



NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2015

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7.30 p.m.

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Membership Renewal

Membership renewals are due by June 30th.

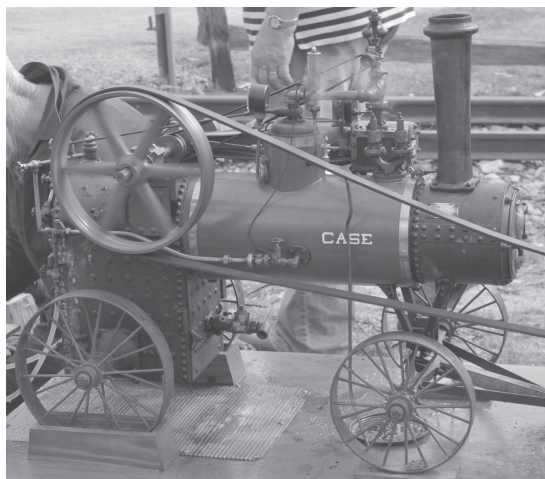
The application form is in this newsletter so please fill it in and pay the treasurer on time to maintain membership. Remember if you are unfinancial you have no insurance cover and you are not permitted to display at shows etc.

AGM

This is also a reminder that our AGM is coming up soon.

The official notice of meeting and nomination forms will be in the next newsletter.

This annual meeting is your opportunity to actively participate in the decisions of our club. You will be provided with reports by the President and the financial affairs as well as select the board membership for the upcoming year.



Above: Case portable steam engine - 3" scale owned by Bernie & Mary Whelan, Warrambol.

Right: Wolsley Tyre 'R' Model 2 1/2 hp engine owned by Graham & Bev Conn, Dennington Vic

Steamfest 2015 South Western District Restoration Group, Cobden, Victoria



Extract from **LAUNCESTON' S INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE**: Miranda Morris-Nunn and C. B. Tassell - jointly funded by the Australian Heritage Commission and the Queen Victoria Museum of the Launceston City Council 1982.

Preserves

Tasmania was very quickly found to offer a suitable fruit growing climate. Lt Gov. Paterson planted apple trees, said to still have been bearing fruit 150 years later, at York Town. By the 1830s the variety of fruit grown was quite large and exotic and every almanac had its 'gardeners' kalendar'. The successful orcharding in southern Tasmania gave impetus to northern growers in 1847. Thomas Gould, who was a confectioner by trade advertised in that year that he wanted to buy three tons of raspberries and other fruits having received a number of jars per the *Winchester*. His premises were on the corner of Charles and Elizabeth Streets. In 1848 William Longhurst who owned a timber yard opposite the Union Bank in George Street offered fruit cases for sale and by the 1850s the Tamar Valley was widely cultivated. The market was excellent. The Victorian gold rushes created an enormous demand for fresh, bottled and dried fruit.

In Launceston E.L. Knight began making raspberry and currant jam in 1857 and in 1863, when there was a sudden flourish of the industry, reminded customers that his jam manufactory included Isaac Wilkins and Son in Charles Street, near the market. Gould and Freeston, Cameron Street (Freeston by 1862 had his own premises in Lower St John Street) and R. Stewart of Springfield Glen Dhu who boasted a depot in Wellington Street, and Tankard and Scott who operated from Court House Green.

J. Alvarez, a printer of Warwick Street Hobart found Launceston's jammaking activity so promising that he considered it worthwhile advertising in the *Examiner* his ability to print labels on 'enamelled paper in gold bronze from lithography'. Unfortunately he became insolvent in 1864. The post gold rush depression and subsequent

FRUIT. ERUIT. FRUIT.

E. L. KNIGHT is a cash buyer. Apply
to **E. L. Knight**, at the **Gold Diggers'**
Return, Charles-street, Launceston
N.B. Get your Cash on delivery.
Nov. 12ⁿ uc

*The Cornwall
Chronicle,
Wednesday 25
March 1857,
page 5*

FRUIT.

THE undersigned is a constant purchaser.
J. Freston, Market, Launceston.
March 14ⁿ 10 c

Fruit Cases.

FULL Sized Cases, 2 feet 4 inches long,
14 x 7, at 1s. 4d. each; half bushel do,
at 1s. each. At **W. F. Green's**, next Examiner
office.

NOTICE TO FRUIT GROWERS.

E. L. KNIGHT is still a purchaser, as he
has been for the last six years. of
raspberries and currants, and all kinds of
soft fruit suitable for jam, in large or small
quantities.

Jam Manufactory, Wellington-street,
October 31. (w

*Launceston
Examiner,
Thursday 19
November
1863, page 1*

introduction of tariffs in 1866, rising steeply in following years crippled Launceston fruit growers (with a little help from the Codlin Moth). Anthony Trollope writing in 1873 said that he 'always took a delight in reminding a Victorian who is a jam loving creature, that he is obliged to eat pumpkin jam, a filthy mixture just flavoured with fruit, because of the tariff by which he protects the fruit grower of Victoria, - who after all can't grow fruit'.

In 1878 The Tasmanian Jam and Preserved Fruit Company was

floated with a capital of £5 000 in £1 shares with C.H. Smith, Henry Button, Peter Barrett, J.C. Ferguson, T.W. Thomas, Henry Edgell and Captain Urquhart, as directors. They had offices in St John Street and a factory on the Queen's Wharf but the venture ceased in 1879. It was not until about 1906 that the fruit industry became revitalized, and by this time the small jam factories had ceased operating. However, during this lull great advances had been made in food preservation. In the late 1870s refrigerated shipping had become possible, opening up a whole new market for fresh meat and vegetables. The latter had hitherto been strung over the sides of ships in nets in an attempt to preserve them for as long as possible. Jam did not return to Launceston. Although Jones & Co. applied to the Council in 1914 for a site for a canning factory nothing seems to have eventuated.

Leonard Bender, a smallgoods manufacturer was the first to establish a freezing works in northern Tasmania in about 1889 . The building was insulated with sawdust in its cavity walls and consisted of a subterranean brine room, ground floor factory and top floor coolroom. A block and tackle was used to transport materials. The building is still extant in Bender's Lane. Bender's store became the Launceston depot for all things perishable - butter, fruit and meat. Its primary function was to preserve his own goods. Bender was brought up in the apple growing atmosphere of Huonville and maintained a keen interest in fruit growing. He started his own orchards at West Arm and later Deviot. In 1912 Ernest Whitfeld described the Tamar area: 'Practically from Kelso to Launceston what was once neglected and forbidding looking country is now dotted over with laid-out orchards in every stage of growth'. He went on to say that apples grown on the Tamar matured three weeks earlier and so captured the first market. Bender acted as guarantor for the 'Telamon' the first vessel to load apples for the British Market from Beauty Point in 1922. Previously all fruit had been sent to Hobart for shipment.

On the 12th of May, 1903 The Tasmanian Produce and Cool Storage Company formally opened their works on the Inveresk Esplanade with 200 guests including Sir Edward Braddon, Mayor Storrer and other dignatories. The buildings were designed by Walter Panton , a New Zealand architect, and built by Charles Adams and Sons, on grounds measuring 80ft (24m) by 500ft (152m). Subsidiary buildings were constructed to allow for additions and consisted of a boiler house, engine room and a butter factory which was constructed of brick and was 35ft (10.7m) by 20ft (6m). The freezing buildings contained a holding store capable of accomnodating 10 000 carcasses of mutton, six freezing chambers measuring 25ft (7.6m) by 11ft (3.3m) and capable of freezing 500 sheep daily, two chilling rooms the same size and a butter store. The railway ran through the packing shed and extended the whole length of the freezing building with a platform in front of the chambers and another 12ft (3.7m) wide packing platform on the other side.

Mr E. Gardiner of C.A. MacDonald's firm at 63 Pitt Street in Sydney installed the Hercules freezing plant. A direct expansion system of refrigeration was used. Apart from freezing perishable goods and manufacturing *Icicle* and *Coronet* butter, and *Pic-Nic* cheese, the company were agents for all dairy machines including the De Laval Separator, premier of the world, Lawrence-Kennedy Milking Machines, *Hercules* refrigerators and Herry's churns and dairy factory appliances. ■

Newsletter items

This is your newsletter so please send your reports to:

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Items including photos and anything you think may be of interest to members to be sent before 25th of month prior. If it interests you it might just interest other members also and make for some interesting reading.

The Historical Machinery Club of Tasmania

General Meeting May 5 2015

PRESENT.

Brian Scott, Ivan & Kate Best, Fred Harris, David & Judy Burk, Rex Woodberry, Phil Weeks, David & Gloria Perry, Brian & Kaye Ling, Pat & Heather Harris, Kingsley Percy, Doug Couzins, Don Stubbs, Ron Barker, Dick Keys, Lloyd Tunbridge, Lyn Richards, Wayne Wood, Nicholas Mantje, Verne Reeves, Scott Allsop, Kelvin & Joan Fielding. Derrel & Karyn Haines, Caleb Dover, Dulcie Steers.

APOLOGIES

Tony & Tania Perry, Andrew & Kate Perry, Tony & Sharon Maney, Ian Bessell, Tom & Barb Moore, Russ Radford, Joshua Woodberry, Kris Percy, Greg Richards, Tony Young, Des Smith. Viv & Elaine Voss, Rick Diprose, Deb Wood, Kevin Reeve

PREVIOUS MINUTES for February, Moved P Weeks, seconded S Allsop – carried

SHOW AND TELL – P Weeks demonstrated an Infrared Camera.

CORRESPONDENCE -

IN Two Copyright permission leaflets: - Launceston Museum and Aust Nat University

OUT -

Moved Correspondence be accepted D Burk, seconded. S Allsop

FINANCE REPORT.

General Account \$34,043.53, Investment \$51378.61

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

B Scott \$141.10 Stamps, Lyn Richards \$40.00 Newsletter.

Moved accounts be authorised, I Best, seconded K Percy, Carried.

NEW BUSINESS: - Agfest vehicle passes only 16 available.

Exhibitors will need to share the tickets to allow for enough vehicles to come in, then return to gate to give ticket to the next person.

COMING EVENTS: - Agfest 7, 8, 9 May

Meeting Closed 8.35 pm

Next Meeting: - 2 June 2015

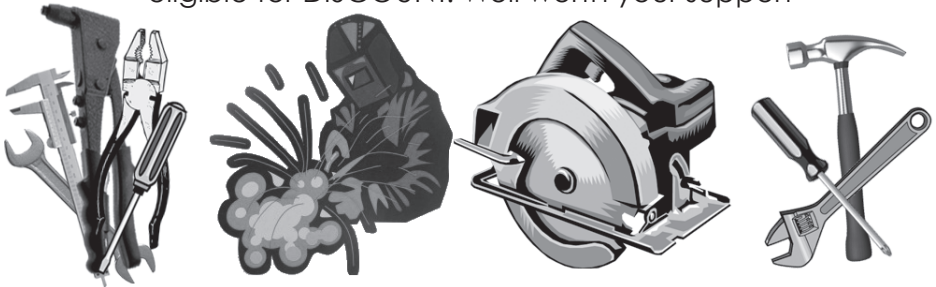
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Curried Parsnip Soup

1 tbs light olive oil

1 large onion, finely chopped

4 celery stalks, finely chopped

1 1/2 tbs madras curry powder*

2 garlic cloves, crushed

3 parsnips, peeled, cut into 1cm cubes

400g can chopped tomatoes

400g can brown lentils, rinsed, drained

1L (4 cups) salt-reduced chicken stock

2 tbs roughly chopped coriander, plus extra to garnish

1/3 cup (4 tbs) low-fat natural yoghurt

Heat oil in a large saucepan over medium low heat. Add onion and celery and cook, stirring, for 5 minutes or until onion is soft. Add curry powder, garlic and parsnip, and cook, stirring, for 1 minute or until fragrant.

Increase heat to high. Add the tomatoes, lentils, stock and 1/2 cup (125ml) water, and bring to the boil.

Reduce heat to medium and simmer rapidly, stirring occasionally, for 20 minutes or until parsnip is tender.

Meanwhile, combine the yoghurt and coriander.

Season soup to taste and serve with yoghurt and extra coriander.

An older gentleman was on the operating table awaiting surgery and he insisted that his son, a renowned surgeon, perform the operation.

As he was about to get the anaesthesia, he asked to speak to his son.

"Yes, Dad, what is it?"

"Don't be nervous, son; do your best, and just remember, if it doesn't go well, if something happens to me, your mother is going to come and live with you and your wife...."

Edgell Family

Henry Edgell (1836–1909) arrived in Launceston in about 1871 to manage an insurance office. He served on various boards and the Municipal Council and was well known as an after-dinner speaker. His wife, Charlotte Packer Gordon, was active in the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and for this had a horse drinking fountain dedicated to her.

Of their five children the eldest, Robert Gordon (1866–1948) gained renown as a designer of bridges for the New South Wales public service. In his retirement and with the assistance of two sons, Maxwell and Hampden, he pioneered the canning of asparagus at Bathurst, New South Wales. This business grew to become, in 1930, Gordon Edgell and Sons Limited. A third son, Broughton, who had established copra plantations in New Guinea, later joined the company.

The company expanded rapidly to supply canned food to the armed forces during the Second World War. Further post-war growth included, in 1955, the purchase of the HJ Heinz factory at Devonport. Canned and frozen peas became a significant agricultural industry on the North West coast. The JR Simplot organisation now own the Edgell brand.

Henry and Charlotte's second son Henry Mordaunt took up land on King Island after training as an accountant. He later joined the Imperial Customs Service in China. Their daughter Theodora Grace was a military nurse in Europe during the First World War and was for many years the Matron of the Campbell Town Hospital.

The youngest son, Bayard Hazlewood, became a pastoralist on Dennistoun at Bothwell, moving there in 1913 to rent and in 1917, in partnership with Phillip Oakley Fysh, to purchase the properties of John Dennistoun Wood. He established one of the earliest Polwarth sheep studs. Bayard was active in farmer organisations and local government and did much to inaugurate the fat lamb industry. He married Hannah Ethel Gibson and they had two sons and a daughter. The eldest son, Geoffrey, carried on as manager and became sole owner of the Dennistoun property in 1956. He was also active in agricultural and business affairs and was a long-serving member of the Bothwell Council. ■

From The Companion to Tasmanian History

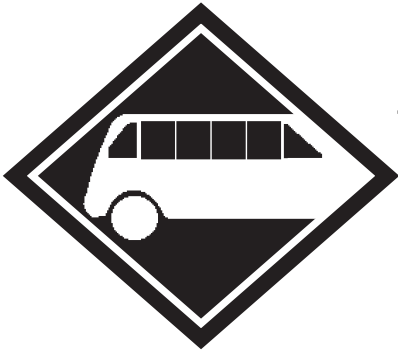
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Price negotiable, John Lee, Phone 6496 1354.

Massey Harris MH 11 side

delivery rake, in good order. Phone Barry Evans for details and location. 6491 2654

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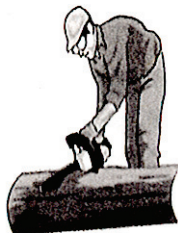
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A contact for Lister info. David Bailey, Flinders Island, Phone 6359 3513.

Members exhibiting at Agricultural shows will not be entitled to a BBQ provided by the Club. This may be at members discretion if BBQ facilities are available.

Local Police hunting the 'knitting needle nutter' who has stabbed six people in the last 48 hours. They believe the attacker could be following some kind of pattern.

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Please note if you require a name tag please let Ian Bessell know. Contact details are on page 2 thank you.

Next Meetings

July 7th

Aug 4th

Meetings start 7.30 p.m.

Members please bring food for supper.

If you have an item of interest for show and tell please bring along and share or even a good joke.

The NHMA Mission Statement.

The NHMA Inc is an Association of enthusiasts from across Australia, formed in 1987 by a small band of clubs with similar interests that provides a fellowship with common interest of collecting, restoring, displaying of Heritage Farm Machinery, Tractors, Vehicles and Associated Memorabilia.

The necessity of a working handbook for NHMA member clubs has grown over the past years. The issues of insurance, safety matters, club record keeping have and will continue to become more complex. It is also becoming more difficult for clubs to elect officers who are willing to take on these positions that are vital to the clubs future. The guideline handbook is now updated regularly, to keep up with latest developments. The main theme is on SAFETY FIRST AT ALL TIMES.

Taken from the NHMA current guidelines. Your President, Secretary and Treasurer have the current handbook. Please ask if you would like to check on an issue.