***EVANDALE HISTORY SOCIETY INC***.

***Minutes 21st February 2019 at Evandale Community Centre***

**Meeting Opened:** 10.30am Chairperson: Stephen Baldock Closed:12.05pm

**Attendees:** Adrian Jobson, Stephanie Dean, Peter Riley, Lois & Laurie Wotherspoon, Jenny & Stephen Baldock, Barry Lawson, Lynette Louis.

**Apologies:** Bob Strachan, Jenny Carter, Neil Louis, Kim Polley

**Minutes of Previous Meeting Held:** 15th November 2018

Moved that minutes be accepted: Adrian Jobson & Seconded: Barry Lawson Carried

**Business Arising from Previous Meeting:**

EHS training day for E.C.C. volunteers held over until next meeting. **Jenny & Lyn**

Barry will collect individual articles written by members. Members will then decide which will be placed in a booklet.

**Financial Report:** presented by Treasurer Laurie Wotherspoon.

Financial reports submitted for: December 2018 & January 2019

An amount of $375.10 was received from Finney Funeral Service. Donations received from family & friends of the Cruse family.

Mrs Hill a friend of Teecies donated $20.00.

A Donation of $850.00 was received from Grand Lodge (Buffalo) of Tasmania branches – Teecie Cruse

A letter of appreciation is to be sent to the Lodge. \* Laurie will send me their address.

Laurie proposed that the financial report be accepted. Seconded: Adrian Jobson

**Correspondence & Email: Inward:** Finney Funeral Service -Letter and statement of funds raised at Teecies Memorial Service. Mrs. Celia Hill a friend of Teecie.Mr Peter Cruse & FamilyRob Tickle has written a new book “John Oxley A New Prospective” book contains biographies of Oxley, Evans, Fraser & Harris. Certificate of Appreciation from The Centenary of Armistice. Visit from American guests. National Trust Tas Heritage Festival - form competed.

**Outward**: Letters in response to Finney, Mrs Hill, Peter Cruse & Family.

Tax Invoice to E.C.C. for sale of E.H.S Publications.

Letter to Tas Community Fund stating E.H.S. has committed $1500.00 to replacement of the glass roof at Evandale Community & Tourist Info Centre & E.H.S. building.

**Business Arising from Correspondence:** Lyn Louis moved that inward correspondence be accepted and outwards approved. Laurie Wotherspoon Seconded: Adrian Jobson

Research: Eric & Margaret Smith – John & Eliza Price of Balloom. John Trethewie - Whisloca has been in contact with Tony –A History of Evandale Book has been posted. Andrew Barton from UK. Wife is descended from Edward Ayton. Visited on 16th Feb 2019. Paid $25 Ian Hind & Margaret Rutherford- George Robotham . Visited on 8th February 2019. Paid $25 Jennie Timmins - Margaret Taylor & William Hollett married Manse, Evandale, lived Longford. Ray Oermann - David Gibson descendant. Visited & meet with Sandy & William Gibson. NOT related. Purchased History of Evandale book from E.C.C.   
Joan Douglas – Gee & Gutteridge families visited. Included in the Robotham file is an envelope addressed to M Maddock. This file holds documents about FISHER family of Oatlands, dating back to 1860’s. NO records about Evandale. Lyn will take these to Oatlands History Society.

Jane Culp from Las Vegas, Soden-Johnson, Soden-Goodall families, visited centre purchased A History of Evandale book from E.C.C. We have access to their research on Ancestry.

Gwen Ling from Victoria- Ling- Kerr, married at Longford, Buried St Andrew Presbyterian – we have No records.

**General Business:** Lyn: Item left at history room without a note / message to say from whom. Thorene Gwendoline Murial Rigby Family**.** . Peter left Teecies document case which had the following items. **1**. Joseph Allen from Shrivenham, Berkshire to Launceston. Enlisted in 62nd Wiltshire Regiment of foot. Spouse Mary O’Brien**. 2.** St Helens History Room & Museum Newsletters. **3.** Receipt Mr H Taylor 1912 & Letter dated 1922. **4.** Family history information for Henry Butler Dowie (convict.) **5**. Two items from Cornwall Chronicle Mr John Pearson , his marriage to Mrs Bowen 1876 & Fletcher v Pearson 1873. **6.** A list of the owners of Prince of Wales Hotel. 1842 -2004. **7.** Article written by Donald M. Sullivan**,** who as a 17 year oldbegan teaching at Evandale in 1936. **8.** Also Teecie’s key to the history room. These items have been filed and key is in key box.

I have had no access to the internet on the E.H.S. computer. **Recommended take it to PC’s for Us.**

Tony McCormack suggested we visit Trafalgar- Trevor Couchman. **To be arranged at a later date.**

Laurie was given documents relating to the sale of Browns Store among other items. Martin the previous owner has donated these items to the society. Northern Midlands Council has asked for an extension for the replacement of the glass roof at E.C.C. Tas Community Fund allow 2 extensions and 1 has already been granted. Laurie will write to N.M.C. asking to explain why the extension is requested and for a time frame for completion as Winter is approaching.

Adrian: A snipped of information collected by Adrian about the Boer War 1899-1902. As part of the Australian Force we sent 38 Officers, 822 people of other ranks & 789 horses. The First Contingent left on 27 Oct 1899. The first contingent was headed by Captain C St. Clair Cameron. The family name of those who volunteered from Evandale & surrounding area: Collins, Wright, Button, & Ducie. The 2nd, 3rd & 4th Contingents were Boyes, Butler, Chilcott, Tolmie, Beveridge, Boyd, Guest, Murray, Thomas, Thompson.

43,000 Australian horses were sent to the Boer War 1899-1902 and none were returned to Australia.  
  
Animals were an important part of the logistics for the Boer War, drawn from across the British Empire as well as Europe and the Americas. 360,000 horses out of a total of 519,000, had to be shipped into South Africa. 106,000 mules and donkeys out of a total of 151,000 were also brought into the region for the war.

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**Anzac Day meeting: 7pm Monday 25th March at Bob Strachan 34 Russell St, Evandale**

**Our Next Meeting is: 10.30am 21st March 2019**