

## **AUSTRALIAN WAUGH FAMILY SOCIETY..**

### **Newsletter No.7....August. 1999..**

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#### **1...Revised Program For Armidale Meeting & Dinner 20th November 1999....**

I was taken to task by my big sister Mollie (**Mollie Smith..F47**) for producing such a dull program for our Armidale Meeting..(that's not her exact wording but that's the message I got !). She pointed out that this is not just an **HISTORICAL** Society but it is also a **FAMILY** society. Many of old **THOMAS WAUGH's** (1706-1803) descendants are doing very interesting things **NOW** and what they are doing will be part of the **FUTURE** descendant's history..So why not use this meeting as an opportunity for these younger "**movers and shakers**" (Ed. my days of moving and shaking are long gone!) to tell us all what they are doing **NOW**..

Most of these (but not all) are **Generation "G"** and just off the top of my head I'll list some of them with their special area of expertise just to illustrate what this dinner party could be about..

**Mark Stanley** (G1831) International Banker, presently based in Singapore...travels the world in the course of his job and commutes by air to his family in Sydney..

**David Gardiner** (G139) Veterinary Surgeon..based in Hunter Valley..recently a lecturer at Tocal College...not long back from a conference in London where he presented a paper..What about ?? I don't know but I bet it would hold my attention for 10 minutes at least !!

**Richard Waugh** (G8017) Professional Photographer (he took those excellent wide angle group photos at the Port Macquarie Reunion.)

**Jeffrey Main** (G133) Civil Engineer, specialising in Railways...currently a consultant doing work for the NSW railways, but has worked on rail systems at Pilbarra in WA and also Malaysia..

**John Waugh** (G73) Director of Pediatrics at Logan Hospital (I know this because I read it in Ian Waugh's **HISTORY** in NL No.6.) The man with the "Poetic Pen". !!

**Geoff Harvey** (G253) Horticulturist and an authority on Chrysanthemums I believe.

**Tom Talbot** (G123) Civil Engineer based at the Gold Coast, and responsible for the construction of some major engineering projects..What is he working on now ?? Again I don't know..

**Alexander Waugh** (G23) Lawyer specialising in International Law and working for a big multi-national company..

**James Elliott-Smith** (G129) Agricultural Scientist specialising in the stockfeed industry..

**Kit Smith** (G131) Landscape Architect based on the Gold Coast..(His wife Lynn Griffiths (G132) addressed the gathering at Port Macquarie in 1996 re. her specialty..... genetic research.)

**Kate Tuohy-Main** (G138) Physiotherapist specialising in the education of health workers.. (see her letter later in this NL.)

**Janet Jones** (G135) Educationist...travels the world giving lectures on education..

**Ben Gardiner** (G145) Veterinary Surgeon with a large cattle-based practice at Barraba..

**Lindy Waugh** (G69) Medical Doctor and mother of 4..Sister of the John Waugh mentioned above..

**Andrew Waugh** (G71) Veterinary Surgeon based on the NSW North Coast..

**Meridith Waugh** (G 67) Child Psychotherapist and another member of Ian and Shirley Waugh's talented family.

**Michael Anderson** (G125) and his wife **Mary Boland** (G126)...both heavily involved in the secondary school teaching scene.

**Mary Mueller (nee Gardiner)** (G141) Has her PHD in Education and has presented papers at Harvard University. (See Births notice for her son **KYLE**..)

**Bob Gaden** (G99)...husband of **Caroline Gaden** (G100) who addressed the Port Macquarie Reunion..Bob is an Agricultural Scientist with special expertise in beef cattle..

There must be dozens of others in the "G" generation of Waugh Descendants who should be in the above list but whom I do not know..

Not all the above are members of our Society but I will send them a copy of this Newsletter and invite them to address the gathering on the topic of their choice..Some of them (or some I haven't mentioned above ) may take up the challenge and help to make this Society meeting in November a memorable one.

Another of my sisters **Kath Gardiner** (F51) of Merriwa also took me to task over the Acceptance Form...She said "You're not going to charge \$25 for **CHILDREN** too are you !!" Not having young dependant children myself, this aspect hadn't crossed my mind..But when I thought of all those "G" generation people I hope will come, I realised that for a "G" generation couple with 3 children, it was going to cost \$125 for the dinner alone . Actually the cost per dinner will be closer to \$20 than \$25 and I was thinking that any surplus could just go into the Waugh Family Society account to boost it up a bit..After Kath's remarks though I believe it would be better to put any surplus into subsidising the "H" generation ..SO.....**The cost for dependant children AND Generation "G" after Dinner Speakers will be \$10 each and not \$25...See the REVISED ACCEPTANCE FORM..**

**So....The alteration to the program given in NL No.6 is as follows.....**

**SATURDAY 20th November 1999...**

9.30am...Registrations (as inNL6)

10.30am - 6.30pm...(As in NL6)

6.30pm - 7.00pm...(As in NL6)

7.00pm - 9.00pm...(As in NL6)

**9.00pm on....**Not just "A Guest Speaker" but a series of speakers...the theme being...

**"Let's hear it from the "G" Generation "...** 10minute (approx.) speeches from the current "movers and shakers" of the family....on any subject they choose...about things they are or have been involved in, and likely to be of interest to present and future members of this Family Society..It should be a great way for us all to get to know each other better .. (Ed. .Thank you Mollie for this idea...I hope it takes off ! )

**Humour Break.....**(This one from my sister-in-law **Joan Main** (F50)

A burglar was ransacking a house when a cockatoo on his perch in the corner of the room spoke...

Cocky....."I'm watching you..."

Burglar....No Reply...carries on stuffing things into his bag..

Cocky (louder)...." I'M WATCHING YOU !!"

Burglar ..."So what...you're just a stupid cockatoo."

Cocky.....a few moments later...."JESUS is watching you.!"

Burglar...."I don't care....who the heck is Jesus anyway.?"

Cocky....."JESUS is a doberman.!!!"

## 2.....BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES.....

### BIRTHS.....

Kyle Aaron MUELLER (H653) on 19th July 1999 at Pullman WA in USA to Mary and David MUELLER...a brother for RYAN and another grandson for Kath and Walter GARDINER..

Bonnie Shane Sarah MAIN (H603) on 9th Aug. 1999 at Armidale to Philip and Penny MAIN (G151,G152)....a sister for Jessica Jane Georgia MAIN and another grand-daughter for Margaret and myself..

### MARRIAGES.....

Mary Elisabeth GARDINER (G141) to David Gregory MUELLER (G142A) on 20th June 1998 at Pullman in Washington State USA..

(Ed..A rather belated entry but "better late than never ! " ) ( to coin a phrase.)

## 3.....INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE.....

From KATE TUOHY-MAIN (G138) 14 Curzon Rd. NEW LAMBTON HEIGHTS 2305.. 1/1/97 (Ed..Kate is the wife of my nephew Ron MAIN (G137).This was not really a "Letter to theEditor", but while browsing through some old files in search of material for this Newsletter,I found it and decided that Kate's expertise and enterprise, in her specialised field of physiotherapy would be of general interest to Society members.) Kate wrote (in part), and I quote...

*"Ron worked as a civil engineer at the University of Newcastle in the Physical Estate and Planning Department for three years until the contract ended in March 1996. As I was desperately busy and was going on three working trips we decided that Ron would help me with the business and be available to be with Lilian while I was away working. The business continues to grow but we now have a handle on the accounting and I have more independence on the computer and Internet thanks to Ron. However now that we have stopped gadding about (for a while) Ron is now looking for outside work again.*

*However he hasn't been short of things to do in the meantime with re-fencing his former abode, now a rental property, and building duck houses and runs and compost bins to further our interest in organic gardening. We now have two drakes Big Boy and Tommy, one duck BoBo and have recently aquired five more ducklings, hopefully all females. I am trying to establish a breeding group of one male and five or six females..*

*Our Christmas holiday plans were disrupted last year due to the delay in the shooting of the three videos I made with a WorkCover grant. ("Manual Handling and Health Care", "Caring for your Back" and "Client Assessment" in relation to manual handling.) The videos were shot in Jan and Feb but were not released until Dec '96 due to WorkCover realising, once they received the finished product they could not endorse a private individual with their Logo on the products. (In spite of what it said in the contract.) The last 5 months delay was due to the problems of removing the logo!*

*So, was the one and a half years project worth the effort?? I am glad to say the Sydney University evaluation done with three groups of Health Care managers, nursing staff and medical students showed that all participants significantly improved their knowledge of manual handling after watching the videos only once and 100% of participants would use the videos in the workplace. Also the videos are selling well.*

*I am currently reaching the end of script writing four more videos, due to be released at the end of February. Trying to find grant money is a long hard job so I have decided to fund these videos myself. Carrying ideas around in my head for years without an outlet is also frustrating so finishing the project is high priority for 1997..*

*As a family we had two weeks in Tasmania in April visiting friends from HOBART while I ran some workshops. It was an excellent trip with Lilian walking 12km in Freycinet National Park and camping with ice on Ben Lomond with JIM and SUZANNE TALBOT and family.(Ron's cousins). I had another week in Tasmania running 9 half day workshops in Hobart and Launceston.*

*In July we had three weeks in Northern NSW and Queensland. I ran 5 days of workshops at Corakai where we were very well looked after at the conference centre. I also ran a 5 hr. post conference workshop after attending the National Physiotherapy Conference in Brisbane. In between the work we camped at Carnavon Gorge National Park and had some lovely walks with platypus, turtles, aboriginal paintings and wild pigs... swam in the freezing river and enjoyed the peace.*

*In September we went to England.We had a busy time moving up and down the country visiting friends and relatives between the Eastbourne Physiotherapy conference, the Manual Handling Concensus meeting in London and flying to Stockholm for 5 days for the International Occupational Health and Safety Conference. We stayed on the harbour in a sailing ship that was built in Whitehaven, where I was born. It had been converted to a Youth Hostel so*

was relatively inexpensive for central Stockholm. We left Europe yet again thinking it would be a good idea to live there, but when, we have not decided."

(Ed. Fortunately for Australia they are still here! )

From **Jill WRATHALL (G113)** of 9 Adelaide St. Clontarf..

Although very busy with my own 5 children (aged 19,16,14,12 and 10 ) I always take an interest in family tree matters and am fascinated by the Australian Waugh Family Society Newsletters , which my mother, Marie Ryall (Gillespie) (F41) passes on to me. I am delighted to report on the occasion referred to in your Feb. 1999 edition.(Ed.NL4).

A gathering of the descendants of Laura Keena Gillespie (nee Waugh) 1888-1977 (E99) was held on Sunday 1st November 1998 at Clontarf Beach to celebrate what would have been Keena's 110th birthday..Cameras were clicking furiously as relatives gathered in family groups..

Keena's four children John, Judy, Trudy and Marie, their 14 children and 42 grandchildren and other assorted relatives reminisced over "the old days" and exchanged snippets of current family news while having an informal picnic lunch..

The day was hailed a great success - a unique opportunity to catch up face to face with long lost cousins and to remember and value our wonderful family heritage..

Although organising the day seemed a bit daunting at first, the "keen" spirit showed by Keena's descendants to get to-gether and honour her was very gratifying..At her funeral, she had been described as the matriarch of a large and very strong family network..The day proved these words to be very true and we are all very proud to be Gillespie/Waugh descendants.

I wish you well in your Waugh Society work...

Kind Regards,

Jill WRATHALL (G113)

Ed..Many thanks Jill for your report..I would have loved to have been there myself, but it just didn't work out that way. You certainly got a great rollup..Congratulations on the effort you put in..

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Another **Humour Break**..... (brought to mind by the Winter Weather...)

A doctor doing his rounds enters a ward and there's a man lying on his back on the bed...The man's arms are long and thin and flat looking, and hang over the side of the bed...His body is unusually flat as are his legs, which droop over the end of the bed..

The doctor has a look at him then says "Is this the man who tried to fax himself to the Bahamas.?"

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**4....MEMBERSHIP MATTERS.....**

Several times it has happened that a member of our Society has paid the \$10 membership fee, for another descendant...This is mostly (but not always ) a parent putting in for children who are often too busy with their own full lives, and their own young children, to give thought to paying this subscription..If any member wishes to do this, and they send me the address of the recipient of their generosity ! I will be only too happy, to register the giftee as a member and send a copy of future Newsletters to them..

**5. CALENDAR PROJECT....**

Rosemary WAUGH-ALLCOCK of Taloumbi...Maclean has offered to put to-gether a montage of historical Waugh Family photos as the backdrop for a year 2000 calendar..This initial calendar would just be a single page one with all 12 months on the one page and should be inexpensive enough to be sent out free to members with a newsletter...A more ambitious and costly project would be a wall hanging size ,12 page calendar with a different photo for each month..This would cost more to produce and would have to be funded by members purchasing them..No costing has been worked out yet, but Rosemary has asked me to put out a call for photos suitable for this (these) calendars. If you do have any photos (or paintings) which you think would be suitable please contact Rosemary at the above address..

Family Love and Best Wishes to all Members...



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Special Invitation to Generation "G" Waugh Descendants..  
to Armidale Meeting of Waugh Family Society....20/11/99

To ....., ( G.....Line)

Dear .....

Herewith please find a copy of A.W.F.S. Newsletter No.7 which has a revised acceptance form for our meeting at Armidale on 20th Nov. 1999.

Several changes have been made to the Acceptance Form, designed to make it easier for descendants with young children to come to this meeting and make it a truly representational gathering of both the senior descendants (mostly Generation "F" & ex "movers and shakers" ) and Generation "G" (those who are currently doing the "moving and shaking ") and their children...generation "H"..

Up to now, most of the activities of this Society have concentrated on historical matters ..looking backwards...and it is indeed very interesting to learn who our forbears were and what they did and thought..

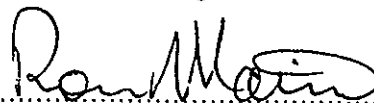
However as my sister Mollie Smith has pointed out..this is a FAMILY society and as such we should also take an interest in what family members are doing NOW..Most descendants who are doing things NOW are Generation "G"..What they are doing is the history of the future and of course greatly interesting to the "F" generation..

So I hope you will be able to get to Armidale in November, and I also hope that you can find the time and effort, to put to-gether and deliver an after dinner speech, to tell Society Members and their guests what one of our "movers and shakers" has been, and is doing, in these exciting times of change..

If we can get six to ten speakers say, I think it should be a very interesting night for all those who attend..It will also be a good opportunity for Waugh descendants to meet ,and get to know each other better.

Hoping to see you there in November,

Kindest Regards,



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(Jack Waugh Line)