

AUSTRALIAN WAUGH FAMILY SOCIETY..

Newsletter No.8....Oct. 1999..

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1. Armidale Meeting..

Support for this meeting has been good with some 67 having already paid for their dinner..I would expect another 6 or so to accept between now and the 20th November so we should get approximately 73 along to the gathering..(**Phoned acceptances up to 18th Nov. will be OK**)

Geoff Harvey (G253) who has been working on the history of the "**Harvey Waugh**" line (see NL 5) has been in contact with **Betty Connor** of Parnell.. Auckland NZ.. **Betty** is a descendant of **Albert John NICHOLAS** (the father of **LUCY NICHOLAS (D14N)** ..Geoff's g.grandmother) and an historian by training, who teaches History and English at the Auckland Institute of Technology. Geoff invited her to our November meeting and she has accepted..She will be one of our Guest Speakers and will address the gathering on "The New Zealand Connection". I think Betty is keen to do some reseach on "The Australian Connection " while in Australia particularly in the Walcha District where Lucy was living when she married **Harvey Waugh (D13)** on 1st May 1875.

Other speakers now lined up for the night are **ALEXANDER WAUGH (G245)** (**Bert Waugh's** son who lives near Bellingen)...**JEFFREY MAIN (G133)** from Newcastle, and **Geoff HARVEY (G253)** of Buderim Q. so we will be hearing quite a lot from the "G" generation as I had hoped.

Rosemary WAUGH-ALLCOCK (F7) from **Taloumbi Station** has also agreed to answer questions from the floor, on **Waugh Family History**..Rosemary has made many trips to the United Kingdom and probably has more WAUGH family history in her head than anyone else in the Society ! So if you would like to bring along some questions, Rosemary will do her best to answer them..

2. Report on Results of Questionnaire in NLs 6 and 7...

Most replies ticked the "Leave things as they Are" box, but before adopting this course, I think members should consider just what this Society's aims and objectvies are or could be. If the only aim is to produce Newsletters, and every 3 years or so have a "Family Get-Together" then I daresay we only need an NL Editor and secretary/treasurer, which at present happens to be me. When I am no longer able to do this, then a successor could carry on in the same manner...

On the other hand there are other activities which our Society could become involved in and I will list some that I can think of..

1. Historical Grave Restoration... This can be quite expensive, and poses the problem that certain old graves are far more significant to some members than others, who may be on a different line. Nevertheless I think it is worthy of consideration. I know there was a family collection put to-gether about 70 years ago to restore the grave in England of **Alexander WAUGH DD 1754-1827 (A5)** and I'm sure that many of his descendants have been glad that this was done...Maybe we could just pick out a few very old historically important (to us) graves and look after them.. In any case if this was to be one of our Society's Aims (and I believe it should be) then a Committee to raise the funds and organise the work, is needed.

2. Historical Photograph Collection. Various members of our Society have irreplaceable old photos of historical interest. **Neville Maloney** reproduced many of them in his book "A History of the Waughs" but some are not there, and those that are there, are not always as good as the originals.. I believe we need a "**KEEPER of the PHOTOS**"....ie someone who would take on the task of putting to-gether a library of Waugh Family Historical Photos and then making copies available to those who want them, at a cost sufficient to cover the library establishment and copying.

3. The book "A History of the Waughs" put to-gether by **Neville Maloney** is a wonderful asset to our Society and will be of interest in years to come, to people not even born yet. There are some errors in the book (not surprising when you consider the magnitude of the task Neville set himself in his "spare?" time !) many of which have been publicised in the Newsletters..Some others crop up now and again and of course as the research of various members is done..some other parts of this book will be found to need augmentation or alteration..We need a "**KEEPER of the BOOK**"..to keep a register of book owners, and a master copy with all corrections ,and additions as they become available.

4. "KEEPER of the LISTS" ..and a "BACKUP Keeper of the Lists." (The "LOTUS LISTS")

At present I have lists on Lotus 123 spreadsheets of nearly 3000 direct Waugh descendants, showing names..line of descent, (ie. everyone's relationship to everyone else.) and also (when known), dates of births marriages and deaths and some addresses of those still living. I update these lists as members send me data (and this is happening fairly often now) but in the event of my sudden demise, I am afraid these lists would be lost for lack of a "backup" list keeper..It is notoriously difficult to backtrack somebody else's computer programs without assistance from the writer. I am quite happy to be the "Keeper of the Lists" as long as I can but I think it would be prudent for the long term wellbeing of the Society for us to have a "**Backup Keeper of the Lists**" who would need to be familiar with Lotus 123 or a compatible spreadsheet..(I think "Excel" can use Lotus files.)

5. Visits to Historically Interesting Places...(Our own "Sacred Sites"?) The Tenterfield and Port Macquarie reunions were in locations of historical interest to members of our Society but there are many other places also, with historically important graves and/or buildings and/or countryside which many members may be interested in, but have not yet seen..**Rosemary Waugh-Allcock's TALOUMBI STATION** is one such place, and I still remember vividly the time not so long ago when Rosemary showed me this huge pine tree which my grandfather **Jack WAUGH 1859-1944 (D23)** planted on Taloumbi so many years ago. **Walcha, Toowoomba , Dalby , Dorrigo, Broom's Head, Sandon River, Ebor and Guy Fawkes** are just some of the other places known to me to have "sacred sites" of historical interest...There are many more in Australia and the UK..We could have a "**KEEPER of the LIST of FAMILY SITES**" to compile a list of the actual sites and what can be seen there...Also of course some Society Members may wish to jointly visit some of these sites and the **KEEPER** could do the organising..

I don't particularly like the term "Sacred Sites"..it's been overused in recent times and has almost reached the stage where it is only applied to Aboriginal sites.. Perhaps "FAMILY SITES" is a better one !..

These are just some of the activities which our Society could become involved in . Most of our members are pretty ancient (like me !) but as the Society grows (and it is growing) there may be a higher proportion of younger members with the energy and desire to pursue some of these activities, or others I have not mentioned..

There were sufficient members who ticked the "we should have a committee" box to warrant calling a meeting of all members who will be at Armidale on 20th Nov.1999 to discuss the matter. So.....

ADDITION to the PROGRAM for 20th Nov. is as follows...

at 2.30pm on 20th Nov. at Armidale Bowling Club there will be a **GENERAL MEETING of MEMBERS** to discuss the possible formation of a **COMMITTEE** to run **A.W.F.S...** with an approximate **AGENDA** as follows.....

1. **What are the Aims and objectives of our Society ??**
2. **What structure of members is needed to achieve 1. above ??**
3. **Election of officers to assume the responsibilities to achieve 1. above.**

Note..It won't be any good having a lengthy list of Aims and Objectives unless there are members willing to do the work involved so before supporting a particular objective it would be a good idea to ask oneself "am I myself prepared to do this job " or know of someone who will..

Regarding the other Questionnaire on activities for Sunday not everyone indicated a preference but for those that did the results were as follows..

- 1.Car Trip to Walcha....15
- 2 University of New England...7
- 3 Picnic Lunch in Park at Armidale..4
4. Other Suggestions...Visit **Ludwig Schrader's** house "Holstein" at Walcha..3

Geoff Harvey contacted **Mrs. G.R.Gill** of "Emu Creek" Walcha who is the Hon.Secretary of the Walcha and District Historical Society and she said she would be only too happy to open up their premises in the town of Walcha on the Sunday morning of 21st Nov.1999.("Emu Creek" is adjacent to "**Winterbourne Station**" where **Lucy Nicholas** lived).. I subsequently rang her myself and she was very helpful..They have a folk museum and Pioneer's cottage there and also the original Tiger Moth aeroplane which spread the first superphosphate by air in Australia..She said she would be there at 10am in the morning...there would be an urn with hot water and there are toilets at the site..They charge \$3 for visitors, which is very reasonable..There is a picnic area there where we could have lunch, and in the afternoon we could maybe visit the Walcha Cemetary and/or "Holstein" etc..

3. Produce Table...

The suggestion has been made by **Pauline Longston (F2001)** that a "produce sale" be held at the Armidale meeting ,the idea being that members bring along anything that they may have produced or procured cheaply ,for sale to other members, with the proceeds going to boost the Society's funds..With this being the 4th Newsletter for 1999 and the Calender Issue still to come, I think it is a very good idea even if we don't go in for any grave restorations ,or photo libraries etc..So if you do have something for the "Produce Table" then please bring it along..

4. Inwards Correspondence inc. letters from **David Gardiner (G139)**..**Jean Besley 1915-1999 (E239N)** (published posthumously), **Geoff Harvey (G253)**, **Sue Stanley (G1832)**, **Angela Williamson, (G979)**, **Yolande Miller (F2005)** **Yolande James (G2111)**,**Nancy Fox (E563)**, **Ken Besley (F307)**, **Harry Vaughan (F17)**, **Charlie WAUGH (F75)**..**Edith van DREIL (G377)**

From **DAVID GARDINER (G139)** "Swan Swamp" 38 Hungerford Lane Gillieston Hts.NSW 2321

"Good to get the Newsletter and invitation,an interesting read, but please accept my 2 apologies. Firstly I can't make it to the planned meeting as I am booked for a locum at Bateman's Bay; and secondly at the moment our family budget does not allow me to subscribe to the Newsletter.

Thank you for the invitation to speak. I am flattered and would love to do so if future circumstances allow. For the record I should point out that my international paper was delivered in Edinburgh in July 1996, and although Robyn and I only went over for the conference we did manage to travel by hire car from London to Edinburgh for 3 days and a 2 day post conference bus tour of the west coast and highlands which went through Glasgow on an expressway.

I believe Glasgow is the home of the Waugh family and I would have loved to have had more time to investigate. I enjoyed reading the original Waugh dossiers as put to-gether by **Christian Honeyman** when I was back at **Bow Glen** many years ago recuperating from a fractured tibia/fibula. But been very busy since then what with the Barraba practice, family, a stint as the general dog's body vet for Tocal, an organisational role for the XX World Association of Buriatrics Congress in Sydney, and now scrounging for a living doing locums, a bit of TAFE teaching, cattle contract work and columns for rural press.

Robyn is about exhausted from holding up the lion's share of the family financial/parent role over the past 2 years so I am desperately trying to get a 'real job' as she puts it..No luck to date except for a junior position offer at Alice Springs despite many compliments on my applications and achievements.

Children have grown. **Kurt** is at Newcastle Uni in Maths/Computer Engineering and a casual hand vege farmer. **Mark** is aiming for Vet Science in his HSC and has just topped 3/6 subjects in his trials on top of another representative year in the Country Juniors Rugby Union side, so looks to be on track. **Tara** continues to improve at school and is now a Hungry Jack's part time worker. Hopefully a decent job will come up for me in the next few months to allow them to continue studies to reach their potentials.

We have also been blessed with a nice block of land, have built our 'Ponderosa' and are in the throes of finishing a return verandah with the children's help. May have to cash it up for their education yet , but God willing we will end up retiring here.. " endquote..

Ed. Thankyou David for such a newsy apology ! Here's hoping you do manage to get that "real job" soon and also that you will be able to accept the invitation to speak at one of our Society's future meetings..

From **JEAN BESLEY** 1915-1999 (E239N)...Dated 28th March 1999...This was the last letter Jean wrote to me before she died on 4th June last....quote..

"It is a wonderful Newsletter that you have put to-gether for the Clan, this latest one, No.5..After being out all day I came home to find it in the letterbox & at the sight of it old **Valdemaar's** inherited tribal genes, still strong, raced through the arteries.

What a wealth of talent there is in the family ! The writings, prose and verse make interesting and enjoyable reading..I was fascinated by it all and could not put the NL down for long enough to put out my light.. To-day I am enjoying reading through NL 5 again at a more sensible pace..

So ,congratulations upon yet another good NL..It is interesting now but collectively they will be invaluable Waugh mementoes when those now young are old enough to read the pages for themselves. 31st March 1999.... This morning I set out to tidy up my Waugh folders of information etc. & was surprised to find that NL 1 is not there. I wonder if after all this time you might have an extra one that you could spare for me. I realise that this is a "big ask" but if it is possible without too much inconvenience I would be very happy to have the set completed. (Ed.I sent Jean a copy)

I found the enclosed newsclipping amongst my Waugh information and it takes my memory back to dear Cousin **Chris Honeyman** . It was only in her last years that I came to know her & it was arranged that I was to have lunch with her at her unit at Cremorne.

Shortly after arrival **C. Chris** asked me if I had seen the Waugh article in a recent Sydney Morning Herald..I had and we discussed it. She told me that there was only one paragraph that she didn't approve of) ..it is about half way down the first column, marked with an inked line.) **C.Chris** added "and that is only because I am a snob." We had a chuckle about that for **C.Chris** was always the perfect lady and never a snob. It was not in her make up to be so, but she truly objected to the writer of the article seemingly belittling a relative's standing amongst others. I could see then that if ever one needed an ally then **Chris** was the one to have on one's side.

I was interested in the part telling of the coat of arms..It seems to be the same as the one on the family tree done by **Ruth Waugh**... Underneath the shield she has written "**Wm..Waugh**"...If the article is of interest to you Ron please keep it." endquote..

Ed. I'm glad Jean enjoyed the Newsletters...I certainly enjoyed the letters I received from her and will miss them...The article she sent me is reproduced in Appendix 3 to this NL..

From **GEOFF HARVEY** (G253) P.O.Box 46 Buderim Q. 4556...**redlands155@yahoo.com**
Ph.0754451828..... quote...

" Time is disappearing very quickly indeed. Now that my mother is not around to stir up family members I have taken it upon myself to get at least some of them motivated and prepared to attend the family gathering in Armidale..

Could you please send invitations to the following people who have given a positive indication that they would attend and hopefully become financial members..(Ed. Geoff gave me a list of 6 descendants to whom I sent invitations) also Betty Connor 18 Lichfield Rd. PARNELL AUCKLAND NZ.

Betty is a descendant of Albert Nicholas who was the father of Lucy Nicholas (D14N). Should she decide to come, I would collect her from Brisbane airport. She is an historian by training and teaches History and English at the Auckland Institute of Technology. She has carried out vast research into family history and is most interested in coming if she can get away from work constraints..

I have updated the list of "Harvey" Waugh descendants using your original ID's etc. Numerous corrections have been made and dates inserted, when I can get definite confirmation. A copy is enclosed plus a copy of a letter to Betty Connor..

(Ed. Thankyou Geoff for your efforts and enterprise...Geoff sent me 3 *A3 sized sheets of names..dates relationships etc for the Harvey Waugh line for me to update and augment my Lotus Lists..His letter to Betty Connor is most interesting but is 17 pages long and could pre-empt some of the material to be presented to our meeting at Armidale so I won't reproduce it here..)

(P.S. In a previous NL I said that Geoff is a noted authority on chrysanthemums...that was incorrect..it should have said "hibiscus"..I'm not real strong on matters horticultural !)

From **Sue STANLEY**..(G1832)...

"I write on behalf of Mark, in regard to your kind offer for him to speak at the Waugh family's Armidale meeting.

As you may be aware, Mark is living in Singapore and only comes here every couple of weekends.

I am sorry to say he will be unable to talk at the Armidale meeting as he will not be home at that time . On behalf of Mark thank you so much for asking him and maybe another time he will be available.

I wish you all the success with the November meeting and our best wishes are with you.."

Ed...Thankyou Sue for your letter...Hopefully our meeting after Armidale will co-incide with one of Mark's "at home" weekends..

From **Angela WILLIAMSON** (G979) 7 Frangipani Pl. Caringbah 2229....quote..

*"I regret to tell you **Shannon** and I will not be able to attend the Armidale reunion planned for 20th-21st No. We will be happily attending the Christening of Shannon's first grandchild.*

*To **Edward (H415) and Rachael (H416) PENNY**. Married 22-9-1996.*

***Emma Jo PENNY** was born on 11th July 1999..Weighing in at 9lbs 2oz on the old scale she is quite a large addition to the family.*

*Would you please add **Emma** to the list of Waugh descendants and issue her with a number. I assume she will be an "I".*

*On a sadder note **Harry SMITH** (F694), husband of **Audrey** (F693), passed away in early April 1999.*

Naturally I am disappointed not being able to renew family friendships at Armidale, and while your suggestion that I should speak there terrified me at first (particularly after reading the list of academically clever cousins) I warmed to the idea..If the opportunity arises again I shall probably say "yes".

Re the Society I would prefer to leave things as they are for the time being.

I made a request at the Port Macquarie reunion that I , and maybe others, would be interested in copies some of the old photographs of our ancestors..Would you please ask Neville if this is possible ?. (Ed. If we get a "Keeper of the Photos" you'll be first cab off the rank Angela !)

Naturally if you would like me to do the nametags for the reunion I would be only too happy to do so." endquote..

Ed. Thankyou Angela for your letter..**Emma Jo PENNY** is "I 701" and is the first "I" generation descendant of **Mary ("Manie") WAUGH** that I have on my Lotus List...

I'm pretty sure there will be Society meetings after Armidale when we can take you up on that offer to speak !..Re the nametags...thankyou for your offer to do them as you did for our Port Macquarie Reunion, but **Merron MATTHEWS (F73)** already has these under way.

From **Yolande JAMES** 171 Chermside Rd. East Ipswich..Q 4305...

Yolande sent in her Armidale acceptance form and cheque for herself and husband Rod with a letter which said inter alia...

"Also enclosed is a short ancestor tree to show the parents of Margaret Johnstone. I think someone was enquiring about her in the newsletter before last. "

.....Alexander JOHNSTONE....m...21/Jan/1706/07 at Gordon BEW Scotland.....Elizabeth WAUGH
.....issue.....

Isoble JOHNSTONE Alexander JOHNSTONE Margaret JOHNSTONE John JOHNSTONE
21/Dec/1707-??.....23/Apr/1711-??.....b 05/Sep/1714 in Gordon b 21/Jun/1719
.....BEW Scotland.....
.....m 21/Dec/1738 in Gordon
.....Thomas WAUGH

Ed..The Margaret JOHNSTONE and Thomas WAUGH shown above were the parents of **Alexander WAUGH DD(1754-1827) A5** and the grandparents of "**Aussie**" **William WAUGH (1808-1854) B51**...the ancestors of the 16 "Lines" represented in our Society..Many thanks Yolande for providing this very ancient data..

From **Nancy FOX** Jennings via Wallangarra 4383....who says..(in part)...

"I am sorry to say that I don't think I can be present at the Waugh reunion. Thought I had better let you know now as I am going away to my daughter Annette in Toowoomba..Her daughter is being married soon..Hope I am well enough for that..

Hope you have a good turnout in Armidale on 20-21 November. I sent out letters to as many as I knew you didn't have addresses.I haven't heard from them, but I told them to be in touch with you.

All the best for the WAUGH re-union !! Will be thinking of you all.."

Ed. Nancy also sent details of a wedding and a birth to go on the Lotus Lists...see Births and Marriages sections..

Thankyou Nancy for your letter and data..I hope you are feeling well again and if you don't manage to get to this meeting then hope to see you at the next one..

From **Charlie WAUGH (F75)**..P.O.Box 5041 West Busselton WA 6280...who wrote (in part)..

*"I promised my daughter **Alicia M. Morris-Yates (8/38 Hampden Road ARTARMON NSW 2064)** that I would send her copies of your newsletters but you have got well ahead of me so I felt it better to enrol her as a member . Herewith cheque for \$10..*

Also to update some of the records I have copied and amended the enclosed list for you.

(Ed. This was the list of Jack Waugh's descendants which went out with NL3 in July 1998.)

We are both well. I am at present selling up all my furniture making -woodworking machinery and the industrial shed. We have been bitten by the travel bug and there is not a good living in woodworking here. Can't be bothered with G.S.T. either. Joan is at present up at Arrino near Three Springs with her sister from Melbourne visiting her daughter on the farm. I would have gone too if I had been free of the business.

How is the boat going ?? In the water yet ?? Sorry we can't get over for the reunion but wish you well with it.."
endquote

Ed. Thankyou Charlie for your letter with family data for my Lotus List ,and also the sub. for Alicia..I will enter her on the FINMEMS list ! With that travel bug active again I expect we will see you over here in the East again before too long..The boat is progressing OK but not in the water yet..The hull is 95% finished but I still have to build the trailer, the ballasted keel and the spars....About Xmas time she should get wet for the first time !.

From **Edith van DRIEL** 77 Murray Rd. CROYDON Vic. 3136...who says (in part)..

"Just a note to give you the following information for the next NL.(not enough to put on disc)

Birth...**Lachlan Martin OAKES**...on 3rd Sept. 1999 at Katherine N.T. to **Martin M. (H549) and Shamala (H550) OAKES** . (Ed.also see "Births" section..)

Mt.Sanford Station N.T. features in the Oct/Nov issue of "OUTBACK" magazine, on sale now..It mentions Martin's work with Australian Stockhorses, on pages 75-76 and **Martin** features in three photos on those 2 pages. He is the rider in the foreground, leading the horses, on page 75..The other three people, as well as about twelve more from the station, flew to Kempsey (via Darwin and Sydney) for Martin's and Shamala's wedding last year..

Re the Armidale meeting, I am sorry but I cannot attend this year..

Ed. Thankyou Edith for your letter and data..Good to see those new descendants coming along and here's hoping that you will be able to get to our next gathering after the Armidale do in November.

From **Yolande MILLER (F2005)**..Unit 309 "Bayiew Gardens" 36 Cabbage Tree Rd. BAYVIEW NSW 2104....(in part)...

"My sister **Pauline Longston**, had told me about the reunion in Armidale on 20th and 21st November..Unfortunately Steve and I are unable to attend..I had not answered before as we were waiting for date for Steve to have an operation..He will be convalescing in November..The trip to Armidale would be too far. Please accept our apology..

Regarding the "Organisation of the Society" I would prefer to leave things as they are for the time being at least. You and your computer are doing an excellent and interesting job. For your sake I hope there is a lot of constructive discussion at the reunion..Best wishes for it's success." endquote

Ed. Thankyou Yolande for your letter and kind remarks..

From **Ken BESLEY** 10 Damon Ave. EPPING NSW 2121...(in part)...

"The planned gathering in Armidale in Nov. will unfortunately be "out of reach" to us this time around but there will be other opportunities; of that I am sure.

In abstentia I do hope that this event is a great success. I am sure it will be, and that it will make all your efforts and hard work worthwhile.

In the meantime I enclose a cheque for this year's membership for myself. The fees are modest and I suspect that the expenses are all too often subsidised from one's own pocket as is so often the case when taking on the task that you have !.

In closing I do hope this finds you well, and fully recovered from your earlier bout of "shipwright's knee".

Ed. Thankyou Ken for your letter and sub. The knee is now about as good as a 72 year old knee can be !.

From **Harry VAUGHAN** "Brewongle" Seaview St. One Mile Beach Forster 2428...

"It is with the greatest regret that I advise that the condition of my health will not allow of Ann and I attending the Armidale meeting..**Chris** and **Mollie** and spouses have undertaken to properly and concientiously represent the family !!

Whilst not contributing anything to the proceedings of the group I do so enjoy keeping up to date with the aid of your most worthy efforts..I enclose our cheque for \$10 for either a past or future subscription as I am not entirely sure of our present status..

I wish you all success at the next meeting . Chris and Mollie will be calling on us on their way home to bring us up to date on the proceedings.." endquote

Ed. Thankyou Harry for your letter and sub..you most certainly are up to date now !! I hope your health will improve enough to allow you to get to our next meeting after Armidale.

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Humour Break...(Ed...Nobody complained about the 2 in NL 7 so I'll try again !)

One of our older members was visiting one of his rather deaf older friends who was also having some memory problems..He told him that he was going on a trip to North Queensland and was going to stop overnight at Maryborough...

D.O.F..."We stayed at Maryborough once...we found a very good little Motel there called....I can't think of it's name right away....a flower....what's the name of a flower ???"

AWFS Member....."Lily ??"

D.O.F..... "No that's not it ."

AWFS Member....."Hibiscus ?? "

D.O.F....."No..."

AWFS Member....." Rose ??"

D.O.F....."Yes that's it!"...He turns in his chair and shouts towards the kitchen.." Rose.... what was the name of that Motel we stayed in at Maryborough ??"

5.....**BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES**.....

.....**BIRTHS**.....

Rory O'BRIEN (G537T) on 3rd Jan. 1997 to **Lynne and Marshall O'Brien** (F941,F942) a grandson for **Monica SUGDEN** (E565)

.....**John Oxley WAUGH** line..(Mt.McKenzie)

Mitchell LONGSTON (H1011S) in March 1997 to **Garry and Wendy LONGSTON** (G2117,G2118)

Dane LONGSTON (H1011T) in March 1999 also to **Garry and Wendy LONGSTON**
Two grandsons for **Pauline and Arthur LONGSTON** (F2002,F2002).....

.....**Laura WAUGH/ROBINSON** Line

Emma Jo PENNY (I 701) on 11th July 1999 to **Edward and Rachael PENNY** (H415,H416)
First grandchild for **Shannon and John PENNY** (G977,G978)

.....**Manie WAUGH/SPENCER** Line..

Ashleigh Regina OAKES (I 7297T) on 23rd April 1999 in Sydney to **Phillip J. and Josephine OAKES** (H547,H548)...A grand-daughter to **Eric J. and Kathleen OAKES** (G373,G374)

Lachlan Martin OAKES (I 7301) on 3rd Sept.1999 at Katherine NT to **Martin M. and Shamala OAKES** (H549,H550) First grandson for **Francis Harvey and Diana OAKES** (G375,G376)

.....**Eliza Annie WAUGH /JOHNSTON** line...

Ed. Please note a small change to the numbering system...From now on the first child of a descendant will have a number following the generation letter as before BUT siblings following the firstborn will use the same number as the firstborn but with an "S" suffix for the 2nd born ("S" for sibling)..a "T" suffix for the 3rd born...a "U" suffix for the third born and so on...Thus a family of 4 children could be for example H345, H345S, H345T, H345U...This has been done to prevent the same number being used twice and also to keep family member numbers grouped..When first establishing the Lists, I tried to leave spare numbers in appropriate places but it is impossible to predict how many children there will be in a family and things were getting a bit messy..

.....**DEATHS**.....

Harry SMITH (F694) husband of **Audrey SMITH** (F693) ...passed away in April 1999...

.....**Manie WAUGH / SPENCER** Line.....

Kathy WAUGH (G12) wife of **Jon WAUGH** (G11) and daughter-in-law to **Reeve WAUGH** passed away on 17th Oct. 1999 at Coffs Harbour aged 49 years..

.....**Reeve WAUGH** Line.....

Thelma Jean WAUGH (E408) widow of **Lester William WAUGH** (E407) died in Tenterfield on 25th May 1997 aged 65 yrs..

.....**Thomas WAUGH** Line.....

.....**MARRIAGES**.....

Kerri Maree McDONALD (G515) (Nancy Fox's grand-daughter) married Troy HARRIS (G516) at TOOWOOMBA on 18th Oct. 1999

.....John Oxley WAUGH Line.....

6.....FINANCIAL REPORT.....

I have not previously sent receipts to all those people who have sent in subs. and payment for the Armidale function....In the interests of economy of postage and effort I have waited to include those receipts with this NL..

The balance in the Australian Waugh Family Society account at the Northern Inland Credit Union ..Peel St. TAMWORTH (account No. 35627) now stands at **\$1,934..00**

This includes member's payments so far for the Armidale function and some pre-payments of year 2000 subs..

The above also includes further gifts to the Society which are acknowledged with thanks as follows...

Merron Mathews\$20...
Walter and Kath Gardiner.....\$20....
Pat Grinter.....\$25.....

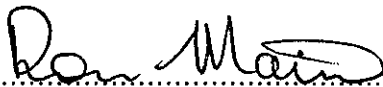
So the Society is at present quite healthy financially, but with the Armidale function to be paid for and this and another NL to go out this year (with colour calendar) the figure at the end of the year won't be so good.

Our main expenses are postage and stationary. (I got a shock when I found I had to pay \$49 for a quite small ink cartridge for my daughter's little Canon BJC-210 printer which I use for these Newsletters.)! The place where I have been getting the copying done has just lifted their price from 10c/sheet to 15c so I'll go looking for another provider for this NL..

Since limiting NL's to financial members, our financial position has been steadily improving..

Well that's the lot from me for now.....Remember late acceptances for the Armidale meeting will be accepted up to 18th Nov. but of course the earlier a firm number is known the better..To those travelling to Armidale I wish you a safe journey and look forward to seeing you there on the 20th...(or maybe downtown on the evening of the 19th as we did at Port Macquarie!)

With Family Love and Best Wishes to All....



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APPENDIX 1 to A.W.F.S. NEWSLETTER Oct.1999

List of Members Paid Up (or promised to pay) for Armidale Meeting

ID	LINE	First Name	SURNAME	ID	LINE	First Name	SURNAME
G5043	11	Lee	BEHRENS	F957	4	Neville	MALONEY
G75	10	Elisabeth	BERGMANS	G831	4	Amber	MALONEY
G76	10	Tony	BERGMANS	G833	4	Andrew	MALONEY
		Betty	CONNOR	F73	10	Merron	MATTHEWS
F19	7	Mollie	CORTIS	F74A	10	Bryan	MATTHEWS
F20	7	Ted	CORTIS	F721	11	Anne Eva	PANTON-HOPE
F67	10	Truda	COX	F1469	2&6	John	REES
G129	10	James	ELLIOTT-SMITH	F1470	2&6	Pam	REES
F39	10	Judith	GADEN	G8015	13	Anne	RIX
F51	10	Kath	GARDINER	H8011	13	Ngairie	SHEPPARD
F52	10	Walter	GARDINER	F45	10	Mollie	SMITH
G145	10	Ben	GARDINER	F46	10	Phil	SMITH
G146	10	Robyn	GARDINER	G131	10	Kit	SMITH
H251	10	Erin	GARDINER	G132	10	Lynne	SMITH
H253	10	Miriam	GARDINER	H225	10	Carl	SMITH
H255	10	Jacob	GARDINER	H227	10	Lauren	SMITH
F35	10	John	GILLESPIE	F1379	2&8	Lorraine	STANLEY
G253	6	Geoff	HARVEY	F1380	2&8	Harry	STANLEY
F23	7	Tom	HONEYMAN	F21	7	Chris	VAUGHAN
F24	7	June	HONEYMAN	F22	7	Myf.	VAUGHAN
G2111	12	Yolande	JAMES	D23	10	Sandy	WAUGH
G2112	12	Rod	JAMES	D24	10	Stephanie	WAUGH
F2001	12	Pauline	LONGSTON	F25	10	Frances	WAUGH
F2002	12	Arthur	LONGSTON	F281	13	John	WAUGH
F49	10	Jim	MAIN	F282	13	Jen.	WAUGH
F50	10	Joan	MAIN	F29	10	Ian	WAUGH
F53	10	Ron S.	MAIN	F3	7	Reeve	WAUGH
F54	10	Margaret	MAIN	F30	10	Shirley	WAUGH
G133	10	Jeffrey	MAIN	F69	10	Justin	WAUGH
G151	10	Philip	MAIN	F7	7	Rosemary	WAUGH
G152	10	Penny	MAIN	F70	10	Margaret	WAUGH
G153	10	Ruth	MAIN	F97	6	Bert	WAUGH
H601	10	Jessica	MAIN	G245	6	Alexander	WAUGH
H601S	10	Bonnie	MAIN	G1	7	Meg.	DUCKER

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AUSTRALIAN WAUGH FAMILY SOCIETY FINANCIAL MEMBERS AT 29TH Oct 1999

1.Thomas WAUGH	5 Eliza Annie	9 Manie WAUGH	13 Dr. John WAUGH			
2.Isabella WAUGH	6 Harvey WAUGH	10 Jack WAUGH	14 Cadogan WAUGH			
3.John Oxley WAUGH	7 Reeve WAUGH	11 Eva WAUGH	15 Zarita WAUGH			
4.Alexander William	8 Will WAUGH	12 Laura WAUGH	16 Elisabeth WAUGH			
ID	LINE	First Name	SURNAME	P/CODE		
G125	10	Michael	ANDERSON	FOREST LODGE NSW	2037	1
F713	11	Helen	ANDERSON	HOLLAND PARK Q.	4121	2
G5043	11	Lee	BEHRENS	COOWONGA Q.	4702	3
F307	16	Ken	BESLEY	EPPING NSW	2121	4
F933	3	Julie	BROWN	TENTERFIELD NSW	2372	5
F19	7	Mollie	CORTIS	TURRAMURRA	2074	6
F67	10	Truda	COX	EVATT ACT	2617	7
G1147	2	Daphne	DAVIS	REGENCY DOWNS Q.	4341	8
	5	Margaret	DAVIS	NATHAN Q.	4111	9
G1	7	Margaret	DUCKER	ARMIDALE NSW	2350	10
G129	10	James	ELLIOTT-SMITH	TOOWOOMBA Q.	4350	11
E563	3	Nancy	FOX	WALLANGARRA Q.	4383	12
G100	10	Caroline	GADEN	ARMIDALE NSW	2350	13
F39	10	Judy	GADEN	LANE COVE NSW	2066	14
F51	10	Kath	GARDINER	MERRIWA NSW	2329	15
F35	10	John	GILLESPIE	WOLLSTONECRAFT N	2065	16

E405	1	Mrs. P.M.	GRINTER	MOREE NSW	2400	17
G253	6	Geoff	HARVEY	BUDERIM Q.	4556	18
F1311	2	Mrs. Margaret	HEDLEY	WAGGA WAGGA NSW	2650	19
F1371	8	Nona	HOLTSHAUM	CASTLE HILL NSW	2154	20
F23	7	Tom	HONEYMAN	YAMBA NSW	2464	21
G2111	12	Yolande	JAMES	EAST IPSWITCH Q.	4305	22
G135	10	Janet	JONES	PETERSHAM NSW	2049	23
F801	3	Ian	KEILAR	KARANA DOWNS Q.	4306	24
F2001	12	Pauline	LONGSTON	GREENACRE NSW	2190	25
F53	10	Ronald Stua	MAIN	KOOTINGAL NSW	2352	26
G137	10	Ronald Irvi	MAIN	NEW LAMBTON NSW	2305	27
G151	10	Philip	MAIN	ARMIDALE NSW	2350	28
G149	10	Peter	MAIN	MELBA ACT	2615	29
F49	10	Jim	MAIN	NELSON BAY NSW	2315	30
F957	4	Neville	MALONEY	BANGALOW NSW	2479	31
F73	10	Merron	MATTHEWS	SHELLY BEACH Q.	4551	32
F37	10	Trudy	McBURNEY	PYMBLE NSW	2073	33
F881	4	Mrs. Marie	MELSKI	MOOROOKA Q.	4105	34
F2005	12	Yolande	MILLER	BAYVIEW NSW	2104	35
G223	10	Alicia Mari	MORRIS-YATES	ARTARMON NSW	2064	36
F1341	2&8	Robert	OLSSON	UTAH USA	84062	37
F721	11	Anne Eva	PANTON-HOPE	BURLEIGH HEADS Q	4220	38
F1469	2&6	John	REES	KIAMA NSW	2533	39
G8015	13	Anne	RIX	ARMIDALE NSW	2350	40
F41	10	Marie	RYALL	GORDON NSW	2072	41
F635	14	Kate	SAINSBURY	NUBEENA TAS.	7184	42
F923	3	Denise	SCHUMANN	NATHAN Q.	4111	43
G4020	5	Win	SECOMBE	WAUCHOPE NSW	2446	44
F633	14	Alison	SHOOBRIDGE	NUBEENA TAS.	7184	45
G131	10	Kit	SMITH	BURLEIGH HEADS	4220	46
F45	10	Mollie	SMITH	MOSMAN NSW	2088	47
F839	2	Vaux Yvonne	SPRY	CARINA Q.	4152	48
G1831	2&8	Mark	STANLEY	TURRAMURRA NSW	2156	49
F1379	2&8	Lorraine	STANLEY	KENTHURST NSW	2156	50
G119	10	Jim	TALBOT	NEWNHAM TAS.	7248	51
G121	10	Bill	TALBOT	BATEMAN'S BAY NS	2536	52
F31	10	Ninette	THALLON	DURACK Q.	4077	53
G377	5	Edith	van DRIEL	CROYDON VIC.	3136	54
F21	7	Chris	VAUGHAN	FORESTVILLE NSW	2087	55
F17	7	Harry	VAUGHAN	FORSTER NSW	2428	56
E401	1	Ian F.	WAUGH	BAR BEACH NSW	2300	57
E551	3	Henry Oxley	WAUGH	Sth. GRAFTON NSW	2460	58
F97	6	Bert	WAUGH	ARMIDALE NSW	2350	59
F3	7	Reeve	WAUGH	DORRIGO NSW	2453	60
F25	10	Frances	WAUGH	BARDON Q.	4065	61
F75	10	Charlie	WAUGH	BUSSELTON WA (P.	6280	62
F69	10	Justin	WAUGH	TOOWOOMBA Q.	4350	63
E569	3	Jean	WAUGH	SANDGATE Q.	4017	64
F29	10	Ian	WAUGH	BARDON Q.	4065	65
D23	10	Alexander	JWAUGH	CLEAR ISLAND WAT	4226	66
G2451	6	Alexander	WAUGH	BELLINGEN	2454	67
G23	7	Alexander	WAUGH	SYDNEY		68
F282	13	Jen.	WAUGH	GOONDIWINDI Q.	4390	69
F587	13	Peter	WAUGH	PADWORTH BERKSHIRG74JX		70
G8017	13	Richard	WAUGH	WILLOUGHBY NSW	2068	71
F925	3	Noela	WAUGH	FAIRFIELD GARDEN	4103	72
F281	13	John	WAUGH	GOONDIWINDI Q.	4390	73
F7	7	Rosemary	WAUGH-ALLCOCK	MACLEAN NSW	2463	74
F819	3	June	WILLIAMS	O'CONNOR ACT	2602	75
G979	9	Angela	WILLIAMSON	CARINGBAH NSW	2229	76

Finding peace among the Waughns

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On screens around the walls there were marriage and birth certificates, engravings, drawings and old sepia-coloured photographs, a poem, written by a friend, and given to Thomas Waugh on his departure from Scotland, and, surprisingly, for me anyway, copies of the family coat of arms, with its motto, Industria Dilat (Work Enriches), awarded to some illustrious ancestor.

The cousins also learnt that a Waugh had fought for Bruce at Bannockburn and that the Waugh name meant "stranger", "enemy", or "foreigner", and had probably been adapted from the Anglo-Saxons who used a similar word to warn of the approach of brigands: an "ancient and distinguished" Scottish name, it was termed in one professionally written scroll.

Once they had looked, and "ooohed" and "aahed", they moved through the room seeking friends from childhood, or just looking at the name tags and engaging each other in conversation, the contact point normally being similar lineage.

At the same time, one of the number, Jamie Waugh, wearing a glengarry and obviously from a missionary gene which has been fairly strong in the family during some generations, handed out fairly pointed anti-smoking leaflets: he obviously did not want the Waugh line killed by lung cancer.

Later he was to give out hand-turned wooden 'spurdles' — "for stirring the porridge and jam but not for beating the bairns" — the genealogical significance of which escaped me.

It was almost a case of where vultures fear to feed as we trooped into the stadium proper to sit down for dinner, the piece de resistance of which was haggis, carried in to the strid of pipes and carried to a poem by Robbie Burns.

I wondered as we skirmished for seats in family groups at the long trestle tables — my two six-foot, 200lb brothers ran offensive — whether the Waughns had ever previously given up fighting long enough to eat together at as big a gathering.

My father, called on to say grace, surprised me by even knowing one: he's a moral but not a religious man.

During the dinner it seemed that almost every Waugh, and his dog, and the McKenzies too, gave a speech. Some sad. Others hilarious. Memories of yesteryear, the hard times and the good.

One speaker told how one of the original settlers, William, who died at 77 when he fell from a horse on his way home after scything a field of hay — "at 77" — the speaker stressed — had helped organise the land ballot in which his brothers had all got farms.

"He knew how to look after the family," my youngest brother turned to me and laughed.

I heard, from my father, how my great grandfather had built his first house for seven pounds, the cost of the windows. The rest was home pit-sawn timber and home-split shingles. I heard how one of my great grandmothers had eloped from her home in County Cork, Ireland, to marry the man she loved and migrate to New Zealand.

And I learned how my grandfather had carried the name "Shylock" for his propensity for selling some of his farms over and over again.

Being fairly soft by nature I glowed with pride at these tales of infamy. I had never thought that there were skeletons in our family closet.

The dinner came to a close with a plea by Harry London for anyone who was interested in buying a book which could be prepared on the family's history to see him after the dinner. He returned to his table, to cheers, flushed with the success of the function he had helped organise, and which had mainly been his brainchild. A few minutes later he collapsed. He was taken away by ambulance, almost unnoticed as the rest of the family moved from the dining hall into the dance hall.

Later, just before midnight and the singing of Auld Lang Syne, Thomas Waugh, still in his bow-tie, took the stage to announce, somberly: "I'm sad to say I've just heard that we've just lost a customer, Harry London died at 11 pm."

The dwindling crowd — many had already left to take children home — stood for a moment's silence.

"He couldn't have left at a better time," someone, said, voicing my unspoken thought. "The success of this was probably one of the greatest moments in his life."

The next morning most of the 367 Waugh descendants packed into the ramshackle hall at Kimbolton, once called Birmingham, a small village in the hills a few miles north of Feilding, for a church service and thanksgiving to those Scottish forebears who had decided to travel to New Zealand.

I gave thanks too. After 20 years searching I had found my home — and found out who I was, and where I had come from. I may never go back to live there but it's nice to know that the answer was in my family and the great hills of Feilding all the time.

When you know where you come from it's easier to see where you are going. Thank you, Harry London, and all those others who have gone before

Most people take their families for granted. In the age of mobility, quick divorce and the nuclear family, family links seem almost part of a forgotten era. But like it or not, we all do have families. JOHN WAUGH who left his home down on the farm in New Zealand almost 20 years ago, returned there last week to a large, and eventful, family reunion.

The old man was in his mid-70s. He lay on the wooden floor where he had collapsed, struggling for breath while a nurse undid his collar and tie. The buzz of conversation went on around him. It hardly missed a beat.

"He's survive," Jumbo McKenzie, an ex-horse breaker, said glancing at the handwritten name-tag on the old man's jacket. "He's a Waugh. He's tough."

The elderly horse-breaker was right. Stephen Waugh was taken away by ambulance but less than four hours later he had returned to the hall to continue partying.

His collapse was the first of the day. The second was to come later and result in a death.

Stephen Waugh's collapse was my introduction to my family — 368, of the 1050 "discovered" New Zealand members, anyway. The occasion: the 100th anniversary of the arrival in New Zealand on March 29, 1850, of one section of the Waugh family, Thomas and Alison Waugh and their children.

One brother, William, who was to remain a bachelor, and two sisters, Cathran, McKenzie and Agnes Campbell, had arrived earlier with their families. Another two brothers and their families, John Hutton and Aelon Waugh, my great-grandparents, and James and Kaiona Waugh, arrived less than a year later.

Like most migrants of that era none of them were ever to see their parents, John Davidson Waugh, a Scottish crofter, and Wilhemina, nee Riddle, a former domestic servant, again. Refugees from rural poverty, they had, by making the six-month journey to New Zealand, severed their ties with their homeland forever.

I was reluctant to go to the reunion. My wife had been ill for some weeks before it and the cost for both of us to travel home — \$750 — seemed rather exorbitant for a three-day weekend to meet people who, although related, had no real connection with our lives.

Except for the chance of seeing my mother and father, brothers and sister, I was not particularly cheered at the prospect of spending the weekend with New Zealand farming folk — people I have often regarded as rich, ultra-conservative and boring at best, or uncouth, ignorant, beer-swilling hillbillies at worst — even if they were related.

I believed the reunion would be a mirror of everything I had gladly given up: wheat, like many New Zealand farmboys, I had left the land for the bright lights of the cities where we thought the real world was. I just wouldn't fit.

I also thought, unfairly as it turned out, that even though the elderly organisers, Thomas Waugh and Harry London, had spent five years in tracing all the New Zealand descendants of James Davidson Waugh and "Minna" Riddle and two years organising the reunion functions, it would be a failure. There would be few people there and the whole thing would be run like a shearer's booze-up.

The typical prodigal, I obviously little faith in my background, I called my father two days before the event to tell him I was not coming. Immediately I felt ashamed of myself. He sounded disappointed. "For you," he said, "it will only happen once. Neither of us will be around for the next one."

"... You'll probably never get another change of knowing who you are and where you come from — of seeing the family you belong to."

And then came the crunch line. "Don't worry about the money," he said. "I'll pay for your tickets if you cannot afford them."

What prodigal child can admit to his father that he's too mean — or too poverty-stricken in Australia, the land of plenty — to spend \$750 on a once-in-a-lifetime family reunion?

Backed into a corner I had to agree with his feelings. At times like that I tend to think in clichés: blood is thicker than water, money is meaningless.

With my wife I flew to New Zealand on Friday, March 28, and drove the 100 miles to my father's farm outside the small town of Feilding, near Palmerston North, where my six-foot-plus grandfather had earned a reputation for himself in his youth by throwing people, who disagreed, with him into a horse-rough outside a local hotel.

The following day at 2 o'clock I drove with my wife and father to Feilding's Civic Centre, a stadium-style building with an attached theatre-dance-hall. I still felt somewhat apprehensive about the outcome of the reunion.

Would anyone really come? Hadn't the organisers been over-ambitious in hiring the Civic Centre for the function? After all how many people today consider themselves part of an extended family? Very few I thought.

Again I was wrong. I was using myself as a yardstick to measure others. The parking areas, in front of the centre were jam-packed with cars. "There must be something else on," I said to my father, who grinned, rather smugly. "There wasn't anything else on." We walked into the entrance hall to a babble of voices and a registration table lined with the names: Cathran McKenzie, Agnes Campbell, Thomas Waugh, James Waugh and John Hutton Waugh. William's name was not there. If he had any issue no one had ever mentioned it.

There, with other members of my immediate family, I was given a name-tag and Aelon Waugh, names which would identify my lineage for the next two days.

"How many people are coming?" I asked. "We got in touch with 1,050," Thomas Waugh, a small elderly man in a tartan bow-tie, beamed. "There must be many others we couldn't find but 368 have accepted and all of them will be here."

As we walked into the hall and Stephen Waugh's collapse — I think I recollect from his name tag that he was from the James and Rabina Waugh line — we were swept up in a moving, chattering, laughing crowd of Waughns, McKenzies, Campbells, McIntoshes, Londons, Moodys, Wells, Cartwells and others.

There were people I had known most of my life and not known we were related. There were tiny babies and elderly people, some of them in wheelchairs, small children sliding across the polished floor on their bottoms, others hiding behind their mother's skirts, big men and small men, big women and small women, blonds with fair skin and dark-haired people with swarthy skins.

There were many that bore no resemblance to what I see as familial likenesses in my own family but there were others who looked uncannily like my father and many who resembled my brothers and sister. There was even one who was also named John Waugh, and looked like me except for his kill, a garment I have always detested.

I forgave him when he told me it was Gordon, and that as Waughns we were entitled to wear that tartan. I had always been miffed that unlike the nose-in-the-air highlanders, my family, being lowlanders, had had no tartan.

"More than 1,000 descendants in 100 years," my brother-in-law, Graham Cartwell commented, thoughtfully. "If this rate of increase continues John and 'Minna' could have more than a million descendants in the next 100 years."

With the current trend towards zero population growth there won't be a million but he is doing his best to help the theory along. My sister, Ann, already has four children and is awaiting the fifth, of what she hopes will be seven.

For the 368 cousins the major attractions in the hall were a centuries-old Bible showing the family's births, deaths and marriages, and the genealogical chart, with separate family trees for each of the original migrants, mainly because they had been so prolific that it was hard to get all John and "Minna's" descendants on one reasonable sized sheet of paper.