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DATE CLAIMERS...

- 4 Oct *Annual General Meeting*
- 1 Nov *Monthly Meeting*
- 6 Dec *Christmas Lunch*
- 2025**
- No meeting in January
- 7 Feb *Monthly Meeting*



President's ANNUAL REPORT from the AGM

It has been a great honour to serve as President of History Redcliffe in 2024, Redcliffe's Bicentennial year.

This Report covers 14 months as our 2023 AGM was held in August - you will recall that we changed the AGM date to October to enable our finances to be audited in a timely manner.

Our monthly meetings have been generally well attended. We have enjoyed a variety of Guest Speakers and, once again, I would like to thank the City of Moreton Bay for allowing us to use the Redcliffe Library meeting room at no cost.

In December, we enjoyed the hospitality of the Redcliffe Museum to hold our Christmas afternoon tea. However, the sad news that our greatly esteemed member and foundation President James Houghton had died came as a shock to all present! At our February Meeting we paused for one minute's silence as a mark of respect.

Other activities have been a sales/ promotional table at Craft Markets at the Old Fire Station in March.

May, being Heritage Month, Pat Gee guided a Cemetery Tour, which was enjoyed by all in attendance. Also in May, many of us attended the History Seminar organised by City of Moreton Bay. Rae's presentation on our Medallion Project was so well received that a gentleman purchased a complete set of Medallions!

In June, a group of us enjoyed a bus trip to Bribie Island Museum. Also, we decided to have a display/sales table at Redcliffe Show, in the hope of promoting our planned Bicentennial events. This was a big commitment as the stall had to be open from Friday until Sunday afternoon. I am very grateful to the many members who filled the Roster.

In July, Rae and I were Guest speakers at the Redcliffe Senior Women's Group. Also, we held an Open Day at our History Den where we enjoyed a cuppa under the gum trees after a 'tour' of the Den.

Since mid-2022, various committees were meeting regularly to organise activities for the Bicentenary. The Bicentenary Conference Committee comprised representatives from the Royal Historical Society of Queensland, History Redcliffe and Bribie Island Historical Society. Margaret Harding, Ann Hanger, Pat Gee, Fiona Murgatroyd and I produced a souvenir Bicentenary pamphlet. Rae Frawley, as Conveyor of the Picnic in the Park event chaired a Committee for that Event.

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All of these meetings and organising came together in a wonderful week of activities commemorating 200 years of European Settlement in Queensland, which started here in Redcliffe. Congratulations to all who took part in the running of these events.

Saturday 7th September 'Wunya Ngulum' the Bicentennial Conference was held at Komo Hotel. The 240 plus registrants were delighted with the quality of the presentations and the smooth running of the day.

Sunday 8th, a group of approximately 25 did a walk along Humpybong Creek led by Rae and Steve Ferrier, from Redcliffe Information Centre.

Monday 9th, there was a presentation in Redcliffe Library by Ann & Tony Swain, from QLD Family History Group on the topic 'Trace Your Ancestors'.

Tuesday 10th, a group enjoyed a walk around Redcliffe's C.B.D. led by Stephen Ferrier with morning tea at Jetty Café.

Wednesday 11th, we held an afternoon tea in Redcliffe CWA Hall where Pat Gee gave an engaging talk about Mary Phoebe Tubbs.

Thursday 12th, Margaret Harding and I organised a morning tea event at the Community Hub at the Old Fire Station for descendants of the first European settlers. We were delighted with the response and managed to track down nineteen descendants, some from interstate who came to Redcliffe for the week.

Friday 13th, some of us attended a function organised at Comino's Arcade by Richard Lancaster and Duane Hart where Paul Woodcock presented certificates to new inductees into the Wall of Fame.

Saturday 14th, we held our wonderful Picnic in the Park event where the Community came together to commemorate 200 years from our humble penal settlement beginnings to the vibrant multicultural Redcliffe we all enjoy today. A huge bonus on the day was the fact that the newly refurbished Corscadden Park opened 2 days beforehand. History Redcliffe and Redcliffe City Rotary had been negotiating with Council for 12 years for this to happen. Our deep gratitude and thanks must go to Rae for pulling off this fantastic event. A more detailed Report on our Bicentennial events will be given at a later date.

I'd now like to thank the outgoing committee for a great year's work, Secretary Rae, Minutes Secretary Ann, VP Cheryl, Treasurer Pat, Cathy, IT Guru and Newsletter Editor Fiona. To Researchers Pat and Margaret and all members for making 2024 such a wonderful year.

Thank you to our Patron Paul for Chairing today's Annual General Meeting!

Janet

Your Committee



Introducing your **HISTORY REDCLIFFE** Committee for 2024-25 (L-R): Cathy Mallon, Cheryl Salisbury (Junior Vice President), Helen Young (Minutes Secretary), Jan Herbert (Treasurer), Janet Franklin (President), Fiona Murgatroyd (ICT & Editor) Rae Frawley (Secretary).

We are honoured to serve History Redcliffe and we thank you for your support.

Editor's NOTE

Our issue this quarter is sporting a new look...or should I say, an *old* look! The art deco style of masthead takes us back about a century to the 1920s and a time when Redcliffe was a hot spot for holidaymakers and day-trippers.

This special Heritage Issue is missing some of our usual columns and features to make way for a retrospective presentation of how the people of our fair peninsula have commemorated and marked the anniversary of the arrival of the first Europeans to these shores. In so doing, I'd personally like to acknowledge and pay tribute to the First Nations people who walked this land for thousands of years prior to that day in 1824 which changed the course of our shared history. It is not for us

to tell their stories but their presence which pre-dates that of the colonists must be recognised and respected.

As the various articles presented in this issue were written in a bygone era, it is worth noting that our modern sensibilities may be at odds with the views of the various authors. That said, I almost think a content warning should be issued as some of the sentiments expressed in these articles are highly offensive by the standards of today. I have also chosen not to correct any grammatical, spelling or syntax errors so as to preserve the authenticity of the articles. So, let's hop in the textual and contextual time-machine and see where this takes us!

I hope you enjoy this time-travelling issue.

Fiona



Looking for the regular columns?

They'll be back in the next issue.

Lost without **Library
Lines**?

For the full list of library events, go to
<https://www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/libraries/Events>
or drop in to the Library!

MISSING **MUSEUM
MUSINGS**?

Please scan this QR code to learn
what's on and make bookings for the
workshops and events.



1824

We are proud to inform our Readers, that it is the intention of the Government, almost immediately, to form a Settlement at Moreton Bay, or in its vicinity. The Colonists may anticipate much in favor of Australia's prosperity from the establishment of this contemplated Dependency. New and valuable discoveries will inevitably be the consequence of such a measure.

The Sydney Gazette and New South Wales Advertiser, Thu 10 Jun 1824, p2.



THE SYDNEY GAZETTE, AND NEW SOUTH WALES ADVERTISER.

Thursday, September 2, 1824.

Another Expedition has very recently sailed for Moreton bay, on the Government Colonial brig Amity, to establish a new Settlement somewhere in its vicinity. The vessel takes prisoners and stores, under guard of a detachment of the 40th Regiment, commanded by Lieutenant Butler. The Commandant of the Settlement is Lieutenant Miller, of the 40th. A Storekeeper, and other subordinate officers, together with a number of volunteers, compose the Expedition. The Surveyor General (John Oxley, Esq.) and Mr. Cunningham (King's Botanist), proceed on the voyage. It will be the province of Mr. Oxley to fix upon the site most eligible for this other new Dependency. In a very few years, if we go on as we have done

latterly, British Colonies will be planted all along the Eastern and round to the North-west side of this envied Island. But already, indeed, look which way she will, Australia beholds her rising dependencies in the North as well as in the South. We hope soon to be supplied from the Northern Dependencies, with grain, sugar, spices, &c. as well as wheat from the South. These things are quite natural, as children should support their parent, after having been tenderly and affectionately raised to years of maturity and independence!

The Sydney Gazette and New South Wales Advertiser, Thu 2 Sep 1824, p2.



SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.---On Thursday last arrived from Moreton-bay, H. M. brig Amity, Mr. Penson, commander.

The Sydney Gazette and New South Wales Advertiser, Thu 21 Oct 1824, p2.

CURIOUS CASE OF SHIPWRECK.

The brig Amity has brought to Sydney a man of the name of Richard Parsons, who was shipwrecked in Moreton Bay, about two years ago. This man gives a very curious account of his misfortune and adventures. It appears that he was originally a sawyer. He had entered into the Five Island trade. By his earnings he had saved about 50 guineas; with which he purchased the half of a boat; three others joining him in the speculation. They intended to fetch timber to Sydney. With their first trip commenced their misfortunes. They were blown off the shore by a heavy gale of wind; and after been driven about, during 20 days, during which time one of the three died, at last reached

Moreton Bay. When first they fell in with the natives, these were timid, and avoided them. They, however, succeeded in making an acquaintance with them, and in a short time got quite friendly. When they had lived among the natives in the neighbourhood of Moreton Bay, for three or four months, Parsons wished to explore his way to Sydney, along the coast, but his companions would not accompany him, as they thought them selves well off where they were. The natives gave them nets to catch fish, and shewed them where to find and how to use the bungwa, as they call it — a very nutritius

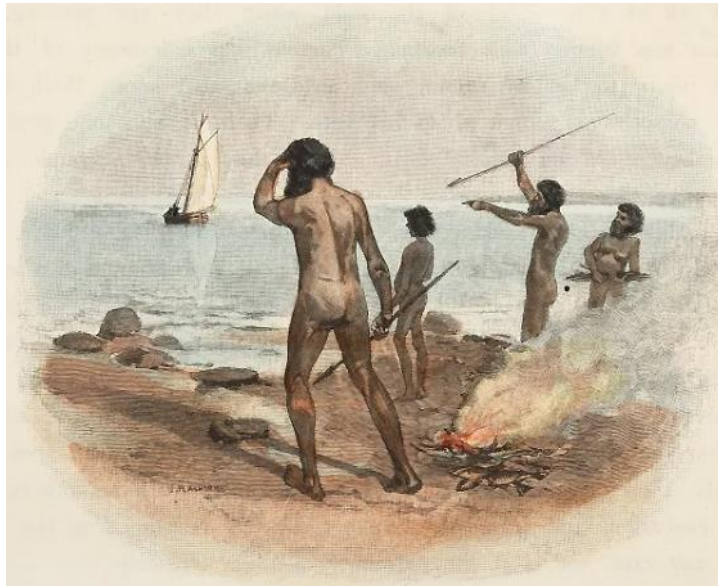
root, something like *ferne*, but larger; it is found in swamps. The natives also taught them what they could of their language. Parsons, at length, set out alone, and as he thought towards Sydney. Unluckily, however, he proceeded northward. He continued this course till he had travelled four or five hundred miles along

the coast, and only began to suspect his error by the extreme heat which he felt, as he advanced. In his progress he fell in with various tribes of natives, who for the most part avoided him, at first seeing him. When he could not entice them to come near him, he would, if possible, get hold of one of their children, and caress it. This stratagem usually succeeded. They would then come and offer him fish and be very friendly. At all times he found the men very jealous of the women, who often were not allowed to present any thing; for the men would give it themselves to him. [...unreadable text...] He was about three months in going, and about four or five months in returning. He suffered

many hardships in going, and was frequently three or four nights without food; he fared better on his return, as he got more acquainted with the natives. He was fourteen months without any articles of dress. His progress was much impeded by large rivers, which he usually swam across.— When in want of fresh water, he commonly found it by travelling three or four miles to the westward. The rivers he crossed were all of salt water.— The widest he fell in with is the River Brisbane.— He found one much deeper and with more rapid current, more to the northward. The huts of the natives

are much the same as those built by the natives in this settlement, but larger and stronger. The natives are a stouter and more athletic race of men than we have been accustomed to see here. He describes the land, wherever he has been, to be very sandy and poor; worse even than Broken Bay. He had seen no rain for twelve months. The country is covered with thick scrubs and vines. He found a great deal of pine and iron bark;

she oak, swamp oak, and a kind of spotted gum. Some timber he found good, some very bad; both the land and timber are best near Brisbane River. There is some good timber on the large river he found to the northward of the other. Currijong is found in great abundance in the interior. He was on his travels when the first ship went to Moreton Bay. The two men that staid behind him, left the place on that occasion. Mr. Oxley left a memorandum in a bottle to give Parsons the information of a ship having been there. This bottle had been carried away to a distance of 50 or 60 miles, by the natives; but when he came back, it was brought to him. He was never in any danger from the natives



“THE FINDING OF PAMPHLETT”

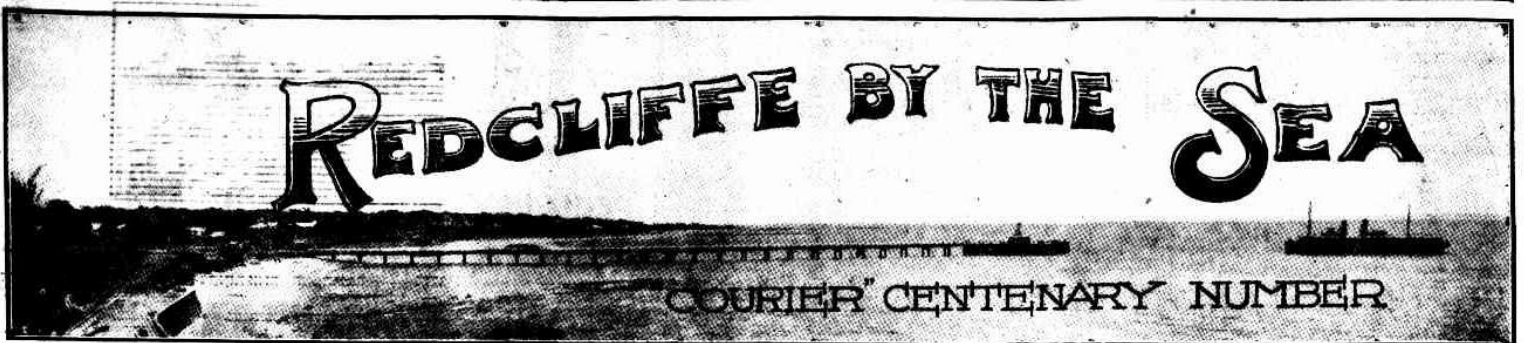
J.R. Ashton. (1886) *Picturesque Atlas of Australasia*, A. Garran (ed)

except once. A female brought him some fish and he attempted a little familiarity with her, when on a sudden a great number of the natives started up, and in a menacing attitude called out to him to let her alone. Such was their uniform kindness to him, that they were sure to offer him the best fish they had caught. When about 60 miles off Moreton Bay, on his return, the tribe there would not allow him to quit them; and he was obliged, at last, to watch his opportunity and set off by moonlight. When the ship was about to sail they came on board to

give him a fishing net, in order as they told him to get his living in the country he was going to. The only mode that he had of computing time was by watching the new moon, and then cutting a notch. These facts, especially such as relate to the disposition of the natives, we consider important, as they shew that by avoiding harsh treatment in the first instance, many misunderstandings may be avoided between the whites and the blacks.

The Australian, Thu 21 Oct 1824, p2.

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DISCOVERY AND SETTLEMENT.

AN INTERESTING PAGE OF HISTORY.

THE OPENING OF MORETON BAY.

OUR INDEBTEDNESS TO MATTHEW FLINDERS.

By DR CUMBRAE STEWART.

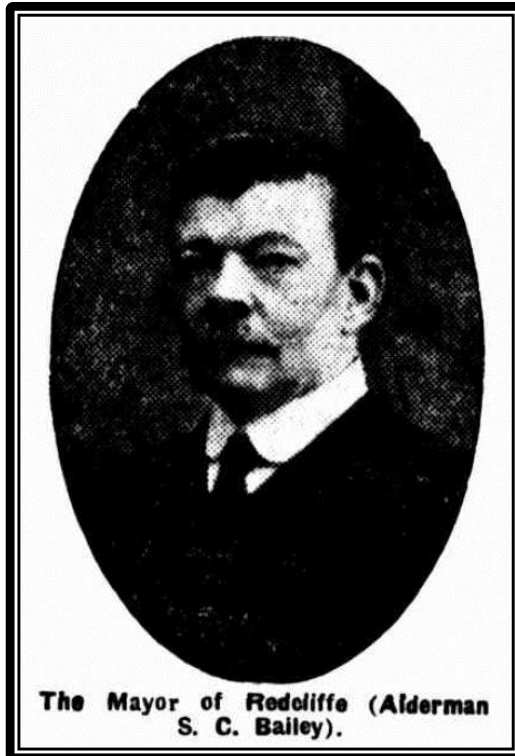
Golden beaches, red roads winding picturesquely along the sea front or through green bush, safe bathing in the blue waters of Moreton Bay, cool ocean breezes that temper the rays of the summer sun—these are some of the charms that have made the town of Redcliffe which embraces Redcliffe proper, Woody Point, Scarborough, and Clontarf — so deservedly popular. Redcliffe is older than Brisbane, and lest its centenary should pass unnoticed the Courier to-day gives the history of this beautiful peninsula, and contrasts the progressive Redcliffe of to-day with the first settlement which followed Oxley's examination of the red cliffs and neighbouring shore a hundred years ago.

FOR the discovery of Redcliffe Point nearly a century and a quarter ago we are indebted to one of the greatest of British sailors — Captain Matthew Flinders. For the story of the discovery we owe our thanks to the man who led the storming party at Bunker Hill. When Flinders came to write his "Voyage to Terra Australis" he was content to refer, for the details of his visit to Moreton Bay in July, 1799, to Colonel David Collin's "Account at English Colony in New South Wales." In the second volume of that work, published in 1802, it is recorded that Flinders brought the Norfolk to anchor about a mile and a half from a point with red cliffs on July 17, 1799, about 10.30 a.m. This point, the colour of, which is probably due to the weathering of an ancient lava flow, Flinders called Redcliffe Point, and fixed its latitude as 27deg. 16min. 25sec. south. Flinders apparently had no chronometer, or, as he would have called it, "timekeeper," in the Norfolk; so the longitude; was not ascertained. Flinders may have landed at this spot, but there is no direct evidence that he did. It is certain that he sailed along past Woody Point and the mouth of the Brisbane River to the southern part of the Bay.

PINE RIVER.

It is not until more than 24 years later that we have any other detailed and reliable statement as to the visit of white men to Redcliffe. On Saturday, November 29, 1823, a watcher posted on Redcliffe Point, looking out to seaward to the north-east, might have seen sail, and followed the course of a cutter round Point Skirmish, on Bribie Island, until she came to an anchor in the Pumice Stone Channel. This was

the Mermaid, colonial sloop, of 84 tons, with the Surveyor-General of New South Wales and a party sent to examine Moreton Bay. On the following Monday, at 7 a.m., a boat left the vessel, and, passing Redcliffe, rounded Woody Point, and made for the mouth of the Pine River. In the boat were Mr. Oxley (Surveyor-General), Lieutenant Stirling (of the 3rd Buffs, then stationed in Sydney); and the rowers. Misled by wrong information, a day was lost in the examination of the Pine River, and that night the party camped on the site of Sandgate, and next morning passed out of sight of Redcliffe.



The Mayor of Redcliffe (Alderman S. C. Bailey).

EXAMINATION OF REDCLIFFE.

Three days later—on December 5—the boat came back, and made an examination of the red cliffs and the neighbouring shore, to which a small stream flowed from some swamps or fresh waterholes a short distance inland. Then, late at night, the boat returned to the ship, which next day hauled out of the Bay, and was gone. Ten months passed away, and early in the morning of September 10, 1824, a brig was seen at Cape Moreton. She came up the Bay against a fresh south wind, on the flood tide, and anchored under the southern end of Bribie Island. This was the Amity. On board were the Surveyor-General, Lieutenant Butler, Allan Cunningham, Lieutenant Henry Miller, of H.M. 40th Foot, in command of a detachment of the regiment and 30 prisoners of the Crown. They had left Sydney on September 1, 1824, with orders to proceed to Moreton Bay and form a penal settlement.

SETTLEMENT SITE FIXED.

Oxley's first care was to lower the whaleboat, and go to the Pumice Stone Channel to look for traces of Parsons, the missing man of the boat's crew wrecked in March, 1823. "It was with feelings of the most pleasing description," Oxley wrote, "that among the group on the beach on landing the first man was recognised as our long-lost countryman." Oxley's next care was to send a party to explore the mainland, and, more particularly, to examine the water he had found on his former visit to Redcliffe, now known as Humpybong Creek. On Monday, September 13, he received their report. It was very favourable, and confirmed the opinion he had formed previously. With the concurrence and approval of Lieutenant Miller, the commandant of the intended establishment. He fixed upon a site for a settlement, close to Redcliffe Point, possessing permanent good water close at hand, good soil in its immediate vicinity, fit for most agricultural purposes, well adapted for grazing, and a sufficiency of useful timber for present purposes.

SITE FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Lieutenant Miller appeared highly pleased with the situation and with the favourable prospects of establishing himself and the people which the appearance of the country held out to him. The next day was fine and pleasant. Oxley walked over the ground of the intended new settlement, and fixed upon the most eligible places for the different public buildings, having reference to contiguity to water and convenience of landing

stores. The natives, in considerable numbers, visited the place where the stores were landing, but gave no annoyance.

OXLEY'S SKETCH MAP.

On the 15th Oxley was employed in sketching the coast in the vicinity of the settlement. His sketch map is preserved in the Survey Office in Brisbane. It is not signed, but the writing on it is his, and the water-mark on the paper—1817—witnesses its antiquity. The brig, which had been moored on a bank of sand below Redcliffe Point for convenience of unloading, drifted in a strong gale from the south-east, the holding ground being bad, and the want of shelter causing heavy seas to rise in a short time and subside as suddenly. No harm was done.

TROUBLESOME NATIVES.

The settlement got on but slowly, and there was little progress to report at the end of September. A fortnight later the Amity left the Bay for Sydney, and Lieutenant Miller was left to his own devices. He set to work with a will, and huts

and other buildings were put up, and a well dug. But the natives, at first friendly enough, became troublesome. Water became scarce, and the place no longer appeared the favourite spot it had at first seemed to be. However, after the Amity had gone for a month, she appeared again, from the direction of Cape Moreton on November 14; and from her landed the Governor (Major General Sir Thomas Brisbane), Chief Justice Forbes, and the Surveyor-General, after a very bad passage of 14 days from Sydney. Lieutenant Miller



The Mayoress of Redcliffe (Mrs. S. C. Bailey).

reported his misgivings; and Oxley stated that there was a better site up the Brisbane River, inspected by him on September 28.

SETTLEMENT REMOVED TO BRISBANE.

An inspection of the river followed, and this sealed the fate of Redcliffe. Orders were issued for the removal of the settlement, and it literally and actually "moved into Queen-street." Redcliffe was left to the blacks. The huts were still standing, and a respectable tradition says that these deserted or "bong" humpies earned for the spot the name of Humpy Bong, and that the bricks from the floor of one of them were used for building the chimney of the old Redcliffe Hotel. How true it is I cannot say. After this few ships came round Cape Moreton, for the South Passage was practicable then, and Amity Point became the station on the Bay. Still the dusky watcher on Redcliffe Point saw an occasional sail. In 1836 he observed the boat going north to Noosa to rescue the survivors of the Stirling Castle wrecked on Lady Elliot Island, and returning with some of them.

GERMAN MISSIONARIES VISIT "UMPIE-BOANG"

Two years later the German missionaries reached Moreton Bay, and were given "German Station," or, as they called it, Zion's Hill. They strove to convert the natives, and made journeys into the surrounding country, including "Umpie-Boang," as they called Redcliffe, and finally, finding that there was no support forthcoming for the mission, settled down as farmers and pioneers. This brings us to the year 1842 and the opening of Moreton Bay to free settlement. Some of the free settlers were decidedly free with their neighbour's cleanskins, and found the configuration of the Redcliffe peninsula very well adapted for their operations, for not only did the swamp turn the

cattle and horses back, but their homing instinct drew them to the Woody Point end, and there the sea stopped their homeward journey.

NATIVE NAMES.

In 1845 Mr. J. C. Burnett made a survey of the peninsula. His plan of the coast from the Pine River to Bribie Island is preserved in the Survey Office, and is most valuable, as it gives the native names as follows:

Woody Point Ningeryoun
Redcliffe Tumbul
Reef Point Cooturrumba
Hay's Inlet Tungulba

The following year Captain Wickham did a good deal of excellent work in surveying the Bay. In 1847 the Bramble, Lieutenant Yule commander, was in Moreton Bay, and her name and that of the commander are perpetuated in Bramble Bay and Yule Channel. Later Burnett passed and re-passed in his boat, going to and returning from his discovery of the Burnett River's entrance into Hervey's Bay.

"REDCLIFFE AGRICULTURAL RESERVE."

In all these years history is silent as to Redcliffe. The blacks disappeared, and the "duffers" had it all their own way until the new colony of Queensland sprang from the ashes of "the settlement." The first legislation includes an Act to provide for the alienation of Crown lands, passed in September, 1860, which authorised the Governor in Council to set aside land on the shores of Moreton Bay for agricultural reserves. This was followed by a "Gazette" notice on June 4, 1862, proclaiming the "Redcliffe Agricultural Reserve," and giving notice of a sale at the police office in Brisbane on July 14, 1862, of 61 lots, of from 40 to 80 acres each. Purchasers were found, but the scheme was a failure. The purchasers cut the timber down, but failed to perform the

conditions as to residence and fencing, and their selections were forfeited. Cattle and horses acquired a habit of disappearing, and altogether Redcliffe was as unsatisfactory an agricultural reserve as it had been a penal settlement.

ANOTHER SURVEY.

In the early part of 1864 a tall, bearded individual, named Martin Lavallo, formerly of the Royal Engineers, but originally from Ireland, appeared in the swamps and brushwood, and proceeded to survey the peninsula, first the southern, then the northern part. His two plans of portions 107 to 188 and 189 to 266 on the Humpybong or Redcliffe Point, in the Redcliffe Agricultural Reserve, on the shore of Moreton Bay, in the parish of Redcliffe and county of Stanley, dated March 24 and July 25, 1864, are preserved in the Survey Office. They show the Humpybong Creek and Redcliffe Point, and the land cut up into allotments, which appear to have been sold

to speculators of the '60s, with little resale at a profit.

SALE OF ALLOTMENTS.

Twenty-two years passed away, and nothing much happened at Redcliffe. Then, in December, 1886, portions 223 and 231 of Mr. Lavallo's survey were resurveyed and subdivided. On May 3, 1887, at Arthur Martin's Auction Rooms, Brisbane, 72 allotments of about an acre each, in "the town of Redcliffe, situated at Humpy-Bong," were offered, for sale at the upset price of £50.

CREATED A DIVISION.

In April, 1888, the Division of Redcliffe was separated from the Division of Caboolture, created under the Divisional Boards Act of 1879, and proclaimed under the Divisional Boards Act of 1887, with Mr. David Service as clerk, and an office in Queen-street.

The Brisbane Courier, Tue 13 Nov 1923, p16.

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CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

A public meeting was held on Tuesday to consider the celebration of the centenary of the settlement of Redcliffe. It was decided that the recreation reserve adjoining the council office should be converted into a park to be named the Centenary Park and a number of trees are to be planted to form an avenue. It is proposed that one should be allotted to each of the oldest residents of the district, each of the chairmen and Mayors of the council to each member of the present council and to each soldier from the

district who was killed in the Great War. It was decided to have a procession to assemble at the reef of rocks where the first landing took place. Mr. P H. Adams was appointed secretary.

The Brisbane Courier, Fri 12 Sep 1924, p11.



Editor's note: Note that the meeting to discuss how the centenary would be celebrated was a mere 12 days prior to the actual celebration event!!!

REDCLIFFE CENTENARY.

CELEBRATION ARRANGEMENTS.

REDCLIFFE, September 19. A well attended and enthusiastic meet mp of the Centenary Celebrations Committee was held in the Council Chambers last evening and was presided over by the Mayor (Alderman J. B. Dunn). A print of the medals to be presented to the children was handed round, and the action of the Mayor and clerk in procuring them was endorsed. A good programme of sports has been arranged.

The medals will be presented to the children on Sutton's Reserve, and, after being addressed on the historical aspect of the day, they will be in marched to the sports ground (next the office), which will be duly named Centenary Park, and tree planting will take place. The children will be provided with a bag lunch by the ladies' committee, and

refreshments will be on sale for the adults. It is the wish of the committee to foster a spirit of sociability on the occasion, and therefore no entrance will be charged to the grounds. Trees are to be allotted to the oldest residents to plant and easily among them is Mrs T Haskins sen., who has resided in Humpybong for over 60 years. The proceedings will conclude with a plain and fancy masked ball at night.

The Brisbane Courier, Sat 20 Sep 1924, p20.

REDCLIFFE'S CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS.

Dr A B. Brockway addressing the assemblage at the presentation of centenary medals to the Redcliffe school children yesterday.

The Brisbane Courier, Thu 25 Sep 1924, p8.



Medals struck for the Redcliffe Centenary (1924)

"to commemorate the First Settlement at Humpybong 24 Sep 1824".

Image courtesy Redcliffe Numismatic Society.

100 YEARS OLD

REDCLIFFE'S CENTENARY

On almost the identical spot where it was unfurled 100 years ago, the Union Jack was broken at Sutton's Beach, Redcliffe, yesterday, by the Mayor (Ald. J. B. Dunn). The occasion was the celebration of Redcliffe's centenary, and the people of the district made a gala day of it. "Redcliffe is very different now from what it was 100 years ago," commented the Mayor.

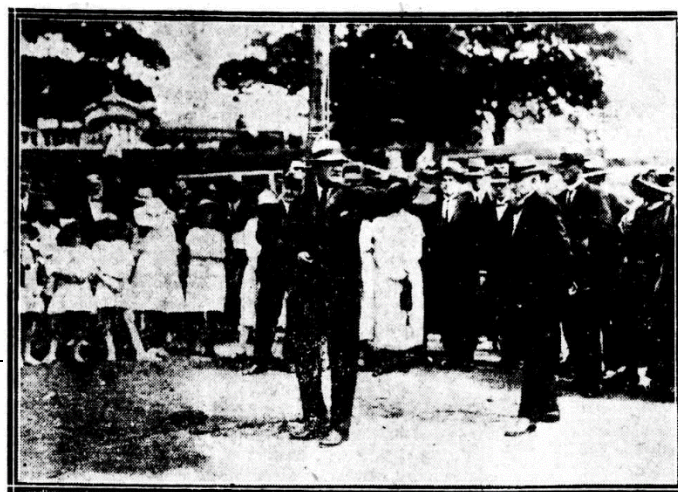
The claims of Redcliffe as a health resort were referred to by Dr. A. B. Brockway. He added that the districts three great trios in the early days were the wild bush, the blacks, and the mosquitoes. There now remained only the mosquitoes.

Mr. R. J. Warren, M.L.A., declared that Redcliffe was the best watering place in his district, despite what Lieutenant Miller had said about it

100 years before.

Trees for the new avenue in the new Centenary Park were subsequently planted by prominent townfolk and there was a sports programme for the children. An official luncheon was largely attended.

The Telegraph, Thu 25 Sep 1924, p10.



2024

A week-long festival of events from Saturday 7th September to the following Saturday 14th September was organised to commemorate the bicentenary of the establishment of the first European settlement in what was later to become Queensland.

History Redcliffe was proud to work with other organisations such as the Royal Historical Society of Queensland, Bribie Island Historical Society and the City of Moreton Bay to present a week full of activities to suit all people from all ages.

(Images below courtesy Kris Kamusinski, Fiona Murgatroyd, Janet Franklin and History Redcliffe).



Redcliffe Remembers

7TH - 14TH SEPTEMBER 2024



Wunya Ngulum Conference satchel packing party.



Wunya Ngulum Conference Organising Committee: (l-r) Stephen Sheaffe, Nicole Cosgrove, Pat Gee, Fiona Murgatroyd, Donna Holmes, Lynne Hooper, Janet Franklin, John Pearn, Cliff Pollard.



Wunya Ngulum Conference: Philip Castle and Melinda Serico.



Wunya Ngulum Conference: Major General Professor John Pearn giving the opening address.

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Wunya Ngulum Conference:
Denver Beanland, Heather Clarke, John Pearn.



Lt Henry Miller and medals.



Wunya Ngulum Conference:
Jennifer Harrison.



Sunday 8th September Humpybong walk led by Rae Frawley and Steve Ferrier.



Wednesday 11th September Afternoon Tea & Talk:
Pat Gee and Janet Franklin.



Thursday 12th September Descendants morning tea.



Thursday 12th September Descendants morning tea.





Luke Howarth with Róisín Murgatroyd, the young artist who created the illustrations used in the Commemorative Souvenir.



Event Coordinator, Rae Frawley, soaking up the good vibes and fruits of her labours.



Australian Historical Dancers.

Picnic in the Park

10AM-3PM SATURDAY, 14TH SEPTEMBER
CORSCADDEN PARK, REDCLIFFE



Redcliffe Scottish Pipe Band.



Songwoman Maroochy Barambah delivering the Welcome to Country.



Combined choirs.



Demonstration from Peninsula Floral Art Group.



Face painter, Leanne Campbell, and glitter tattooist, Melinda Battaglia, with Fiona Murgatroyd...sporting a History Redcliffe glitter face tattoo!



Councillor Karl Winchester with the Town Crier sharing a laugh.



Roving entertainment from Mousetrap Theatre delighted the crowds.



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OCTOBER 2024

FRI 2:00pm – 4:00pm

4 Annual General meeting

NOVEMBER 2024

FRI 2:00pm – 4:00pm

1 Monthly meeting

Dr Cliff Pollard – Rosemount Hospital

DECEMBER 2024

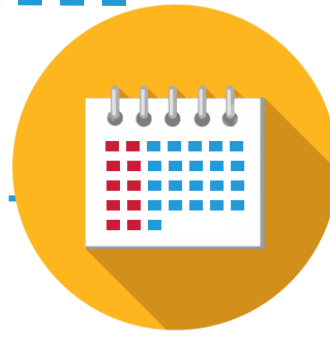
FRI 12:00pm – 2:00pm

6 Members' Christmas Luncheon

Join us at the Redcliffe Tavern for a festive lunch.

JANUARY 2025

NO MEETING – SUMMER RECESS



DATES
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