



Upcoming Events can now be found on page 2 of this newsletter.

Editorial

I hope you have all been able to access this edition of the e-Xpress! For the past 3 editions we have used Mailchimp to format and send the newsletter. Following feedback received I am trying a different combination. I have reverted to the traditional formatting using Word and a PDF document to publish the newsletter, and then posting the completed version onto the PASA Website. Mailchimp has then been used to send you an emailed notice of the newsletter and a link to it on the Website. I hope that this has not been too complicated for you, but it will now allow you to download and print a paginated copy for future reference as you might have done in the past. You can also easily save the newsletter onto your computer.

We will continue to use Mailchimp as a communication tool and we are still investigating the most effective way of producing and sending the newsletter. **I would appreciate any feedback you can provide on this issue via [PASA's email](#).**

This newsletter reports on PASA's successful move to our new premises in Stafford House and our first event for 2021. It also provides a long list of exciting events which have been planned for the coming months. If we can avoid any COVID19 shutdowns it looks like being a most enjoyable and informative PASA year!

Bob Stace, Editor



**A PASA DAY OUT
AT WILLUNGA**
Wednesday 24 March

This day out to historic Willunga is a self-drive tour and includes visits to museums, a guided walk, a lecture on the slate carvers of Willunga and a BYO picnic lunch.

Participants in this visit to Willunga will commence the day by meeting at the Willunga Uniting Church's Bethany Hall, 33 St Andrews Terrace at 10.30am for a welcome by the local National Trust and talk by Dr Paddy O'Toole on the topic "Slate Carvers of Willunga". The group will then drive nearby to the shaded grounds of the Willunga Courthouse Museum for a BYO picnic lunch from 11.45 - 12.30pm. (see Museum image above) From 12.30pm the group will divide into 3 groups for visits in rotation to the Court House and Police Station, the Slate Museum, Basset's Boys School and a guided walk of historic High St. The event will conclude at 3.30pm.

Important Arrangements for attendees:

Numbers: This event is limited to 45 participants. There is still limited availability, so please book and pay ASAP.

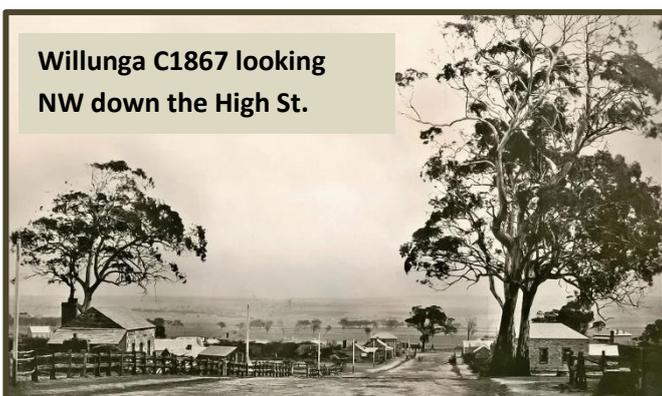
Transport: Travel to and from your home and at Willunga will be in your own vehicle. Some car pooling may be available for those who do not have their own vehicle or may not wish to drive to Willunga. **Please advise at the time of booking if you would like assistance with transport.**

Lunch Arrangements: Please bring your own picnic lunch. Fold up chairs/picnic tables might be worth packing too. Bakery and other provisions are available in Willunga's High St.

Bookings by email (preferred) or phone to PASA are essential and are **required with payment** by Thursday 18 March.

Cost: \$25 per person to cover museum entry fees. Payments by electronic transfer are preferred.

Phone bookings for events: The PASA mobile number: 0490043264 can be used from 9.00am – 5.00pm Monday - Friday.



Willunga C1867 looking NW down the High St.



BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL FOR ALL PASA EVENTS

Please note that bookings by email or phone are now essential for **ALL** PASA events.

MARCH

SAME SHIPS MEETING: Wednesday, 10 March from 10 am - 12 noon in the PASA Room at Stafford House for those interested in the *Fairlie* (1840)

PASA VISIT TO WILLUNGA: Wednesday, 24 March from 10.30 am -3.30 pm. A self-drive tour, lecture, visits to museums and guided walk. BYO Picnic lunch to be held in the shaded grounds of the Willunga Court House Museum. Limited to 45 with bookings and payment of \$25.00 per person essential by Tuesday 18 March.

APRIL

JUNIOR PIONEER EVENT: Visit to Government House and the Pioneer Women’s Garden. Tuesday 13 April from 10.00am -1.00pm. Invitations are being sent to Junior Pioneers with all details.

SAME SHIPS MEETING: Wednesday, 14 April from 10.00 am - 12 noon in the PASA Room for those interested in the *Charles Kerr* (1840)

SA MAY HISTORY FESTIVAL: TRAILBLAZERS.

A collaborative Exhibition linking PASA’s Pioneer Posters and featuring artworks from the Royal South Australian Society of the Arts. Saturday, 24 April – Saturday 22 May. Venue: The RSASA Gallery, 1st Floor, Institute Building, North Terrace, Adelaide.



The Institute Building on North Terrace. SA’s first cultural building (1861) This is the venue for Trailblazers and the PASA Lunch meeting in June.

1840 RETROSPECTIVE: Wednesday, 28 April from 12 noon - 2.00 pm. Luncheon meeting featuring a series of short presentations by PASA members covering the people and events of 1840. Venue: Walkerville Uniting Church Hall, 17 Smith St, Walkerville Cost: \$2.00 members, \$5.00 non-members. BYO lunch.

MAY

TRAILBLAZERS EXHIBITION continues from 24 April- 22 May. Opening hours 10.30am-3.30pm Monday to Friday and Saturdays 1.00-3.30pm.

TALK ON COLONIAL SHIPS: Thursday 13 May, 1.30-3.30pm in the RSASA Rooms, 1st floor, Institute Building, North Terrace. Speaker John Ford. This is a free event in conjunction with the Trailblazers Exhibition. Bookings are essential via the RSASA (not with PASA) Please wait for booking details in the History Festival programme.



Artist representation of the ship Tam O'Shanter. by John Ford. South Australian Maritime Museum collection.

SAME SHIPS MEETING: Sunday, 16 May from 10.00am -12noon in the PASA Room, Stafford House. The Same Ships Project: what has been achieved and how can members be involved.

JUNE

LUNCH MEETING AND TOUR OF THE INSTITUTE BUILDING on North Terrace: Wednesday 16 June from 12noon -2.30pm. Meeting venue: The Hetzel Theatre on the ground floor of the Institute Building. Speaker Joeline Hancock: “Development of early institutes in South Australia.” BYO Lunch.

Bookings for the lunch and speaker (12-2.00pm) and the tour of the Institute (2.00-2.30pm and limited to 30) must be completed by 2 June.

1840 RETROSPECTIVE



The New Port 1840 SLSA B1412

This event was planned for early December 2020 but was cancelled because of the COVID19 lockdown in November. It has now been rescheduled for **Wednesday 28 April from 12noon – 2.00pm**. The venue for this event is the Walkerville Uniting Church Hall, 17 Smith St, Walkerville. The meeting will feature a series of short presentations by PASA members covering the people and events of 1840. This has been a popular event with members in the past so please book early but no later than Thursday 22 April. This is a BYO Lunch event. Cost: \$2.00 members, \$5.00 non-members, payable on the day.

[An 1841 Retrospective is being planned for 1841 in early December. Venue and arrangements for potential participants will be advised]



A History Festival Event

About the Exhibition

This much anticipated event which was scheduled for the cancelled 2020 History Festival has been re-programmed for this year's Festival. This Exhibition will take place in the Gallery of the

Institute Building on North Terrace, Adelaide, from **Saturday 24 April – Saturday 22 May**. The Exhibition will feature artworks by members of the Royal Society of Arts of South Australia (RSASA) illustrating posters from PASA's collection of pioneer lives, 1836-1846. This is a collaborative event between PASA and the RSASA and is bound to be a Festival highlight; put it into your diary now as a must-see event. The Exhibition will be open daily Monday – Friday from 10.30am – 3.30pm and on Saturdays 1.00pm – 3.30pm. Closed Sundays.

Exhibition Speaker

Maritime artist John Ford will speak at the Exhibition on **Thursday 13 May** from 1.30-3.30pm His topic will be: "Colonial Ships". This is a free event in conjunction with the Trailblazers Exhibition. Bookings are essential via the RSASA (not with PASA) Booking details will be available in the History Festival programme.

Volunteers Needed as PASA Hosts

PASA needs to supply a host for as many half day sessions throughout the Exhibition as possible. The PASA host's role will be to greet attendees at the Exhibition, promote the Association and explain the context of our Pioneer Poster Project. PASA information brochures and other resources will be available to support our hosts in this role. There are 44 half day sessions of 2.5 hours duration each; the morning "shift" Monday to Friday 10.30am-1.00pm and the afternoons from 1.00-3.30pm with Saturday afternoons from 1.00-3.30pm. If you are interested in helping with one or two shifts during the Exhibition can you please contact Bob Stace who is coordinating the roster [phone: 0417988775 or email: bobstace@adam.com.au] Please initially provide your phone and email contacts. Those members at the Cornish lunch who indicated their willingness to act as hosts do not need to respond to this invitation. Bob will contact all volunteers in mid-March to establish availability for particular dates and times.

FUTURE EVENTS IN 2021

Thanks to our hard-working Events Planning Committee, the full programme of PASA events for this year is almost finalised and further details, booking arrangements and costs will be provided as an inclusion in the March Journal. However, you may wish to include the following 2 key events in your diary now.

PASA Annual Dinner: Friday 9 July at the Adelaide Pavilion. Speaker Dr Skye Krichauff, "Early relations between the Tarndanya (people of the Adelaide Plains) and European Colonists, 1836-1846"

PASA AGM: Monday 27 September from 7.00pm at the Christ Church Parish Hall. Speaker Dr Philip Jones of the SA Museum. "An illustrated presentation on George French Angas' four tours of South Australia 1844-1845 against the backdrop of his father's leadership of the South Australian Company".

New PASA Room now fully operational

The move to PASA's new room on level 2 of Stafford House was completed successfully in late January with most unpacking achieved in the first week of February. Thanks to the leadership of Michael Smith and a band of willing volunteers, the move and the establishment of our new room went very smoothly. There were initial delays with the NBN and phone connection, but all systems are now operating. The room has already been used for Council and various committee meetings as well as for the February Same Ships meeting. The group photo of the Same Ships meeting (opposite) gives an insight into the new room's environment.



The very handy kitchenette in the new PASA Room. Yes, a sink and hot and cold running water!



SAME SHIPS PROJECT

Report on *Fairfield* meeting 10 February



The *Fairfield* Crew (L-R)

Sitting: Jeanne Hurrell, Paul Curry, Marlene Edwards, Julie, and Jeffrey Ayles.

Standing: Liz Harfull. Sue Fox, Julie Neale, Karina Hutchesson, Ross Harper, Louise Henderson.

The *Fairfield*, a 34 ton barque, arrived at Port Adelaide on Monday 14 December 1840. The participants in the Same Ships meeting (see photo) accounted for links to 62 of the 265 passengers aboard, many of whom were immigrants under the Wakefield Plan of free settlement.

The voyage under Captain James Lee was a difficult one with 35 deaths recorded. One of the 35 deaths during the voyage was Robert Thomson's wife Mary. Her mother Mary Crockett, who was also aboard, took care of their children.

Member Liz Harfull reported that the ship docked in Table Bay, South Africa "as it had run out of food" which was a possible factor in some deaths. Marlene Edwards' ancestors, the Lucas family, tragically accounted for 3 of the 5 child deaths.

Paul Curry and Jeanne Hurrell shared the Hiram family story and their plan to visit Port Gawler to find the monument to Paul's pioneer ancestor Priestly Hiram who farmed there for many years.



Paul Curry with PASA Librarian and Same Ships convenor, Julie Neale

Louise Henderson shared information from her Henderson Family History book which detailed an unexpected connection between pioneers Peter Henderson & Robert Thomson, which had been unknown to fellow participant Liz Harfull. Just another example of the interconnectivity in the stories of our pioneer ancestors.

[Report from information provided by Sue Fox]



Around the table. The *Fairfield* group at work in the new PASA Room in Stafford House.

Next Same Ships meetings

Meetings for those interested in the Same Ships Project for the next 3 months are as follows:

Wednesday 10 March: *Fairlie* (1840)

Wednesday 14 April: *Charles Kerr* (1840)

Sunday 16 May: A workshop on the PASA Same Ships Project 1836-1846. An opportunity for members who have not been able to attend Same Ships meetings over the past 3 years to learn and share about this project.

Meetings will be held in the PASA Room, Level 2, Stafford House, 23 - 25 Leigh St, Adelaide from 10.00 am-12 noon. If you are interested in attending any of these meetings as a contributor or participant, then please contact Karina Hutchesson at the dedicated Same Ships email: pasa.sameships@gmail.com

Bookings are essential.



TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

1. January Questions and Answers on Willunga

1) What is the derivation of the name "Willunga"?

The name Willunga derives from an aboriginal word 'willangga' meaning, "the locality of green trees".

2) In what year was Willunga founded? 1839, one of SA's earliest towns.

3) Who was the well-known sportsman associated with Willunga? Australian cyclist Richie Porte.

2) What is his special achievement in relation to Willunga? Richie Porte is known as the "King of Willunga Hill" after completing 7 victories up the famous Tour Down Under Willunga Hill Climb and this year's recent Festival of Cycling.



Richie Porte celebrates on top of Willunga Hill.

2. February Questions

In May and June PASA will be conducting 2 separate events in the Institute Building on North Terrace, Adelaide. (See photo on page 2)

Since opening in 1861 the Institute has housed many different cultural organisations and exhibitions.

Question 1. What sporting collection was held in the Institute from 1998-2008?



Question 2: Immediately outside the Institute on the North Terrace footpath is a large statue/memorial. To whom is this memorial dedicated?

FEBRUARY LUNCHTIME MEETING

REPORT AND PHOTOS

OUR CORNISH CONNECTION

A report on the February Lunch meeting
by Di Skull

At the first lunchtime meeting for 2021 held in the Colonel Light Gardens Uniting Church Hall, Jan Lokan, a Bard of Cornwall, spoke to us about the project she is facilitating through Genealogy SA.

Cornish people contributed greatly to South Australia's early mining and agricultural scene, as well as to its culture and music. Cornish immigrants made up 10% of our population up to 1840.

A database is being created to record all those who were Cornish born South Australians and who came prior to 1900. This includes those born before 1900, those who came out alone or with their family, those who came directly to South Australia from the United Kingdom, or those who came via another country or elsewhere in Australia.

The Project's aim is to record as many Cornish people as possible who fit the above criteria on the Cornish database. A reading guide is provided along with the survey which can be found on the [Genealogy SA website](#).

The lunchtime meeting was attended by nearly 80 members and guests who all enjoyed the friendly fellowship of the event and appreciated the knowledge that Jan shared.



Whose Who?

All photos L-R

1. Di Skull, Judith Francis and speaker Jan Lokan
2. Greg and Lynn Drew
3. Shirley Frost and Dawn Goldney
4. Peter Dunn, Di and John Ranford
5. Brian O'Halloran and Libby Ottaway



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