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Newsletter of Fellowship of First Fleeters



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President's Report

The passing of four very proud members of the Fellowship occurred over the past few months.

June Adams, spouse of Warwick, had been involved, not only with our organisation, but for many years did sterling work as Secretary of the Gore Hill Cemetery Trust in addition to active membership within the Cape Banks Historical Society. Both she and Warwick attended most functions held by the Fellowship. Joy Pankhurst represented us at her funeral.

Jean Monk, FF John Barrisford, passed to her eternal rest on June 23rd last. Jean had been quite active during our bicentennial year and, though lately, in indifferent health, managed to attend a number of our functions. She had also been active in the Lane Cove Historical Society. I represented the Fellowship at her funeral in the last week of June.

We were able to include a stop press obituary to the memory of John Roberts AO, FF Ann Forbes, in the last issue of 'Founders'. John was a proud member and indeed a most generous Benefactor of the Fellowship. He was given due recognition as a Benfactor of the Fellowship of First Fleeters at our last AGM.

I was saddened to learn also of the death of Dorothy Heldon, FF William Tunks, Mary Phillips and Thomas Spencer, at the grand age of 91 years. I always looked forward to meeting Dorothy at various times over the past two decades as we shared two forebears, William Tunks on my father's line and Antoine L'Andre through my mother's line.

She was the very proud grandmother of 18 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren.!!!

A number of members shared kinship with her mainly through the Hadley/Landers line.

On behalf of the Fellowship sincere sympathy goes to the relatives of these members.

'To Live on in the Hearts and Minds of Descendants is Never to Die' May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

The new Central Coast Chapter has had its Foundation Meeting and we congratulate Roy Kable on being elected Chair of that body and look forward to a long and fruitful partnership. Thanks to John and Pauline for the spadework

I visited the Southern Highlands Chapter in June. My appreciation to the members for their warm welcome and look forward to their continued support.

The Soup and Damper Day on July 12th had a fair attendance and, in addition to

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News of Members

Membership Report for period June to July 2006

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New Members

We extend a warm welcome to new members joined during this period: eleven Adults, two Associate Spouses, twelve Juniors.

WILLIAM BROUGHTON: Diane Mary Donnon, Joan Hamilton Napper, Associate Spouse: Maxwell James Napper.

ZACHARIAH CLARK: Fiona Violet Martin.

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BARTHOLOMEW REARDON/JACOB BEL-LETT/THOMAS KIDNEY: Anthony George Griffith.

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WILLIAM TYRRELL: Laura Elizabeth Murphy (Junior), Bianca Rose Murphy (Junior).

JAMES WRIGHT: Lois Aileen Davies

Deaths

Deepest sympathy is extended to the families of the following:

JUNE ADAMS died 16 June 2006, spouse of Warwick Adams (#3873).

UNA CAMPLIN (#6489) passed away 11 June 2006. Descendant of First Fleeter John Herbert.

PHYLLIS MAUDE NORMAN (#5642) late of Cave Beach NSW, passed away
11 June 2006. Very proud descendant of First Fleeter Joseph Wright.

HAROLD JOHN WOODS (#6345) of 20 Margaret Street, Point Clare 2250, passed away27 April 2006. Descendant of First Fleeters Owen Cavanough and Margaret Darnell.

IRENE JANE (Jean) PHILLIPS (nee Cowling), born Corrimal 19th July 1908. Passed away 8th January 2006. Descended from First Fleeter William Whiting who arrived on Alexander 1788.



She was brought up in Goulburn, and the family later moved to Sydney. Jean followed a nursing career and became a triple certificated nursing sister. This was not an easy achievement in the early days of nursing, where wages for nurses were very low or non existent. She specialised in the field of psychiatric nursing. She also loved her times at the Crown Street Women's Hospital, entertaining us with the experiences of her early nursing days of the '30s Great

Depression, delivering babies in the poorest and roughest suburbs in inner Sydney. The nurses walked with a partner or rode in a tram to the expectant patient's home. Often they had to supply pennies for the slot gas meter to heat water. The birth conditions were intolerable, no towels or anything. Jean also worked at the Goulburn Base Hospital, and at Kenmore Psychiatric Hospital. Later, she worked with Dr Seaborn in his private hospital, Alanbrook, Cremorne. Her nursing career extended through her life until she was in her late 70s. At this stage she was specialising with private patients. Jean married Clarence Henry Phillips ('Harry') in 1937. Jeanette Kay Phillips was born in 1942. The family lived in Manly for many years. When Jean reached her 80s she retired to Grafton where her family live. She lived in her own home with help from family and friends until the ripe old age of 97.



Maintain-a-Brick Donations

We have gratefully received donations from the following people: M. Arch, NL Bracey, MP Butler, J Burnett, L Baxter, P Borman, J Cox, B Coleman, H&L Causer, RJ Eldershaw, D Endicott, J&K Greenhalgh, P Grace, D Johnson, S Keogh, R&M Morris, N Mason, AC Monck, M McKell, B Potts, B Purkiss, D Reid, D Smith, ED Stafford, South Coast Chapter, TY Taranto, RW Worthington, J Westmore, M Wheeler, J Whitehouse, R&M Young.

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the fine repast, we were treated to a most interesting talk by Marge Raven on Thomas Arndell FF. She has kindly passed on to the Editor details of her talk which will be included in 'Founders' . Appreciation not only to Marge but to Phyllis, Elaine, Jean, Lois and Leonie for the success of the day.

On Saturday July 29th some members of the Executive hosted an Open Day, mainly for those members who felt that they could help as volunteers at First Fleet House. A short talk was given by several key personnel on the workings of the various committees and what help was needed. It is incredible that so much has to be done to ensure smooth working of the Fellowship by so few dedicated volunteers.

I must thank Tony Laffan for sending me a copy of his latest work "Convicts and Currencies." Some time ago he kindly donated his book on Ann Colepits to the Fellowship. It was a great and valuable insight into the lives of a number of First Fleeters and his latest effort is well up to standard. It is the story of the family of a James Hanks, who arrived as a convict on the "Barwell" in 1798. A number of First Fleeters do get a mention and of special interest is the chapter on residents of Chapel Row and Pitt Row from 1803 to 1809.

It is a well documented presentation on the life of a family in early Sydney. Thank you Tony.

The book is for sale at \$20 posted. Contact Tony Laffan, 52a Reading Road, Brighton- Le-Sands 2216.

The Australia Day Luncheon details are in this issue (see page 6) for your interest. For the first time in many years I will be taking a back seat, but will look forward to seeing as many members as possible at Cello's.

Please keep in mind the Daytime Fellowship Luncheon on Wednesday 18th October at 10.30am. Members \$5, good value and an interesting guest speaker. Also in this issue are details of the Family History Seminar on Saturday September 30th.

We will again be conducting a Circular Quay walk pertaining particularly to First Fleet Sacred Sites. On Sunday September 17th. Meet at First Fleet Park, George St steps, at 2 pm. Finish with refreshments at First Fleet House. Donation \$10.

Since my last report I have spoken to the Cumberland View Club, Peakhurst Probus Club, West Pennant Hill Probus, 120 members present, and the St. Stephen's Macquarie Street Fellowship and a number of engagements to follow up to November.

And finally, I would like to send my deep appreciation to all who have sent messages of congratulations on my award of the OAM through phone, letters, cards and e-mails. It certainly was quite a surprise and quite humbling to boot. It could not have been achieved without the help and encouragement not only by my Executive, but the membership of the Fellowship as a whole and you all, in some way, have earned for myself this honour. I wish to share it with all of my Fellow Fellowship friends.

The Investiture will be held at Government House on Wednesday 6th September next. I am only allowed 3 guests so I would like you to know that you will all be with

In Fellowship, Peter

me in spirit.

PLAQUES REPORT

11 JULY 2006 COMPILED BY TERRY MORTIMER

Individual Plaques

Recorded in 'Where F. at Fleeters Lie'
Twenty-two Affixed since 'Where First Fleeters Lie' was published 1989.

Eighty-two in Total

Commemorative Plaques

Fifteen Recorded in 'Where First Fleeters Lie' Three affixed since the above was published in 1989. Eighteen in Total

One hundred Plaques in total to this date.

Thomas Arndell

This is an extract of a talk given to the daytime fellowship meeting on Wednesday 12th July by Marjorie Raven. Mrs Raven is the author of "Thomas Arndell in the Colony of NSW" and "Assistant Surgeon Thomas Arndell - The Man He Was Not".

In 1945 when I was 15, I was holidaying at Katoomba with my mother. We walked along the Western Highway to the Explorers' Tree, about half way to Medlow Bath. Behind the tree was a steep track and at the top are the graves of convicts, unnamed of course. We rested on a foot stone and my mother said "One thing you girls can be sure of – you are not descended from a convict. Your ancestor was a doctor on the First Fleet."

That went straight through. I didn't know what she was talking about nor was I particularly interested. That was left to rest until my sister bit the bullet, and in 1974 she presented me with an application form to join the Fellowship of First Fleeters. At our first meeting we were greeted by Val Ross, who introducd us as Joan Stear and Marjorie Raven – THEY'RE ARN-DELLS! After the result of my 12 years research I'm sure her voice would have changed. She would have introduced us as Joan Stear and Marjorie Raven - they are descended from Thomas Arndell. You will understand the change of tone later!

Ron Arndell's book Pioneers of Portland Head has a chapter on the allegedly illustrious Arndell family. Many years ago, back in the 1970's he addressed a meeting of the Fellowship on to ancestors and life of Thomas Arndell (let's just call him Thomas for easy reference), and said that he was descended from the great aristocratic English family of the Arundels of Wardour of Wardour Castle, Wiltshire. He married a beautiful Italian Jewess, Esther Foscari. As he came from one of England's most noble and prominent Catholic families, he was excommunicated and his name was expunged from family records! All untrue!!

This intrigued me, so I decided to prove it! In the process of proving it, it gradually evolved that I was disproving it – this was just a family legend!

All the evidence in my first book is from primary records and conclusive. A Thomas Arundel of Wardour was baptised in 1753, so this was a convenient year for our Thomas to be slotted into the Wardour family tree and his 'excommunication' and 'expunging from the family records' were very simple and convenient, because he was just never there!

With the use of Church records and Wills, I found that he was NOT the son of Thomas Arundel of the Wardour family and his wife Anne Mitchell – that Thomas was born in 1753 and was the illegitimate son of Thomas Arundel, born in 1718 when his father was 22, before his marriage to Anne – and he died in 1784. So you can see that he could NOT have arrived in Sydney Cove on the First Fleet in 1788.

His descendants then bombarded me with "Well, who was he and where did he come from?"

So away I went - I am a bit like a terrier with a bone - I shake until all the meat drops off.

In 1982 I contacted the College of Arms in London by letter and telephone several times, and paid them some hundreds of dollars only to be eventually sent two lines of a family tree indicating that they thought our Thomas could have been born and baptised in Kington, Herefordshire in 1752. I later found errors in this small tree, but at least it got me started.

I contacted John Harnden, President of the Hereford Family History Society, now a Fellow of the Society of Genealogists in London, and together we obsessively searched and hunted down our elusive Thomas Arndell. He has proved to be a clever man with a past in England to hide. Little did he know that his great-great-great-granddaughter would reveal it all 200 years later.

Kington Parish Church, Hereford, England, where Thomas Arndell was baptised in 1752.

Thomas zealously guarded his English background from his Australian born family, although a neatly woven and romantic story was concocted by the husband of a Tasmanian descendant, Ernest Savery Tremayne Rodd.

Every Arndell in England, either direct or lateral ancestors of Thomas, back to 1675, signed his or her name on Wills and Marriage certificates, so they were apparently literate.

We found that he was the son of Anthony and Elizabeth Arndell. Anthony was a Tallow Chandler and Maltster at Kington, Herefordshire – a far cry from the Arundels of Wardour. We won't mention them again, they have become irrelevant. He was the youngest of eleven children, all of whom died young except one elder brother, Anthony, and of course, Thomas himself.

He was baptised at Kington Parish Church on 4 March 1753. During our visit to England in 1998, Ken and I visited the Church and were made very welcome by the Vicar. It really was quite nostalgic.

Anthony, his elder brother, moved to London where he became a Tallow Chandler, and married.



Thomas went to London when he was about fourteen, living with his cousin Thomas, an apothecary, and like his brother and cousin, was apprenticed to a trade. In 1775 he was admitted by Patrimony to the Freedom of the City of London by Redemption in the Company of Wheelwrights and at the end of the Certificate his profession is given as "Apothecary", which was not much more than a barber.

Apprentices were generally not permitted to marry during their apprenticeship but could if they were bound to a relative.

He was bound to his cousin Thomas from Kington. Between 1772 and 1781 it is recorded that his wife Susanna gave birth to six children, none of whom survived beyond the age of four, except the firstborn, John.

I'll tell you a bit about John later.

However! The youngest child of Thomas and Susanna was born in August 1781, and lo and behold, he fathered a daughter, Esther, to Isabella Foscari in December that year – just four months after his wife gave birth to a daughter in the British Lying-in-Hospital at Holborn which caters for "distressd poor married women only, with special attention to wives of soldiers and sailors".

So, what did he do? He abandoned both women! The records of the Royal College of Surgeons of England show that he "qualified by oral examination on 6th September 1781, before the Court of Examiners as Mate to an Indiaman, that is fit to be an Assistant Surgeon in a ship of the East India Company", and on the 24th September, one month after the birth of his daughter and three months before the birth of his illegitimate daughter, he was on the Major, sailing from Portsmouth for Madras. He was away from England for twenty months during which time things would have cooled down a bit.

When he qualified for the East India Company he was only a mate, but as he had served twelve months in a hot climate, he transferred to the Rochford as a Surgeon.

He had soon effected a reconciliation with his wife Susanna and their surviving children who had been in the care of his brother Anthony, and in January 1785, Susanna and Thomas had another daughter, who died six months later. The last of their family, except John, died in March 1786.

Once again, removal to foreign parts seemed to be the best answer to his problems and he applied for and obtained the post of assistant Surgeon to the embryo colony of New South Wales.



I can hear Thomas saying, "Blow the lot of you! I'm off to New South Wales!"

My biggest frustration is that I have not been able to find the actual record of his marriage to Susanna, although I don't doubt from my research that they were married. Many churches in the vicinity of their home were destroyed by bombing during the war, but I am still searching constantly.

He was granted a Patent of Appointment as Assistant Surgeon and sailed on the *Friendship* with the First Fleet in May 1787.

To be continued next issue.

As our president has said,

Every First Fleet Family has a story to tell!

With a certain amount of pride, I am pleased to advise of my great-nephew, Chris Troode, winning Gold in the recent Commonwealth Games. Chris was part of the successful 4 x 400 metre relay team, which won Gold by winning the final.

Western Australia's main newspaper, the 'West Australian', on 27 March 2006 gave the following report: 'Chris Troode's run in the 4 x 400m relay was the pick of all the relay runners.' Australia Post issued a stamp portraying our victorious team, which naturally included Chris.

Chris is a great-great-great-great-great-grandson of First Fleeter John Griffiths, marine, who arrived with the First Fleet on board *Friendship*. John married Jane Thompson a convict who arrived on board *Neptune*, a Second Fleet ship.

Their daughter Elizabeth, married Captain James Kelly, the son of a Third Fleeter - Catherine Devereaux, who arrived on board *Queen* on 27 September 1791.

As you can see, Chris has descended from the First, Second and Third Fleets. Hope you will find the foregoing information to be of some interest.

Kind regards, Laurie Troode (#6912)



Governor of New South Wales Professor Marie Bashir and Aussie Pratt, President of North West Chapter.

From the Chapters

North-West Chapter (Tamworth & surrounding areas) Some members of the North West Chapter Fellowship of First Fleeters and the Tamworth Historical Society were delighted to meet the Governor of New South Wales Professor Marie Bashir and Sir Nicholas Shehadie, when they recently visited the First Fleet Memorial Garden at Wallabadah. They were on a 2-day tour of Liverpool Plains Shire, and were accompanied by George Souris, State Member for Upper Hunter, and his wife.

In the company of Ian Lobsey, Mayor of Liverpool Plains Shire, Robert Hunt, General Manager, and Senator Sandy Macdonald, they toured the Garden and had lunch there, before attending a function at Wallabadah School.

Her Excellency was very impressed with the layout of the Garden and the surrounding area. In response to a welcome from Aussie Pratt, President of North West Chapter, she spoke passionately about the First Fleet and the qualities of determination, self-reliance, allegiance and mateship that sustained the early Colony and are vital to our society.

SPECIAL ADVANCE NOTICE

The Directors of the Fellowship of First Fleeters have decided to hold our Australia Day Celebration Luncheon on Saturday 20th January 2007

at Cello's Restaurant in the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel, 169-171 Castlereagh Street, Sydney

COST: \$45pp (Fully Financial Members of FFF*) \$50pp (Non Financial and Non Members)

TIME: Commencing at 11.00am for pre Lunch drinks, closing at 3pm (Lunch to be served at 12.45pm) The Venue is very close to Town Hall Railway Station, with loads of good handy Parking for those who drive.

Registration Forms will be available in the October/November "Founders", with bookings closing on 31st December 2006

NOTE: Numbers are LIMITED, so please check your diary and book as soon as you receive your Registration Form. Registrations must be fully completed and accompanied by all moneys due.

So why not make a Sydney Weekend---there are some great Accommodation deals available, and you can visit many of the Historical and First Fleet landmarks.

*Another very good reason to be a Financial Member of the Fellowship

More in the next "Founders". John Boyd, PR Officer FFF

From the Chapters

Northern Rivers Chapter (Lismore & Surrounding areas)

Next Meeting: 24th September Venue: 16 Atlas Street Lismore

Time: 11.30am for BBQ Lunch

Cost: \$7 members, \$8 non members

Speaker: Topic - First Fleeter, Frederick Meredith

Further Information Phone (02) 6686 3597 or (02) 6621 3650

New Executive for July 2006 / 2007

President: Betty McPherson # 4152 FF Richard Morgan
Vice President: Lionel Phelps # 2315 FF William Roberts
Secretary: Margaret Soward # 7228 FF John Ryan
Treasurer: Vilmai McDonald FF William Roberts
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North Coast Chapter (Coffs Harbour, Woolgoolga, Leigh & nearby regions)

Next Meeting: Sunday 6th August Time: 11.30 am.

Venue: Colin and Pat Robertson, 21 Queen Street, Woolgoolga, NSW

Speaker: A guest speaker will be in attendance.

Sunday 8th October, Mary & Jim Kell will host the meeting. Time:11.30 am.

Venue: "Coramba Park" 880 Coramba Road, Leigh NSW

Followed by a visit to Dorrigo Historical Museum, New Displays have been added.

Phone President Robyn Condliffe for more info. (02) 6653 3615

South Coast Chapter (from Engadine to Burrill Lake)

The South Coast Chapter had a most successful AGM on 1st August, followed by Australian History Triva and Fifth Birthday celebrations.

August 2006 / 2007 Executive Committee:

President: John Boyd # 7163 phone 4261 6893
Vice President: Stan Keough # 7072 phone 4232 1060
Secretary: Jean Mortimer # 6409 phone4257 5575
Treasurer: Terry Mortimer, Spouse Associate FFF Member

Next Meeting: September 5th, President of the Kiama & Districts Historical Society will speak about Rear Admiral Hindmarsh who served with Horatio Nelson. John is a descendant of the Hindmarsh Family.

Next Outing: September12th. A visit to The Great Synagogue, Sydney, tour includes sound and light show. All FFF members welcome, for further information, phone Jean Mortimer (02) 4257 5575 or Stan Keough (02) 4232 1060

Southern Highlands Chapter

Next Meeting: 9th August - AGM - Topic "Our First Fleeters" - rostered members to speak. Time: 12.30pm -2.30pm Venue: Berrima District Credit Union, 411 Bong Bong Street, Bowral. Further information please phone Valerie Collyer 4872 1238.

Canberra Chapter

(All ACT Suburbs, Queanbeyan, Braidwood, Bungendore & Yass)

Officers Bearers for July 2006 /2007 President. Geoff Cameron Tel: (02) 6251 4095 Vice President. Marion Batchelor

Secretary. Brian Mattick Treasurer. Gina Pinkas

New England Chapter

Next Meeting: Saturday, 30 September. If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact me. Robyn, Hon. Secretary



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FAMILY HISTORY WORKSHOP Expressions of Interest

Renowned Family Historian Leonie Doorey has agreed to conduct a Family History Workshop for members of the Fellowship on

Saturday 30th September 2006

at First Fleet House, 105 Cathedral St Woolloomooloo.

The Workshop will run from 10am to 3pm with breaks, and is available exclusively to members of the Fellowship and is strictly limited to 25 participants.

The cost will be \$20 pp (special FFF price). Bring own lunch. Morning/afternoon Tea supplied.

Expressions of Interest/Registrations close on Monday 31st August 2006.

To register please contact the Fellowship PR Officer John Boyd Phone 4261 6893 or email bhoid48@bigpond.net.au

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Please print your name and First Fleeter's name clearly. Payment must accompany your order to First Fleet House. Cheques made out to Fellowship of First Fleeters.



Fellowship of First Fleeters circular sticker among other items for sale.

First Fleet House Library

All members are welcome to visit First Fleet House Monday to Friday and use the library.

First Fleet House Monday to Friday 10-am to 2-pm.

Phone the day before to be sure someone will be there.

Jean & Terry Mortimer

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RON MAGUIRE, Hon. Editor