

Nambour and District Historical Museum Newsletter for September, October, November 2012

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

Firstly thanks to our committee for their work during the past year and congratulations on their re-election and commitment for another year. I have not been able to concentrate much on the museum during the past month due to family worries and happenings. I for one am looking forward to a family Christmas and a much better start to the new year, so I would take this opportunity to invite all members to join me for our Christmas party to follow the 24 November meeting.

I have established a working relationship with another 'Shay' group in NSW and we are currently working together to have some replica builder/supplier plates made in the USA. Next year's funding for the 'Shay' has been approved by Council.

Those who attended our Remembrance Service would know Gordon Wallace, well Gordon who is 91 has just returned from El Alamein, Egypt where he, along with 20 other veterans attended the 70th Anniversary Commemoration of the Battle of El Alamein. The trip was arranged and funded by the Department of Veterans' Affairs, some money well spent.

SENIORS WEEK LIVING IN THE 30S

The Back to the Thirties Day in August proved very successful.

Thanks are due the Antique Car Club members who displayed their beautifully restored 1930s vehicles and to member Graham

Morton whose CDs of Nambour and 1930s advertisements proved very popular. For his resourcefulness, "swaggie", museum member

Dennis Sempf, was rewarded a book prize as winner of the 1930s dress-

up competition by president. Raffle winners were C Boag (blue 78E) and E Jeffery (black D79).



REMEMBRANCE DAY

On 8 September, respect and admiration were paid to two exceptional diggers at the Remembrance Service. The diggers were special guests, VC recipient Keith Payne and Rat of Tobruk Gordon Wallace who freely mingled and spoke with guest at the 70th anniversary of Operation Bulimba, many young service cadets and high school students. Mr Payne was awarded his VC in Vietnam and Mr Wallace was one of the youngest 2/15th Battalion in the Second World War. They delighted more than 100 people with their natural manner.



OPERATION BULIMBA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ESSAY

Coolum State High School First prize for Year 10 was awarded to Samantha McDougall, and first prize Year 8 to Eve Ayres; second Dillan Gilmour; third Keely Sweetman. During the service, Samantha and Eve read their entries as part of the service attending by more than 100 guests.



Burnside State High School Year 9 students, first Bobby Amiri Kondrood, second James Shingles, and tie third Holly Apps and Jack Frankling, were winners in the the writing competition. Cr Greg Rogerson gave an encouragement award to Jessica Bagley, Year 8. Prizes were presented at the school after the Remembrance Service because students could not attend.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Phone Fay Thorogood, 5441 1831, if you know of any schools or groups that would like to visit.

A reminder that the annual subscription runs from 1 July to 30 June. Thank-you to those members who have renewed their annual subscription.

Proposed events for 2013 are 13 April, museum's 50's themed 21st birthday event; 27 July 50th anniversary of end of Korean War; Seniors Week in August lamp displays; 30 November 10th anniversary of close of Moreton Central Sugar Mill.

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