



MHHS 10TH ANNIVERSARY

The first meeting of the society was held on 15th July 1989 at the Shire of Mundaring Civic Room.

The inaugural members at that meeting were,

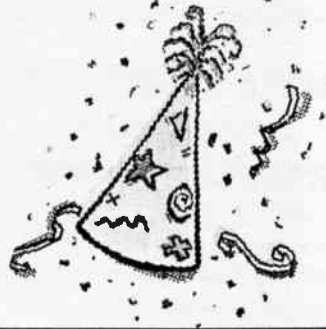
Jeff Murray*,
Briony Waterhouse*,
Robert Atkins, Janet Atkins,
Steve Howlett,
Yvonne Elliot,
Valma Martin*,
Ian Elliot*,
Brian Marshall*,
Maureen Tie*,
Norm Giles, Robin Giles,
Fay Wiltshire and Bob Wiltshire
John Ellery
(* continuing members)

In just two months the membership had swelled to 30.

To celebrate this event is the launch of the Mundaring Branchline Walk Trail Booklet. This is to be on Sunday September 26th at 11am at Fred Jacoby Park, Weir Road, Mundaring.

Entry to park will be indicated by balloons.

Please bring all food and drink and chairs etc. We will start with a 1 kilometre walk to the Old O'Connor siding and then return to our picnic.



COMING EVENTS

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| October | 6 | Monthly Meeting. 7.30pm. Old Station Masters House |
| | | BYO Photograph for guessing 'Who am I ?' or 'Where am I ?' |
| | 17 | Hill's Showcase, Mundaring Village |
| | 18 | Their Story Writers meeting KSP Writer's Centre 10am |
| | 22 | Green Jeans Exhibition, an Environmental Arts Project staged at the Museum for two weeks. |
| November | 3 | Monthly Meeting. 7.30pm Old Station Masters House |
| | 21 | Christmas BBQ BYO 11am Mundaring Sculpture Park |
| December | 1 | Monthly Meeting 7.30pm Old Station Masters House |
| | | Final Meeting until February 2000 |

THE 'THEIR STORY' PROJECT

Twenty seven people attended a seminar held at Katharine Susannah Prichard Writer's Centre on August 9th for members of our society and other interested participants including students from Swan View Senior High School to gain help in researching and writing about the lives of local women who have lived in the Shire of Mundaring.

After registration the group were welcomed by Judy Love and told about the Grant of \$3,250 provided by the Women's Policy Office to commemorate the Centenary of Woman's Suffrage in WA which has financed this ongoing project.

Cate Hale an oral historian gave insights and advice about collecting oral histories and a video made for schools called "*Capturing the Past*" was viewed.

Participants role played interviewing and discussed various techniques.

A group of women from Meckering

attended the seminar and recounted their experiences of obtaining financial support and collecting oral histories in the Meckering area, which included many personal accounts of the earthquake, and the resulting document was on display for the group to look at during the lunch break.

After lunch Sue King the Educational Manager at the National Trust gave a very informative and amusing talk about her project with the National Trust called, "*Women of the Golden Pipeline*".

As a result of this session 44 local women will be interviewed.

If you are interested in finding out more about this project or helping with interviewing please contact Maureen Tie on 9295 1601.

A follow up from this session will take place on Monday October 18 at the KSP Writer's Centre.

WINTER CONSERVATION WORKSHOPS - SMALL METAL OBJECTS

Two of our members, Maree Bullard and Tricia Rawlings attended this workshop on 5th August at Subiaco Museum.

The speaker was Dr Ian MacLeod Head of the Department of Materials Conservation. He was rather surprised at the range of participants which included two Army Museum representatives, one who was restoring a helicopter and one a large gun.

Dr MacLeod was a very stimulating speaker and began his talk with how to clean gold and silver

and plated metals. He talked about the museum environment and what type of cabinets to use, for example, how oak was not suitable to put lead items in and many other very interesting aspects of conservation.

Most participants brought an item for his attention and these were addressed.



NEW AQUISITIONS NOW ON DISPLAY AT THE MUSEUM

Singer Treadle Sewing machine c 1900
Coolgardie Safe
Dictophone and typewriter

Did you know?

Initially buildings at Parkerville Children's Home were two roughly constructed wooden buildings, an old barn and a small workman's hut. On May 5th 1903 Sister Jane and six English boys spent their first night there with Sister Kate joining them the following day.

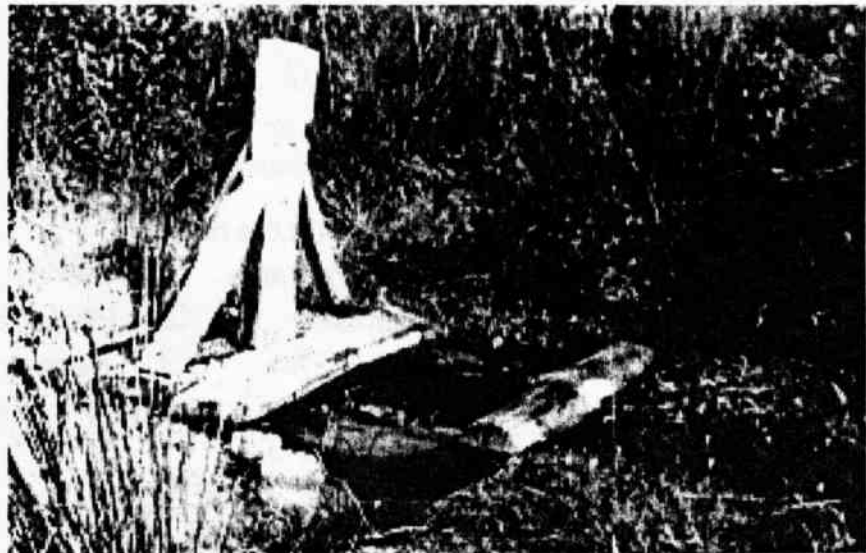
That night there was a thunderstorm and torrential rain poured through every crevice of the bark roofed barn making it a very miserable yet memorable night.



THE DIGGER LEGEND

On Tuesday 6th July Dr Graham Seal entertained the society by performing some of the songs and yarns attributed to the diggers' of both world wars.

He told us of some of the incidents that brought about the name *bigger*' and also some of our members joined in with their own recollections of incidents and 'legends' that happened during the war years.



"BILGOMAN WELL" c 1929
LOCATED AT BILGOMAN SPRINGS, DARLINGTON ROAD, DARLINGTON,
ADJACENT TO THE CONVICT RUINS.
PHOTO COURTESY OF SHIRE OF MUNDARING COLLECTION

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

The Secretary,
Mundaring & Hills Historical Society Inc.,
P.O. Box 334,
Mundaring WA 6073

I wish to become a member/renew my membership of the Mundaring & Hills Historical Society. I have enclosed my membership fee for this year.

Name(s):.....

Address:.....

.....P/Code.....

Telephone: Day:.....

Night:.....

Signature:.....

MEMBERSHIP FEES	
COUPLE:	\$25
SINGLE:	\$20
PENSIONER:	\$10
PENSIONER COUPLE	\$15
INSTITUTION	\$25
LIFE - SINGLE	\$200
- PENSIONER	\$100



MEMBERSHIP IS RENEWABLE IN JULY EACH YEAR



WE NEED YOU!



*Are you interested in local history or museums?
Can you volunteer some time?*

Please indicate your area of interest by ticking the box:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpentry | <input type="checkbox"/> Event Organising | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Displays | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> Research |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dress Making | <input type="checkbox"/> Gardening | <input type="checkbox"/> Word Processing |

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