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Heritage Day was a success



The recent Heritage Day event was considered to be a success with many current local residents and past residents calling in at the Homestead and either enjoying the atmosphere, touring the site, eating a Devonshire Afternoon Tea, bringing along photographs to be scanned or doing all the above.

Many of the visitors said they did not realise what was on site and commented on how they had enjoyed the day.

A number of photographs were scanned covering a range of activities or events, or depictions of local families and activities of days gone past, and these will be collated and added

into our database for retention and viewing by interested parties in the future.

The photo considered to be of the best quality and significance is pictured above and it was submitted by Pam Sutton, and shows family relatives, the Duke Family at their Altona Home circa 1916.

Pam has kindly refused to accept the \$100 offered as a prize for the best photo chosen by the judging panel, and has requested that the Society treat it as a donation.

Heritage Day



Devonshire Tea's were prepared and served by member Annette Stephens and her staff together with Society volunteers assisting.

A small selection of photographs submitted on that day

A photo of the Altona Football Club -
Premiers 1956



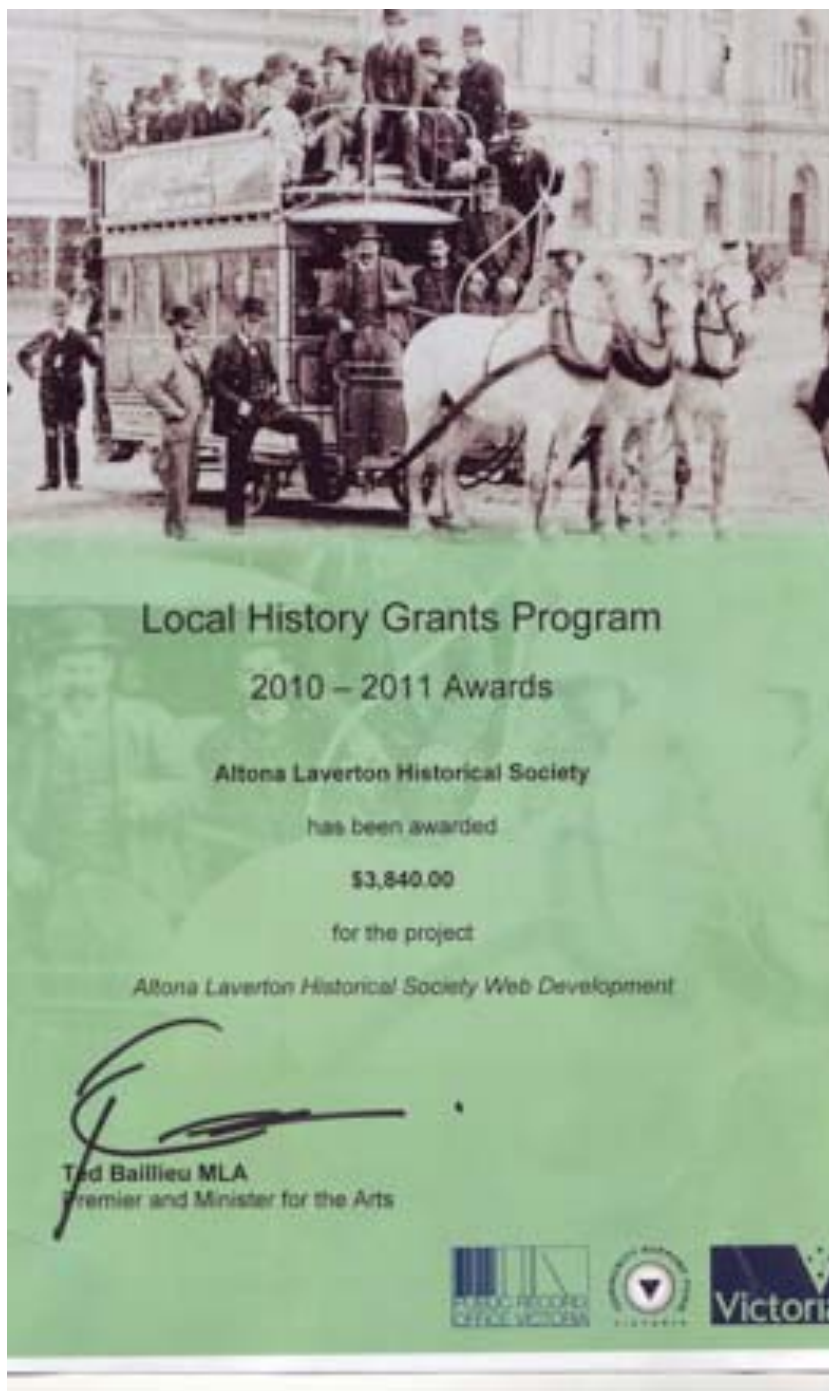
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ALTONA LAVERTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Society News

The Society has been successful in obtaining a Grant of \$3840 from the Victorian Government - Minister of the Arts, for the development of a website enabling greater community access to the Society's historical collections including documents, photographs and stories of the history of the area, clubs and other significant community elements.

The website will also enable community members to share family history and for the Society to preserve these stories.



Ministry of the Arts Grant



Above - Altona Laverton Historical Society President Peter Weaver accepts confirmation of the Grant from MP Bernie Finn the Member for Western Region in the Legislative Assembly.

Member Jim Hevey gave a talk on the History of the Martial Arts in Victoria since 1960 at the June Meeting



July Meeting - A business meeting of the Society will be held on Tuesday 19 th. July starting at 7:30 p.m at the Homestead

Membership Fees now due

Annual Membership fees for the period 1 st. July 2011 to 30 th. June 2012 are now due for payment and Invoices will be posted to members within the next few days.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST 16

The Annual General meeting will be held this year on Tuesday 16 th August 2011 and a formal notice of meeting will be forwarded shortly.

The Society is currently operating under Association Model Rules as instructed by Consumer Affairs Victoria.

There is sometimes some misunderstanding by members on the entitlement to vote at an AGM.

The rules state (16.4) that a member is not entitled to vote at a General meeting unless all moneys due and payable by the member have been paid *other than the amount of the annual subscription payable in respect of the current financial year.*

The point to note is that the rule does not require a member to have actually paid the membership fee before the Annual General meeting.

Given the fact that we have moved the AGM back one month this year it will of course give most members ample opportunity to pay fees before the meeting date.

Officers to be elected are:

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Secretary

2 general committee members

All members are encouraged to consider offering themselves for election once the nomination forms have been distributed.

If you cannot offer to stand as an elected officer please consider assisting the Committee of Management who are elected in some way from time to time as assistance is always needed in rostered positions for staffing the Homestead during open days, cataloguing and similar activities

CATALOGUING AND ARCHIVING

The continuing job of cataloguing and archiving is progressing slowly and steadily mainly with the continued assistance of members Ann Cassar and Owen Hyde, Joan and Ethel and other helpers from time to time.

Great assistance was given by a number of Bank employee members who attended over a period of weeks and were able to enter hundreds of items into the database system.

Local residents Ratna and her son Alex have also been attending at the Homestead over the past several weeks on a Saturday morning and they also have been of great assistance in carrying out cataloguing and assorted tasks during the time of their attendance.

As you will have noted earlier in the Newsletter the Grant to establish a web site for the Association should also lead to more possibilities of enabling access to information regarding what items are held enabling persons interested to carry out further research into various aspects of the past activities of the residents of Altona, Laverton and surrounds, and the early history of the Homestead and its various occupants.

For those who have not studied some of the Society Registers there are some unusual and unique items, documents, newspapers and periodicals, council records, voters rolls and the like which contain a wealth of so far hidden information that is waiting to be rediscovered.

Photographs on file indicate unusual weather, and events in past years, there are family photos, events and activities, sporting photos, school photos, old buildings, trains, ships, paintings and many other such items that are a wealth of information regarding the history of our area.

Members and friends are encouraged to take more general interest in the information becoming available and assist wherever they can to ensure that the information available is permanently recorded and continues to build in the future.

Photographs or items of genuine interest should also be sought out and whenever possible made available to the Society either as a donation or for copying and return if appropriate.

Family history and Genealogy is a growing area and the concept of a Residents register is under development which would allow for residents who wish to do so to, to supply general information regarding their own or family history to be recorded in the database as an additional aid to

MUSEUM CATALOGUE WORKSHEET	
MUSEUM CODE: V4HS	REGISTRATION NO. 415
COLLECTION TYPE	OBJECT NAME: Photograph of Altona Beach
NEG NO. OTHER NO.	STORAGE LOCATION: Museum 12.02
SURF FILE	TITLE
CLASSIFICATION: Photography	
X-REF CLASS: Photographs/Slidefilm	
SUBJECTS: Trains, Railways, Train carriages	
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: A framed black and white photograph of two motorless McKean train carriages and 2 Van at Altona Beach Station, 1928.	
INSCRIPTIONS: Two motorless McKean cars and 2 van at Altona Beach Station 1928	
MATERIALS: paper, wood, emulsion	PRODUCTION METHOD: Manufactured
WHEN MADE EXACT: 1928	WHEN USED EXACT:
WHEN MADE APPROX:	WHEN USED APPROX:
WHERE MADE: country: Australia	WHERE USED: country:
region/state: Victoria	region/state:
town/other: Altona	town/other: town/other:
MAKERS DETAILS (artist, author, manufacturer etc.)	
PUBLISHER:	
PRINTER:	
HISTORY OF OBJECT:	PHOTO OR DRAWING NO. 415
	

retaining such

information for ongoing research purposes by interested parties, it is envisaged that family references could be linked to photos and other similar information on file wherever possible.

RESIDENTS REGISTER	
RESIDENT	First Name/s
Address	
Previous Address	
Date of Birth	Place of Birth
Date of Arrival	Name of Ship
Parents - Father	Parents - Mother (Mother Name)
School	Occupation of passenger
Religion	Date of Death
Place of Death	Place of Burial
Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage
Other Marriages	
Spouse: Spouse Surname	Spouse - First Name/s
Previous Address	
Date of Birth	Place of Birth
Date of Arrival	Name of Ship
Parents - Father	Parents - Mother (Mother Name)
School	Occupation of passenger
Religion	Date of Death
Place of Death	Place of Burial
CONTRIBUTOR	SIGNATURE
Address	
Telephone	
e-mail	
Date	