

#### The A.N.D.F.H.G. News sheet.

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# This Months News from the Editor.

The formation of the "Legacy Users Group" organised by Shirley Bulley had its first meeting last

month, and was well attended. For those who are not familiar with Legacy, this is a Family Tree program, and one of the best around in our opinion. The current standard program of Legacy 7 is downloadable free, from the Legacy website at <a href="http://www.legacyfamilytree.com">http://www.legacyfamilytree.com</a>, Legacy 7 is the latest version, and once downloaded you are able to transfer your Gedcom files from another program into it. The makers of Legacy offer a free newsletter which features the latest news and discussions, in particular on tricks such as enhancing photographs and much more. Users group is the only one in operation within South Australia, and is being formed to discuss and help those that use Legacy. If you want to learn more out this very popular and fully versatile program, visit the website and browse, then consider the program that you are currently using and compare, after all it costs nothing to check Legacy out.

The ANDFHG library can now boast a complete collection of Microfilms consisting of every edition of the Adelaide Observer Newspaper covering the periods from 1843 – 1931, these films are available for members to explore, It is recommended however that a booking be made with Ivan or Margaret for either the Thursday or Saturday research and open days, this would be

very helpful as we only have the one film reader thus far.

On Thursday April 16<sup>th</sup>'s speaker night, it was a little daunting to find that the attendance was well below normal, this was most likely due to the Easter break. James Potter from the Salisbury Historical Society gave a talk about the Historical Museum, and its formation, Jim showed several antique 19<sup>th</sup> Century pieces of household equipment and explained their use. The night was culminated with a slide show of long gone Salisbury land marks; all in all it was interesting.

This Month we have as a guest speaker one of the most interesting people ever to present a talk to our group, Thea Borgers, who incidentally is ANDFHG's Auditor and mother of our Treasurer Helen Stein. Thea, a Dutch Australian, lived in Holland at the time of the Nazi invasion, her memories and connection to the Dutch resistance will form a basis for a most enthralling talk. Consequently, we highly recommend that you do not miss this night, I am sure that you will be most disappointed if you do. See this edition for details.

The Monthly News Sheet, is being restructured once again, to a strictly new format, this is due to the fact that our quarterly Journal "The Compass" is our major publication. We have tried to get away from the previous Monthly Newsletter format where each month a lengthy report of the previous month's talk night was featured, this will still appear however, in a much scaled down format.

### Some latest Breaking news on the plight of the Sailing Ship "City of Adelaide"

#### BRITISH PM PETITIONED TO SAVE 'CITY OF ADELAIDE'

#### Monday, 06 April 2009

A petition to the British Prime Minister, the Hon Gordon Brown, has been created on the Number 10 Downing Street website calling on the UK Government to gift the world heritage clipper ship 'City of Adelaide' to the people of South Australia. The petition calls for the 'City of Adelaide' to be gifted for the State's 175th birthday in 2011. Links the petition can be found www.cityofadelaide.org.au.

'City of Adelaide' Preservation Trust Director, Naval Architect Peter Roberts, described the condition of the historic ship as impressive and in remarkably good condition. Trust Director Peter Christopher, who attended the Glasgow 'City of Adelaide' Conference convened by the Duke of Edinburgh in 2001, stated that His Highness declared that the ship needed to be saved. In view of UK funding now being channelled into restoration of the fire ravaged 'Cutty Sark', the gifting option, if adopted, provides a good outcome for both the UK authorities and Australia said Mr Christopher.

The 'Cutty Sark' and her 'sister', the five year older 'City of Adelaide', are the world's last two surviving composite clippers.

The 'City of Adelaide' presently sits on a slipway in Irvine, Scotland. The clipper's owners, the Scottish Maritime Museum, have been served notice to remove the clipper from the slipway. The land alongside the slipway is being developed for new housing. With few options remaining to them, the Scottish Maritime Museum is expected to call for tenders later this year to demolish the clipper. The Scottish Maritime Museum estimates that the cost to demolish will be the order of £650,000 (A\$1,400,000). A campaign being run from Adelaide would like to see the demolition money spent on returning the historic namesake ship to Port Adelaide.

The 'City of Adelaide' was purpose built as a passenger ship in 1864 specifically to bring migrants and goods to South Australia. For nearly a quarter century she plied the route to South Australia, and on return voyages would carry South Australian wheat, wool and copper to the London markets. Today a quarter of a million South Australians are calculated to descendants of her passengers.

Historic Scotland, an executive agency of the Scottish Government, describes the 'City of Adelaide' as a vessel of high cultural significance at international level. Australian eminent history Professors have described her "as the only surviving sailing ship built to give regular passenger and cargo service between Europe and Australia, she represents a whole foundation era of Australian social and economic history. It is difficult to imagine a more vital icon of the making of modern Australia and of the relationship between Britain and the Australian colonies."

The UK petition is open to all UK citizens including expatriates living in South Australia.

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For May 2009	W 7	
Thursday Open days	May 7	
10am -4pm	May 14	
10am -4pm	May 21	
10am -4pm	May 28	
Hosted by Ivan and Margaret.		L

Saturday Networking Days. 1pm - 4pm May 16 1pm - 4pm May 30 Committee Members available.

**For June 2009** 10am-4pm Thursday June 4

Her husband had been slipping in and out of a coma for several months yet she stayed by his bedside every single day. When he came to, he motioned for her to come nearer. As she sat by him, he said, "You know what? You have been with me all through the bad times. When I got fired, you were there to support me. When my business fell, you were there. When I got shot, you were by my side. When we lost the house, you gave me support. When my health started failing, you were still by my side. Well, now that I think about it, I think you're a jinx!

Husband: Honey, when I die, will you marry

Wife: I am afraid I will. You know how much I hate solitude.

Husband: Will you let him drive my car?

Wife: Well, I think so.

Husband: Will you let him sit in my favourite chair?

Wife: Mavbe.

Husband: Will you let him have my gold watch?

Wife: Maybe.

Husband: Will you let him wear my nice suits?

Wife: No, he is shorter.

# GUEST SPEAKER'S NIGHT.

### **7PM MAY 21ST**

ANDFHG meeting rooms Ann Street Salisbury. (Old Police Station)

## **Featuring**

# THEA BORGERS.



# "Surviving the Nazis in occupied Holland"



Hear Thea's enthralling story of survival and resistance during the German occupation of the Nederland's during the dark days of WW2. Survival paramount, fear a daily companion, death a daily reminder.

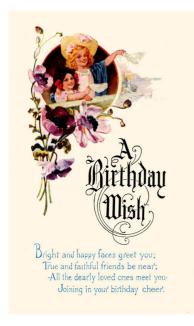
Free Tea, coffee and refreshments served

ALL WELCOME.

**Admission Free to members** 

Non Members \$2.

# On Our Birthday List



On behalf of all Members, the Committee extends Congratulations and Best Wishes to the following members who are celebrating their Birthday during this period.

May.

29<sup>th</sup> Trevor MEAD

31<sup>ST</sup> Shirley BULLEY

June.

14<sup>th</sup> William O'NEILL

Happy Birthday, May you all enjoy many more.