall, Heather Boyce and Kerry Edwards.

Of course a project of this size has many extra helpers and supporters. I can see most of you here today, and please let it be known that your help in the preparation of the book, and help with the launch itself was greatly appreciated.

So as we finish another year, planning has already started for next year. Thank you to all the members for their help and support of everything we do over the year and over the last four years. It has been an honour and a privilege to have been the President of this group. All the executive committee members I have worked with over my time on the Executive Committee have all worked together with the intent to provide a well-run, informative and above all group that we all

feel part of. They have done this with respect for one another which has made it a pleasure to be part of this group. I know the new committee will continue to conduct itself in this manner and meet the member's needs. I wish them ongoing success.

### JARED AWARD RECIPIENTS FOR 2016

This year the Executive Committee decided to present the Jared Award to three very worthy recipients—Heather Boyce, Kath Fisher and Sharon Green—in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the FPFHG.



### UK GROUP REPORT TO AGM

This is a very short report. We have had anywhere between 2 and 6 members at the UK group this year. Mainly focussed on helping members use Ancestry and Find My Past. We will continue again next year on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month. Everyone is welcome.

**Sharon Green**

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## SPEAKER COORDINATOR'S REPORT TO AGM



2016 has been a great mixed bag of interesting topics and speakers. From your family treasures Show and Tell in January to Anthony Laube keeping us awake with his history of Hindmarsh Valley area, to Michael Smith and his grandfather's collection of photos, to the overloading of power boards and today's topic of using *findmypast* programme and the odd chats about DNA.

2017 which I will be working on shortly (before Christmas) will I hope be as enjoyable, and not forgetting our Bi-annual Seminar in 2017 ... four interesting speakers, morning and afternoon tea and lunch for around \$25 for members, excellent value, so mark your diaries (think it will be August) because we look forward to a full house.

As always if you know of someone that would be interesting as a speaker give me a call, so as I can follow up. Thanks again and I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

**Elizabeth Grocke**

## HOLDEN FAMILY REUNION by Di Roberts

A combined Holden family reunion will be celebrated on **Sunday April 2 2017** at the West Parklands, Port Road, Thebarton. The combined families include **Holden, Bell, Papandrea, Fogden, Pallant, Hicks, Ireland, Darwin, Day, Richards, Nankervis, Wildy, Wilkey, Hancock, Raymond**. All descendants, their family and friends are most welcome to come along and join the family gathering.

Please contact **Di Roberts**

## 20th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Members of the FPFHG celebrated the 20th birthday of the Group at a luncheon, held at St Francis Winery, Reynella on Saturday, 15th October. A great time was had by all who attended. Thanks to Elizabeth Grocke for arranging the event. Check out the Group's Facebook page for all the photos taken by Kerry Edwards.



In addition to celebrating the Group's 20th Birthday, Barry Maslin was also presented with a Certificate acknowledging his 20 Year membership.



President Sharon Green's speech to those present at the Lunch:

I would like to start by acknowledging that not everybody that should be mentioned has been. In trying to keep this as brief as possible many names have not been included, and many events, seminars and speakers are not mentioned, and I apologise for this. I have tried to keep it to firsts, as otherwise I would be up here far longer than you would like.

- In 1996 The friends of the Noarlunga Library held a basic genealogy course. As keen interest was shown the late Tim Wing suggested the forming of a group. The Fleurieu Family History group was born with the first meeting held October 19 1996 at the Noarlunga Library. Tim being a prime mover took on the President's role, with Barry Maslin becoming Vice President. Barry is the only member remaining from day one of the group, but we still have members that joined in the first year, these being Vanessa Catterall, Naomi Freeman, Faye Lush, and Aline Trebilcock.
- The aims of the group have not changed greatly over the last 20 years but rather the areas they cover have expanded.
- Graham Jaunay was the first guest speaker of the group and has visited us many times and has been a huge supporter over the twenty years.. and we welcome Graham and his wife Elizabeth here today to join us in our celebration.
- The group started with much support from the Friends of Noarlunga Library with which a lot of Foundation members were involved in both groups.
- 1998 saw the group's name change to Fleurieu Peninsula Family History Group.
- 1999 we became an incorporated body, developed a "five year plan" and our first website was developed.
- Our very first seminar was held in 2000, followed by the formation of our first Special Interest Groups in 2001, one being the Computer group which is still in existence today, coordinator David Boyce, now ably assisted by Heather Boyce. By 2002 discussions were already taking place about moving to larger premises to cater for the expanding membership.
- 2003 saw the Group's successful move to the Trinity Uniting Church Hall,

where we still meet to this day. Come 2004 our financial membership hit the 100 member mark, and we had more Special Interest groups formed. Anne Dow – the Scottish Group, Ros Dunstall – the Aussie group. Keith and Joan Jones – the North of England group and Maggie Woodroffe the South England group. The mailing list was also born this year.

- 2005 we had to look seriously at storage space for the growing resources of the group. A Fundraising strategy was put into place and overseen by Ray Lawrence and the cupboards we have in the Resource room are the result.
- 2006 was the first opening of the Resource room not on meeting days.
- 2007 saw the first change in membership fees and ‘that’ AGM.
- This may have been the end of our group, but with grit and determination the remaining elected committee stepped up into roles they originally hadn’t signed up for. Di Roberts took on acting President, Ros Dunstall, acting Secretary, and with much help from the rest of the committee and members we became a stronger group.
- 2008 the membership passed a new constitution, which hopefully would avoid a repeat of past circumstances.
- 2009 New Members Meetings were now held prior to a General Meeting. Membership numbers were recovering. We also saw the return of some members.
- 2010 saw the first of the Di Cummings books launched with much work from Anne Dow and Lyn Dillon.
- In 2011 we implemented the JARED AWARD for extensive service to the group over an extended period with Ron and Carlien Jared being the inaugural winners of this award in their honour.
- 2012 Congress held in Adelaide and the passing of foundation and long term President Tim Wing.
- 2013 The Pioneers Register was re-implemented and given more structure and our first Facebook page was launched as a community page.
- 2014 Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Facebook page was launched: this time in a group format as the members were wanting a greater participation than what the community page

offered. Kath Fisher and her team had the Anzac Project well under way whilst still waiting on hearing if our grant application had been successful.

- We launched our new website in 2015, and the members given the choice of either an emailed Journal or Printed Journal.
- Thus far in 2016 it has been a huge year: members voted on increasing the membership fees, participated in the Unlock my Past Expo last week, and next week voting on changes to the Constitution and the implementation of By-laws.

In conclusion as you can see I have gleaned a lot of the earlier information from Tim's book on the first 10 years of the group, and have flicked through some of my paperwork to jolt my memory to cover the last 10 years. It might be a good idea to write them down not necessarily as a published book, but certainly as a history of our group.

This group exists because we have many devoted hard working members who put their hands up when help is needed. It was interesting to go over some of the way the group was promoted in the early years. I think we could probably implement some of those once again. Yes we have to move with the times, which I think our group is doing quite successfully, but sometimes some of those simple basic ideas never date.

Thank you, **Sharon Green**



Barry Maslin's speech:

I was going to talk about the Group's early history - but I can't even remember what I had for breakfast.

More than 60 years ago we lived at Hindmarsh Tiers and used to call into Mrs Hazel Zilm's place at the bottom of Nettles Hill when returning from Victor Harbor. Nettles Hill in those days was unsealed and the only road over the range.

Fast forward about 30 years and with some interest in family history we once again visited Mrs Zilm who gave me a brief insight into the Maslin Family.

In 1996 I was in the Noarlunga Library and saw a flyer for a meeting for those interested in Family History. I attended along with a dozen or so others and first met the late Tim Wing.

After three meetings it was decided to press ahead and form a Family History Group and I think it was Aline Trebilcock who put my name forward for the Committee.

That Committee involvement would extend for 12 years with eight as Treasurer, and as Public Officer from 1999 to the present. So I think I can safely say I am the Peter Costello of the Group.

Early meetings were held upstairs in the Library and then the Student Lounge. One outstanding event that I remember was our first Seminar with the late Janet Reakes in the City of Onkaparinga Meeting Hall.

**Unforgettable characters** – There have been a few but the late Harold Warburton would be hard to surpass. Harold was as “dry as a lime burners boot”.

I well remember a computer meeting at his house and it was getting quite late (about 9pm) when Harold came out in his pyjama’s and said “if you lot are not going home then I am going to bed”.

Harold also came up with the script for “Rindercella and the Sugly Isters” which was performed once only at the 2004 AGM. If you were at that performance and still have nightmares then tough. I along with Jack Hiles played the Sugly Isters and we had a ball. Other cast members here today who are probably a little shy were Vanessa and Ray Lawrence.

I have a chuckle when I see the ‘Backside Room’ sign on the Research Room door, on that fateful day in 2004 a few backsides were on display. Another thing I quickly learnt was that a bra only holds the contents if it is fitted the correct way up - thanks to Vanessa Lawrence for her guidance.

I have been a regular disruption at the Evening Computer Group but we are so lucky to have experts who freely give of their time. David Boyce can talk under water with a mouthful of marbles but what he doesn’t know about computers then Heather does. There was a time when if you saw David’s car go down the street you would set another place for breakfast.

So 20 years have passed quickly and I know that Tim would be justifiably proud of how his vision has panned out.

I have learnt so much and forgotten even more but look forward to many more years with the FPFHG.

**Barry Maslin**

## ANZAC BOOK LAUNCH



Saturday, 12 November 2016 saw the culmination of the efforts and hard work of the last three years by the ANZAC Project Committee as *WW1 ANZACS of the fleurieu peninsula Stories from Pioneer Families* was officially launched by Amanda Rishworth, Federal Member for Kingston, at the Port Noarlunga

Arts Centre. The launch was well attended by invited guests, families of those pioneer families represented in the book, as well as FPFHG members.

There was a wonderful display of memorabilia pinned up around the hall, depicting the history of the Armed Services in World War 1. Speeches were given by Kath Fisher and Sharon Green. Florence Stopps read her poem *Remember Me*, and three stories in the book with connections to FPFHG members were read to the audience by their descendants/family members Jenny



Chapman, Eileen White and June Hudson.



Additional stories were presented by members of the 40 Army Cadet Unit, who dressed in the uniforms of the time to present the stories.

Acknowledgement is also made of those who worked behind the scenes to prepare the wonderful repast and drinks served at the conclusion of the book launch.

For more photos, check out the FPFHG Facebook page and see Kerry Edward's collection of photos.

**Christine Keen**

## ANZAC PROJECT REPORT TO AGM 2016



The final year of the Anzac book project has been very busy. The researchers and writers completed their stories by April and these were handed over to the editors in May. This was a very lengthy activity. By having a team of different people what one missed another would see. They looked at style, factual errors and grammar. We would like to thank Andrea Thornton, Sue Lear, Bea Conley and David Minor for contributing their time.

Jan Lokan and myself also did some editing and co-ordinated the process for correction. Jan took on the enormous task of improving the photos and creating the layout for the book. This was a challenging and very time consuming task and she put aside many of her own other important commitments to complete the book on time for printing. We are very pleased with the final product of 230 pages which looks quite professional in presentation.

Additional thanks goes to Kelly Dyer, Local History Officer from the City of Onkaparinga Noarlunga library and to Di Bellamy from allBIZZ who both gave of their time beyond the call of duty.

The launch was a very well attended and exciting event where we were helped a great deal by the 40 Army Cadet Unit and their leaders, Lt. Col Don Harvy and Capt. Darren Smedley. It was a great success and responses by our guests very positive. Amanda Rishworth launched the book and clearly was very impressed. It was also great to see so many descendants from pioneer families and members attend. So many people made a special effort to congratulate us and it became apparent how much the inclusion of their ancestor meant to them.

The only remaining tasks are to distribute books to family members who were unable to attend the launch and to libraries, schools and local community groups as well as completing the financial acquittal form for DVA, the body responsible for the Grant.

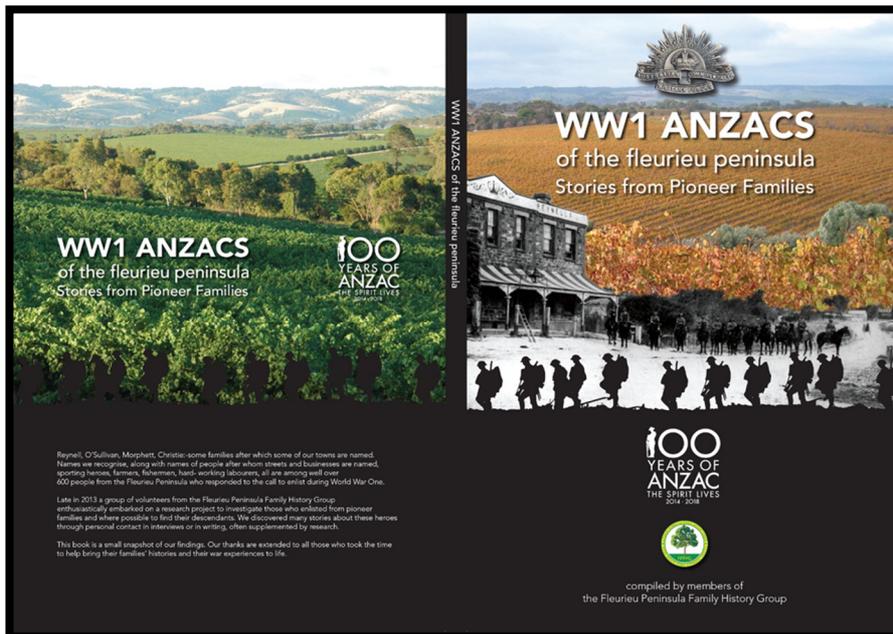
When we commenced our project three years ago we realised that there were well over 600 potential people from the Fleurieu Peninsula which we could research. At the time we considered doing a data base but Richard Kleinig beat us to it with his books *A Guide Behind The Lines: Parts 1 and 2*. So we decided to go into more

depth and use the narrative approach and tell the stories of the soldiers and their pioneer families. With just over 100 covered in the book there is potential for more books to be produced in future years. This will be a task for a future group as some of the present committee are in need of a break. In the meantime we will have a folder in the Resource Room where people can place their research. So our committee will have completed their work by the end of the year.

Committee members were: Kath Fisher, Jan Lokan, Judy Dowling, Lynette Gibson, Joy Nieass, Jenny Chapman, Joan Davies, Mary Ann Minor, Ros Dunstall, Heather Boyce and Kerry Edwards (for the first year).

Many thanks to all members who supported us in many ways during the project.

**Kath Fisher**



## AUSSIE INTEREST GROUP REPORT TO AGM 2016

Yesterday, 18 November 2016 we had our end of year get-together and this marked 12 years that our group has been meeting. Our first meeting was held on 13 November 2004 and had three members who are still regular attendees - Mary Sedgmen, Carlien Jared and Ros Dunstall.

We have had another exciting year and of course, look forward to many more. Our members have had some memorable occasions during the year which was the year of our Anzac 100 Book launch.

We enjoyed our 20 year Club Lunch in October, a field trip to Kondoparinga Homestead at Ashbourne, family reunions, DNA results, school reunions, meeting new cousins, welcoming new members to families, visiting interesting towns, finding items from various research sites and will be looking forward to another interesting 2017.

Thank you to all members who have attended Aust. Interest Group during the year and to new members who have given us a chance to help with queries and research.

**Ros Dunstall**

## APPLES & ANDROIDS GROUP REPORT TO AGM 2016

The Apples and Androids group first met on 20 February 2016 from 12noon to 1.00pm before the general meeting in the hall. We've continued to meet before each monthly meeting, except when I attended training for the Federal Election or have been on holidays. This time slot was easiest for those attending the meeting and meant we didn't have to pay for another rental time slot in the hall.

The first meeting still holds the record for the highest number of attendees, about 10, more people that I expected to show up! Each month a few to a lot of people have come along with their mobile phones, tablets or just questions.

We've discussed a variety of issues from how to send a text message by speaking to Facebook security. The name of the group was to reflect what we discuss, being Apple devices such as Mac computers, iPads and Android devices such as

tablets and smart phones. We also discuss Facebook. The format is for a general round table discussion to help each other. It's amazing what we can each learn from this experience.

**Kerry Edwards**

**CONGRATULATIONS to VOLUNTEER AWARD RECIPIENTS**

The FPFHG Committee and members wish to congratulate Ann van der Linden, Lorraine Pringle and David Boyce on being the recipients of an "Australian Government Volunteer Award 2016". The Awards was presented to Lorraine and David on 17 November, by Amanda Rishworth, Federal Member for Kingston, during a ceremony at Port Noarlunga Arts Centre.

As Ann was unable to attend this presentation, Sharon Green accepted it on her behalf, and it was presented to Ann at the AGM.



## WEBMASTER REPORT TO AGM 2016

I am disappointed that I have been unable to complete my goal of updating the Members Interest List, and the Magazine uploads. With Chris, it was my intention to upload several issues of Relative Thoughts. This has not happened.

Sharon Green has offered to assist me as a backup. Unfortunately due to the high demand on her time this year with all the different events that have taken place for the Group, Sharon has been unable to provide the assistance I require. I am hopeful that Sharon will be able to assist me next year. Thank you Sharon.

Otherwise the general updating of the calendar and events have been a much simpler process and have proved to be successful.

My aim with the Website was to update with much more historical information regarding Fleurieu families. This has not happened due to the time I have been unable to put into the job while managing construction work on our house, and of course my major surgery in April.

News of the Website's quality and design has been very positive from viewers, which is comforting.

I wish to encourage members to use the Website facility for their benefit and perhaps offer me suggestions regarding content for its upgrade of information.

**Graham Redman, Web Master**

## PIONEER REGISTER REPORT TO AGM 2016



2016 has been another busy year, with the main focus on completing the *WW1 ANZACS of the fleurieu peninsula: Stories from Pioneer Families* Book project, which was successfully launched last week.

This year, a further 22 families were added to the Register, bringing the number to 175 in our cabinet.

Many of these new contributions are the ancestors of the WW1 service people who appeared in our book. Over time, we are hoping to include all of the families who were researched for the Anzac Project in our Pioneer Register. We would also like to keep on file the Soldiers stories that did not get published

in the book, as many hours were spent researching them and their families and we do not want this information to be lost.

During this year a new club member, Pam Hodges, who has had previous Pioneer Register experience in Tennant Creek, has offered to assist us. Pam has put forward suggestions which we are keen to include in our system next year.

We have plenty of room in our filing cabinet and therefore welcome any contributions, or help with researching our Fleurieu Pioneers.

Please note that since the committee which was formed in 2012 has not met for two years it has officially ceased to exist. This group has established processes which have been put into place and has not necessitated a meeting. In the future if there are needs to be addressed these will be taken to the Resource Room Committee for approval.

**Judy Dowling and Kath Fisher**

## EVENING COMPUTER GROUP REPORT TO AGM 2016

We've had an average of 12 members per meeting.

I'd like to thank the Committee for allowing us to use the Resource room and the Projector for the meetings.

I'd like to thank Bev and her helpers (Sharon and Joy) for taking care of the kitchen for tea, coffee, cake and biscuits etc.

Next, I must thank Heather for all of her help and assistance and also the members who have come along.

We've covered a various range of topics.

Congratulations also to Anne and Lorraine on the occasion of receiving their Volunteering awards.

**Dave Boyce**

## RESOURCE ROOM REPORT TO AGM 2016

It has been a good year again in the Resource Room and we highly value the effort put in by the Resource Room Sub-committee to keep the wheels turning and making sure beginners get the help they need. My thanks to Chris Grivell for his untiring efforts to manage and maintain the room this year during the general meetings and the Wednesday openings. Thanks also to Heather Boyce for making sure the computers and laptops are operating impeccably and to Anne Dow for her assistance in this area. Marilyn Lee joined us this year on the committee and we thank her for her commitment and input.

Thank you to the untiring efforts of our long time volunteers (they are very experienced researchers) who assist most Wednesday Opens helping our 'beginners' as they get started into their research: Jeanette Bell, David Mutch, and Bob Beaton and members of the ANZAC Committee and to everyone who came along to help out in this way.

We opened our Room again to the public on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday in May during History Month and again for the two scheduled Opens in August for National Family History Month.

A big thank you to everyone who has donated books and magazines to the collection this year. Thanks and appreciation also to Graham Jaunay who has again donated a large selection of genealogy books from his personal library to ours.

We now have two 'roll out' cupboards for ease of access to the two laptops and the new Printer/photocopier. A big thank you to Bev's husband Theo Beerens for overseeing the project and installing these.

Currently we are planning to trial an evening Open during the daylight saving months. Watch this space.

This will be my last report to you as I will be stepping down from the Co-ordinator's role and stepping sideways to co-ordinate the volunteers. To the Resource Room Sub-committee I thank you for your support of me in this role and all the time and effort that you have put in to the Room. Thank you to Sharon and the executive committee and to all of the members for all the support you have given us during 2016. It's been a team effort and without you it wouldn't be possible.

**Pauline Redman, Resource Room Co-ordinator**

**10 YEAR MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS**

We would like to acknowledge the following members who were awarded with their 10 Year Membership Certificates at the AGM.

Heather Boyce, Mary Ann Minor, Dianne Leech, Jill Juett and Sharon Green.  
Marie Maddocks will be presented with her Certificate at the January meeting



## UPCOMING SPEAKERS & EVENTS



All meetings are 1:15pm, Uniting Church Hall, 23 William Road, Christies Beach. If you have a suggestion for a suitable speaker, please contact Elizabeth Grocke with details.

21 January – Members Show and Tell

18 February – Glen Woodward, The Royal Mall (King William Street)

18 March – Charles Stevenson, the History of Quakers and their Church

22 April – tba

Please contact Elizabeth with any suggestions for speakers.

## RESOURCE ROOM OPENING TIMES



The Resource Room is available to members for research. During the opening time before the Saturday meeting the resource room volunteers will not be available to give assistance with 'Family Research', but books, newsletters and magazines can be borrowed from 12 to 1.15 pm and during the afternoon tea break.

Other opening days for the Resource Room will be the 1st and 3rd Wednesday afternoons only from 1.00 – 3.30pm.

Members wishing to access *findmypast* during resource room openings, are now requested to contact Chris Grivell and book a specific computer time. Chris's contact details may be found at the front of the journal.

Opening times for this quarter are: 21 January, 1 February, 15 February, 18 February, 1 March, 15 March, 18 March, 5 April, 19 April, 22 April.

## WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

The Group welcomes the following new members:

**Kevin Hammond, Marie Hagen, Maralyn Blake, Gill Morrissey, Les Clement and Cheryl Williss.**

It is anticipated that there will be a new members meeting in February. Details will be sent out early in 2017.

**Nola Clisby**

## EVENING COMPUTER GROUP



The evening computer class is held in the Uniting Church Hall Christies Beach. A gold coin donation is requested to help cover the cost of the hire of the hall.

At the moment the group has moved from bi-monthly to monthly meetings on every second Monday night of the month at 7.30 pm.

The program consists of a presentation on a specific topic followed by a question and answer session. Bring a tagged laptop from home but if you cannot you will be seated with someone who has a similar operating system to you.

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An updated membership form also needs to be completed.

## WORK BOOKS

### Ancestor Work Book - \$15



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### Genealogical Work Book - \$10

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Books available at Fleurieu Peninsula Family History Group monthly meeting or resource room open times.

Also available - Anne Trubshaw-Dow or Lynn Dillon.

## JOURNAL EDITOR REPORT TO AGM 2016

Another four journals have been completed and presented during 2016, with contributions made by many of our members. Topics have been wide and varied, and have been very interesting to read.

This year we also moved to distribution of the journal by email. Despite a few minor hiccups at the beginning of the year, it has been a relatively smooth process. However, I would ask members that if for any reason, you are not receiving your journal in the format you requested, please advise me or Nola, so that we can check records and fix any problems.

Another change this year has been the introduction of a “back up editor” and I would like to thank Kath Fisher for acting in this role. Although Kath is stepping down from the Executive Committee, I am hoping that she will be prepared to continue in this role next year, should I be re-elected.

Thank you all for your continued support and feedback, and please continue to send in your wonderful contributions.

**Christine Keen, Journal Editor**

## FOUNDATION MEMBERS

As the PPFHG celebrated its 20th Birthday in 2016, the Executive Committee have decided to recognise the Foundation Members of the Group. As a result their name badges will now have “Foundation Member” printed on them. Three of the members were presented with their ‘new badges’ at the AGM—Barry Maslin, Aileen Trebilcock and Vanessa Catterall.



# *History Group*

## **Entrée**

Bread rolls & butter  
served with

Minestrone soup

## **Main**

Alternately served

Beef Fillet char-grilled to medium  
served with roasted potatoes finished  
with a red wine glaze.

Or

Chicken Mignon breast wrapped in  
bacon served on a creamy  
potato mash topped with mushroom  
sauce.

*St Francis Winery*

## VOLUNTEER RESEARCH

Research can be undertaken for anyone seeking information on ancestors in our local area. Research Request Query Forms are downloadable from our website at [www.fleurieufamilyhistory.org](http://www.fleurieufamilyhistory.org) Please forward the forms to Volunteer Research, PO Box 1078, Christies Beach North, SA 5165.

Member **Julie Stokes** has offered to do research for members researching their family history in **New Zealand** as she has relocated there. She can be contacted via [fleupengroupinc@yahoo.com.au](mailto:fleupengroupinc@yahoo.com.au).

## EDITOR'S NOTE by CHRISTINE KEEN



This is probably the easiest edition of the year to compile. It pretty much writes itself – all I have to do is put it together so that it fits and is interesting to read.

It was a jam packed few months, leading up to the AGM. As a result this edition of *Relative Thoughts*, is a little longer so that mention can be made of all the events that have happened.

At the AGM, I mentioned that I was seeking some additional proof-readers. Thank you to the two members who put their hands up to assist. If you are interested in becoming a proof-reader, please let me know.

Please also advise either me or Nola if you are not receiving your journal in the format you have nominated.

I look forward to receiving your contributions for the April edition, and thank you for your continued support.

May you all have had a relaxing Christmas with your families.

**Christine Keen**



## When & Where

### MEETINGS

The monthly Meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month from January–October at 1:15pm, Uniting Church Hall, 23 William Road, Christies Beach.

The Resource Room is open from 12:00 each meeting day.

Annual General Meeting is held on the 3rd Saturday in November commencing at 1:30pm. Committee elections are held at this time.

### SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

**Aussie Interest Group**—meets at 1:00pm on the 2nd Saturday of each month. For information contact Ros Dunstall.

**United Kingdom Interest Group**—meets at 7.30pm on the 3rd Monday of each month. For information contact Sharon Green.

**Apples and Androids**—meets at 12.00noon prior to General meetings every month. For information see Kerry Edwards or Sharon Green.

**Evening Computer Group**—meets at 7.30pm on the 2nd Monday of each month. For information contact Dave Boyce.

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