

Thank you to all our entrants this year!

It's great to see that people are still actively engaged in ensuring we document the history of life in Vincent.

Without the effort of our locals we simply would not have such a rich and diverse collection, nor would it continue to grow at the rate it has.

We hope that people make connections themselves - but also be inspired to rampage through their records, albums, journals (and so on) - and submit interesting stories and photos to the Centre.

You are welcome to submit any history stories, photographs, and documents – any record of the past – to our Local History Centre at any time of the year.

Senior Librarian, Local History
9273 6534 or local.history@vincent.wa.gov.au.

An invitation to contribute
to our local history collection
and be rewarded

See next pages for our 2014 winners... Photographs will remain on exhibition in the Local History Centre for the next 6 months. All other winning material can also be viewed in the Centre.



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Written Categories

» My Suburb

➤ **First prize: Simon Hehir and Anton Haynes**

A Slice of Norwood is a short, well researched and well presented history of the Norwood subdivision of East Perth.

>The judges believe this an excellent account of the history of the subdivision, supported by valuable archive plans, maps and photographs. It also documents the impact of the railway on the area.

➤ **Second prize: Beryl and Sandra Long**

'Milliners, Drapers and a Peanut Machine': recollections of shopping in North Perth from the 1930s to the 1960s... Combined memories written by a mother and daughter.

>The judges commented that it contains interesting information about retail and service businesses, told with a passion that engaged the reader and stimulated their imagination.

» History of a House

➤ **First prize: Brad Lambert**

80 Chelmsford Road, Mount Lawley

In depth research into house and the people who have lived there since it was constructed in 1903 to the present day.

>One judge described this as an amazing history of a house – with detailed footnotes and showing good narrative skills. Another commended the presentation, using newspaper extracts which were well sized to read, photographs, plans, maps and tables.

➤ **Second prize: Anne Mills**

82 Palmerston Street, Northbridge

This house was constructed in 1901. The history follows the various owners using interview transcripts and meetings with previous owners and their families. Also includes maps, plans and photographs.

>The judges were impressed by the detailed research and good thematic presentation. They felt it brought out the remarkable history of the house.

➤ **Special Mention: Judy Paice**

55 Redfern Street, North Perth

This entry came between a history of a house and a memoir of life in North Perth. It was based on conversations with various family members to create a descriptive record of the family that lived at 55 Redfern Street between 1928 and 1990.

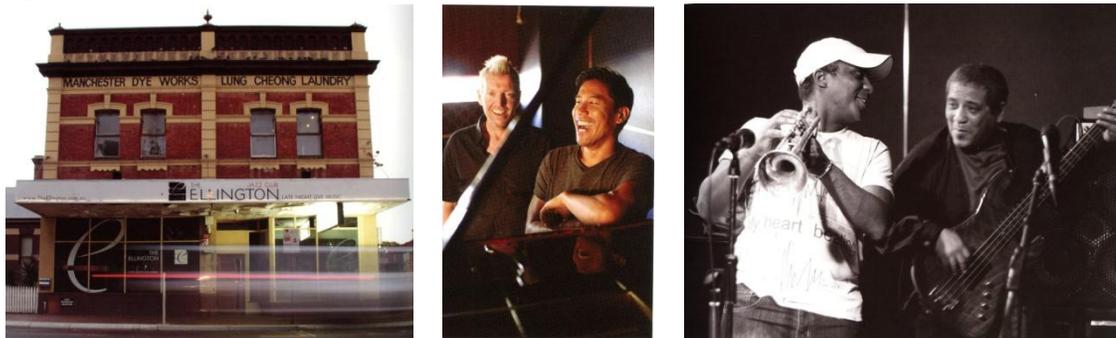
>The judges were impressed by the lively record of life in North Perth and of the family who lived here, including how they supported the extended family.

» Open Award

(Four equal prizes were awarded in this section, with a special prize created for the ANZAC Centenary)

➤ Winner: Angelyne Wolfe

Hot Nights Cool Jazz: a photo collection from the most isolated jazz club in the world: The Ellington.



The photographs are accompanied by memories of those who were there from the concept and opening of the club to the performers and patrons over the first five years.

>The judges considered this a great record of a very unique place, which hopefully will endure for many years. This is a gorgeous book with enough text to capture what The Ellington is and it is good to capture these memories before they fade.

➤ Winner: Lois Cooley

Tempus Fugit: an autobiography by Donald Cooley

Donald Cooley was born in 1918 and lived in and around Leederville until the 1940s when he married and bought a house at 48 Ellesmere Street, Mount Hawthorn. Donald rose from a working class family to be a Trade Union leader and eventually a State politician. The original manuscript was written in 1988 and has been reformatted with photographs added and published as a book by his daughter, Lois Cooley.

>The judges felt this was a well written autobiography by Donald Cooley, which included his career and family life and vividly reflected his emotions.

➤ Winner: Fay Maughan

Horry's Tree

Before leaving Australia to serve in WWI, Horry Thompson planted a Fig Moreton Bay tree beside his home in Melrose Street (then known as Norfolk Street), Leederville, saying to his family they would see how much had grown by the time he returned home. Unfortunately he

was never to return as he was killed in action. The writer follows the story of the man, his family, the neighbours and the tree. Almost a century later, the tree still stands near the Mitchell Freeway in Leederville and is known as Horry's Tree.

>The judges found this a rich, well written history of the Thompson family in Leederville, showing the impact of WWI on families. The story flows well with supporting archival documents attached. It is also unusual to acquire such a detailed history of a significant tree with certified documents.

» **Special Award > Anzac Centenary**

➤ **Winner: Paula McAdam**

The WWI Diary of Major FJ McAdam

Diary written by an Officer who sailed from Fremantle on 3 November 1914 and kept a detailed diary until 20 May 1917. After that, increased military activity and tighter security measures on the Western Front prevented him from recording the final two years of the war.

>The judges were very moved by this wonderful record of one man's experience of the Great War. The detail of daily life of the officers and men plus the descriptions of active service in campaigns is amazing.

Photographic Memories

» **Category One: A single photograph over 30 years old » Pre-1930**

(Two prizes)

➤ **Winner: Geoff Gell on behalf of North Perth Tennis Club**



North Perth Tennis Club members at the official opening, 3 May 1913. The Club is located at Woodville Reserve.

>The judges valued this photograph for providing interesting historical information about an early suburban tennis club, its members and tennis fashions of the time.

➤ **Winner: Val Skinner**



Mullins extended family outside their home at 80 Mabel Street, North Perth, 1925. At the time Mabel Street would have been close to the boundary of the metropolitan area, with bush beyond. James Mullins was born in 1889 and died in 1984, having lived at 80 Mabel Street for over 72 years.

>The judges thought this photograph a good social portrait showing the different generations of the family in everyday clothing and setting.

» **Category One: A single photograph over 30 years old » 1930-1959**

(Two prizes)

➤ **Winner: John Bull**



VJ (Victory over Japan) celebrations at 81 Smith Street, Highgate Hill, 15 August 1945. John is sitting in the billycart with his mother, brother, aunts and cousins behind.

>Another wonderful social picture, showing a particular moment in history and how the extended family gathered to celebrate.



➤ **Winner: Alice Tremlett**

Choir of the Elim Four Square Gospel Church, late 1940s. Alice Tremlett is in the back row, fourth from the right. The Church services were held in the Protestant Hall, near the corner of Beaufort and Newcastle streets, Perth.

>The judges felt that this photograph was full of information about the Church, the Honour Boards, the choir, musicians and clothing of the period.

» **Category One: A single photograph over 30 years old » 1960-1983**
(Two prizes)

➤ **Winner: Robert Haywood**



Joseph White, tram conductor, 1960.

>The trams were to disappear from the Perth suburbs soon after this, making it a valuable record of the uniform worn by conductors. There are no other photographs in our collection which illustrate this.



➤ **Winner: Terry Matthews**

The Mount Hawthorn Hotel on the corner of Fairfield Street, looking west along the shops on Scarborough Beach Road, Mount Hawthorn, 1980s.

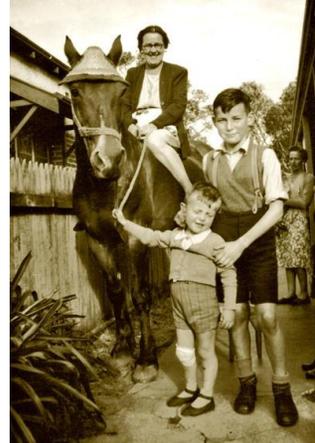
>A beautifully executed photograph showing the Mount Hawthorn Hotel prior to it becoming the Paddington Ale House.

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» Category Two: A Photo Study

(Two prizes)

➤ Winner: John Bull



Series of three photographs featuring Sally the horse, the star local guest at John Bull's fourth birthday party, 1946. The family lived at 81 Smith Street, Highgate and the horse belonged to a neighbor.

This was an era when delivery horse and carts were a regular sight in the suburbs and many blocks had stables at the rear. Young John loved Sally the horse and wanted her at his birthday party. Sally's party hat was made especially!

>The judges liked that this shows a children's birthday party from the 1940s. The small details such as the fact that everyone, including Mum, got on the horse, the clothing and the handkerchief around John's knee where he must have had a graze, all add to the information in the photograph.

➤ Winner: Frank Di Scerni



Series of photographs showing the shop at the angled intersection of West Parade and Guildford Road, the shops opposite on Guildford Road, plus the view towards the Mount Lawley Subway, 1954.

Frank Di Scerni was newly arrived from Italy and can be seen with friend and shopkeeper Giovanna Italiana, outside his shop *Corner House Fruit and Vegetables*.

>The judges were impressed that this group of photographs of the Mount Lawley area brought something totally new to our Photographic Collection. They found them interesting, as the shop was demolished many years ago.

➤ **Special Mention Nick Kotsoglo**



Kotsoglo Furniture Factory in Loftus Street, Leederville, 1950s.

Basil Kotsoglo began making furniture at his home at 146 Carr Street and then established a furniture factory on the corner of Loftus and Harrogate streets, Leederville in the late 1940s.

>These are valued photographs as this land was reclaimed for the construction of the Mitchell Freeway.