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THE MITCHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC

Publication Notes

The MHS Newsletter is a collaborative effort and its purpose is the reporting of activities, publicising the Society's calendar of events, providing stories of historical interest about people, places and events related to the City of Mitcham, and other matters of current interest including updates from the Brownhill Creek Association.

The Newsletter is managed and edited by Geoff Sauer.

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Change of Name

Members will note that the name of the newsletter has been changed. The change has been made to more accurately reflect the newsletter's purpose: reporting of activities, publicising the Society's calendar of events, stories of historical interest about people, places and events related to the City of Mitcham, and other matters of current interest. Suggestions for stories or events and activities are always welcome and can be emailed to <u>mitchamhistoricalsociety@gmail.com</u>

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CHAIRPERSON'S MESSAGE

Welcome to you all.

Last year's events began with a twilight walk through Unley Village conducted by the ever energetic and informative Glen Woodward. At the beginning of April, we were able to participate at Scotch College to celebrate the beginning of the College's Centenary Year.

Later in April Peter Basedow introduced us to a new driver, also a Peter, for the visit to Port Adelaide where we toured the local the local museum, lunched at the Birkenhead and revisited the Aviation Museum. During South Australia's History Festival in May we were treated to walks in the Brownhill Creek Recreation Park by our local councillor, Andrew Tilley and Ron Bellchambers from The Brownhill Creek Association. Both are Brownhill Creek residents, and Andrew's family have lived there for 5 generations.

Our Mid-Year Function, organized by David Cosh, took us to our local iconic Mitcham hotel, The Ed, to celebrate its 150th anniversary. We heard some local stories from co-owner Chris Codling reflecting on the fact that he had lived in the vicinity of The Ed for over half of his life and over 40 years of co-ownership. Historian and Life Member of the MHS, Pamela Oborn, gave us her perspective on the 40 year history of the Society as its founder. Pamela reminded us of our continued legacy of caring for the heritage of Mitcham.

In early September, Sam Duluk MP as Member for Waite, addressed us as guest speaker fielding questions and talking to us in a relaxed and engaging manner.

The AGM saw the election of myself as Chairperson, Dave Cosh: Deputy Chairperson, Geoff Sauer: Secretary, Sandra Matz: Treasurer, Peter Basedow and Ian Strout as committee members. Allan Holmes, a member of the State Planning Commission addressed us to explain the need for the new planning code to be enacted mid-July 2020. The role of contributory items still needs further clarification and the conflict between urban infill, traffic management and open space was acknowledged.

The temporary closure of Carrick Hill for restoration resulted in a timely and informative trip to The David Roche Foundation House Museum and a conducted tour with Geoff Sauer and Ian Strout who are guides there. This was followed by lunch at The Lion Hotel.

Peter Basedow and Ian Strout organized our second and final bus trip for the year with a revisit to a rare and original restoration of a German Cottage at Paechtown near Hahndorf. After an enjoyable lunch at the Littlehampton Hotel, we joined the open day at The Cedars, home of the Heysen family. (see p.19)

The end of year informal gathering at The Ed saw increased numbers enjoying the comradery of fellow members anticipating the celebration of Christmas. Thank you, David Cosh for making this another successful gathering.

Thank you for your Patronage Dr. John Newton. Thank you, Corporate Members, Members and Committee for your involvement in making 2019 yet another successful and enjoyable year for the MHS.

I look forward to an exciting and educative programme of events and activities in 2020. (see p.10)

John Wood Chairperson

THE MITCHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY Inc

The Mitcham Historical Society was formed on 9 November 1977 as a sub-group within the Mitcham Village Art & Crafts Association Incorporated, with aims and objectives including to foster an awareness, preserve and maintain the character of Mitcham Village, to promote the study of local and South Australian history and to promote the collection, preservation of material relating to local and state history. Pamela Oborn was elected Chairman and Gene Lienert as the Secretary, with a committee responsible for planning activities and promoting events. The committee also formed the nucleus of a consultative group available to advise on local heritage matters.

After years of lobbying, the Mitcham Urban Conservation Area of some 29 hectares was placed on the Register of the National Trust in Canberra. The Mitcham Village Conservation Zone, originally established in 1840 still retains much of its original colonial architecture and is one of the oldest European settlements in the State, thus it was imperative that this unique area be preserved. (The District Council of Mitcham formed in 1853, was the first local government body to have been proclaimed outside of the City of Adelaide.)

Also, in 1986 the MHS assisted with the appointment of (the late) Maggy Ragless as Local History Officer, a position funded by the Mitcham Council. Later the Society helped in the formation of the Council funded Mitcham Heritage Research Centre. This group of volunteers are committed to historical research and they also maintain, enlarge and promote the Local History Collection, which was started by the Mitcham Historical Society.

Through discussions with the Mitcham Village Arts & Craft (MVAC) Executive Committee and members of the Mitcham Historical Society (MHS) Committee, it was decided in the best interests of both organisations, the MHS would separate from the MVAC to become a singularly independent organisation. This would enable both groups the ability to focus on their core objectives.

Independence has led to a more productive future for the organisation, with our continuing objectives in fulfilling the needs of the community. The MHS is not only an interactive social group promoting the education of historical matters, but also involved in raising public awareness required to preserve the heritage in the local area.

The new chapter in the history of the MHS began with its incorporation on 25 September, 2007. It is only through the efforts of various concerned individuals and groups such as the MHS, that the City of Mitcham's heritage can be protected for the benefit and appreciation of future generations. The inaugural meeting of the MHS was held on 17 October, 2007 and the first Executive Committee consisted of: Chairperson (and Secretary) – Julie Hogan, Deputy Chairperson – Trish Cosh, Treasurer – Brian Angus, and Committee Members: Richard Irving, John Wood, Maria Evans-Raymond and Edna Gardner.

The MHS played a major role together with the Brownhill Creek Association (BCA) in the campaign to stop the damming of Brownhill Creek and more recently worked with the BCA and paid for the plaque unveiled at the entrance to Brownhill Creek Recreation Park on 17 September 2019 to honour the remarkable life and achievements of Tom Price MP (Premier of South Australia, 1905-1909). (See separate report in this issue).

The MHS has also played roles in liaising with the Highways Department about the design of a new bridge over Brownhill Creek, continued next page

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and working with Council Planners to set out the boundaries of the of the proposed Mitcham Village Heritage Zone, gazetted as an Historic (Conservation) Zone in April 1997. This gave Council some control over demolition and alterations within the area.

Trish Cosh conducted a 10-year battle to save the old Mitcham Village Institute and although not directly involved on the Fundraising Committee, the MHS did a lot of lobbying, provided research into its history and supported Trish in many ways. The MHS will be making a submission about the proposed new Planning and Design Code which if implemented in its current form, will likely impact on not only on heritage zones in the City of Mitcham but also on the visual amenity right across the City (and, indeed, in other LGAs).

New members

New members of the MHS are always welcome – if you have friends or acquaintances who are interested in preserving and protecting the history and heritage of the City of Mitcham, please encourage them to contact the Secretary, Geoff Sauer at <u>mitchamhistoricalsociety@gmail.com</u> or 0412 125 010

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MHS PROGRAMME 2020

- <u>Wednesday 18 March 2020</u>
 Adelaide Town Hall tour with Glen Woodward, 1030 1200, optional lunch afterwards. (Gold coin donation)
- <u>Sunday 5 April 2020</u>
 Bus Trip Barossa Valley, itinerary TBA (\$89pp members/ \$99pp non-members)
- <u>May 2020</u>
 History Festival Brownhill Creek Walks, Dates TBA
- <u>7 May 2020</u>
 Scotch Presents Speaker: Dr John Newton
- <u>Wednesday 17 June 2020</u> Mid-Year Function. Venue: Scotch College
- <u>Wednesday 5 August 2020</u>
 Speaker event (Speaker Richard Harris, Mitcham Heritage Research Centre
 - Subject: Mitcham's Heritage What we have lost.
- <u>Tuesday 29 September 2020</u>
 Annual General Meeting
- <u>Tuesday 6 October Carrick Hill Visit (Date TBC)</u>
- <u>Sunday 8 November 2020</u>
 Bus Trip: Prospect Hill, Kuipto, Greenman Inn Ashbourne
- <u>Tuesday 1 December 2020</u> End of Year Function. Venue: The Ed

Bookings:

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MITCHAM LOCAL HISTORY SERVICE

The Mitcham Local History Service was established by the City of Mitcham in 1986 to preserve and promote the history and heritage of the Mitcham district. Located at the Mitcham Heritage Research Centre within the Mitcham Cultural Village, the local history service is an excellent resource for anyone interested in the history of the City of Mitcham.

Knowledgeable staff and volunteers are available to assist with personal and curriculum based research, guided tours and history related events. Schools and community groups can contact the Local History Coordinator regarding talks or guided tours.

The Mitcham Local History Service also offers a range of history related events and displays throughout the year. Check the City of Mitcham's website and social media pages or contact the City of Mitcham on 8372 8888 for updated information.

Location

Mitcham Heritage Research Centre, Mitcham Cultural Village, 103 - 105 Princes Road, Mitcham SA 5062, Telephone: 8372 8261

Opening Hours:

Tuesday 9.30am to 4pm, Wednesday 9.30am to 4pm, Thursday 9.30am to 4pm

See also Mitcham Local History Collection on p.23

Feature article: William Boothby CMG



The Federal electorate of Boothby covers virtually the whole of the City of Mitcham LGA and is named in honour of William Robinson Boothby CMG (1829 –1903). Boothby introduced many electoral innovations in South Australia and from 1856 to 1903 oversaw every State parliamentary election and drafted every Electoral Act in South Australia. He was State Returning Officer for the first House

of Representatives election in South Australia in 1901 and, prior to his death, completed the 1903 redistribution of federal electoral divisions in South Australia.

William Boothby was born in England on 26 September 1829 and received his BA from the University of London in 1850. He came to South Australia in 1853 with his parents and his 14 siblings. The eldest son, he entered the civil service as deputy-sheriff in December 1854 and in March 1856 was promoted Sheriff, a post he held until 1903. He also served on the Court of Disputed Returns in 1854, as returning officer from 1856, Marshall of the Vice-Admiralty Court from 1862, comptroller of the Labour Prison from 1869 and on the Supply and Tender Board from 1887. In these multiple positions he served with dignity and competence, investing them, particularly the office of Sheriff, with great prestige.

His most memorable work, despite his modest disclaimers, was in refining the provisions in the Electoral Act of 1856 for secret ballot, the so-called Australian ballot, which came into effect two weeks after a similar Victorian Act. His original contribution, made in the Electoral Act of 1858, was to provide for each elector to place an X against the name of his preferred candidate instead of crossing out unwanted names, and for the ballot paper to show 'no other matter or thing' apart from the names of candidates and on the back the returning officer's initials. This system was followed in many countries, notably in Britain after Boothby reported on it to the House of Commons in 1870.

The 1858 Act also introduced new methods for transferring electors' names from one constituency to another and required local registrars to inform the electoral office of deaths so that rolls were kept up to date.

From 1856 to 1903 Boothby superintended every parliamentary election in South Australia, drafted every Electoral Act, gave unshakeable evidence to every relevant inquiry and was the first of the federal electoral commissioners to complete his rolls and electorates for the Commonwealth; his proudest boast was that South Australian elections in his time had never been tainted with bribery or corruption. A federal electorate was named after him.

In prison administration Boothby enlarged prisons, abolished the barracks system, used prisoners on public works and drafted the Prisons Act of 1869-70. After his tour of European prisons in 1876-77, he effected other reforms, among them the introduction of olivegrowing in prisons for the sale of oil.

He was also prominent on several royal commissions, especially one in 1874-75 which recommended an expansion of the railways system, and was usually chairman of committees which investigated malpractices in the civil service.

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William Boothby continued

Boothby was an original member of the Council of the University of Adelaide, serving from 1874 to 1903. He was appointed C.M.G. in January 1893. In the 1850s he had been a captain in the Voluntary Artillery; he had played cricket for South Australia in 1854 and was long a member of the Adelaide Cricket Club. On 23 June 1863 he married Frances Elizabeth Lawrence; they had two sons, who both practised law in Victoria, and two daughters.

He died at his home in North Adelaide on 12 July 1903.

Citation details

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Editor's note: the publication of this story and the fact that the Member for Boothby is a Corporate Member of the MHS are not related. William Boothby was an outstanding public servant and an electoral innovator – his proposals being adopted by other jurisdictions including the House of Commons in the United Kingdom.

Message from Nicolle Flint MP, Member for Boothby

For almost half a century, the Mitcham Historical Society has promoted, protected and preserved our local history. Thanks to the hard work of so many dedicated volunteers over the decades, today Mitcham is one of the key historical precincts in Adelaide.



We are so lucky to be able to enjoy the Mitcham Historic Village, including the Edinburgh Hotel, Mitcham Village Institute, and surrounding historic buildings and homes, thanks to the work the Mitcham Historical Society has done over many decades.

We all have a role to play in preserving our heritage, which is why I was thrilled to secure local projects to preserve and highlight our unique South Australian heritage.

From the new visitor centre pavilion at Carrick Hill and the Wirraparinga Trail Loop through Brown Hill Creek, to the Mitcham Hills Trail, I'm proud to support efforts that will promote, preserve and protect our beautiful environment and our built heritage.

As the Member for Boothby, I have enjoyed working with the Mitcham Historical Society and I look forward to continuing to support their important work.



Tom Price Plaque Unveiling Ceremony

On 17th September 2019 the Hon. Steven Marshall MP, Premier of South Australia, unveiled a plaque to honour the remarkable life and achievements of Tom Price MP (Premier of South Australia, 1905-1909). The event, hosted by Brownhill Creek Association (BCA) and Mitcham Historical Society (MHS), showcased the importance of our local Indigenous and European heritage and how it impacted South Australia and beyond.

Marcus Beresford and myself (BCA & MHS members) worked with Tom's great-granddaughter Stephanie McCarthy on the plaque's wording and layout, while MHS funded the bronze plaque and Mitcham Council undertook event management. MHS Chairperson John Wood, MHS member Glen Woodward, the Mitcham Council Heritage Research Centre and BCA's Education and Revegetation Committee provided expert advice and support.

Kaurna Elders Uncle Jeffrey Newchurch (Chair KNCHA) and Auntie Lynette Crocker (Vice-Chair KNCHA), former Premier Dean Brown, City of Mitcham CEO Matthew Pears and Chair of the SA Heritage Council Keith Conlon were among a long list of dignitaries in attendance (see full guest list on the News & Events Page, September 2019 at <u>www.brownhillcreek.org</u>). The ceremony, which involved over 350 guests, reinforced community connections, developed new partnerships and strengthened the case for documenting, conserving and enhancing our local heritage assets. Renowned Kaurna artist Allan Sumner performed the Welcome to Country and then proceeded to give the audience an enthralling and inclusive insight into living Kaurna cultural heritage.

Dr John Newton, patron of Mitcham Historical Society and Principal of Scotch College, was an apology and in his absence Scotch College's Deputy-Principal Dale Bennett performed an excellent role as MC. The Hon. Steven Marshall MP, Premier of South Australia, Peter Malinauskas MP, Leader of the Opposition, Cr Andrew Tilley, Boorman Ward Councillor for the City of Mitcham, students from Scotch College, Mercedes College, Unley High School and Urrbrae Agricultural High School and Stephanie McCarthy all delivered heartfelt and inspirational speech



LtoR: Ron Bellchambers, Auntie Lynette Crocker, Steven Marshall MP, Stephanie McCarthy, Peter Malinauskas MP, Uncle Jeffrey Newchurch, Professor Wayne Meyer (BCA Chair).

BCA Report continued

I am pleased to report that the Tom Price plaque has been placed on the Stone Monument at the entrance to Brownhill Creek Recreation Park and that the adjacent Kaurna Shelter Tree project is about to begin.

BCA is partnering with Scotch College and MHS to clear around the Kaurna Shelter Tree and install a boardwalk, interpretive heritage sign and indigenous native garden. Scotch College was successful in obtaining a grant from the Federal Government's Communities Environment Program, under the guidance of Nicolle Flint MP.

The primary aim of the project is to safeguard the health of this 350-400 year old river red gum by following the recommendations of arborist Kym Knight (see Kaurna Shelter Tree Management Plan, News & Events Page, January 2020 at <u>www.brownhillcreek.org</u>).

In addition the project will use the Kaurna Shelter Tree as a focal point for education, indigenous engagement and reconciliation, adding another key heritage feature to the Wirraparinga Loop Trail.

Ron Bellchambers BCA Community Liaison Officer <u>brownhillcreek@gmail.com</u> <u>www.brownhillcreek.org</u>

November Bus Trip – Paechtown, Littlehampton and The Cedars

25 members enjoyed a day out in the Adelaide Hills on a trip with two main foci – traditional *Fachwerk* houses in Paechtown near Hahndorf and *The Cedars*, Hans Heysen's residence in Hahndorf. In between, a delightful lunch at the Littlehampton Hotel.

The early German settlers at Hahndorf and nearby Paechtown built

houses in the traditional German half-timbered style (Fachwerk). We visited this house in Paechtown owned by Robin and Pam and heard an interesting talk by Nick Noble whose parents had restored the house many years earlier. Sincere thanks to



Robin and Pam for providing morning tea and for allowing the group to explore the interior of their house.

The Cedars—this was a hidden treasure to most of us as few had visited it before. An extremely engaging and informative open day, coincided with the visit in the Hahndorf home of Hans Heysen which was purchased in 1912 and some of his paintings still hang on the walls as well as those of his daughter Nora. Both the residence and the studio are full of interesting stories, artworks and memorabilia. The gardens are simply superb they also had a craft day selling local produce and a jazz band played in the garden. The Open Day is held annually in Nov ember each year.

Feature article: Strathspey – historic house in Springfield

The Mail (now the *Sunday Mail*) on Saturday 8 December 1928 carried the following story in its "Stately Homes of Adelaide" series.

"STRATHSPEY, MITCHAM, the former home of the late Sir John and Lady Duncan, now St. Andrew's College, which is affiliated with the University of Adelaide.

Although Strathspey, Fullarton Road, Mitcham, the home of the late Sir John and Lady Duncan, is not one of the oldest homes of Adelaide, nevertheless it is rich in history.

Built in 1899 by Mr. G. K. Soward, it was the home of the Duncan family until 1927, when the sons and daughters of the late owner bequeathed it to the State for a residential college to perpetuate the memory of their parents.

The beautiful home of 26 rooms with an underground suite for summer use, standing in 19 acres or ground, is now known as St. Andrew's College, and is affiliated with the University of Adelaide. It was transferred to the trustees in August 30, 1927, for a residential college in connection with the Presbyterian Church in South Australia, and the original name Strathspey was changed to St. Andrew's.

It is interesting to note that the second residential college in Adelaide connected with the University of Adelaide should be founded by descendants of Sir Walter Hughes, who, with Sir Thomas Elder, gave £20,000, thereby enabling the University to be brought into existence. Sir Walter Hughes was an uncle of the late Sir John Duncan.

The sequestered calm of St. Andrew's makes it an ideal spot for study. It stands on rising ground and commands a wonderful view

of the waters of the gulf. Parks of stately trees surround the house, and a beautiful flower garden adds to the beauty of the place.

The walls of the house are mellowing with the years, and clambering wisteria and other creepers lend a picturesque note. In the background the neighbouring hills make an attractive setting. The college was officially opened by His Excellency Sir Alexander Hore-Ruthven VC, shortly after his arrival in the State. Sir John Duncan was a well-known politician, and Lady Duncan was the Lady Bountiful of Mitcham. The pretty foothills suburb greatly misses her interest and sympathy.

The members of the Duncan family who lived at Strathspey are Capt. J. C. Duncan-Hughes, Hon. W. G. Duncan, M.L.C., Messrs. Colin and Keith Duncan, Mrs. Max Fotheringham, and Mrs. Alan Dean, who married a son of Brig.-Gen George Dean, of Mount Lofty."

In the event, St Andrew's College proved to be too far from the City – at the time the tram on Fullarton Road terminated at Cross Road – making it difficult and time-consuming for students to attend tutorials on North Terrace as well as participate in intercollegiate activities. In April 1937 the property was put up for auction by Goldsborough Mort and Company Limited, but did not sell. The Hayward family rented it for a short time whilst waiting for Carrick Hill to be completed.

In May 1939, prominent Adelaide businessman Frederick Cornell purchased what was described as the beautiful "suburban estate". His wife, Marjorie Cornell, was well known in the Adelaide music world, forming the South Australian Orchestral Association and working to raise money for the establishment of a full-time professional orchestra in the State. During their time at St Andrew's, the Cornells hosted many prominent guests including Laurence Olivier, Sybil Thorndike and conductor Eugene Ormandy.

Strathspey continued

Frederick Cornell died in 1947 and his wife remained at St Andrew's until January 1953 when the property was sold to the nominees of

the Sisters of Mercy who returned the house to its original name, Strathspey. Mercedes College opened on 9 February 1954 and Strathspey is now the College administration centre.



Editor's note: GK Soward was an architect and drew the original plans for Strathspey. Other examples of his work in Adelaide include the Beehive Corner (1896), the Widows' Fund Building in Grenfell Street (1888), and Gawler Chambers in North Terrace (1914). According to the Australian Dictionary of Biography "His significant contribution to South Australian architecture endures in his twenty or so fine houses in Adelaide and its suburbs, including Culver House, Walkerville (1881), a town house at 64 Pennington Terrace, North Adelaide, Eothen (renamed St Corantyn by its last private owner, Sir John Lavington Bonython) at 263 East Terrace, 76 Le Fevre Terrace, North Adelaide (1914), and in the mid-1920s he designed a mansion, 19 Palmer Place, North Adelaide, which still stands."

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MITCHAM LOCAL HISTORY COLLECTION

The Mitcham Local History Collection has been created to collect, collate, catalogue and store information concerning the City of Mitcham to archival standards.

The collection consists of historical information about any aspect of the City of Mitcham. It is predominately paper-based and includes:

- Publications (biographies, histories, etc)
- Directories and electoral rolls
- Historical research files
- Local newspapers
- Maps and plans
- Local Cemetery records and indexes
- Old council minutes, correspondence, reports and indexes
- Over 4000 photographs including special collections
- Rate assessments, Council surveys and building applications
- Local school and organisations' records and histories
- Family histories including letters and diaries
- Oral histories

The Mitcham Local History Collection is open to the public and can be accessed at the Mitcham Heritage Research Centre, Mitcham Cultural Village, 103 - 105 Princes Road, Mitcham SA 5062, Telephone: 8372 8261

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Mitcham Antique Gallery

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