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NEWSLETTER

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***The ANNUAL AGM* and election of officers was held Saturday 12 October**

Committee Elected for 2024 – 2025

President	**Lee Bevan**
Vice President	**Rhonda Horne**
Secretary	**Dianne Walker**
Secretary (Mail)	**Cheryl Humphreys**
Treasurer	**Geoff George**
Public Officer	**Margaret Phillips**
Membership Secretary	**Eric McLaughlin**
Research Officer	**Helen Fatouros**
Librarian	**Dianne Walker**
Publications Offficer	**Eric McLaughlin**
Publicity Officer	**Cheryl Humphreys**
Newsletter Editor	**Rhonda Horne**
Journal Editor	**Lindsay Harden**
Education Officer	**Margaraet Phillips**
Guest Speaker Co-Ordinator	**Linda Heavener**
Welfare Officer	**Roslyn Van Der Sandt**

A well deserved LIFE MEMBERSHIP of CAPE BANKS FHS was awarded to Lindsay Harden by President Lee Bevan for her many contributions to Cape Banks over the years.

Lindsay joined Cape Banks Family History Society on 8 May 2004 and, over her twenty years of membership, has generously given her time and organisational skills to Cape Banks' projects, events and fundraising as well as serving on the Committee.

Lindsay was the recipient of a Cape Banks Service Award in 2009.

Holding the position of Librarian for three years, Lindsay coordinated a full reorganisation of Cape Banks' library. She successfully undertook the role of Newsletter Editor for five years and is currently Journal Editor of Cape Banks' quarterly journal, Kith & Kin, a position she has held for seven years.

Lindsay's editorial skills were recognised in 2020, and again in 2024, when the Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations (AFFHO) awarded Kith & Kin, and its editor, the annual Nick Vine-Hall Award for the best family history journal (Category A) in Australia & NZ.

In addition to committee roles, Lindsay has convened the Cape Banks Writers Circle since 2013, preparing structured content for the monthly meetings of this enthusiastic group.

She has been responsible for organising and curating family-history themed glass cabinet displays at the Bowen Library, Maroubra, promoting Cape Banks FHS. Lindsay also coordinated Cape Banks' successful Guest Speaker Program for many years and is a regular Duty Librarian at Cape Banks library.

Lindsay Harden has made a significant contribution to Cape Banks Family History Society and is a deserving candidate for Life Membership.

Official Certificate for the Nick Vine Hall Award 2024.

A Congratulatory message was received from Anthony Wright, Secretary, on behalf of Botany Bay FHS.

Membership Renewals **are now due for the year 2024-2025. Please note there will be no change to Cape Banks Family History rates for the following year. All costs will remain the same as in the present year. A Membership Renewal Form was included with the September edition of Kith & Kin. Full details of how to make payment are include on the form. If paying by Direct Deposit please email confirmation of payment to the society along with a scanned copy of the form. If paying by post please include the form along with your payment.**

Thank you to all members who have renewed their membership for 2024-2025. Your continued support of the society is very much appreciated. If you have not renewed and intend to do so, please complete the form and forward to Cape Banks FHS. If you do not wish to renew your membership, please let the society know.

After the AGM was SHOW & TELL. An opportunity for members to bring along a cherished possession and tell the story behind it.

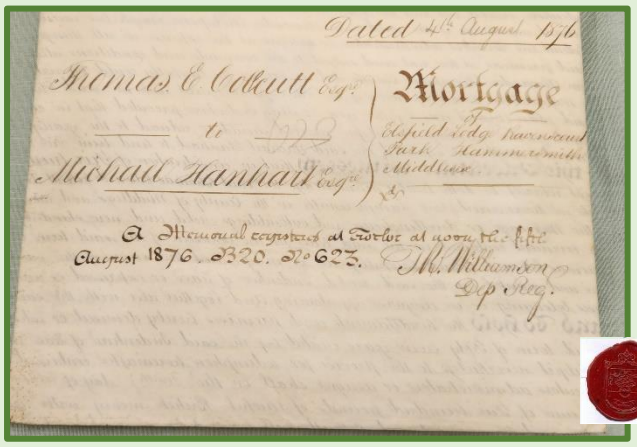
Dianne Walker brought a treasured small cup and saucer that had belonged to Shirley Harper to commemorate the opening of the Harbour Bridge in 1932 and walking across it, at a very early age, on the day.

Bob Lopresto had an actual copy of the newspaper printed on the day of his birth in October 19-- beautifully presented in a special birthday gift folder.

Interesting articles and advertisements for the times including

For Sale - three bedroom home in Maroubra with ocean views for 1,600 Pounds – roughly $3,087:00!

How times and prices have changed!

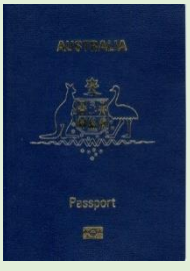


Val McCarthy showed us this Legal Mortgage document found in London many years ago that was to be thrown away.

It dates back to 1876 and when completely opened was totally covered with perfect handwritten text relating to the property named and at the bottom and included an original red wax seal.

A great save!

Linda Heavener brought along her Father's passport from 1966 and said how confusing it was that her father had a British passport issued in 1966 stating "British Passport. Australia" on it. It was valid for all British commonwealth Countries and all foreign countries except all the Communist Countries. Apparently we did not receive our Australian passports until 1982. I would have thought that it was years before then!



Winner of Raffle Rhonda Horne

THE CHRISTMAS PARTY AT SOUTH COOGEE BOWLING CLUB

Was a great success with those members attending enjoying the Christmas celebration.

Thank you **again, to all members who donated to the Christmas Raffle.**

Winners were

First Prize: Jeanette Napper

Second Prize: Kerry Crotty

Third Prize: Lee Bevan

Fourth Prize: Lindsay Harden

Fifth Prize: Tina Garrett

Sixth Prize: Lyle Underwood

Seventh Prize: June Fleming

Susan, Cheryl & Ros

Lots of Eating

During the Christmas Party Lindsay presented the
***Kith & Kin Awards* for 2024**
This year's winner was Christina Garrett for her article
***MUSIC SAVED MY LIFE* in the March Edition**
Special Mention to Linda Heavener for
***LA PEROUSE TO KURNELL FERRIES* also in the March Edition**
&
Special Mention to Rhonda Horne for
***FAMILY HISTORY SURROUNDS US* in September's Edition**

Judging is done by an independent person who is not connected to our Society.
It was most gratifying for Lindsay as all winners are members of the *Cape Banks Writer's Group*

Our final day for the year is Tuesday 10 December
and re-opening date Tuesday 14 January 2025

The President and Committee would like to wish all our members
A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year....
2024 has been a very successful year for Cape Banks with many activities, discussion groups, workshops and bus trips well attended. We look forward to welcoming you all back to our research rooms in 2025 and, of course, celebrating our 40-year anniversary in March.

November's Guest Speaker member Judith Neville **gave an amazing presentation of the Victorian house in the inner west of Sydney where she and her sister lived from 1985 to 1996 – along with a couple of resident ghosts! Judith has been researching *ELYMRA* for many years and gave an interesting account of the multiple reference material necessary to collect as much information as possible for her research.**

Upcoming Dates for 2025

February's Guest Speaker **will be Eleanor Limprecht who has written a number of books including "The Coast" telling the story of Prince Henry Hospital as the leprosy centre during the early 20th century.**
Her talk will be how she researched information for her books.

Next March is the Society's 40th Anniversary and this will be celebrated with a lunch at the South Coogee Bowling Club on Friday 14 March 2025.

Letters from Santa – Only $6:00

Cape Banks FHS has again asked Santa to send letters to children. If you would like to use this service for a relative or friend, please PRINT the details below and post the form and money to Cape Banks FHS Inc. P.O. Box 67, Maroubra 2035 or pay by bank transfer.

NAME OF CHILD _____

GIRL/BOY **AGE** _____

ADDRESS _____

SIBLINGS _____

PET _____

SPECIAL INTERESTS _____

SCHOOL _____

SPORT _____

HOLIDAYS _____

TOYS _____

GAMES _____

LIBRARY ROSTER

December 2024

Tuesday 3rd
10.00-1.00 Di Walker J Ford
10.00 – 3.30 M Phillips E McLaughlin

Tuesday10th
10.00-1.00 M Morscheck R Horne
1.00-3.30 M Morscheck R Horne

Saturday 7th
10-00-1.00 M Phillips E McLaughlin
1.00- 3.30 L Harden H Fatouros

Cape Banks FHS
Closed 13th December 2024
Reopen 14th January 2025

January 2025

Tuesday14th
10.00-1.00 M Morscheck R Horne
1.00-3.30 M Morscheck R Horne

Tuesday 21st
10.00-1.00 H Fatouros C Garrett
1.00-3.30 H Fatouros L Heavener

Tuesday 28th
10.00-1.00 L Bevan C Humphreys
1.00-3.00 J Gallagher V Little

Saturday 18th
10.00-1.00 L Bevan C Humphreys
1.00-3.30 D Walker R Nicol

Saturday 25th
10.00-1.00 C Humphreys L Bevan
1.00-3.30 L Bevan C Humphreys

February 2025

Saturday1st
10-1.00 M Phillips E McLaughlin
1.00- 3.30 L Harden H Fatouros

Tuesday 4th
10.00-1.00 D Walker J Ford
1.00-3.30 M Phillips E McLaughlin

Tuesday 11th
10.00-1.00 M Morscheck R Horne
1.00-3.30 M Morscheck R Horne

Tuesday 18th
10.00-1.00 H Fatouros C Garrett
1.00-3.30 H Fatouros Linda Heavener

Tuesday 25th
10.00-1.00 L Bevan C Humphreys
1.00-3.30 J Gallagher V Little

Saturday 8th
10.00-1.00 R van der Sandt L Harden
1.00-3.30 L Bevan C Humphreys

Saturday15th
10.00-1.00 L Bevan C Humphreys
1.00-3.30 D Walker R Nicol

Saturday 22nd
10.00-1.00 C Humphreys L Bevan
1.00-3.30 C Humphreys L Bevan