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FROM THE PRESIDENT

The official opening of First Fleet House will be performed in a short ceremony on Saturday, July 2nd next, by His Excellency, The Governor of NSW, Sir James Rowland, accompanied by Lady Rowland. There will be an Open Day on both Saturday and Sunday, the 2nd and 3rd of July, from noon until 4 pm for members. Hopefully we will be able to provide some sustenance for you all, but may I assure you, you will be pleasantly surprised at our new home. I look forward to meeting you there.

The executive has not only been busy with the refurbishing of First Fleet House, but also is in the process of investigating computers and programmes for same. We have received the first half of our Bicentennial grant for computerisation and it is envisaged that we will be "on" computers by September. The Genealogical programme will take some time to be computerized as we have thousands upon thousands of B.M.D. certificates to be recorded. If any member is interested (and is moderately computer "wise") to join a computer Users Group, please contact Pam Quick at the office on a Friday between 11 am and 2 pm.

Please keep the "Buy A Brick" donations coming in. This money is being used to reduce the principal on our mortgage. There have been many generous donations to this worthwhile cause but even the "widow’s mite" is thankfully received. I have been asked whether the donations are Tax Deductable...unfortunately they are not, but we are in the process of making applications to be classed as a charitable institution....maybe then??

In the next issue of the Newsletter, I hope to make an announcement in regard to the position of Treasurer. Also I would like to remind members that nominations to the Executive will close on July 6th next. The Executive meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month at First Fleet House from 7pm to 10pm.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 24th and a tentative venue, subject to confirmation, will be St. John’s Hall, Darlinghurst. The Rector of St John’s is the Rev. John McKnight, a former Executive member and a very keen First Fletier.

Our Plaque Ceremonies have been proceeding as planned and I venture to say that the best is yet to come. Our Tasmanian Pilgrimage is mentioned elsewhere in this Newsletter, but, like the Norfolk Island Pilgrimage, it will be a highlight of the Bicentennial Year. Our Graves Convenor, Doug Oakes has been very busy organizing the various stop-overs in the Apple Isle and I feel sure that from the ensuing publicity in Tasmania the Fellowship will have a lot to gain.

The Executive has now set new fees on subscriptions for the coming year. Full membership is now $18.00 p.a. whilst Pensioners, Juniors and Associates are $8.00 p.a. This is to offset projected increases in postage due to the new certificates and Memorandum Articles of Association to be sent to each member this year.

I must apologize for some rather glaring mistakes in the last Newsletter. In a paragraph of my last report I expressed sentiments of appreciation to a number of ladies who were helping our Acting Treasurer, Norma Millard. Firstly, I mentioned Yvonne Bentley, who is our capable Minute Secretary, instead of Yvonne Bullock. Then mention was not made of the valuable contribution that Bonnie Saville has made in helping record our accounting. My apologies to those concerned. I then gave a wrong office phone number.....please disregard it. Oh those gremlins!!!!

In Fellowship
Peter Christian.
SCHOOL CHILDREN'S BICENTENNIAL MEDALLIONS

The Australian Bicentennial Authority distributed medallions to all schools to be presented to the children on Monday 9th May, 1988. This was the day when the Queen opened the New Parliament House in Canberra.

Most of the schools made a festival day of the occasion, when the children and staff dressed up. A number of our committee attended these functions as official guests and presented the medallions to the children.

Vice President Doug Oakes dressed as Governor Phillip and presented the medallions to the students of Davidson Park Public School, St. Ives. Membership Convener Naida Jackson presented the medallions to the students at Cromer Public School, Cromer. Archivist Joyce Cowell presented the medallions at Danebank Anglican Girl's School, Hurstville and the President presented the medallions to some 250 boys and girls of West Pymble Primary School at Shark Island.

Val Ross F.F. Matthew Everingham has donated a copy of her latest edition of "Cornstalks" to our library. It is indeed a monumental work and a must for all Everinghams.

Michael Hustone, FF William Tunks, was a very proud sailor on the First Fleet Re-Enactment ship "One and All". A letter he recently wrote will be published in the next Newsletter. Congratulations, Michael.

Yvonne Browning, a professional genealogist has updated us on the number of First Fleeters buried in the St. Peter's Cemetery in Richmond. Yvonne was at our plaque ceremony and we thank her for the information received. In addition to our known First Fleeters she makes mention of Elizabeth Fitzgerald/Wright who also lived with Thomas Biggers and Thomas Wright, (quite a lady!!), a William Rowe, and also Joseph McAulding or McCalden who was a mariner on the Alexander and is buried with his wife. Maybe one day descendants will come to the fore from these pioneers.

BUSH DANCE

Owing to short numbers, the Bush Dance night at Wilton had to be postponed. The new tentative date is Saturday 19th November.

The Committee puts a lot of time and effort into organising get togethers for you, and would appreciate an extension of interest for this night of fun and frolic.

Please contact the Social Committee if you feel you may be able to attend.

"YARRALUMIA AND ADMIRALTY HOUSE" CONNECTION

"From The Canberra Chapter"
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Stephen Gibbes of Dulwich Hill, Sydney writes:

I was most interested to read in the recent Newsletter of a First Fleeter link with both Yarralumia and Admiralty House.

I can strengthen that link. My ancestor, Colonel John Gibbes (1787 - 1873), Collector of New South Wales Customs from 1834 to 1859, built Wotonga House - now known as Admiralty House, as his residence in 1842. On retirement, he went to live with his son, Augustus Gibbes, who owned Yarralumia for some years before selling the property to the Campbells in the early 1880's. Indeed Colonel Gibbes died at Yarralumia and lies buried in St. John the Baptist's Churchyard in Canberra.

Many thanks to all those who wished me well with this new venture. As I had a little bit of trouble understanding some handwriting, please type or print all future editorials for the Newsletter.

Rhonda Kroehnert
Acting Editor

The deadline for inclusions for the next Newsletter is Friday, 15th July.

BITS AND PIECES

The late Edmund Francis Frazer, who passed away on March 5th last at the grand age of 92 years was great, great grandson of William and Eleanor Frazer and also of William Eggleton and Mary Dickenson. He was born at Kings Plains near Bathurst and was one of the last survivors of the Australian Naval and Military Expeditionary Force which annexed German New Guinea at the outbreak of World War 1. He later went on to serve in France, where he was wounded. In World War 2 he held the rank of Major and was appointed Deputy Controller or Salvage. A proud Australian....a proud First Fleeter.

Dawn Riddiford, FF James Shears and Mary Smith, has sent photos and newspaper cuttings of the part her family played in the Gladestone, Qld. Bicentennial celebrations. These centred around Peter Gladstone, who is the great grandson of William Ewart Gladstone, four times Prime Minister of Great Britain, and, after whom the city was named. Mandy Costin and Elona Riddiford presented Mr Gladstone with a Bicentennial Medallion. The Riddiford Family also donated a trophy called the "Lady Pennhyn Cup" at a local regatta. Also sent was a fine recording of a First Fleet song which we hope to play at the opening of First Fleet House.

Miriam Taylor nee Windley FF John Nicholls, has sent in photos of the part she played at the Bicentennial Celebrations at Booyong near Bangalow, N.S.W. She had the honour of not only planting a tree in memory of the day, but also raising the flag and giving an address on the life of John Nicholls F.F. These photos, along with the others will go into the Fellowship archives.

We are also indebted to Max Foster, FF William Barnett, for the fine video of the recent Windsor Plaque ceremonies.
FIRST FLEETER CIRCUMNAVIGATED AUSTRALIA

Joseph Tuso who arrived in Sydney Cove on 26th January, 1788 on the "Scarborough" and who was on the "Sirius" during her fatal voyage to Norfolk Island, 5th March, 1790 to 19th March, 1790 was granted an absolute pardon by Governor King on 4th June, 1802.

On 22nd July, 1802 when the "Investigator" under Captain Matthew Flinders sailed from Sydney Cove to circumnavigate Australia one of the seaman was Joseph Tuso, First Fleeter.

After the "Investigator" limped back on 9th June, 1803 "rotten and unsafe and with many of the crew dead and dying" and having circumnavigated Australia, Joseph Tuso requested to be discharged from the Service. (See H.R.A. Ser. 1 Vol 4. page 388 of 7 August, 1803).

From 5th February, 1804 to December, 1808, Joseph Tuso was a mariner and sealer on Kable and Underwood's 31 ton schooner "Endeavour".

Norma Dawson
(F.F. Henry Kable, Susannah Holmes and Joseph Tuso)

AROUND THE TREES

ROBERT FORRESTER
All descendants of Robert Forrester are invited to a Family get-together at Warwick Farm Racecourse on Saturday 20th August, 1988 when a direct descendant of William Forrester (grandson of Robert) will "Sash" the winner of the Forrester Handicap. (William owned Warwick Farm Racecourse and had two Melbourne Cup winners.) bring a picnic luncheon. This is our first get-together so let's make it a success. For more details ring nearer the day.
Mrs Y. Bullock - 427 5937
Mrs C. Cleary - (045) 723 121 Windsor.

JOHN HERBERT:
The recently created Herbert Family Association, Registered with CAC as a family organisation held its first reunion in Parramatta Park on Easter Saturday in very wet conditions to commemorate the bi-centenary of the marriage of John Herbert and Deborah Ellam who married at Sydney Cove on 2nd April, 1798. The inclement conditions kept many away but didn't dampen the ardour of the hardy loyalists who turned up.

The genealogical display arranged by the committee and their helpers was a credit to all concerned. Secretary Robert Herbert and wife Gwen worked tirelessly to see that nothing was overlooked. A presentation was made to the oldest and youngest member, present to remember the occasion by.

The event of the occasion was the large group photograph of over 300 members taken in the rain by a camera that dates back to the First World War.

The quality of the colour print could not be surpassed and will go into the family archives as a record of this happy occasion.

Cecil Herbert President

BIRTHS

A warm welcome to the arrival of the following new First Fleeters......

LUCY ANNE BUCKLEY, F.F. Edward Kimberley, Alice Harmsworth and Daniel Stanfield, 19th March, 1988, granddaughter to Bonny Savill.


BRITTANY ALISON KERKHAM, F.F. John Cross, 15th April, 1988 fifth granddaughter to Mr and Mrs Arthur E. Ebb.

GRAHAM ANTHONY PURCELL, F.F. Joseph Hatten, 1st April, 1988, son of Alison and Stephen Purcell, Grandson of Alice Holmes and Great Grandson of Blanche Dean.

21st BIRTHDAY

ANGELA SMITH No 2644 F.F. Andrew Fishburn.
Congratulations for your 21st birthday on 20th June, 1988.

OBITUARIES

 Deepest sympathy is offered to the families of the following:


MAGGIE DAVIS, No. 802, 3rd generation born in Australia, died 10th May, 1988 in her 97th year. Mother of Mrs Ruth Blair, Mrs Joan Wilson and the late Mrs Margaret Markwell.


"To live on in the Hearts and Minds of Descendants is Never to Die".
BOOKS

"THE WOMAN OF THE HOUSE".
by Wilma Strudwick.
The book takes the form of the diaries of three different women, the first is the grand-daughter of First Fleet
PHILIP DEVINE, who describes his trial, journey to the new
land and subsequent settlement on Norfolk Island, Van
diemens Land and finally around the Hawkesbury area.
Here is a quote from a critique written by Naoemi Troy:
"The style of this book is more of a novel, rather than a
reference work!; but the result is an absorbing narrative of
life in Australia covering the years 1788 up until the end of
World War 1.
The author writes mostly of the "little" people and so the
value historically is that we learn their day to day experi-
ences firsthand and not through the eyes of the professional
historian.
It is thoroughly researched, giving an accurate account of
the times involved and should prove interesting to others
outside the families concerned.
The title, I am told, is from an old Irish expression. "A jolly
good read".
Cost Per copy is $29.95. All enquiries to: Mrs W. Strudwick
1 Francis Street MASCOT 2020.

Mention was made in the last Newsletter of Marj Raven's
latest book on the life of Thomas Arnell, especially in
relation to his ancestry in England. Mention was also made
of her first book and was given an incorrect title. This book
is titled.... "Assistant Surgeon Thomas Arnell - The Man He
Was Not" $12.00 plus postage, her current book is entitled
"Assistant Surgeon Thomas Arnell - The Man He Was" $36.50
plus postage. Both books are available from Mrs
Marjorie Raven, 7 Griffin Ave. Bexley

Copies of Thea Stanley Hughes' book "Arthur Phillip" are
once again available from the Fellowship. $5.50 plus $1.00
Post and Packing.

"The Lucas Report; Transported Six Times Over!"
by Russell Edwin Lucas.
This book is mainly an extensive family history of the
descendants of Thomas Lucas (youngest son of Nathaniel
Lucas and Olivia Gascoigne) and Margaret Sydes (young-
est daughter of Richard Sydes and Ann White).
Cost per copy is $25.00 includes postage. All enquiries to Mr.
Russell Lucas 31 York Street Camperdown VIC. 3260

"First Fleet John Herbert - His Life and Times"
by Cecil Herbert.
This is not a family history but an historical story woven
around the conditions endured from the trials to the death of
John Herbert and Deborah Elam. Released at the recent re-
union. Cost Per copy is $18.00 includes postage All
enquiries to The Secretary Herbert Family Association P.O.
Box 312 Merrylands N.S.W. 2160

"The Brave Pioneers 1788-1988"
(A History of the Hodgetts Family) by Richard J. Hodgetts
This book is a family and pictorial history of the first five
generations of Thomas and Harriet Hodgetts. Cost per
copy is $20.00 includes postage All enquiries to Mr. Richard
Hodgetts C/- P.O. Karooola TAS. 7267

"From Chains to Freedom" Vol. 1
(The family history of Edward Garth and Susannah Gough)
Cost per copy is $30.00 plus postage

"From Chains to Freedom" Vol. 11
(The Bellett Linkage plus The Kidner Family 1788-1988)
Cost per copy is $50.00 plus postage (soon to be published
ORDER NOW)

$70.00 Plus postage package deal for Vol. 1 & 11 All
enquiries to Thais Mason P.O. Box 219 East Bentleigh Vic
3165

"Nathaniel and Olivia - The Lucas Family"
Written by their descendants.
This book is a family history covering the issue of Nathaniel
Lucas and Olivia Gascoigne and their descendants to
present day. The book also includes a story and family
history on Thomas Lucas (marine-First Fleet) and Ann
Howard. Cost per copy is $35.00 includes postage
All enquiries to Miss Rhonda Krooshert 14 Fitzpatrick Cres-
cent Casula N.S.W. 2170 Ph: (02) 602 4657

"Lady Nelson 1807" Vol. 1
Profiles of Norfolk Island to Van Diemens Land This booklet
by Irene Schaffer and Thelma McKay details a list of Settlers
etc. who embarked on board H.M. Tender "Lady Nelson"
from Norfolk Island to the Derwent River in 1807. The list
includes four First Fleeters; Thomas Kidney, Humphrey
Lynch, Samuel Hussey and Ann Hughes.
All enquiries to Mrs I. Schaffer 23 Montagu Street,
Newtown, TAS. 7008
Ph: (02) 287 815.

SPEECH BY ALICE CLARKE AT THE PLAQUE
DEDICATION OF JAMES BLOODWORTH
Sunday, March 27th, 1988 Sydney Town Hall

JAMES BLOODWORTH: FIRST FLEETTER (1759-1804)
James Bloodworth was committed for trial at the Quarter
Sessions Kingston-on-Thames, in October 1785, he was
convicted of a felony and sentenced to seven years transporta-
tion. In May 1786 James Bloodworth was on board "Charlotte"
a ship of The First Fleet bound for Botany Bay.
When the Fleet arrived in Sydney Cove the immediate need
was the erection of shelters. However, torrential rain in
February proved that even Governor Phillip's pre-fabricated
house that had been purchased in London for £125 was quite
inadequate. When good clay was found at Brickfield Hill,
James Bloodworth who had been in charge of a building
gang was given the task of constructing kilns and instructing
his fellow convicts in the art of brickmaking and bricklaying.
To make the sand-stock bricks they had first to dig the clay,
pound it with clubs, soak it, then pump up the wet mass with
trampling feet, (in the manner of wine-makers) sprinkle sand
over it then throw the wet clay into a mould.
The first real task came when Governor Phillip requested
that a new Governor's residence be built on a site he had
chosen on the east side of the Tank Stream, (on the corner
of Bridge and Phillip Streets). Under Bloodworth's direction
a fine two-storeyed house was built within twelve months
the first permanent building, it gave a sense of pride and
stability to the struggling Colony.
A foundation plate found during excavations on the site in 1899 and now housed in the Mitchell Library bears the inscription:

His Excellency, ARTHUR PHILLIP Esq. Governor -in-Chief & Captain General in and over the Territory of NEW SOUTH WALES Landed in this Cove, the 24th day of January, 1788 and on the 15th day of May in the same year being the 28th of the Reign of His present Majesty, GEORGE the THIRD The first of these stones was laid.

Bloodworth went on to build a warehouse at King's Wharf, Soldiers' Barracks, a clock tower, a windmill and houses... for Rev. Richard Johnson, the Judge Advocate and the Surveyor General and a house for himself in South Row (now O'Connell Street) It was to this house that he brought his beloved Sarah.

Sarah Bellamy was convicted at the Worcester Assizes in 1785 (she was aged 15) and sentenced to seven years transportation beyond the seas, for stealing a linen purse containing two gold coins. It is interesting to note that the indictment was only brought against her after her "victim" was himself before the Court charged with bankruptcy.

At Sydney Cove Sarah was among the trusted female convicts privileged to occupy her own small hut on the east side of the Tank Stream. She had arrived on "Lady Penhryn" with the First Fleet.

James and Sarah had 8 children though sadly, 4 died in infancy.

When the Royal Warrant arrived in December 1790 giving Gov. Phillip power to grant pardons, James Bloodworth was among the first to receive his freedom, and thereupon set himself up as a master builder, the first master builder in the Colony of New South Wales. September 1791 James was appointed Superintendent over brickmakers and bricklayers by Governor Phillip with an income of £50 p.a. Gov Phillip praised the pains he had taken to teach the art of brickmaking and bricklaying and his conduct was exemplary!

During Grose's administration James was given a grant of 50 acres of land at Petersham and Sarah received an adjoining block of the same size. James later purchased 200 acres at Mars Field.

James Bloodworth was a much respected citizen; he was also literate. He became a serjeant in the Sydney Loyal Association... a great honour for an ex-convict.

In 1803 Deputy-Governor David Collins made two requests to Governor King for the employment of James Bloodworth "if he is still in the Colony, firstly at Port Phillip then at the Derwent, for, in his opinion Bloodworth alone had the knowledge to plan and construct buildings...However Bloodworth declined the offer because of his family.

Early in the Autumn of 1804 James caught a chill which developed into pneumonia and he passed away at his home in South Row (O'Connell St.) on 21st March, 1804, aged 45 years. He left a wife Sarah, and five small children. James the eldest was not yet 14 years old.

His obituary in the Sydney Gazette 25.3.1804, quote; "On Wednesday last died, generally lamented, Mr James Bloodworth, for many years Superintendent of Builders in the employ of Government. He came to this Colony among its first Inhabitants in 1788, and obtained the Appointment from his exemplary conduct, shortly after his arrival; the first house in this part of the Southern Hemisphere was by him erected, as most of the Public Buildings since have been under his direction. To lament his loss he has left a widow and five Children, the youngest an infant only one week old; and the complaint which terminated in his dissolution was supposed to proceed from a severe cold contracted about two months since.

The attention and concern that prevailed at the interment of the deceased were sufficient testimonies of the respect with which he filled and the integrity with which he uninteruptedly discharged the duties of a Public Trust during so long a period. HIS EXCELLENCY was pleased to order that the Funeral should be provided for at the Public Expense, and to show other marks of attention to so good a servant of the Crown!

"Four in the afternoon of Friday being the wish of the widow appointed for the Funeral, the Relics of the Deceased were at that hour removed from his house in South Street and conveyed to the place of interment attended by a great number of friends, among them were most of the Sydney Loyal Association, in which he had been appointed a Serjeant.

A tomb unearthed in 1974 during excavations to build this Square is considered to have been that of James Bloodworth; not far from where we are now standing.

"Opposite his Residence a Procession was formed which moved in the following order:-

Twelve of the Loyal Association, arms reversed, Sergeant of the Association, Drum muffled and File, The Bier Two Sons, Chief Mourners and an Infant Daughter, Fourteen Female and Twenty four Male Mourners, A number of respectable Inhabitants of Rank. The Non-commissioned Officers of the N.S.W.Corp And a crowd of Spectators;

When near the Burial Ground the Association were obliged to file off for the accommodation of the Friends of the Deceased and the populace who had become very numerous; and when the Remains were deposited approached the grave and performed Military Honours!

James Bloodworth did his duty loyally and diligently in his new and harsh environment, as a true pioneer he accepted the challenge; his reward was his achievements which brought him very little pecuniary gain and the place he deserves in the pages of history. So, let us all, to day, pause and remember with pride and gratitude all those brave souls who came to this land on the First Fleet, unwilling, untrained and ill equipped. This plaque is a tribute to their courage and endurance, for they not only gave birth to a Town they founded a Nation.

The Bloodworth Association commend the Fellowship of First Fleeters for their project of locating, identifying and marking graves of First Fleeters and in particular for having the plaque placed in the southern portico of Sydney Town Hall on 27th March, last, to commemorate all those First Fleeters who were interred in the Old Burial Ground. 'Bloodworths' came from as far afield as Newcastle, Bathurst, Rylestone, Urunga, Kooringal, Nelligan and Leeton, to attend the dedication and unveiling ceremony. We wish the Fellowship every success in its continuing program of honouring our revered forebears.
SPEECH BY MAXWELL FOSTER AT THE PLAQUE DEDICATION OF DANIEL BARNET
Sunday April 17th, 1988 St. Matthews, Windsor N.S.W.

Rev. Butler, the Rector of this beautiful church, Councillor Stubbs, Ladies and Gentlemen, descendants and relatives of Daniel Barnet, some 231 years ago. A son was born to Daniel and Mary Barnet, in England, he was the eldest of six children they lived in a small street called Brick Lane, just off Whitechapel Road, and that street is still in existence today, we don’t know a great deal about his life as a young fellow but he could read and write, so this means that he must have an education of some sort. He was a ferrymen, and this meant that he had to serve a trade, because in those days a ferrymen was the man that ferried goods and passengers from the ships that were tied up in the Thames. And for 26 years of his life it must have been reasonably good, but something happened in 1783. he was charged at Winchester Castle, of having in his possession, 2 grappling hooks believed the property of the king, King George III, he appeared before the Rev. Carrington and Mr. John Pine and he was sentenced to 7 years penal servitude in the colonies. Now we must realise that N.S.W. wasn’t in existence, that this colony was the Americas, but America had won their independence in October, 1783 and they refused to accept any more convicts from Britain.

Britain in those days was very hard on the people, the common people and they didn’t know what to do with their convicts, so they thought up the idea of using some of the old sailing ships that were of no use and placed them in the various ports, particularly the Thames, and made them into prison ships. Daniel served four years of his seven years sentence in one of these ships; in the later part of 1786 when the government of Britain decided to form a colony in the newly discovered country of N.S.W., Daniel was one of those chosen to be transported, we don’t know exactly when he was placed on board the very small ship, two masted 274 tons, ship the ‘Friendship’ but we do know that when Lt. Clarke took up his commission in April of 1787 he was already on board.

Now this was one of the smallest ships in the fleet, with the usual complement of sailors and marines there were 76 convicts and 21 women convicts, now most of the women convicts, were prostitutes, and the Friendship lived up to its name, because a couple of times throughout the trip from England, Captain Phillip had to board the Friendship to bring order, particularly with the ladies, but, from what we can understand Daniel Barnet’s name was not mentioned, he was not punished on the way out so he must have been a good lad.

He arrived in Sydney in January 1788, again very little is heard of him, but in December 2nd, 1788 a court case was taken, where a John Castle was charged with having in his possession a pair of shoes, the value of 5/- belonging to Daniel Barnet. He finished his term of imprisonment in 1790, and he lived in the Windsor district or the Parramatta district really. On the 13th June 1793 he married Anne Baker at St. John’s at Parramatta, again very little is known about the family, he was given the second block of land just down past the bridge, 30 acres for the cost of one shilling an acre to be paid after ten years, again we don’t know whether there were any other children, we do know that Daniel and Anne had a son in 1797 a Daniel Jnr. you will see his name on this tombstone.

Daniel Jnr. was a wild colonial boy, in 1816 he was charged with robbery and he was sentenced to death, this was commuted to life imprisonment, and he served four years in Newcastle, and we believe that he was one of the convicts that helped to build the breakwater from Newcastle to Nobby’s. In 1821 he was allowed to return to Windsor, now it appears that his father was getting old by this time, the property had been reduced from 30 acres to 11 acres, and things weren’t going too well, we cannot find any record of his mother, Anne, we don’t know whether she died or how she died, but on the 15th February 1823 Daniel Barnet died.

On the 17th February 1823, he was buried from this church, in fact your book says about a “Daniel Barney” was really Daniel Barnet, he was the first man to be buried from the body of the church; now we don’t know why he was Barney, but I assume that he had no alias, so I would assume that Barnet that the ‘T’ may have been a badly written one that looked like a ‘Y’, now that is the only explanation that we can give.

Daniel Jnr., as I have said was a character, I suppose that he was a wild colonial boy, and he met a girl from Pitt Town, Hannah Lamb, and they had a daughter Jane, there is no record of a marriage, but he did accept Jane as his daughter, and it is from Jane that we are descended. Jane married a John Payne, who had two children, Mary and Hannah; Hannah married a Henry Hayden who came from England, and this is where the family split, because here today we do have quite a number of the Hayden family and quite a number of the descendants of Elizabeth Hayden who married George Ward, of which I am one. Now we are here not to honour the descendants of Daniel Barnet, we are only here for Daniel, and I am pretty certain, that even though he may have been caught with two grappling hooks, and to be quite honest I would say that in today’s society this would be something similar in you or I taking a pen or something home from the office, but still and all, this was the punishment in those days and he was sentenced for it.

It appears that in his life here in Australia, he lived up to the teachings of the church in which he was baptized and he was a decent fellow, I think we all are very proud of him. There is a lot more I can say, but I haven’t the time. I suppose that most of you being interested in family history, can talk for hours and hours.

It only leaves me now to on behalf of the descendants of Daniel to firstly thank the First Fleeters Association for honouring him, to thank the Rev. Butler for allowing us the privilege and to the Hawkesbury Council for really making this an official occasion, but more particularly I would like to have it recorded my appreciation to my daughter, Carol, who is not with us today because it is through her efforts that we found that we were descended from Daniel, and it was her efforts that we found that he was buried here, so without this we wouldn’t be here today, it may have been recorded in years to come, but today is really her day. I would have liked her to be here, but she is in bed sick; and I would like to end with a couple of words she said not so long ago, she said “Dad, the Lord moves in mysterious ways, do you realize that only for 2 grappling hooks you wouldn’t be here today”.


COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE SERVICE
Sunday July 17, 1988
Lang Park, Sydney

We have been given permission to place one of our commemorative plaques on the front of the R.A.H.S. memorial granite block onto the original St. Phillip's Church in Lang Park, Sydney.

The Plaque reads as follows:
"This plaque is dedicated to the memory of those who came to this country with Captain Arthur Phillip on the First Fleet in 1788 and who were buried from this Church.
FELLOWSHIP OF FIRST FLEETERS 1988"

The Dedication Service will be held, following the 10.00am Morning Service, at St. Phillip's Church, York Street, Sydney.

We invite descendants of First Fleeters, and their families, to join us at this Dedication Service.

Doug Oakes
Convenor
Plaques Committee

Fabulous Picnic and Family Reunion Day
Family Sunday, 14 August 1988
Fun 12.00 Noon

BICENTENNIAL PICNIC
at
LACHLAN RESERVE
CENTENNIAL PARK
(See Map)

Races:
1. Running: Children (in age group)
    Teenagers
    Over 20's
    Over 30's
    Over 40's
    Over 50's

2. Three Legged Race (please bring a stocking)

3. Thong Throwing for Men & Boys


Lachlan Reserve - The site of our picnic has very interesting FF connections. When the Tank Stream was unable to provide reliable unpolluted water for Sydney the ponds around the present Lachlan Reserve were connected to Sydney by the "Busby Bore" tunnel.

The picnic site is between Dickens Drive and Parkes Drive, close to the shelter pavilion, toilets and the kiosk. There are no BBQ facilities available.

Why not take this opportunity to visit the new Federation Pavilion? Information about other interesting places to visit in this park will be available on the day (or earlier by telephoning Suzanne on 225 9120 - (work).

SEPTEMBER AUXILIARY MEETING
Thursday 8th September, 1988 - 11.00am.

We have arranged a tour of the Great Synagogue. Please meet at 166 Castlereagh Street Entrance at 10.45 am.

Bookings are essential, and limited to 25 persons. Donation $2.00 to Fellowship funds.

Bookings - Mary Hope-Caten
Telephone: (02) 407 1042

COME TO TASMANIA

Friday, 28th October, to Sunday 6th November 1988.

The Fellowship, in conjunction with AAT Kings Australian tours, is conducting a ten day tour of Tasmania. This is AAT's most comprehensive tour of Tasmania, and will also include six memorial plaque services.

The full itinerary is as follows:

Fri, 28th October, 1988: Leave Sydney, fly to Hobart - sightseeing tour of Hobart and surrounding district, stay Hobart.

Sat 29th Oct 1988: Leave Hobart, travel to Kempton Memorial Service 11am St. Mary's Anglican Church, Kempton, Travel north to Campbelltown, tour Great Lakes, visit Poatina Power Station, on to Devonport, Stay at Devonport.

Sun 30th Oct, 1988: Travel to Launceston via Tamar Highway, Second Memorial Service noon, Broadlands Park, Cypress Street Launceston, Lunch with Tasmanian chapter of Fellowship members, Third Memorial Service, 3pm Christ Church, Longford, Visit Entally House on return to Launceston, Evening sing along, stay at Launceston.

Mon 31st Oct 1988: Visit Cataract Gorge, Penny Royal Gunpowder Mill, travel to Georgetown and visit The Grove, pass through lush rainforest area and enjoy the scenery around Wellingborough Pass. Stay at St. Helens on the east coast.
**PLAQUE SERVICE REPORT**

Sunday May 15th, 1988

St. Peter's, Richmond N.S.W.

We again had beautiful weather for this our eight plaque service for the year. This time, at the St. Peter's Anglican Church Cemetery, Richmond.

The day started with our joining the congregation at the St. Peter's Anglican Church 10 am service. Our President, Peter Christian read the lesson. The President of Hawkesbury Shire Council, Councillor John Horrex unveiled the flag over the tombstone of Elias and Catherine Bishop. Councillor Dr. Rex Stubbs who has been with us on previous occasions gave a speech on the history of Elias and Catherine Bishop and Rev. Noel Pilcher from St. Peter's gave a dedication speech.

Once again, we thank those in attendance for their presence.

Doug Oakes
Convenor, Plaques Committee.

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**TASMANIA CHAPTER MEETING**

Sunday 3rd July, 1988

Roy Peck of Kings meadow, Tasmania has been appointed Convenor of the Tasmanian Chapter of the Fellowship of First Fleeters. Roy will be having an inaugural meeting of the Chapter on Sunday 31st July 1988 at the War Memorial Hall, High Street Launceston, commencing at 11 am. We invite all members resident in Tasmania to attend this meeting and support Roy in his endeavour to establish this chapter. Those attending, please bring your own lunch and have a picnic with them. Hot water is obtainable at the hall.

For further information on the meeting, please ring Roy on (03) 44 2784.

The Fellowship has established Chapters in Canberra, Newcastle and Lismore and others are being formed. Roy will be appointing a working committee at this meeting to run the Chapter. The purpose of establishing the Chapters is for members living in their vicinity to be able to attend meetings and functions as active members of the Fellowship.

We thank Roy for accepting this position and establishing the Chapter. We look forward to hearing of the success of which the Committee is able to organise.

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**JAPAN WEEK GRAND PARADE**

16th July, 1988 - 2.00pm.

Members are invited to participate as the representatives of the City of Sydney in the Japan Week Grand Parade.

Please meet at Sydney Square at 2.00 pm. The parade will begin at 2.30 pm and wind its way down George Street to the Overseas Passenger Terminal at Circular Quay, for the completion at approximately 3.30 pm. This will be followed by refreshments for the participants.

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**PIONEER FAMILIES GET TOGETHER**

John Bourne member number 4144 informs us of the following:

Pioneer Families, have you registered your family group yet? The two big days on the 17th and 18th September 1988 are not far off. So far sixty groups have registered for the big bash at Castle Hill Showground. Registration inquiries are still coming in so don't miss out as this is promising to be the biggest gathering of First Fleet and Pioneer Families Australia has seen.

The organisers of the gathering are the Rotary Club of Castle Hill. The site chosen for the event "The Castle Hill Showground" is capable of handling and parking 20,000 people.

A tent will be supplied for each registered group to meet and exchange information. Photo copiers will also be on the site. There will be plenty of food and drink stalls and B.B.Q. plates are everywhere for your B.Y.O. party.

**DON'T MISS THIS GREAT EVENT**

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