Local History Awards 2006 Winners

WRITTEN RESEARCH

1st prize
Patricia Ingham
Setting the pace in the Aged Care Industry: History of the League of Home Help for Sick and Aged (Inc) now known as Rosewood Care Group (Inc) 1953-2004
This is a well written account based on personal experience, research and the minutes of the organisation. It follows the establishment and development of the League of Home Help to provide help to the sick and aged, and services which developed such as Meals On Wheels. Changes in the administration, changing needs and ages of the clientele over the years are recorded in a very interesting social study.

2nd prize
Anne Chapple
Was John Beer “Interested”? A war of words over Anzac Cottage
As the Grand-daughter of Private Porter, Anne Chapple examines the community issues created at the time of the cottage being handed over to her grandfather. The document is well researched, containing letters to the newspaper from John Beer and responses to the editor from Frank Kelsall, President of the Anzac Committee of the Mt Hawthorn Progress Association.

PERSONAL MEMOIRS

1st Prize
Pat Torpy
My Brother’s Sister
This is a collection of 48 pages of memories of a childhood in Mount Hawthorn during World War II years. When Pat was six her mother died and her father enlisted soon after. This brought her closer to her brother, grandmother, aunts and uncles. Despite this sadness the memories described are very fond memories of Mount Hawthorn and family experiences.

2nd prize
Ivy Heptinstall
A selection of short and sweet memories of life as a child and teenager in Leederville in the 1930s and 1940s. Includes reference to Oxford Street, the various travelling salesmen and delivery men that came to the home, and the role of Sunday School and the Church in her life.
SPECIAL AWARD: EAST PERTH POWER STATION

1st prize
Frederick McCulloch
Serving a five year apprenticeship at the East Perth Power Station
Mount Hawthorn resident, Frederick McCulloch began his apprenticeship at the East Perth Power Station in 1948. In this memoir he has recalled the people and events with remarkable description and clarity, making this very interesting reading. Includes photographs of Fred and other apprentices.

Joint 2nd prize
Lyn Hawkins
Life as a worker at the East Perth Power Station
Lyn began working with the SEC in 1957 and as President of the Municipal Officers Association was active in efforts to gain equal pay for women within the organisation. In 1975 she was appointed Time Clerk at the EPPS, where she remained until it was decommissioned in 1981. The submission includes some photographs of the final staff in 1981.

Joint 2nd prize
Astrid Norgard
Photograph album of the construction of the East Perth Power House
A series of 28 original photographs dated from 7.10.1935 to 28.9.1936 compiled by William Elder Murray, her grandfather, who worked on the construction.

Local History Photographic Awards 2006

Category: Pre 1925

Winner
Hilton Matheson

1923
Matheson Grocer on the corner of Oxford and Tennyson streets
Charles Matheson driving, with his son Gordon in front.
Special Mentions

Barbara Hendry

1907
*Front of 38 Schaefer Street, Leederville* (now Galwey Street)
Frank and Nellie Holland with Marjorie, David and Harold.

Garfield Cross

c.1910
*View towards the city from Mabel Street, North Perth.*

Liz Barrett

1916
*The building of Anzac Cottage, 38 Kalgoorlie Street, Mount Hawthorn on 12 February 1916.*
Onlooker William A Smith (with cane) who donated the cyclone fence.
*Photo taken by his wife Jessie Smith.*
1921

H.J. Cartwright Suburban Dairy & Iceworks, 1-11 Coogee Street, Mt Hawthorn.
The lady in the photograph is my Great-Great-Grandmother, Grace Selina Cartwright. Standing next to her is my Great-Great Grandfather, Hubert Joseph Cartwright. The man with the hat holding the reins is someone my Grandmother called ‘Whiskers’ when she was little. Whiskers was the night watchman. The little boy sitting next to him is my Great Uncle Mervyn Cartwright. Sitting in front of Mervyn with a white shirt and his sleeves rolled up is my Great Grandfather Hubert Alexander Ormand Cartwright.

Category: 1926 to 1950

Winner
Pat Torpy

1929

One of a series of 5 photos from the bush block to the finished family home. The house was constructed between October and November 1929

Special Mention
Ruth Venables

1933

Salvation Army Cradle Roll Service at Cowle Street. Teachers Joyce Fowles and Mrs Geo. Castley
Category: 1951 to 1975

Winner
Les Beckham

1951
*Telegraph messenger boy, Les Beckham at the rear of the Leederville Post Office*

Special Mention
Heather Bennett

1961
*View of Seymour & Co, Furniture Manufacturers in Rae Street, Leederville. Seymour’s Furniture Manufacturers was the only business in this basically suburban street. Noted for their well made furniture! It is now converted and extended as a townhouse residence.*