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Prahran Mechanics' Institute and the Cinema & Theatre Historical Society present our annual **HISTORIC PICTURE SHOW**

EVER WONDERED WHAT PEOPLE DID BEFORE TV AND THE VIDEO SHOP ...

Prior to television, "videos" in the form of "home movie films" could be hired, and sometimes purchased from specialist commercial libraries and photographic suppliers. Some of these libraries date back to the 1920s and often contained film preceding that time.

Documentary/travelogues, some made by significant film makers of the time, were frequently purchased by tourists as a memento of their visit to a country.

One major library was operated by Kodak which was known as the Kodoscope Library of Motion Pictures. Films were held in Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane but were available from all capital cities and regional centres where Kodak had an office.

The Historic Picture Show, hosted by Peter Wolfenden (Vice President of CATHS), will this year feature a small selection of these types of films including:



- ★ The Glories of England - Shakespeare's country
- ★ Going up the Iguazu in the Heart of South America
- ★ Felix Tries for Treasure (a cartoon from 1923)
- ★ Rural Ireland Today
- ★ Picturesque Salzburg
- ★ China
- ★ Spring comes to Melbourne (in colour)
- ★ a rare advertising trailer for the Kodoscope Library

Most of these films date back to the mid-1920s and all are silent films.

**6.45PM WEDNESDAY
14 NOVEMBER 2007 AT THE PMI**

**FREE ADMISSION ★ PLEASE BOOK EARLY
[9510 3393](http://9510.3393) or library@pmi.net.au**

FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS IN THE LIBRARY

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MEMBERS NEWS

Welcome to the following new members who joined during August and September:

<i>Carolyn Bell</i>	<i>Rodney McLeish</i>
<i>Patricia Boffin</i>	<i>Katherine Nelson</i>
<i>Ann Cassar</i>	<i>Heath North</i>
<i>Ian Clarke</i>	<i>Thushari Perera</i>
<i>Katherine Farn</i>	<i>Adam Redman</i>
<i>Wade Guy</i>	<i>Jessica Townsend</i>
<i>Margaret Horton</i>	<i>Lewis Tulk</i>
<i>Susan Janson</i>	

Thank you to the following members who made financial donations to the library during August and September:

<i>Stella Barber</i>	<i>Michael Macgeorge</i>
<i>Nicholas Fothergill</i>	<i>Margaret McDonald</i>
<i>Tony Gilbert</i>	<i>Doug & Gwen Orford</i>
<i>Margaret Hicks</i>	<i>Bernadette Salter</i>
<i>Murray Houghton</i>	

Thanks very much to member *Jim Badger* who has been volunteering his time to index items in the historical collection for our catalogue.

GENERAL NEWS

In Brief:

- ✕ The Institute received a **Stonnington Community Grant** for \$1760 to restore our old minute books and the restoration is underway.
- ✕ A **bicycle rack** we recently requested has now been installed by the City of Stonnington. Now that the weather is fining up there is even more reason to be clean, green and healthy by using your bicycle to travel to the library.
- ✕ There are now Tourism Victoria brochures in the library that members may find interesting. **Touring Victoria** contains information about interesting destinations in Melbourne, the wider metropolitan area and regional Victoria. It also contains a section on five major touring routes as well as driving tips. **Victoria's 2007-2008 Cultural Guide** contains information about cultural, arts and heritage experiences all over Victoria — galleries, museums, theatres, historic places and festivals. Both of these booklets are free of charge and available at the library reading room.
- ✕ On 15 August students from **Swinburne University Library Studies** visited the PMI and were given a talk about library collection preservation. Thanks to the preservation class

teacher, Diane Leslie, for organising this visit. Members of the **Balwyn Central Probosc Club** (pictured below) paid a visit to the PMI for a talk, tour and morning tea. An enjoyable time was had by all. Thanks very much to Ian Clarke for organising the visit.



If your society, club or group would like to visit the PMI, please contact us on 9510 3393 or library@pmi.net.au

✕ For three weeks during September we were joined by **Jordan Blair-Bremner**, a student from Charles Sturt University School of Information Studies, completing a library placement. Jordan, pictured below, has a keen interest in history and would like to one day work as a local history librarian at a public library. He was a big help to us over that time and we wish him all the best with his future studies.

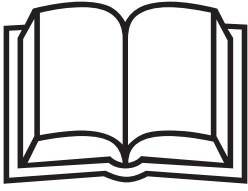


TRAVELLING EXHIBITION



To celebrate 150 years of municipal history in Prahran and Malvern, the City of Stonnington and Stonnington Local History Service mounted an exhibition of over 60 photographs highlighting major civic accomplishments since 1856.

This exhibition is on now at the PMI Library, so make sure you have a look next time you visit. The exhibition will be at the PMI until the end of October.



PMI Library Collection Guide

No 5. CATHS Archive Collection

Introduction

The Cinema and Theatre Historical Society (CATHS) was formed in 1989 by a group of people with a passion for cinema and theatre history, from the earliest 'local halls' to today's multiplexes, live theatres old and new – their heritage, architecture, presentations and other related areas. CATHS members also run a variety of activities and projects which promote cinema and theatre heritage – and they have a lot of fun along the way.

Years ago CATHS established an archival collection which for many years has been located at the PMI Library, and this collection guide provides some particulars of this extensive and extraordinary collection.

Aims of the CATHS Collection

The CATHS archive helps its members in its major objectives to record cinema and theatre history. CATHS members are always on the lookout for items to add to the archive, and they meet regularly at the PMI to sort and file large amounts of material. That material is then used to support the group's other activities such as facilitating and carrying out research for publications and the CATHS journal *CinemaRecord*, and to support the research of students, historians and authors who regularly call upon CATHS for assistance with special projects.

In the Collection

The CATHS archive contains much of the following types of material:

- newspaper and journal articles about cinema and theatre history and biographical articles about people associated with Australian cinema and theatre history.
- images of theatres (exterior and interior)
- ephemera such as theatre posters, flyers, programmes and tickets

CATHS have also been creating a collection of oral history information by interviewing people involved with various cinemas and theatres, and this material is being transcribed for inclusion in the archive.

Much of the collection is contained in folders arranged alphabetically by establishments. Separate folder sequences are kept for cinemas and theatres in the Melbourne metropolitan area and those in regional areas. Much material is of folio size and bigger and has to be kept in larger archival folios.

CATHS members are in the process of cataloguing the archives into an Inmagic database. In the future this catalogue will be installed on a computer at the PMI which will be accessible by CATHS members and PMI Library staff.

Accessing the CATHS Collection

The CATHS collection is accessible by appointment. Please contact the Archivist, archivist@caths.org.au. Alternatively, CATHS members will be present at our annual Historic Picture Show on Wednesday evening 14 November and you will have the opportunity to talk to them about CATHS activities and the archive.

Further Information

Further information about CATHS can be obtained from the website www.caths.org.au or by picking up a brochure at the PMI. Issues of *CinemaRecord* dating back to No 1 (1994) can be found in the periodicals section at the east end of the PMI Library. Donations of photographs and other memorabilia, the loan of photographs for copying, and any other items would be most welcome additions to the Society's archives.

NATIONAL FAMILY HISTORY WEEK Family History for Beginners Seminar

Thanks to all who attended this our 2007 National Family History Week seminar, it was a very successful day.

Alison Boundy spoke about organising and caring for family history documents, and after a short break for afternoon tea, Christine Worthington spoke about family history and computers.

Attendees were provided with handouts for both of the seminar sessions, and additionally there was a resources table full of information about family history at the State Library of Victoria, the Genealogical Society of Victoria and the VicGUM group (Genealogists Using Microcomputers).

Special thanks to PMI Committee member Peter Wolfenden who attended the seminar and allowed the use of his data projector, enabling Christine to demonstrate digital resources for her session.

National Family History Week sponsors Hereditree donated a family history software package which was offered as a door prize and won by Paula Gorton.

Geoffrey Durham won the second prize of a PMI membership voucher.



NEW PMI RULES GAZETTED

As an incorporated body, the Prahran Mechanics' Institute is governed by the PMI Act of 1899 and the PMI rules, which were last revised in 1995.

Most members of the PMI are purely library borrowers and not concerned at all about the way the PMI is administered. But we do have many PMI members that are interested in the governance of the PMI and the library who would be very interested to hear that the PMI rules have undergone a rigorous overhaul, and the new rules were approved and appeared in the *Victorian Government Gazette* on 26 July.

The decision to update the rules came about from the recent process of amending the PMI Act. When compared with the model rules for incorporated associations, it was concerning that the PMI rules did not address several important issues, nor did they address in any comprehensive detail the operation of the library service.

The process of revising was lengthy, and involved detailed comparison with the model rules and revision of wording to ensure clarity. There was also consultation with library staff and committee, Local Government Victoria, Consumer Affairs Victoria, and PMI members.

One of the big changes is that the few rules covering the specifics of day to day operation of the library have been taken out and included in a Library Policy Statement which is separate from the rules and must be ratified by the committee. This Policy is very detailed and will allow us greater flexibility for adjustment of rules regarding operational matters.

Copies of the new rules are available at the front counter of the library, or let us know if you would like us to post them to you. Alternatively, the relevant Gazette may be accessed via the Victoria Government Gazette website <http://www.gazette.vic.gov.au/Gazettes2007/GG2007G030.pdf>



Winter Book Club

Thanks to all who participated in the 2007 Book Club at the PMI.
Special thanks to Book Club leaders Pat Palmer, Jadzia Lemieszek and Cathy Milward-Bason.
Suggestions for the 2008 Book Club are most welcome.



PMI RECEIVES MAMMOTH BOOK DONATION

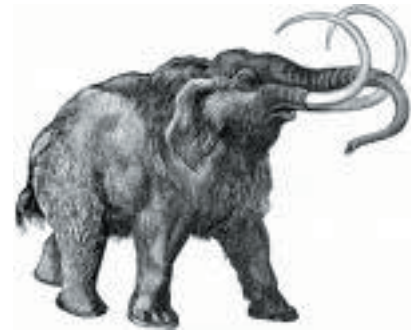
Note that our newsletter is larger this time, to accommodate the PMI's recent acquisition of a VERY LARGE donation of history books. Mr Arriness E. Watson has very kindly donated history books from his collection, accumulated over a lifetime.

To economise on space in the newsletter, Mr Watson's donations are denoted with an asterisk (*) in the Recent Acquisitions section.

To further save newsletter space, we have listed only the titles of books donated by Mr Watson, that the PMI library did not hold in the collection previously - approximately 335 books. A further 345 Victorian histories have been added so far as second copies. There are still many more which will be added to the library gradually - so keep an eye on future newsletters for news of the development of the collection.

Those who understand how financially limited the PMI is will also understand how important community support is to the collection and operation of the library service. For this reason donated books are adorned with a book plate denoting the name of the donor and the year of the donation.

On behalf of the Committee, library staff and members of the PMI we would like to sincerely thank Mr Watson and all who have shown their support for the the library by their donations of books and funds.



RECENT ACQUISITIONS

GENERAL COLLECTION

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| The sleeping doll / Jeffery Deaver | Friend of the devil / Peter Robinson |
| Skin privilege / Karin Slaughter | The aristocrats / Stella Tillyard |
| The secret servant / Daniel Silva | The burnt house / Faye Kellerman |
| The Beijing conspiracy / Adrian d'Hage | Bones to ashes / Kathy Reichs |
| The Bourne betrayal / Eric van Lustbader | High noon / Nora Roberts |
| You've been warned / James Patterson and Howard Roughan | |
| Carpentaria / Alexis Wright [donated by Keith Dunstan] | |
| The Ancien Regime / C.B.A. Behrens [donated by Oscar Slater] | |
| Tides that bind / Claudia Elizabeth Ruth Francis [donated by Judy Buckrich] | |
| The second Rumpole omnibus / John Mortimer [donated by Tim Murray] | |
| The Medici / G.F. Young [donated by Tim Murray] | |
| The English gentleman: the rise and fall of an ideal [donated by Tim Murray] | |
| The comic history of England [donated by Tim Murray] | |

HISTORICAL COLLECTION**Victoria**

150 years of Spring Street: Victorian Government 1850s to 21st century / Robert Murray

Sands and McDougall directory 1893 CD-ROM

Victoria Government Gazette 1891 CD-ROM

Victoria Police Gazette 1891 & 1892 CD-ROM

Early schooling in Victoria 1900-1920 / John Daniels 1989*

Victorian gold rushes / Weston Bate*

The government of Victoria (Australia) / Edward Jenks

Law on water: water police of Port Phillip (1838-1900) and their administrators / Shirley A. Videon

Dredging, draining, dipping and shipping: a history of the foreshore and low-lying lands of the City of Port Phillip*

Overland to Port Phillip Bay: the story of the epic of exploration by Hume and Hovell, with party, October-December 1824 / Rosemary Boyes*

Across the Alps to Omeo: being the tourist guide, circa 1903 accompanied by advertisements of that period*

Victoria's north-east corner / Dick Johnson and John Brownlie 1976*

The Great Ocean Road: tourist and historical guide / Jack Loney 1984*

Allansford To shew forth our thankfulness: the Church of St Paul, Allansford / compiled by W.J. and S.L. Pinson*

Altona Altona: a short history*

Antwerp From wilderness to wheatlands: an early history of the Antwerp district*

Ararat Ararat 1857-2007 / edited by Danny and Judy Barry

Bairnsdale St Mary's Church, Bairnsdale, Victoria 1985*

Ballan Brief history of Ballan and surrounding districts*

Ballarat Her Maj: a history of Her Majesty's Theatre, Ballarat / Peter Freund and Val Sarah

Ballarat and district directory 1904 (Tulloch) CD-ROM

Ballarat Labor: from miner hesitancy to golden age / Colin Cleary

Ballarat: a study of a city / Phyllis Reichl 1968*

Court in the Act: Ballarat East petty sessions 1858-59 / transcribed by Dorothy Wickham and Roy Huggins

Outbreak at Ballarat: the Eureka story from the pages of the Mount Alexander Mail 8 December 1854 / compiled by Clare Gervasoni

Shot in the dark: a pre-Eureka incident: being the petition for the compensation case of Benden S. Hassell

They came to Ballarat to teach: the story of secondary education 1860-1890 / Herbert T. Breach*

Five Ballarat cameos / Lloyd Jenkins*

First in the State / Shire of Ballarat*

Cornish pioneers of Ballarat / Researched and compiled by Lillian Dell and Joy Menhennet*

From swamp to lake: the story of Lake Wendouree, Ballarat / Tom Trezise 1984*

St John the Evangelist Anglican Church, Soldier's Hill, Ballarat 1865-1989 / Lois Reynolds*

The Ballarat field: its minerals, mines and machinery / William Bradford 1895 [donated by Malcolm Campbell]

Balnarring Days to remember: early history of the Church of England in Balnarring and Flinders / Phyllis E. Cole*

Bambra Bambra-Boonah: 100 years / Ron Millard*

Bannockburn Wabdallah to Bannockburn: a journey through history, 1866-1988 / Compiled by R.A. Nicholls*

Banyena Reflections by the river: 100 years of education at Banyena Primary School no. 1753*

Barnawartha Barnawartha history book*

Beaconsfield North of the line : a pictorial record compiled by the Berwick-Pakenham Historical Society*

Bealiba Supplement to the hundred years history of Bealiba, Victoria, Australia 1840-1954 / compiled by S. Ward*

Bearii Back to Bearii 1993 / compiled by Merinda Kliszka*

Bena Back to Bena School March 23-24 1985 / Joseph White*

Bendigo Origins of Bendigo street names book 2 / compiled by Rita Hull

Joseph Davies: Bendigo hero / Faye Guthrie 2nd ed. 1990*

Bendigo's law courts: produced for the centenary of the Pall Mall Law Courts / D.G. Horsfall 1996*

A history of All Saints' Church Bendigo: the rise and demise of a cathedral / Keith Cole*

A day in the life of the Bendigo churches / Keith Stephens*

Centenary commemoraton 1901-2001: commemoration of the centenary of the opening of the nave on 29th

September 1901 (Sacred Heart Cathedral) / M.J. Nolan*

The Shamrock story: a history of the Shamrock Hotel, Bendigo / Frank Cusack 1981*

The sovereign of Sandhurst / Marjorie Petterson 1986*

The story of St Andrew's Church Bendigo 1854-1965: that which has no past has no future / Margaret Temple 1984*

Bentleigh East Our first 20 years: 1957-1977: Presbyterian Church of Australia now Uniting Church in Australia East Bentleigh Parish*

Berriwillock Berriwillock centenary: back to Easter 1990*

Berrybank Berrybank 1851-1968 / collated by G.J. Bergin*

Bills Gully Back to Bill's Gully and Yanipy*

Binginwarri Water from the billy: Binginwarri 1882-1988 / Trevor Kennedy*

Birchip see Donald

Black Lead What must I do to be saved?: the history of the Black Lead Uniting Church / Dorothy M. Letcher*

Boonah see Bambra

Boort Special souvenir programme: 'back to Boort', Easter 1985 - Shire of Gordon centenary 29 May 1985 - 'back to Pyramid Hill' Easter 1985*

Boroondara Clubhouse: a celebration of local sport in Boroondara / Sonia Jennings and Mary Sheehan 2006

Box Hill Box Hill High School golden jubilee: a short history / Shirley W. Wiencke*

Bromley State school no. 55 Bromley Victoria Australia 1868-1968*

RECENT ACQUISITIONS (August-September)

- Buffalo** Buffalo Primary School 3240 1895-1995: proud of our past, looking to our future (2 copies) [donated by Lynn Poletti]
- Burwood** The life of a school: the story of the Burwood Primary School (461) 1865-1989*
- Brighton** Sea spray: the magazine of the Brighton Technical School / ed. by J. Mazzotta and Robert Nixon*
- Bundoora** Bundoora Homestead: the Smith family era 1899-1920 / edited by Jacqueline Healy
- Byrneside** Life in Byrneside to 1994*
- Camberwell** A short history of Camberwell Congregational Church 1888-1977 / A.G. Gunson*
- Campbells Forest** Shades of the past: a history of Campbells Forest and Yarraberb / R. Wallace*
- Cann River** The Cann River collection: volume 1 / Ron Anderson*
- Cape Clear** Cape Clear and District Historical Society (Inc.): an introduction*
- Carisbrook** Carisbrook centenary 1874-1974*
- Carlton** Rathdowne Street 1884-1984: a centennial history of Carlton Primary School / F. Schutt*
- Carranballac** Carranballac: gathered memories 1841-1988 / compiled by L. Smith and P. Liston*
- Casterton** The parish of Casterton 1850-1990: an ongoing history*
- Castlemaine** Pubs and breweries of Castlemaine and district / Art Gallery & Historical Museum*
Castlemaine petitions: petitioners for a Castlemaine municipality and petitioners against the Chinese residence licence / compiled by Clare Gervasoni and Dorothy Wickham
The Anglicans on Agitation Hill: a history of Christ Church, Castlemaine 1858-1998 / Esma L. Carr*
- Cheltenham** Cheltenham Primary School 1855-1995 / Kim Brownbill*
- Combiobar** Combiobar, the valley of contentment: the story of the early pioneers who founded Combiobar and their lifestyles / G.R. Dyce*
- Coonoor Bridge** Centenary history of the Coonoor Bridge Methodist Church, 1874-1974: back-to celebrations*
- Cooramook** Cooramook State School 1226 centenary 1973 / Ian Askew*
- Craigieburn** see Somerton
- Creswick** Diary of a disaster: the New Australasian Mine tragedy Creswick 1882 / Leonard Murton Williams 1982*
Scrub Hill Church: a pastoral history 1869-1994 / Katrine Anderson Kelly*
- Crowlands** The Crowlands connection 1849-1988*
- Croydon** Between two highways: the story of early Croydon / E.W. Dunlop*
- Curdies River** Living with lime: a history of Curdies River / Alf Poole 1989*
- Deans Marsh** Deans Marsh: more about the past / Ron Millard*
The Deans Marsh story: Deans Marsh, Bambra, Boonah / Ron Millard 1985*
- Dergholm** The Temiangandgeen country: Dergholm centenary 1873-1973 / compiled by A.D. Roper, ed by L.J. Blake*
- Digby** see Merino
- Dimboola** Dimboola North State School no. 1875: the school among the trees*
- Donald** Cope Cope calling: extracts from the 'Donald-Birchip Times' 1984-85*
- Donnybrook** Donnybrook - Kalkallo 1855-1980 / J.W. Payne*
- Dooreen** The quiet hills / J.W. Payne*
- Dundas** Shire of Dundas history 1963-1994 / Beverley Malseed* * - donated by Arriness E. Watson (see p.5)
- Dunolly** Official booklet of Dunolly 'back-to' celebrations 1856-1956*
- Eaglehawk** 100 years of local government / Eaglehawk Borough Council
Streets of the Borough of Eaglehawk 1863-1993 / Noelene Wild*
- Echuca** Echuca West 1915-1990*
Echuca: a centenary history / Susan Priestley 1965*
- Elmhurst** Echoes of Elmhurst*
- Ensay** Group School no. 2953: 1889-1989: Ensay, Ensay North, Reedy Flat, Tambo Crossing*
- Euroa** 100 years of local government 1880-1980: the history of the Euroa Shire / C.W. Halsall*
- Fish Creek** Fish Creek revisited: 1884-1984 / Maudi Thomson*
- Fitzroy** Fitzroy Town Hall: the heart and soul of Fitzroy / compiled by Michael O'Brien [donated by Fitzroy History Society]
- Flinders** see Balnarring
- Footscray** The Sunday School centenary 1866-1966: St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Barkly Street, Footscray, Vic.*
- Forest Creek** The pennyweight kids: why did more than 200 children die at Forest Creek, Victoria and who were they? / A.R. McMillan*
- Geelong** Graham Berry: Geelong's radical premier / Peter Mansfield
Early Geelong: do you remember?*
- Geelong's sesquicentenary: a commemoration to celebrate 150 years of Geelong, 1838-1988*
Geelong: a photographic album of historic photographs in sepia 1838-1988*
Geelong: 150 years of community leadership 1849-1999*
The vagabond at Sleepy Hollow: being extracts from the Geelong writings of John Stanley James 1889 / edited by Les Blake 1986*
Growing together: supplementary volume 2 / George Jones*
- Gippsland** Gippsland: an annotated bibliography to 1980 / C.W. Tolley*
Names around the Gippsland Lakes / P.D. Gardner*
Pioneers and pilgrims: a history of the Presbyterian and Methodist churches in Orbost and East Gippsland / Compiled and edited by the Revd. Peter Gador-Whyte*
- Glen Iris** Early Glen Iris / Gwen McWilliam 1992*
- Glengarry** A Glengarry history: school centenary 1888-1988*
- Glenmaggie** Glenmaggie School 1576: centenary year 1875-1975 / Compiled by Betty Chester and Margaret Murphy*
- Golden Square** History of the Golden Square Methodist Church / Geo Doenau*

- Goodwood** A history of the Goodwood sawmill and settlement in the Mullungdung forest, 1910-1920*
- Goroke** One hundred years of education: Goroke and district 1885-1985 2nd rev. ed.*
Back to Goroke: april 20-24 1973*
- Grassmere** Grassmere*
- Greta** Greta South State School no. 2452 centenary 1882-1982*
- Grovedale** Germantown Wesleyan Church 1853 to Grovedale Uniting Church 1978*
- Hamilton** Hamilton College: 1871-1991*
When the world was wide: glimpses of life in Hamilton during the 1880s*
- Hampden** On western lands: a history of the Shire of Hampden (1964-1994) / Bill Anderson*
- Harrow** Harrow: past and present*
- Haven** Haven Primary School 1913-1993: eighty years on*
- Hawthorn** Images of Hawthorn by members of Hawthorn Artists Society 1987 [donated by Mary-Louise Phillips]
Hawthorn West Primary School: 125th anniversary, 1853-1978*
- Hazelwood** Hazelwood Estate Primary School: diamond jubilee, 1926-1986*
- Heathcote** The Catholic Parish of Heathcote: a history / Mary McKenzie McHarg and Rita Traynor*
St John's Anglican Church, Heathcote: the first fifty years / Patricia Reynolds 1989*
- Henty** Marks of time 1837-1976: welcome to Henty and Wurt Wurt Koort*
- Hepburn** Hepburn Federation Trail*
- Heyfield** Heyfield 1841-1991: a pictorial history / compiled by Leanne FitzGerald*
- Horsham** The eagle's vision: St John's Anglican Church Horsham 1876-1996*
- Hunter** Hunter: a history of the district to mark the 75th anniversary of the Hunter Hall / Compiled by N. Lovelace*
- Huntly** Huntly 126 years: 1854-1980, a chronicle of events
- Indigo** Middle Indigo School no. 1115: 120 years (1874-1994)*
- Inglewood** Memories of Brooke Street, Inglewood / Dern Marryott Puckey*
- Inverloch** Looking back at Inverloch / compiled by E.P. Brewster 1988*
- Iona** On the edge of the swamp: a history of the Iona Primary School no. 3201, 1894-1994 / Denise M. Nest*
- Jumbuk** A brief history of Jumbuk: printed for the Jumbuk reunion, 21st-22nd Oct. 1989*
- Kallista** Kallista: a school in the forest 1919-1993 / researched and compiled by Heather Marshall and Jan Howarth*
- Kalkallo** see Donnybrook
- Kangaroo Flat** Photographic history of Kangaroo Flat 1994 /*
- Kara Kara** A harvest of memories: oral history of Kara Kara district / Compiled by D. Patton and M. Dunstan*
- Keilor** Keilor pioneers: dead men do tell tales / Angela Evans 1994 (2 copies) [donated by Mary-Louise Phillips]
- Kewell** Kewell East State School no. 2729*
- Kilmore** Kilmore: those that came before / Heather Knight
- Kilsyth** The anniversary 1910-1985: Kilsyth Primary School*
- Knox** Historic buildings of Knox / the Knox Historical Society*
- Koonwarra** Koonwarra my home 1878-2000 / Fred Holt*
- Korumburra** Pastors and pastures: a commemoration for the centenary of St. Joseph's Parish Korumburra, 1901-2001 / Wilma P. Walls*
- Kyabram** Kyabram methodism / William Henry Bossence 1974*
- Kyneton** Kyneton Urban Fire Brigade: History*
History of the first explorer and squatter in the Kyneton district: Mitchell and Ebdon / G. Bremner*
Annie Hutcheson: a keepsake / ed. by Ena Harper*
- Lake Bolac** The history of Scots Church Lake Bolac*
- Lake Tyers** This bold venture: the story of Lake Tyers House, place and people / A. Goding 1990*
- Lancefield** From sublime solitude: the story of Lancefield, 1837-1997 / Dorothy M. Viney*
- Lardner** History of the Lardner area: a project compiled by grades 4/5/6 students of Lardner and District Primary School June 1997*
- Learmonth** Back to Learmonth centenary celebrations 1937: souvenir programme*
- Leitchville** Leitchville State School centenary 1878-1978*
- Leongatha** One in a hundred: a day in the life of Leongatha Primary School 1889-1989*
- Linton** Looking back over 100 years, 1839-1939: a brief historical review on the settlement and development of Linton and district / Compiled by Cr. H.P. Bennett*
- Lismore** Lismore Presbyterian Church 1864-1964 / compiled by J.R. Oman*
- Little River** Little River: a place to remember / Frank Shaw*
- Loch** Loch and district 1876-2001*
- Lorne** Lorne: the founding years to 1888 / K.L. Cecil 1989*
Beach bush and blessings: St Cuthbert's Lorne, one hundred years 1892-1992*
- Lowan** Lowan State School no. 2919, 1889-1964*
- Maffra** The street where you live: historic buildings of Maffra / Florence Pearce 1991*
Beauty spots of Maffra and districts facsimile ed. 1988 (orig. ed. 1914)*
The first St. John's Maffra: church and people, 1870-1900 / J.T. Connelly*
- Mallee** Mallee musings / Adelaide Ah Kow
- Mansfield** Mansfield Cemetery 1865-2006 CD-ROM / Mansfield Historical Society
Tracks of the morning: a Timbertop history text / I.C. Dillon*
- Marong** Shire of Marong: moving forward looking back 1985 / Ruth Hopkins*
- Meatian** Meatian 1978: back to schools Meatian West 3464, Meatian Railway Station 3761, Meatian East 4514, Fairfield (Fidge's Barn) 3223 / compiled by Jannette N. Power*
- Melbourne** 3AW is Melbourne: 75 years of radio / Margaret Campion
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