NUNAWADING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Dear Members,

Jean is still in Sydney taking care of her Mother who is very ill, Jean wishes to be remembered to Society members & is sorry she has been unable to be here for our meetings, our thoughts have been with Jean & her family these past months

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The Station-masters' house at Mitcham has finally been razed by a bulldozer for that CAR PARK, the Blackburn & Dist' Tree Preservation Society are endeveuring to save several fine trees including a graceful Jacaranda & a Large Silky Oak The bricks used in the chimneys of the house were of interest, old double runnel type by Metrop, the early machine made bricks which followed handmade, a few have been rescued, just in case.

150 YEARS OF PERMANENT SETTLEMENT IN VICTORIA

150 Years of Permanent Settlement in Victoria is to be celebrated between November 1984 & October 1985 The Nunawading Council has been approached by the Premier of Vic the Hon. R.J. Hamer M.P. to assist with the organizing of suitable activities to commemorate the occasion. The Society has been asked by the Council to make some suggestions for consideration. Mr Hamer's letter states:- "Activities might include ie. historical re-enactments, fostering an interest in the region for local residents etc." further suggestions are: - activities around major historical regions, periods, towns, people, dates etc To develop, produce, co-ordinate, commission new material on historical subjects &/or up-date existing material. To bo-operate with other groups such as Education etc.

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Propositions are to reach the Premier's Dept. via the Nunawading Council by 15th Oct. 1980 so any suggestions we might have will need to reach the Council before September. Give it some thought & let us have those <u>original ideas in writing</u> please, at our next meeting. As many other organizations, inc business. sporting, educational, & community bodies are included our

suggestions would need to be in the historical field but remember even yesterday is history. It is of interest to note that 1984 will celebrate 120 years since August Schwerkolt built the Cottage, there are probably many more interesting historical subjects which would be suitable for suggestions, so give it all some deep thinking.

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DATES TO REMEMBER ---------

For the next two meetings only, Note we have arranged to start our business meeting earlier to suit our speakers.

Wednesday 13th Aug.

Nunawading Historical Scty Leeting 7.45pm Willis Room Civic Centre Whitehorse Rd Nunawading

Speaker: - Mr Norman Carter speaking on what's "Behind the Facade of the \$10 note"

Wednesday 10th Sept.

Nunawading Historical Scty. Meeting 7.45pm Willis Room Civic Centre Whitehorse Rd Nunawading Speaker: - Mr Griffin Bartlett, who has been responsible for the restoration of many grain mills in U.K. etc., will speak on "Loafing Down the Ages" 42 000 years of Flour-Milling up to Today's loaf of bread.

Sunday 15th Oct

Afternoon outing to Albert Park. Society members & friends have been invited to visit Mrs Noeline Ward at 17 Dinsdale St Albert Park. Noeline has organized a short historical walk around the area, then back to her home for a noon tea Some members are going by train, please join in; catch the 11 56 am train from Mitcham Donation \$1 to Society for the outing & a noon tea. See you there!

Saturday 8th Nov.

Combined East-West-Central Historical Societies DINNER at the "Coffee Bean" Rest. Warrandyte. Cost \$8.50 per head includes pre dinner drinks & savouries, 3 course meal plus several speakers with historical items of interest from the area.

NOTE Our Society has already booked 8 members for this function do join in to make a strong representation from Nunawading Hist. Scty. Please bring your deposits (\$5 per head) to the Aug. meeting BUT PHONE YOUR BOOKINGS TODAY OR TOWORPOW to Shirley Jones 8747073

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All for now, give some thought to Clyde's idea and dont forget to write out an idea or two for 150 years etc Will look forward to seeing you at our next Meeting,

Shirley Jones Vice Pres