

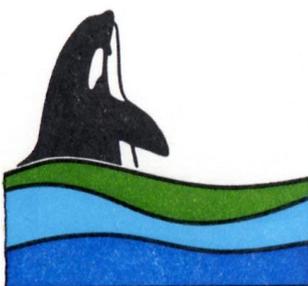
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Viewing the Transit of Venus

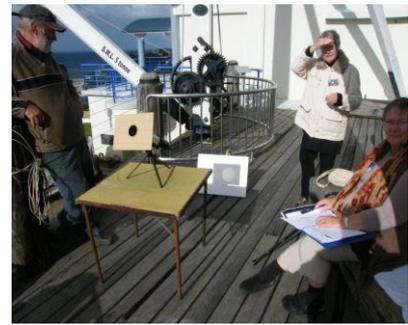
Rob Webb's presentation pre transit really whetted our appetite for the real thing, so where were you on the 6th of June? I hope you were free to join the enthusiastic turn up in Eden at the Fisherman's club car park viewing the transit of Venus.

The threat of inclement weather put many off but we had all bases covered with a live stream on a T.V monitor set up in comfort inside the Museum. Thanks to astronomers Beth Jackson, Fred Hart and Heber Perrin linked to the Canberra Astronomy Society through the Merimbula and District Astronomy Group, we were able to clearly see the small dot of Venus moving across the disc of the sun. Jenny Drenkhahn and her brother Peter moved their telescope to the EKWM grounds to give

visitors to the museum an opportunity to watch the movement of Venus with the members of the Astronomy group lending informative support.

The rather complicated set up pictured enables the public to view the transit ensuring no one damages their sight by looking directly at the sun. Standing with their backs to the sun visitors could clearly see the sun with Venus moving across projected on a sheet of white cardboard. For those sorry to have missed this amazing spectacle it will be quite a wait for the next sighting which will be on December 11th 2117.

Jenny mentioned comments made by Reverend Scott and his team about their trip to Eden to observe the transit in



Jenny Drenkhahn and Peter with Beth Jackson from the Merimbula Astronomy Group.

1875 –
"On the whole the expedition to Eden has not been a success, and I came away under the impression that Eden, though a beautiful spot, and in many respects a most desirable place to inhabit, is about the worst place for astronomical observations that I ever visited."

Storm Damage at EKWM

Stormy weather on the South Coast on the 5th of June took its toll with road closures and some property damage.

Our sign near the Northern steps was badly damaged by strong winds during the morning.

Bolts worked loose and the sign snapped. Bruce quickly refitted bolts and nuts to ensure that the intact side of the sign was saved. *The Men's Shed* are now working on it.



Handling Precious Objects With Care



Back row – B. Clark, C. Bingham
Front row – J. Drenkhahn, B. Reed, J. White, A. Midlam, R. Clark, T. Lamacraft, S.Sarah (photographer).

A workshop on handling museum objects was held on the 18th of May presented by EKWM Curator Jody White and attended by eight of our volunteers

Jody gave clear examples of how to work with a variety of objects in our collection including photographs, documents, books, art works, furniture, ceramics and fabrics.

Movement of objects while setting up exhibitions was covered in detail and storage of objects also explained.

Our thanks to Jenny, Robin, Chris and Barb, who have offered to take on associated projects.



WHALE WATCH ALERT!

WHALES ARE AGAIN BEING SIGHTED ALONG OUR COAST SO KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED AND LISTEN FOR OUR SIREN.

National Whale Day Display

National Whale Day on Saturday the 2nd of June was beautifully commemorated by a striking window display in Imlay Street.

The display was up for one week.

Plans are afoot for EKWM to collaborate with whale watching boat Cat Balou, the Discovery Centre and National Parks next year to celebrate this special day.

Pictured here are Stevie Goldworthy and Anne Fenton setting up the display.



REFLECTIONS OF OUR PAST

An exhibition of selected photographs from the legacy of William Thomas Hall has been on display at the museum now continuing through till October 7th.

Born in Bega, Hall settled in Eden where his seven children were born.

His occupations included being a farmer, newspaper correspondent, auctioneer and agent, as well as operating a coach mail and passenger service between Eden and Towamba and the Yambulla gold mines.

As secretary of the Grand United Order of the Oddfellows and the Eden Exhibition



Society, he and his family were regularly involved in community activities and celebrations. His passion for photography has provided a lasting legacy for Eden and district. From shipwrecks and whale chases to local school events, Hall documented the lives of district residents of the first half of the 20th century through the lens of his camera.

Thank you to Jodie our Curator for selecting these striking images and blowing the photographs up to poster size while still retaining the clarity of the remarkable reflections of our past.



Lighthouse Raffle – get your tickets now!

Tickets are now on sale and can be purchased from the Museum or in the street.

The prize is this beautiful coffee table lamp kindly donated by local wood turner Cedric Cocks.

The raffle will be drawn at the SEGHI meeting at the EKWM on 25th of August so make sure you get in soon as our volunteers are keen to sell out! All proceeds go to our fine Museum.

ABC SOUTH EAST TAKES US FROM THEN TO NOW

Vanessa Milton from ABC South East invited EKWM and locals to participate in an intriguing workshop involving photographing historic photos against their modern counterparts. The Museum provided a selection of photos and 10 people enjoyed the challenge.

Their results will be exhibited in the Museum Theaterette during Whale Festival weekend this year. Some of the images are already on the ABC Open Website and show the contrast of Now and Then in areas such as Imlay Street and Snug Cove.



Keen photographers Norm Clarke L, and Peter Whiter comparing their views of Snug Cove.



Robert Whiter shown here putting Boyd town into focus.



NOTE - For those interested in photographs of an historic nature check out the ABC website, the Eden Remembers site on Facebook, which incidently is building quite a following bringing to light many local historic photographs. The Eden Killer Whale Museum Face book site posts up to date news items relating to the Museum and Eden.



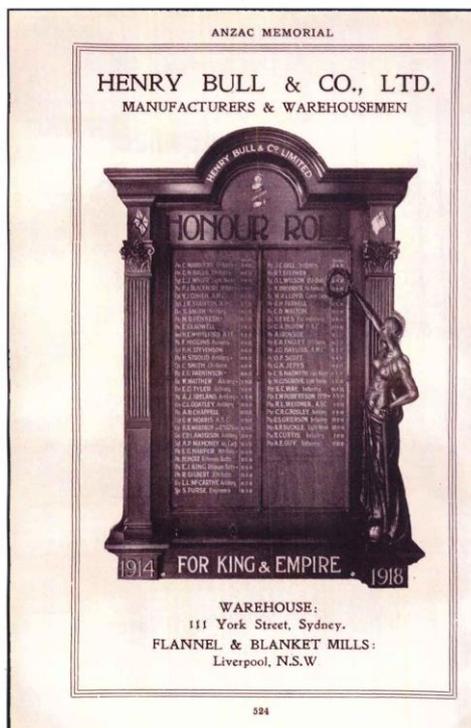
THE HONOUR BOARD FINDS A SPECIAL HOME

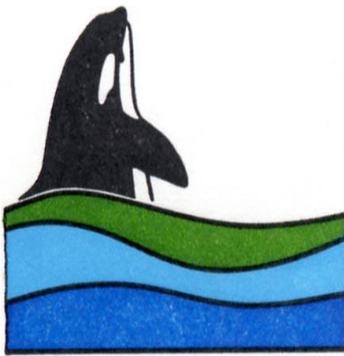
For some time we have been doing our best to find a home for this huge Honour Roll Board which has been taking up quite a lot of room in our storage area.

The Powerhouse Museum declined and the Army History Unit and the Infantry Museum failed to respond, but the CEO of the N.S.W. RSL is interested in having it on display in Anzac House in Sydney.

Bob did some research on Ancestry. Com and found that the board featured in a 1919 publication 'The Anzac Memorial' and that is once had a statue, as you can see in this photograph taken from the website.

Sadly the statue is now missing, what a fine piece it was and still continues to be.





BEGA PIONEERS MUSEUM HOSTS MAY SEGHI MEETING

COMING EVENTS:

International Lighthouse Weekend

18th/19th August 2012

Peter Trickett presentation

18th August 2012

Conservation Workshop:

25th August 10.30am to 1.30pm Venue: Edén Killer Whale Museum Theatre

SEGHI Meeting

25th August venue Edén Killer Whale Museum

May SEGHI meeting was hosted by Bega Pioneers Museum with an excursion to Angledale NE of Bega. The Imlay brothers were the first permanent settlers here and in 1834 were given 65,000 acres worked on a share basis with convicts Thomas 'Tom the Blacksmith' Underhill and John Otton. Descendants of these men still own large properties.

Entry to "Ottonville", a local mansion still in its original state, was given before moving on to Angledale, where in the warm sunshine an explanation her family graves was provided by Kaye Jauncey (pictured below). It was here that poor Isaac White was buried after being struck by

lightening while holding a child who miraculously was uninjured.

John Otton's home at 'Yarranung' was submerged in the 1851 flood, the family, managed to reach higher ground and sheltered in a shepherds hut. Otton later moved to 'Numerella' which the family still own, his son Henry Augustus (1838-1915) built the home at 'Ottonville'. William Allan, a scot, managed 'Warragaburra' for James Manning until he bought land over the river from Peter Imlay. He sold 942 acres of freehold to George Guthrey in 1909 for 24 pound an acre, which the family still farm.

John Jauncey, a convict was assigned to Mr Curlewis of Bungonia thus enabling him to travel through Bega in 1833 when just aged 17. When Tilba Tilba Station was settled by Curlewis in 1843, Jauncey was manager. He later managed 'Elmgrove' for James Manning on a 7 year lease. In 1861 he purchased 'Angledale' freehold on the southern side of the river, buying 1,000 acres on the northern side a year later where he built and settled with his wife Mary Carew and raised 10 children, two of whom married Otton brothers.

John Jauncey (1850-1924) son of John(1816-1896), was warden of and helped build St Johns Church in Bega.



He was on the first committee of the Bega Show Society and was the first president of the Bega Jockey Club in 1856. James Jauncey, son of John (1816 - 1896), established the 'Oaklands' Cheese Factory and set up a store and post office at his home. His wife Elizabeth Jeffery produced 16 children, 8 of whom became bankers, an honest occupation then. In 1888 a fire broke out near Brogo river which spread over the Jauncey property burning out 300 of the 500 acres, just missing the dairy.

A flood in 1893 caused by over 16 inches of rain caused more damage. So not much has changed in all those years!

SWINGS AND ROUNDABOUTS

The playground swings next to the Museum have been condemned - they were installed in 1946 so they are entitle to be a little outdated.. We will work with council to re- develop the area.

Many thanks to Jack Dickenson and Jeff Swane for taking down our shade sails.

JEN'S GEMS

FOR ALL YOU LEXOPHILES

(Lovers of words)

A calender's days are numbered.

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SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

BUSINESS MEETING	7PM 2 ND WEDNESDAY	MUSEUM THEATRETTE
CURATORIAL MEETING	1 PM 1 ST MONDAY	MUSEUM LIBRARY
FRIENDS MEETING	9.30AM 3 RD WEDNESDAY	MUSEUM LIBRARY