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FREE LECTURE

Dr Clare Wright:

BEYOND THE LADIES LOUNGE: AUSTRALIA'S FEMALE PUBLICANS

Beyond the Ladies Lounge was published in 2003 and was the culmination of 10 years research. It combines oral history interviews, archival sources, folk songs, bush ballads and other popular literature.

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7.00PM WEDNESDAY 14 JUNE

Seating is limited and **BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL.**
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NEW PMI WEBSITE LAUNCHED !

On 25 May the new Prahran Mechanics' Institute website was launched by the Member for Prahran, Tony Lupton.

The website was created by the team at Working Edge in Chapel Street, Prahran. Working Edge is a branch of the Taskforce Community Agency which runs training courses for unemployed people. For training purposes, the agency takes on real web design projects for not-for-profit organisations, and completes them free of charge.

We were grateful for the support of David Crossley of Swinburne University who provided a laptop, data projector and **(cont. p.4)**



Above: Cathy Milward-Bason (PMI Secretary Librarian), Cr John Chandler (PMI Committee member), Mr Tony Lupton MP (Member for Prahran), Rodney Cocker (Web Design Coordinator, Working Edge) and Christine Worthington (PMI Promotions & Publications Librarian) after the launch.

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OLD SHELVES

Some of our long-standing members may remember that the shelving in the library was originally wooden, non-adjustable, and made to accommodate novels.

With the change in emphasis of the collection to history publications, the old shelving could not accommodate publications of varying sizes. Consequently the old shelves have in years gone by been covered over with panels so that adjustable metal shelves could be placed in front of them.

Now that the history collection is beginning to outgrow available shelf space, we are forced to consider the way we use every square foot of the library.

Visitors to the library over the next few months will notice that the old shelves are being removed and a small platform built on the cement step they were installed on, so that the adjustable shelving can sit back against the walls - freeing up some floor space for the library.

This is a big job requiring a great deal of book shuffling and shelf moving, but it will be completed in sections and every effort will be made to ensure minimal disturbance to the normal operation of the library.

MIV NEWS

by Cathy Milward-Bason

The coach tour, which was organised by the Mechanics' Institutes of Victoria and started at PMI, was a great success! It was a lovely drive through the autumn filled countryside and all of us (fifty in total including some PMI members) learnt a great deal more about the history of individual mechanics' institutes through our tireless and very knowledgeable tour guide Jim Lowden, MIV Secretary. Jim's daughter Bronwyn has prepared an excellent illustrated guide which is available for loan at the institute. Some of the places we stopped at included Ballarat MI which had just received \$65,000 to reinstate their verandah (on top of the \$1.5 million received in November to restore the building!); the beautifully restored and adapted Newstead MI with its display of historic photographs; the very run down Clunes MI- the MIV's offer to fix a broken window was gratefully accepted and I recently learnt that committee is about to reform in order to restore the building; the

magnificent Maldon Athenaeum with its lovely new children's library; and very friendly and well maintained Newham MI. We passed many more institutes including one that impressed me with its range of activities, the Mt Egerton MI which has belly dancing, baby sitting, a book group, internet available, and hopes to re-establish its library one day. Next time you take a drive in the countryside and see one of these wonderful institute buildings, take a note of its name, and look it up in our library - we are bound to have something on it.

A meeting of MI library representatives was held at Berwick Mechanics' Institute on Wednesday 31 May. Christine and Cathy attended the meeting which included representatives from Footscray MI, Berwick MI, and Melbourne Athenaeum. Broad topics discussed included recent activities at each of the libraries, technology, and plans in the broad public libraries sector (including the advent of the Libraries Australia database).

The meeting was followed by a tour of the Berwick MI. Three interesting facts about Berwick MI: 1. it is the local library run mostly by volunteers; 2. the land on which it stands was leased to the mechanics' institute in 1872 for 500 years!; 3. it holds the private library of Lord and Lady Casey who in 1982 offered \$50,000 towards extending and refurbishing its building. Next time you are in Berwick do drop in.

Thanks to Joyce Hayes, Pam Darling, Graham Hughes and Judith Dwyer for your hospitality.



Above: Judith Dwyer (Berwick MI), Christine Worthington (Pahran MI), Graham Hughes (Berwick MI), Jill Batholomeusz (Melbourne Athenaeum), Cathy Milward-Bason (Pahran MI, MIV President), Linda Aspinall (Footscray MI) at the beautiful Berwick Mechanics' Institute Library.

WORKING EDGE

by Andrew Neophytou (Manager)
and Rodney Cocker (Web Design Coordinator)

Taskforce Community Agency, a non-profit organisation, and registered charity, was established in Prahran in 1973, and for many years – up until 1998 in fact – provided services out of a building in Greville Street, Prahran. Since that time we have maintained a presence in the municipality, operating out of premises at 240 Chapel Street, Prahran.

With a team of six staff, Taskforce - Working Edge delivers services annually to about 500 people, with a main focus on assisting job seekers. These services encompass employment, education, training, placement and support. Among our government funded initiatives are various Work for the Dole projects.

For more than six years we have successfully run “brokered” Work for the Dole projects, in which we individually match job seekers to work experience placements within non-profit organisations. Work undertaken has ranged from reception, office support, kitchens, customer service, opshop / retail, and other areas.

We also regularly offer successful Work for the Dole projects in Web Design. These entail training participants in developing and building websites for community groups, including most recently one for the Prahran Mechanics’ Institute. Other organisations to benefit from these projects include the Glen Eira, Prahran and the Malvern Historical Societies. The web site developed for the latter recently won us the 2006 Museums Australia Multimedia and Publication Design Awards in the website category.

Apart from Work for the Dole projects, Taskforce - Working Edge also runs state government programs and services. Recently we ran Community Jobs Programs, which gave job seekers the opportunity to work within their communities. In 2004 and 2005 we joined with the City of Port Phillip to provide programs which trained and matched job seekers into paid work experience within the Council’s library, child care and administrative divisions.

In May 2006 we provided two all-day seminars for secondary school students in year 10, 11 and 12, who were about to undertake work experience. These days covered a variety of topics ranging from workplace etiquette and manners, Occupational Health & Safety awareness, workplace communication, and work/life balance. About 150 students participated in these seminars.

Taskforce - Working Edge activities would not be possible without funding, and we acknowledge grants received from the Dept of Employment and Workplace Relations, Dept for Victorian Communities, City of Stonnington, and “Friends of TaskForce”. Our activities are also made possible from the partnerships we develop within the community. We would like to acknowledge the Prahran Mechanics’ Institute – and our participants – for their work with us during 2006.

The Working Edge team takes pride in its ability to provide professional services and we look forward to running new and varied projects, as well as delivering real benefits and outcomes to job seekers, non-profit organisations, and the community in general.

NEW PMI WEBSITE LAUNCHED **(from p.1)** screen for the occasion.

In his launch speech, Tony Lupton paid tribute to Working Edge’s contribution to local community organisations and their provision of training opportunities for local unemployed people. He also complimented the new site, saying that not only did it have visual appeal, but was very easy to navigate - one of the most important qualities in a website.

Rodney Cocker (Web Design Coordinator at Working Edge), with the assistance of Andrew Neophytou (Manager, Working Edge) showed the site to the members, explaining some of the features and some of the background to the site. The site was designed by Taskforce student Elizabeth Holmes under trainer Quin Stirling. Elizabeth is a qualified designer who was at the time being trained to design specifically for the web.

Our initial meeting with the team happened in late October last year. It must be difficult for a web designer to understand what a client might be happy with, when even the client isn’t quite sure! But Rodney, Quin and Elizabeth were good listeners who gleaned information from us about our members, our library service and history. They suggested we surf the web for other mechanics’ institutes and libraries - enabling us to provide a list of sites and articulate what we liked and disliked about them. I expect that the content for our site which we provided early helped them to understand some of our requirements. Elizabeth set to work and designed six basic templates from which we could choose, and some tweaking of the template followed until all were satisfied. Our content was then added by Working Edge trainees, and we had the opportunity to make any alterations to that prior to the site going online.

In the spirit of such treasured TV programs as *Extreme Makeover*, you will notice that the newsletter has received a facelift to match the design of the new site - but not a tummy tuck ... the newsletter will still contain all the regular and special features. Soon our brochure and letterhead will match too.

FEATURES OF THE NEW WEBSITE

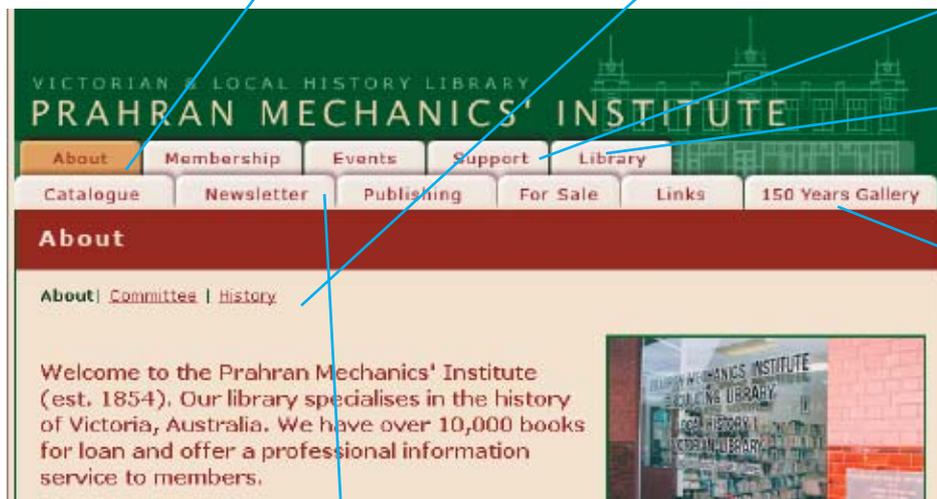
Theme - We felt that our High Street building was an appropriate central theme for the design of the new site, as it is very distinctive and so entwined with the history of the library. Other important themes are the concepts of information organisation and research, which Elizabeth represented in the use of the file tabs.

Design - The site incorporates heritage colours of the building's paintwork and the architectural sketch of the building was painstakingly redrawn by designer Elizabeth Holmes and used as a background in the banner. The result is an appealing banner and page which have an art deco feel.

Navigation - Especially for our members who have little experience using computers and the internet, this website was designed to be easy to navigate.

The eleven main categories of information are displayed clearly on the main tabs, which highlight gold when selected. When a main category is selected, the heading also appears on the maroon band underneath. Sub-categories are shown just below the maroon band.

New features:



Information about ways to support the library.

Our library page now has a link to a page containing a list of items in our general collection, which can be browsed by genre or searched using Edit>Find on your browser.

The Gallery that was created in 2004 to celebrate our 150th Anniversary has been included as a welcome new feature. The link from this page takes you to an attractive page of thumbnail images, then to the larger images which are accompanied by the text.

All our 2005 newsletters are included in pdf format with the new website.

Existing features retained:

- Recent additions to the historical collection
- A list of books for sale in the library
- Coming events at the library
- PMI Press pages
- Links to other historical organisations and mechanics' institutes.
- We still have a links page for every place in Victoria for which we hold publications in the library (over 700 of them!). Each of these pages contains the name of the place, the name of the shire, a link to our online catalogue, and a list of (and links to) the historical organisations which research the place.
- All the usual membership, loans, catalogue and contact information.



If you have any questions, feedback or suggestions regarding our new website, please do not hesitate to contact us at library@pmi.net.au

MEET THE COMMITTEE No 3 ... CR JOHN CHANDLER

John Chandler first served on the PMI Committee from 1982-1987 as a representative of the City of Prahran and was President in 1989-90.

He rejoined the Committee as a community representative in early 1995 with the intention of helping to protect the Institute's independence, strengthening its educational role and broadening its membership. Also, as an architect, John has been able to bring his considerable experience to the committee's management of the Institute's buildings.

John has served as a Councillor in local government for 23 years, first under the former City of Prahran and currently in the North Ward of the City of Stonnington. He first became interested in local issues as a member of a local residents group. Currently he is the chair of the City of Stonnington's Finance and Governance Committee, a member of the Australian Building Codes Board and a member of the Municipal Association of Victoria Board.

John joined the PMI Committee at the pivotal time when a local history focus for the library was proposed and implemented. He praises the work, vision and leadership of the late Laurie McCalman at that time which ensured the viability of the "hardy survivor" and maintained the relevance of the library in changing times.

The "Back to Prahran Tech" reunion in 1996 was one of the highlights of John's involvement with the PMI.



RECENT ACQUISITIONS (April-May)

GENERAL COLLECTION

The chemistry of death / Simon Beckett
 Bad faith / Carmen Callil
 The coroner's lunch / Colin Cotterill
 Pandora's breeches: women, science and power
 in the enlightenment / Patricia Fara
 The main chance / Colin Forbes
 Safer than houses / Frances Fyfield
 Prince of thieves / Chuck Hogan

Gone / Lisa Gardner
 Through a glass, darkly / Donna Leon
 A fine balance / Rohinton Mistry
 Fire sale: a V.I. Warshawski novel / Sara
 Paretsky
 The tenth circle / Jodi Picoult
 The secret supper: a novel / Javier Sierra
 The Vienna assignment / Olen Steinhauer
 The book thief / Markus Zusak

HISTORICAL COLLECTION

Alexandra Alexandra and district / Brian E. Lloyd
Almonds Almonds 1882-1982 / ed. by Alice Reid
Back Creek 'Back then': the Back Creek School story / Anne Fogarty [donated by Anne Fogarty]
Balliang Balliang 90 years of settlement 1908-1998
Balwyn A path to Boroondara Park: history of area, school, memories / D. Deerson Brown and Marie Klein

RECENT ACQUISITIONS (April-May)

- Barramunga** By the Barwon: a history of Forrest and Barramunga / Norman Houghton
- Bass Valley** A scrapbook of memories': a pictorial history of the Bass Valley district / Bass Valley Community Group
- Bayswater** Centenary of Bayswater Primary School no.2163 1879-1979 [donated by David Allen]
- Beechworth** Listen to what they say: voices of twentieth century Beechworth / Jennifer Williams
Background to Beechworth from 1852 / compiled by Roy C. Harvey 8th ed. 1985 [donated by David Allen]
- Bendigo** Banking on the Bendigo / Tim Hewat
The forest city: containing 30 views of Sandhurst around 1891 / compiled by Ken Arnold
Quarry Hill Primary School: past and present / compiled by Kaye Dobbie [donated by Alice Belfrage, for the school]
- Berwick** Bush nursing in Berwick: 'the first fifty years' / Eileen M. Williams and Noel L. Stephenson
- Boisdale** Boisdale Public Hall 1904-2004: bookings, balls and bazaars: one hundred years of community service / Helen Montague
- Bolwarrah** On the Eastern fringe: recollections and stories on the settlement and farming histories in the Bungaree, Wallace, Bolwarrah and Gordon districts / Jack Toohey
- Boronia** A brief history of Boronia, Victoria / Neville Sanders
- Brim** Brimful of memories: some folk and oral history of Brim and district / Keith Hofmaier
- Brunswick** Brunswick one history many voices / ed. by Helen Penrose
Going to St. Joe's: a Marist school in East Brunswick and North Fitzroy 1930-1999 / Val Noone
Remember the Carrington: a Brunswick workingman's pub / Laurie Cunningham
- Bungaree** On the Eastern fringe: recollections and stories on the settlement and farming histories in the Bungaree, Wallace, Bolwarrah and Gordon districts / Jack Toohey
- Canterbury** Early history of Canterbury and district
- Carwarp** Carwarp / compiled by Florence Beaton
- Cavendish** Cavendish souvenir 1973
- Charlton** Charlton through the years / M. Grace Cadzow and Alice D. Curnow
- Clarinda** Clarinda Primary School no.3336 centenary 1899-1999 [donated by the school]
- Colac** The historic homes of Colac and district / Colac and District Historical Society
- Dandenong Ranges** The four W's: an account of the what, when, where and who of the ... Dandenong Ranges / Gus Ryberg
- Daylesford** Bullboar, macaroni and mineral water: spa country's Swiss Italian story / Clare Gervasoni
- Dimboola** Back to Dimboola 1969
- Dumbalk** The earliest pioneers of land selections in the Parish of Dumbalk vol.1 crown allotments no. 1-20 / Bryan Fitzgerald
- Emerald** Emerald in focus: a photographic history / Nobelius Heritage Park and Emerald Museum
A history of the Emerald and District Co-operative Society / Jo Jenkinson
- Fern Tree Gully** Fern Tree Gully Primary School no.1307: centenary 1874-1974 [donated by David Allen]
A history of Fern Tree Gully / based on Ada Friberg's personal notes [donated by David Allen]
- Flinders** Flinders historical walks and drives / Pamela Nichols
- Footscray** As time goes by: an oral history of Footscray Girls' Secondary College / Carmella Gallo [donated by Louisa Pavlidis, Gilmore College for Girls]
A unique endeavour: a history of the Western Region Health Centre, 1964-2004 / Felicity Bartak with Phillip Deery [donated by Angela Spiridonidis, Western Region Health Centre]
- Forrest** By the Barwon: a history of Forrest and Barramunga / Norman Houghton
- Frankston** Frankston 1950-2000: an oral/pictorial history / Kerry Watson
- Geelong** Well-ordered liberty: a portrait of Geelong Grammar School 1855-1995 / Michael Collins Persse
- Gelantipy** A man from Gelantipy: from notes recorded by Clyde Sykes, re-written and arranged by Colin D. Ferres
- Gembrook** Forest to farming: Gembrook: an early history / Genseric Parker
- Glen Iris** A school for Glen Iris: the early history of Glen Iris Primary School / Gwen McWilliam with a note on the school today by Kevin Delaney [donated by Sue Collins, for the school]
- Gordon** On the Eastern fringe: recollections and stories on the settlement and farming histories in the Bungaree, Wallace, Bolwarrah and Gordon districts / Jack Toohey
- Hallam** Hallam 1830-1930: City of Casey Historical Pamphlet no.2 / Deborah Stephan

RECENT ACQUISITIONS (April-May)

- Kew Urangeline: voices of Carey 1923-1997 / Michael Small [donated by Bruce Murray, for the school]
- Kyabram Knight's Big Store 1886-2000: the story / compiled by Don Anderson
- Lathamstowe Lathamstowe / Queenscliffe Historical Museum, Richard Runting, ed. by Roy Lawson
- Loch Sport Where the pelicans fish: a brief history of the Loch Sport area of Gippsland / Philip G. Gittins
- Longerenong Longerenong: early schools and pioneers / Elizabeth and Robyn Gulline
- Merton Merton: tastes and tales / Merton Landcare
- Mildura Mildura South Primary: a happy school 1927-1997 / Jean Morris ...et.al. [donated by the school]
The Oswald album: the photographs of Ernest E. Oswald taken between 1889 and his death in 1892 / Mildura and District Historical Society
- Millewa Millewa: the first 50 years
- Mitcham Queuing for cocoa: a history of Mitcham Primary School 1888-1988 [donated by David Allen]
- Mornington Padua College: a college by the sea 1898-1998 / Mary Bowe and Win Guatta [2 copies donated by Padua College]
- Morwell Commercial Road Primary School 2136 Morwell: celebrating 120 years of primary school education: souvenir booklet March 1988 [donated by Brenda Booth for the school]
- Mount Taylor Mount Taylor 'back to' May 10-11, 1980
- Nullawill Nullawil: a folk history / Centenary Book Committee
- Nullan Nullan
- Omeo Heartbeats, hoofs and horizons: living history in the Omeo district / David Williams
- Otway Ranges The Ridge: a brief historical guide to the West Otway Ridge / Norman Houghton
- Patterson River Patterson River centenary 1879-1979: souvenir programme
- Pella The story of Pella / Ian O. Maroske
- Port Campbell Campbell country / Rosamund Duruz
- Portland A people's history of Portland and district: section one: the aborigines / J.G. Wiltshire [donated by David Allen]
- Preston Centenary of local government in Preston 1871-1971: a pictorial record with a brief review of Preston's progress and achievements
- Richmond Growing up in Richmond / ed. by Morag Loh [donated by David Allen]
- Riddells Creek Out of the ashes 1904-2004: celebrating the centenary of the foundation of the Riddells Creek Bush Fire Brigade / Teresa Boyle
- Robinvale Robinvale ...the first fifty years August 1975
- Soresby Scoresby: a students guide to its history / Arthur Winzenried
- Sea Lake Then awake Sea Lake: a history of the Sea Lake district and Tyrrell Station / K.L. Lloyd
- Sebastopol The golden chain: a history of Sebastopol with special reference to gold and mining / Evan D. Jenkins and Arthur J. Jenkins [donated by Patricia Pook]
- Stanhope Recollections of early Stanhope / compiled by Joan Sherman, Don Sefton and Donalda Walker [donated by Donalda Walker]
- Strathbogie Strathbogie centenary 1877-1977: a history of Strathbogie
- St Kilda St Michael's Grammar School: diversity opens minds: the michaelian 2005 yearbook [donated by the school]
110 years: celebrating the 110th anniversary of St Michael's Grammar [donated by the school]
- Tallarook A history of Primary School Tallarook 1488 1864-2000 / compiled by John Jennings [donated by Nicole Rotherham, Tallarook Primary School]
- The Basin The Basin 1867-1992: 125 years / ed. by Rick Coxhill [2 copies donated by D. Allen]
- Tongala Squatter and selector at Tongala / Harley W. Forster
- Wallace On the Eastern fringe: recollections and stories on the settlement and farming histories in the Bungaree, Wallace, Bolwarrah and Gordon districts / Jack Toohey
- Warrandyte Destination Warrandyte - 1851 to 1876: a tortuous path to local government / Murray Houghton [2 copies donated by Murray Houghton]
A community's commitment to comminution: the history of Warrandyte's State Battery / Murray Houghton [donated by Murray Houghton]
The Warrandyte Aboriginal Reserve - established when?: a discussion paper, giving consideration to some rather conflicting opinions / Murray Houghton [donated by Murray Houghton]
Pleasant Sunday afternoons: the Warrandyte alternative - miners caught over a barrel / Murray Houghton

RECENT ACQUISITIONS *(April-May)*

[donated by Murray Houghton]

The presence of fossils in the Warrandyte area: an introduction from an historical perspective / Murray Houghton *[donated by Murray Houghton]*

Willaura The history of Willaura and district 1835-1985

TRANSPORT

Victorian Railways stations and stopping places: my selection / Neville Gee

Country railway stations Victoria: a photographic profile 1950-2000 part 3 / ed. by John Sargent

Country railway stations Victoria: a photographic profile 1950-2000 part 4 / ed. by John Sargent

Country railway stations Victoria: a photographic profile 1950-2000 part 5 / ed. by John Sargent

The Brighton Electric Line: the story of Melbourne's bayside tramways / L. Marshall-Wood

Beechy rail: historical and engineering guide to the Old Beechy Line Rail Trail / Norman Houghton

Wheels in Victoria 1824-1984: a record of wheeled transport through a century and a half of technological change / ed. by Harold H. Paynting and Malcolm Grant *[donated by Victor Wootton and Corinne Thompson]*

The third James Flood book of early motoring / ed. by H.H. Paynting *[donated by Victor Wootton and Corinne Thompson]*

The fourth James Flood book of early motoring / ed. by H.H. Paynting *[donated by Victor Wootton and Corinne Thompson]*

The James Flood album of early motoring prints no 6 *[donated by Victor Wootton and Corinne Thompson]*

James Flood early motoring prints album no.9 *[donated by Victor Wootton and Corinne Thompson]*

James Flood early motoring prints album no.12 *[donated by Victor Wootton and Corinne Thompson]*

James Flood early motoring prints album no.15 *[donated by Victor Wootton and Corinne Thompson]*

A James Flood presentation album of motoring nostalgia no.18 *[donated by Victor Wootton and Corinne Thompson]*

Log of logs volume two / Ian Nicholson

Shipping arrivals and departures Victorian ports volume 3 1856-1860 / Marten A. Syme

Silts in the sight glass: protectors and raiders of the SS City of Launceston 1863-1865 / Shirley Strachan

Time and tide: a guide to the wreck of the Barque William Salthouse / Marion Elliget and Harry Breidahl

AUSTRALIAN LITERATURE

Theft: a love story / Peter Carey

BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY

Sir William Stawell: second Chief Justice of Victoria 1857-1886 / J.M. Bennett

La Trobe: the making of a governor / Dianne Reilly Drury

Woven threads: a family story [Foletta family and Prestige Ltd] / George G. Foletta

Been there, done that!: an autobiography / Gus Ryberg

MISCELLANEOUS

Victoria illustrated 1834-1984 / ed. by Harold H. Paynting and Malcolm Grant *[donated by Victor Wootton and Corinne Thompson]*

Famous Australian trials and memories of the law / Philip A. Jacobs

Onion people: the history of onions in Victoria / Shirley Burns

With enthusiasm burning: the story of welding and associated industries in Australia / Paul C. Savage *[donated by Tim McKenna]*

Eye contact: photographing indigenous Australians [Coranderrk Mission] / Jane Lydon

Grave reflections volume 1: an alphabetical listing of burial sites in the Central Goldfields area of Victoria, with a selection of tombstones of interest / J. Davidson and H. Doxford *[donated by Daniel Catrice]*

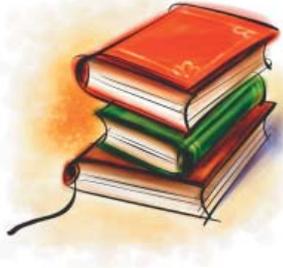
Fragments of the everyday: a book of Australian ephemera / Richard Stone *[donated by Christine Worthington]*

One thousand white onions: a history of caring for children from 1865 [Menzie's Homes for Children] / Shirley Davies

Doctors & diggers on the Mount Alexander Goldfields / Keith Macrae Bowden.

The James Flood book of early Australian photographs / ed. by H.H. Paynting *[donated by Victor Wootton and Corinne Thompson]*

Goldfields mechanics' institutes tour notes 2006 / compiled by Pam Baragwanath, Don Barker and Bron Lowden *[donated by Jim Lowden]*



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