

# PIONEER e-Xpress

Monthly Newsletter of the Pioneers Association of South Australia Inc  
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## EDITORIAL

The extreme weather and state-wide power blackout on the evening of Wednesday 28 September had far reaching consequences across the State. One of these was the cancellation of PASA's two general meetings which had been planned for that night; these will now be held on **MONDAY 14 NOVEMBER**. The delay of about 6 weeks is largely due to the requirement to give members at least 21 days written notice of the re-convened meetings. Notices were posted to all members late last week. Another result of the cancelled meetings has been that the 2015/16 Council and office bearers, who would normally have completed their tenure at the conclusion of the AGM, are now continuing on until the AGM on 14 November. Such is the power of the weather!

Bob Stace  
Editor



**AT THE EXPO**  
(L-R) David Forsaith, Bob Stace and Caroline Hewitson at PASA's Expo stand

## PASA AT THE EXPO

The Association had a strong presence at the recent Australian History and Genealogy Expo. Our exhibition stand featured a range of displays including our Pioneer Ancestor Story Posters, a pictorial feature on the First 9 Ships, and a display entitled "What's PASA About?". This static display was supported by the continuous screening of the "Pioneer Story" which also featured as one of the 80 presentations given at the Expo. Our volunteers answered many enquiries about membership and sold journals and publications.

## ARE YOUR ANNUAL FEES PAID?

It is disappointing to report that some 20% of fee paying members have not yet paid their annual subscription fees which were due on 1 July. Reminder notices were posted to all unfinancial members last week and we ask that this matter be attended to as soon as possible. The Association has kept the annual fee at a very moderate \$55 for the past 5 years and relies on the income from these fees to maintain services and support for members.

## CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

Some interesting and positive changes have been made to our website over the past few months to improve its appeal and to provide more information to members and those seeking information about the Association. Why not check out these changes and, while you are there, read up on the founding of our Association by using the button on the website's [home page](#) to access the Travis Borrow publication, "The Genesis of the Pioneers Association of South Australia". Just another service for members.

## COMING EVENTS

- OCTOBER** **JUNIOR PIONEER Event:** An afternoon at Glenelg celebrating 180 years of the foundation of South Australia. For Junior Pioneers, their families and PASA members. Sunday 23 October 1.30-4.00pm  
Meet at the Old Gum Tree, McFarlane St, Glenelg North for a 1.30pm start. Details on page 2.
- NOVEMBER** **SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING (at 6.30pm) and ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (at 7.30pm)**  
Both meetings on Monday 14 November in the Parish Hall at Christ Church, North Adelaide.  
Further details of these meetings on page 2 of this newsletter.  
Guest Speaker at the AGM is Keith Conlon, "Celebrating 180 years of South Australian firsts"
- DECEMBER** **PIONEER GROUP LUNCHEON:** Thurs 1 December, 12 noon to 1.30pm in the Mothers Union meeting room.  
Speaker Peter Brinkworth "Ernst Siekmann, pioneer of Saddleworth and Caltowie"  
BYO lunch, tea/coffee available, gold coin donation.

## RECONVENED SGM and AGM

The two meetings cancelled on 28 September will now be held on **MONDAY 14 NOVEMBER**. Apart from the date and issues about voting rights (explained below) all aspects of the two meetings, i.e., times, venue, guest speaker, agendas, and processes, will remain the same as previously planned for the 28 September.

Because the meetings will now be held in November, the PASA constitution requires all who wish to vote in person or by proxy, to be financial members for the current year i.e. 2016/17. If you sent in proxy votes for the September meetings, then these will remain valid for the November meetings unless you rescind or alter them, decide to attend the meeting, or you are unfinancial at the time of the meeting.

Notices advising of the reconvened SGM and AGM, along with new Proxy Voting Forms, were posted to all members last week and should arrive soon.

## JUNIOR PIONEER EVENT: AN AFTERNOON AT GLENELG

All Junior Pioneers, their families and PASA members are invited to attend the annual Junior Pioneer event which will be held at Glenelg this coming Sunday afternoon, 23 October. The event will commence at the Old Gum Tree, MacFarlane St, North Glenelg at 1.30pm for a PASA commemoration of the first Proclamation Day nearly 180 years ago. Participants will then move on to Moseley Square and the Bay Discovery Centre at Glenelg for a guided visit.

The weather is looking good for Sunday afternoon (mostly sunny and 19C) and you can still book by contacting the Office by this Thursday 20 October.



**The Junior Pioneers will visit the Pioneer Memorial in Moseley Square at Glenelg**



## Library News : Reading and Writing ....but no Arithmetic.

### Do you like reading about South Australian history?.....then this is for you.

The PASA Library has been given many back copies of "Journals of The Historical Society of South Australia".

There are always one or more articles in each journal that are of great interest and relevance to life in the first ten years of settlement.

Would you like to collect a journal or two from the Library, read those articles, and then write a few words? Mention of names, places or events would be all that was required. The titles of these articles (and your words) would then be recorded as a reference point in the Library section of the PASA website.

With your help we hope that this small project could be completed by the end of the year, so please contact me as soon as possible if you can help.

Jill Davy, PASA Librarian

### TESTING YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Unfortunately the September question about Lola Montez's accommodation during her visit to Adelaide in 1855 drew a blank. If anyone should come up with an answer or lead in the future, then please contact the Office so we can pass this on to member Philip Ayres who is researching this topic.

### This month's questions relate to the photo below.

This Adelaide monument has special significance to the early years of the Colony.

1. What is this monument?
2. Where is it "normally" sited?
3. Why is the monument not there at this time?

