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MLS TREASURER'S REPORT: Bruce Wooldridge

Dear Members,
Council amalgamation

It has certainly been a tumultuous 2015 so far! In our last newsletter in December 2014 we provided an update on the status of the proposed Council Amalgamations at that time; with most of Mount Lawley, Inglewood and part of Menora moving to the City of Bayswater. In March 2015, the Government scrapped all boundary changes/amalgamations following ratepayers' polls in other jurisdictions that returned a "no" vote (a process that we were deprived of). I have no doubt that the strong campaign fought by the City of Stirling and the Society, for there to be no change to our current boundaries, played a part in this outcome. As a result, the strong heritage protection that we enjoy with Stirling will continue.

A positive that has come out of this process is the improved relationship between the Society and the City of Bayswater. We would like to congratulate Bayswater as it moves towards adopting Stirling's Character Retention Guidelines for the part of Mount Lawley within its boundary. We would like to acknowledge Councillor Chris Cornish for his efforts on this initiative, and look forward to its implementation. We will continue to provide updates on this matter, which is of the utmost importance to our members in the City of Bayswater.

Opposition to Development Applications

In March 2015, 50 concerned residents from the vicinity of the corner of Walcott and Learoyd Streets gathered to protest against a proposed four-five storey development. We have formally opposed this development due to the height and scale, particularly as it abuts single storey heritage homes. We are also very concerned over the fate of the 1923 heritage building, which in itself is an icon of Walcott Street.



A redevelopment has also been proposed at 179 Central Ave for the construction of seven multiple dwellings on this lot. Residents and neighbours to this property are vigorously opposing this high density development application, objecting to the scale and proportions compared to the existing neighbouring heritage buildings.

Update on Stirling's Amendment No 32

City of Stirling's Amendment No. 32, which prohibits multiple dwellings (apartments) on residential zoned lots coded below R60, is still with the Western Australian Planning Commission for approval. This is a significant issue for Mount Lawley, given the large number of R40 lots east of Beaufort Street.

We would like to thank the Hon. Michael Sutherland MLA, Member for Mount Lawley, for his support of this amendment and his correspondence to the Minister for Planning; urging his approval.

Inglewood night markets

The inaugural Inglewood Night Markets came to an end at the end of March. This initiative of the Inglewood on Beaufort Group ("IBG") was highly successful, with impressive turnouts each week. Congratulations to Vince Gareffa, Phillipa Baines and the IBG Committee for driving such a fantastic event. The Mount Lawley Society participated on a number of nights, with a photo exhibition of Inglewood, Mount Lawley and Menora houses and streetscapes.



Heritage Council of Western Australia awards

For the second year in a row, the Society was a finalist at the State Heritage Awards under the category of "Outstanding contribution to heritage by a community-based organisation". Being announced as a finalist recognises the hard work and dedication to heritage and the community focus of our Committees and members over the past 38 years.

Congratulations to the winner of this category, the Carnamah Historical Society and Museum. You may wish to visit the "virtual museum" at <http://www.carnamah.com.au/virtual-museum>, which is a credit to the Carnamah Historical Society.

Committee Secretary

Society Secretary Beth McKechnie resigned from the Committee in April 2015. I offer the Committee's sincere gratitude to Beth for her incredible contribution over the past eight years. Beth has done an astonishing amount of highly effective work in organising our records and archives, as well as her other duties relating to the post of Secretary.

I would like to welcome to the Committee our new Secretary Pieta Hoddy. Thank you to Pieta for taking on this important role within the Society.

Committee President

I would like to thank Paul Hurst for stepping into the President's role over the past few months, adding to his tenure of four years as President between 2007 and 2011. This was a very important and demanding period for the Society, with Paul navigating our position on Council Amalgamation and our relationship with Bayswater and other stakeholders. Thank you Paul, who continues to serve on the Committee.

Our patron, Mr. Barrie Baker, has put out the call for a new President, as the role is currently vacant. Please consider whether you would like to apply your love of heritage and commitment to preserving the amenity of Mount Lawley, Menora and Inglewood to this role. Whilst it can be demanding, it is also very rewarding and you will be supported by a very strong and energised Committee.

Flyers promoting MLS will be printed in May. If anyone can help in distributing, please contact us.



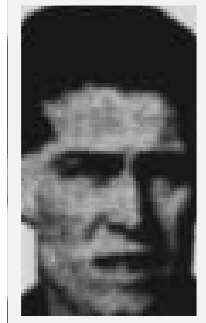
A combined group including **Mount Lawley Senior High School students, local Rotary clubs and the Mount Lawley Society** will focus on WWI service personnel during the Anzac Centenary.

We are seeking information about Mt Lawley's 1914-1918 diggers, especially the fallen. This is planned to be a 4 year project concentrating each year on those who were killed in action, died of wounds or disease in each of the centenary years.

The MLS archiving group will add details on the WW1 personnel to the increasing information that is available on the data base about the history of the houses and people in the area.

If you can add information to our data base or are interested in doing some research on the project please contact us.

Mount Lawley Men in the Great War (# 4) by Peter Conole



Sergeant Leo McComish of the 44th Battalion of Infantry, 1st AIF, flourished as a notable resident of Joel Terrace, Mount Lawley after the Great War because of his football prowess. As will become apparent Leo's family background was very interesting.

The story begins with Patrick McComish and his wife Elizabeth of County Down, Ireland. They endured the hard famine and plague years of the mid-19th Century. Their son Edward McComish, born in 1835, enlisted in the British Army as a private in the 12th Regiment of Foot on March, 3 1853. The unit embarked for the Australian colonies during 1854. Edward never saw his homeland again.

The 12th Regiment arrived in Melbourne late in the year and was soon involved in one of the most famous episodes of Australian history. Edward's company went to Ballarat during the goldfields disturbances. The soldiers played a prominent role in storming the Eureka Stockade on December 3, 1854. Private McComish emerged unscathed from the fray and moved to Western Australia with a detachment assigned to our colony for garrison duty.

Edward's military life in WA was uneventful, but his personal circumstances changed drastically when he married Ann Hackett at St John's Catholic Church in March, 1859. She probably sailed east with Edward when the regiment was sent to New Zealand in 1863 for active and hazardous duty during the Maori War. Private McComish received cash rewards for good service and was honourably discharged in December 1865. He and Ann returned to WA in 1866 to live, work and raise a family.

Edward joined the WA Police as a constable in April 1866 and served for 13 years, often under trying circumstances. He operated mainly as a mounted trooper; his transfers included Guildford, Fremantle, Bunbury, Stanton Springs and the 36 Mile Station, a key posting on the Perth-Albany road. Disaster struck in 1879 when Constable McComish was threatened and attacked by his volatile native assistant. He fought back and hit the assailant on the head with a pistol. The man died and Edward was convicted of manslaughter in July, 1879. He served three months and lost his position in the WA Police: a serious matter, for he and Ann were the parents of eight children.

McComish and his wife somehow rebuilt their lives but nothing was easy. He eked out a living as a labourer, carter and gardener and served as a sergeant in the militia (the Guildford Rifle Volunteers) from 1887 onwards. Edward and Ann lost all their personal possessions in a disastrous house fire of 1890. When Edward McComish died in May, 1900 his remains were consigned to a pauper's grave.

By then his oldest son, Edward Joseph McComish (1860-1909), was doing rather well for himself. He joined the WA railways establishment as a labourer in 1884 and married Alice Barker at Guildford. Edward the Younger attracted newspaper attention more than once for his athletic prowess and did well in career terms. He worked his way up to the position of Inspector by 1895 and served at Kellerberrin, Cue and Perth railway stations in turn before his health failed. Edward Joseph McComish died of pneumonia and heart failure in East Perth during December, 1909.

Three of his five sons also gained employment in the WA railways system, including two World War I soldiers. The first was Arnold George McComish (born 1891) who worked as a blacksmith in the railways workshop at Midland Junction and lived in Maylands. He married Violet Andrew in 1911; the couple had two children. Arnold joined the 1st AIF in 1915 and trained as a sapper at Sydney and in Egypt. He then went to France as a member of the 3rd Field Engineers Company and plunged into the grim, costly fighting on the Somme. Sapper McComish was killed instantly by an artillery shell at Pozieres, July 23, 1916. As a report said: *"he did his duty nobly and well"*.

Arnold's younger brother, Leo McComish, was born at Geraldton in 1898. After Leo's father died, his mother settled at 223 Stirling Street, Perth. Her son developed an interest in military matters as a teenager and became active in the militia, serving from 1912 as a cadet in the 88th Battalion of Infantry. He obtained an apprenticeship in the WA railways in June, 1914 but moved sideways into the 1st AIF as soon as possible. He was almost certainly several months under-age when he signed up in February, 1916. Leo was 5'6" tall in the old measure and very fit – sport was already very important to him. It is likely he was working and living in Mount Lawley at the time, for the railway system in and around the suburb was then undergoing further development.

Leo McComish (No.5758) trained at Blackboy Hill, as per usual, and embarked for the Western Front with the 11th Battalion of Infantry, 1st AIF, in July of 1916. That was just one week before his brother was killed. After arriving in England in September Leo was transferred to the 44th Battalion. Being a rather adventurous teenager he had several run-ins with the military authorities. He went AWOL (absent without leave) in England to get an arm tattoo and was docked two days pay for his pains. The battalion was sent to France in November, 1916 for front line service. In March of 1917 Leo McComish failed to turn up for a major parade and was sentenced to five days field punishment, which probably meant digging latrines.

Despite such misadventures Leo turned out to be a fine, bold soldier and experienced the worst of war at the battles of Messines and 2nd Ypres in 1917. He won promotion to Lance Corporal in September and was wounded in the hand at Broodseinde in October, a major Australian victory. Only 160 out of 1000 men in the 44th Battalion emerged unhurt – the unit had to be reinforced and retrained during the following winter. Leo returned to duty within a few weeks of his injury, but took 'time out' on New Years Eve with some mates and was fined another four days pay.

The 44th Battalion men went on to play a solid role in stopping the German spring offensive of 1918. They helped hold the line at Amiens and won further glory at Le Hamel in July, in the great August offensive and in the St Quentin battle of October, 1918. Leo McComish was wounded again on September 29, 1918 but refused to leave the field for treatment and placed his trust in front line medics instead. Promotion to Corporal followed on October 10, then to Sergeant on November 13 just two days after the Armistice. By then the 44th battalion survivors had been withdrawn for a rest. Only 80 officers and men were still on their feet.

Sergeant Leo McComish and the other survivors – plus the battalion wounded and sick – spent several months in Britain for rest and recuperation purposes. Leo embarked for Australia on the 'Konigin Louise' in June 1919 and arrived back in WA on August 2. He was formally discharged on September 19, 1919 and received the 1914/1915 Star, the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

Leo resumed work for the WA railways and married Alice Whiteford in 1923. The couple lived at 163 Joel Terrace, Mount Lawley for many years and raised a family in the suburb. The McComish man of the household also became heavily involved in sport and emerged as a notable Australian Rules Football player. Leo played for Perth from late in the 1919 season onwards until 1932 and notched up a total of 162 games. He was renowned for his speed and raw courage as a rover and was the club's leading goal kicker in 1925. Leo was captain of the club in 1929. He represented WA four times in interstate competitions, including the Football Carnival of 1927.

In later years Leo played for East Perth until retiring from the game (aged 40) in 1938. He emerged as an umpire in the 1940s and was the non-playing coach of Swan Districts in 1946. Other aspects of his long and productive life are, strange to relate, something of a mystery. Leo McComish died on September 2, 1977.

William Frederick Joss by Maggie Matthews

William Frederick was born in 1891 to Richard and Ellen Joss of 33 Harold Street, Mount Lawley. On 6th March 1916, at the age of 24 years and 7 months, he travelled to the Central Recruiting Office in Perth where he tried to enlist for military service. Not a big man, he stood five feet five inches tall (165cm), weighed a slight 120 lbs (54 kilos) and had a chest measurement of 35½ inches (90 cms). It was not his lack of stature that caused his application to be unsuccessful though, it was the fact that he had what was described on his preliminary medical examination form as, "Intermittent heart – does not improve upon exertion."

A single man who described himself as a labourer, William was undeterred by this initial rejection and later that same year (26th October 1916) he went to the military training camp at Blackboy Hill where he had a second go at enlisting ... and this time he was accepted. His heart condition was described on his medical examination form as "tachycardia" but was obviously not considered sufficient grounds for rejection this time. His happiness was to be short-lived, however, because he spent less than seven weeks as a private before being discharged on medical grounds.

What William did not tell the medical examiners was that he had a bad eye problem. This was described in detail on 22nd December 1916 on his discharge form; Reason (for discharge): Trachoma. "Scarcely able to see anything without glasses." "Has suffered from weak eyes since childhood." "When sighting with rifle the right eye waters continuously and is blurred."

Statement of Service of No. _____ Name *William Frederick Joss*

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From--	To--	
<i>91 Depot</i>	<i>Private</i>	<i>30/10/16</i>	<i>1/11/16</i>	<i>C/O 909</i>
<i>90 Depot</i>	<i>Private</i>	<i>2/11/16</i>	<i>15/11/16</i>	<i>C/O 912</i>
<i>14/12</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>16/11/16</i>	<i>1/12/16</i>	<i>C/O 922</i>
<i>43 Ammunition</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>2/12/16</i>		<i>R/O 131</i>
<i>22 Depot</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>16/12/16</i>		<i>C.O. 948</i>
<i>Discharged C.O. 954</i>				
<i>Necessary benefit</i>				
<i>has due to Trachoma</i>				
<i>22/12/16</i>				

His short military career is summed up in just a few lines;

William Frederick Joss never got to see active service but there is no doubt about his determination to enlist and play his part. He died in 1964 aged 73 and was buried in Karrakatta cemetery.

In recognition of his strength of character I have had a commemorative certificate made for him courtesy of the www.HonouringAnzacs.net.au website. A copy of this appears alongside.

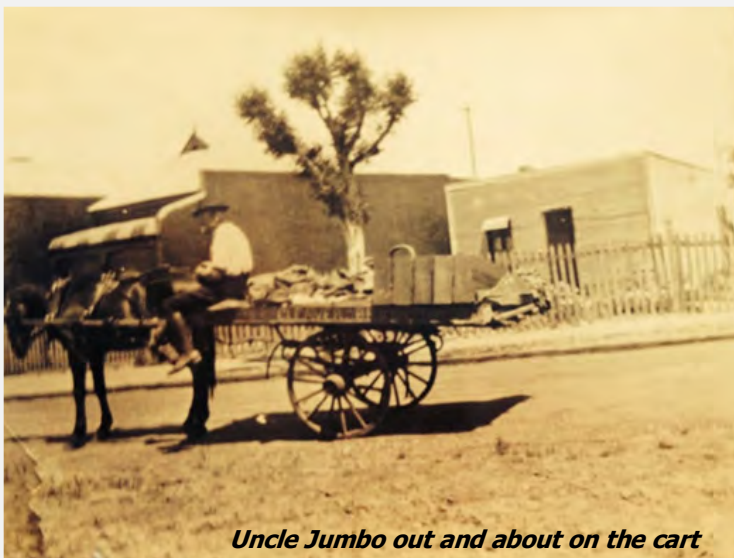


Ken Cleaver's Memories of Mt Lawley and Highgate.

Thank you to Ken Cleaver for the information and the photographs.

I was born at a birthing house on Beaufort St , Mt. Lawley and grew up in a rental at 67 Barlee St. followed by a family move to 19 Roy St , a house bought by my Aunt , Minnie McMullen to house herself and our family of Arthur and Mary Cleaver (nee McMullen) and their 2 sons, Richard (born 1917) and myself (born 1928 when mum was 44 years of age).

My father and his brother, Albert (Jumbo) migrated from the UK to Australia in 1911, tried their hand at Kalgoorlie and then timber cutting at Wellington Mills near Bunbury. Having saved a bit, they took on a green grocery store at 489 Beaufort st, Highgate(opposite the Queens Hotel), delivering around the area with a horse and cart.



Uncle Jumbo out and about on the cart

The brothers sponsored their parents and 6 siblings to come from the UK in 1913. The Great War started in 1914 and over the next years , four of the sons joined the Australian Army and went to France.

Cleaver Bros business folded up in the depression of 1929. Dad found a position as a public gardener with the Perth City Council, and Jumbo married and became resident caretaker at Bay View Mansions where he stayed for the rest of his life.

My older brother Richard was educated at Highgate State School and then gained entrance to Perth Modern School. I followed onto Highgate State School from 1935-1941, going onto Perth Boys School during the war years 1942-1944.

Both Richard and I and had an active life in the Forrest Park Methodist Church on Walcott St. We shared a good life with many families from Mt Lawley, Inglewood, Highgate and East Perth ; such as the Westlunds , Arnotts, Hawkins, Carters, Lowes, Berrymans, Wilkinsons, Mofflins, Nagels , Hoggs, Kohlmans, Anderson, Purchers and countless others.



Forrest Park circa 1940

Some people and events I remember from my 20 years around Mt Lawley are:

Most of our furniture came from the auction of Michael Francis Troy's home in Alvan st prior to him going as Agent general for WA to London in 1938.

As we only had an ice chest , I went across the road to the butcher for the daily meat, or to the Growers market supplied by vegetable growers from Guildford or up the Swan River.

I played with the other kids on Roy st, Alf Rance, Peter and Wendy Brady and lived near the Bunn family and next door to the McGanns (builders, yachtsmen (Destiny Boats). Gerry McGann played rugby for Northern Suburbs Rugby Club based at Forrest Park.



Ken, Wendy and Peter Brady and friend

Walking or trams were our mode of transport. Trams from Perth to Inglewood , Leederville, Mt Lawley west of Beaufort St were always on the go and

crowded.

The crowded Astor Theatre on weekends and Saturday afternoon matinees. I went to the pictures 11 times in one week in the school holidays.

Digging an air raid shelter in the back yard of 19 Roy St with Dad. An above ground jarrah timber air raid shelter on the verge of Walcott St towards Beaufort Street.



Me, Mum and Dad overlooking the backyard at 19 Roy St

After the fall of Singapore, Lieutenant General Gordon Bennett was located with his command in a large house at 36 Queens Cres with his support base on Forrest Park surrounded by barbed wire and guards. Also a festival day when it closed down and was returned for public sporting use.

Going to Maylands Airport on a Sunday to see the Lancaster bomber " G for George" sent out from the UK

Trekking off with a friend to the " Mucks" on the Swan River near the Bunbury Bridge, or to Hyde Park. We walked everywhere in those days

I married my wife , Elaine in 1952 and our first home was sharing part of the Armstrong family home at 26 Glenroyd st Mt Lawley .

I rode a push bike to my job at the Commonwealth Bank, Mt Lawley and Elaine ride down William St to her work as a book binder at Wesfarmers Print on Queen St, Perth.

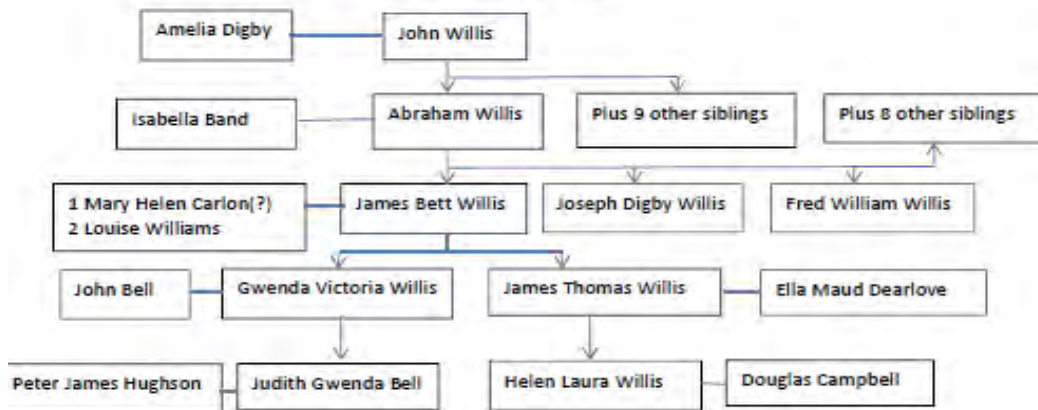
Our first shopping was done at Best Stores , Beaufort St and for many years we kept the shopping lists.

THE WILLIS FAMILY AND MOUNT LAWLEY



*"Mincol", 100
Vincent Street*

WILLIS FAMILY TREE



John Bette Willis C 1940

- **John Willis** was born in 1805 in England and left Maldon in Essex for Victoria, arriving on the ship 'Recruit' in April 1855. His wife Amelia and family of nine children arrived in Victoria in September 1858 on the ship 'Conway'.

- **Amelia Digby** was born in 1808 and died at Euroa in 1888.

- **Abraham Willis** was born in 1830, the eldest son of John Willis. He married Isabella Band on 15 August 1855. He came to Victoria separately from his family. They had a family of 11 children. He died in 1903. They lived at Woolshed C in Morang, Victoria.

- **Isabella Band** was born in Darsee, Fifeshire in Scotland in 1834 and died in 1898.

- **James Bette Willis** was born 1864 in Morang, Victoria, the fifth child of Abraham Willis. He was trained as butcher. He, and brother Joseph, arrived in Western Australia in the late 1891 and prospected for gold at Nannine and Horseshoe (now Peak Hill) in the Murchison district. There they prospered. James, in partnership with John Tulloch,

moved to Cue and opened butcheries at both Cue and Day Dawn, trading as Tulloch & Co. They were joined by Joseph Willis. James and John Tulloch then moved to Leonora and established a successful butchering and stock breeding business. In 1896 James took out a lease of 8,000Ha on the southern outskirts of Leonora, and brought consignments of cattle and sheep from Peak Hill, via Wiluna, to Lawlers and Leonora.

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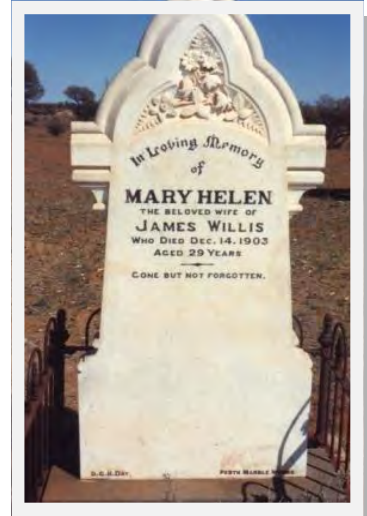
In partnership with Thomas Mellor, he later acquired the 'Windiddi' station, a property of 3,550.000 hectares, 226km NE of Leonora. He sank the first well to produce drinkable water. He ran cattle on the property, fattened for the Perth and Kalgoorlie markets. In 1948 he transferred the property to his son-in-law John Bell, who in turn sold it to Spencer Doman in 1950.

His first wife was Mary Helen Carlon(?), from Victoria no later than 1898. She lost her first child at birth in 1902 and in the next year died delivering a son who also died.

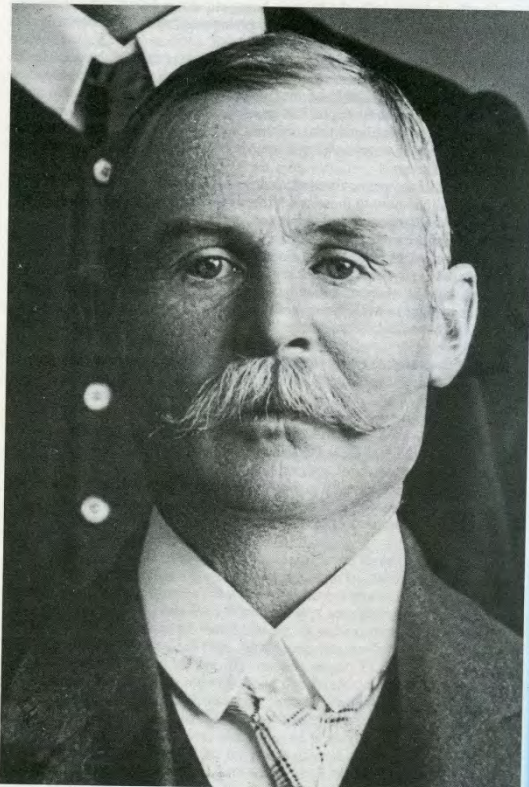
In 1904 he married Louisa Williams in Fremantle. They had two children, Gwenda and James (Jr) He built the house ('Mincol') in 1916.

In 1928 he acquired 'Cloverdowns' Sta-

tion from his youngest brother Frederick William Willis and then transferred the lease to his daughter Gwenda and Son-in-law John Bell. He established a first class flock of Bungaree blood Merino sheep. In 1977 Judith Hughson and John Bell sold the station to Donald and Nuala Murray. James Bette Willis died in 1951.



- **Joseph Digby Willis** was born in 1865 in Morang, Victoria. He came to Western Australia in 1891 and worked on the railways at Geraldton. In 1896 he established the 'Pinnacles Station at Lawlers in partnership with William E Routledge and Frederick Morris. The station took droves of cattle from the Kimberleys which were butchered by Frederick Morris. In 1920 he sold his share of the lease leaving William Routledge as sole leaseholder. He lived in retirement at 14 Bagot Road Subiaco



- **Francis William Willis** was born 1879 in Morang, Victoria. He came to Western Australia shortly before 1900 and took over the lease of 'Cloverdowns' Station (of 150,000 hectares) sometime before 1907. It had been part of a larger station owned by Forrest Emanuel, who used it as a depot for cattle driven down from the Kimberleys. In 1928 he transferred the lease to his brother, James Bette Willis, lived in Kalgoorlie for some 5 years before farming at Wokalup, north of Bunbury, where he died in 1941.

- **Louisa Williams** was born in 1883 and married James Bette Willis in 1904. They had two children, Gwenda Victoria, born in 1906, and James Thomas, born in 1911. She died in 1939..





James Thomas Willis. Photo taken on active service c1940

- **Gwenda Victoria Willis** was born in 1906 and educated at Perth College. In 1934 she married clerk/accountant John Bell. They had one daughter, Judith. They lived at 'Mincol' until 1940 when she and John Bell moved to Leonora. In 1943 they took over the lease of 'Cloverdowns' Station. Gwenda died in 1953.
- **John Bell** was born c1906 and trained as an accountant. He held the lease of Cloverdowns Station until 1971, when he and Judith Gwenda Bell held it as tenants in common. They sold the lease in 1975 to Donald and Nuala Murray. John retired to Cottesloe and died in 1989.
- **James Thomas Willis** was born in 1911 and educated at Hale School from 1924 to 1928. He then worked as a stockman at 'Cloverdowns' Station. In 1934 he married Ella Maude Dearlove in Boulder. They had one daughter Helen. He was killed in action in North Africa in 1941.
- **Judith Gwenda Bell** was born in 1936. From 1971 to 1975 she was a joint leaseholder of 'Cloverdowns' Station. She married Peter James Hughson in 1963
- **Ella Maude Dearlove** was the daughter of Arthur Frederick Dearlove, miner of Gwalia, and his wife Alexandra. She had one daughter, Helen Laura Willis.
- **Helen Laura Willis** was born in 1937. She was educated at St Mary's Church of England Grammar School, being Head Girl in 1954. She trained as a speech therapist and married Douglas Stuart Campbell, moving to the ACT.



Wongawol Cloverdowns Station Pinnacles Station Windiddi Station

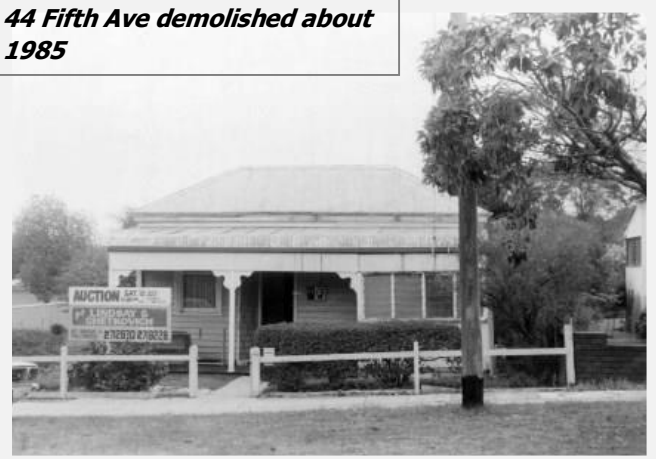
How the First School in Mt Lawley was started.

From the Archives of the MLS.

This is one part of a series of articles written by Mary Margaret Tomlinson (nee McEvoy) of 44 Fifth Ave , Mt Lawley in 1979.

The first school started early in 1912 in the little " St Patricks Church Hall" in Beaufort Street, between First and Second Avenue. There were 21 pupils, 20 local children and a 12 year old girl, Florence Faulker, who came from Leederville, with the one and only teacher " Mr Sneider".

44 Fifth Ave demolished about 1985



After several months, the Inglewood (now called the Mr Lawley Primary School) was built in second Avenue, there being an increase of pupils at this time, Mr Sneider was given an assistant teacher, a "Mrs Laffer " when he moved into the new school.

How do I remember all this? I worked at Pole's Store (now Douglas's Liquor Shop) at the corner of Beaufort Street and Second Avenue(It being the only store between Walcott Street Mt Lawley and the Railway Station at Maylands) , but only a couple of chain from the little Weather Board Hall.

I knew all the children and their parents; the surnames of the children were.. Galloway, Liversey, Taylor, Hocking, Davies, Ferguson, Bowra, McEvoy, Fletcher and Cohen.

Most of the children had 1 shilling (10 cents) to bank on Monday's and I did the banking for them.

The little Hall was built by an " Austrian" in 1911 and it served the district well. It was blown down , and collapsed like a pack of cards during a fierce storm, in February 1915, but was rebuilt and reinforced with Weather Board side brackets; it looked strange for a while but they did the job and the little Hall stood for many years; and was at last demolished to make way for the flats.

In a couple of previous newsletters (2011) we published a series of photos donated to the MLS on the Porteus and Hobbs family.

John Alexander Porteus, wife **Louisa** (John Alexander married **Louisa Madeline Hobbs**) in 1903 . They had 3 daughters **Elsie Oonah Mary** born Kanowna 1905 **Alexandria Madeline (Lexie)** born Kalgoorlie 1906 and **Marjorie L E** born Nth Kalgoorlie 1909 .

The family lived in **61 Fourth Ave Mt Lawley** and **98 Ninth Ave Maylands** . Elsie predeceased her parents. John died in 1942 in Mt Lawley. Marjorie in her later years lived at **49 Clotilde St Mt Lawley**.

They had cousins in the Eastern States and in England and there are photos and correspondence from these relatives.

The MLS is happy to say that the photos and documents have been claimed by a family member researching the family tree. The reference to the Porteus/Hobbs family was picked up on **Google** from the old newsletters.

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