***EVANDALE HISTORY SOCIETY INC***. ***Minutes 17th September 2020***

**Meeting Opened:** 10.30 am Chairman: Barry Lawson Closed: 12.10 pm

 **Attendees:** Stephanie Dean, Jenny Carter, Laurie Wotherspoon, Charles Watson, Neil & Lynette Louis, Peter Riley, John Lewis, Barry Lawson, Sue Bedford, Dean Brown, Bob Strachan.

 **Apologies:** Lois Wotherspoon, Sally Wilkinson, Kim Polley, Maria Lawson, Adrian Jobson, Tony McCormack, Kerry Donoghue.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting Held:** 20th August 2020 (Correction to date on August minutes -16th July) Moved that minutes be accepted: Barry Lawson Seconded: Charles Watson Carried.

**Business Arising from Previous Meeting:**

1. Boer War Names for Memorial. *Further discussions will be held at another meeting.*
2. Displays will be changed once new display material is available. **Action Barry**
3. Royal Agricultural Soc. of Tasmania is holding their 200th Anniversary. They are only displaying items from Hobart. They feel the items we have will be better off in our local community.
4. Murray Vault: Contact Leigh McCullagh Works Supervisor N.M.C. I phoned and asked to speak to Leigh, (not available). A week later, sent an email to N.M.C. explaining why I would like to speak to Leigh. Another week later- ***After our meeting I*** ***received a phone call from Bronwyn Rigby N.M.C asking about where the Family grave was as men were trying to find site. Action Lyn***
5. Anzac War Memorial Mural: Letter delivered N.M.C chambers addressed to Leigh McCullagh N.M.C Works Manager asking for repainting of particular area. No reply has been received. **Action Lyn**
6. Heating of Murray room to prevent mould. Discuss with Roving Curators. **Action Barry**
7. Leather Saddle Bag from Murray Room has been treated with a mould protection product at Lake Leather. It requires storage in an area with a set temperature & humidity. **Sally has purchased and will install an instrument for this use on Monday.**
8. E.H.S support for 100th RAAF Anniversary & Sculpture Exhibition. **Neil is in contact with artist.**
9. Activities to interest members. 1. Evandale Market Stall. 2. ***Story to N.M. Courier (Auction of a Wife)*** 3. Visit other History Society. 4. Evandale 200th Birthday in 2030 suggestion - change Pioneer Park Gazebo to Pioneer Historical mode. **Action Barry**
10. ## John McGregor headstone movement information on page 2.
11. **The date & place of our Combined Xmas Lunch with E.C.Centre volunteers will be announced at our October meeting. Action John**

**Financial Report:** Information supplied by Laurie Wotherspoon, typed & presented by Lyn Louis Financial report submitted for: August 2020 **Members agreed for Laurie to obtain a Debit card to make deposits at Local Post Offices**. Accounts to be paid: E.C.C photocopying $55.80 Lyn Louis: printing from Link $186.00 & morning tea items $10.40 Laurie proposed that the financial report be accepted. Seconded: Peter Riley Carried by members.

 **Correspondence including emails: Outward**: **1.** Letter & Email to Leigh McCullagh N.M.C. **2.** Email to Royal Agricultural Society of Tasmania. **3.** Email to Mike Nash: Invitation to visit Evandale & view Water Scheme Diorama, Tunnel etc. **Inward:** **1.** Email from Dean Brown. 2. Email from Mike Nash. He will contact and arrange a date in a couple of months, after recovery from knee replacement surgery**. 3.** Email from Royal Agricultural Society of Tasmania. **Business Arising from Correspondence:**  Nil Lyn proposed the inward correspondence be accepted and outward approved. Seconded: Jenny Carter

**Research: 1**. Nil

**General Business: Laurie: 1.** Sorted documents donated by David von Stieglitz children. As some are duplicates of document we hold on Lt. Col. Harry Murray V.C., Laurie suggested they be donated to David Bowden of Muckadilla, Qld. E.H.S assisted Muckadilla with information about H. Murray V.C. for their Memorial. It was agreed that we would pack and post the items. 2. **2.** Donation of “Hogarth Silver Cup”. A lady who lives in Brisbane has offered to donate to E.H.S. a Silver Cup made by Hogarth Jewellery. The cup was presented to the Hogarth family of Western Junction. Rick Hart of Trafalgar is our connection to the lady. The only other example of a Silver Cup made by Hogarth Jewellery is held in Canberra. Barry will contact Rick Hart about the ladies address as he is travelling to Brisbane. 3. Laurie has completed transferring Properties A – C into a more substantial ring binder.

**Dean** is appalled by the use of Yellow paint as a marker for self distancing. This was place on the original old timber floor of Fall Pavilion.

**Peter** has a keen interest in Flags and said, the Qantas Depot flag at Launceston Airport is disgraceful.

**Barry** is researching 1883 -1884 Earthquakes in Evandale.

**Bob** asked if members had photographs of the recent snow which covered Evandale to please bring or email them to the society. This will be part of our history.

**Lyn:** **1.** Clarendon & Its People. A new run of 50 copies has been printed at a cost of $3.72 each. Members agreed to sell to E.C.C. for $6.00, the retail cost will be $8.00. **2.** I have updated the Business Cards & documents with our new email address: society@iinet.net.au. **3.** We require more copies of Harry Murray Postcards. 100 were previously purchased from Regal Press. **After our meeting I received a quote of $85.00 for another run of 100 cards. I am awaiting a response from Laurie & Jenny. We could sell to E.C.C for $1.00 as previous and retail for $1.20 ??** **4**. The last of “Our Heroes” has been sold to E.C.C. **5.** More copies are required of “Evandale to Launceston Water Scheme” booklet. # # John McGregor headstone: In a old St Andrew Presbyterian Cemetery booklet the headstone was at: plot 112 Davey. From a photo take about 3 years ago the headstone was moved 1 row forward and along to: plot 89 Brown, both headstone were very difficult to read. Once both were cleaned the family realised the headstone did not belong to them. It was moved to the row in front & to plot 88 Chisholm. From an old had written record of plots & names Mrs Gregory is in plot 117. Our Booklet has S Gregory at 117. I moved John McGregor’s headstone to plot 117 believing it may be not Mrs but McGregor? If not there he may be in a Plot marked Spare, plot 86, which is at the end of the row and there is no grave site.

**Would members have time to stay for a cuppa, biscuit & get to know each other chat? I have the Tea bags & biscuits which I will bring to the last 2 meeting for the year.**

**Our last 2 meetings for the year are: Thursday 15th October & 19th November at 10.30am. We hold no meetings in December or January.** Have you visited our Website: <https://evandalehistory.org/>