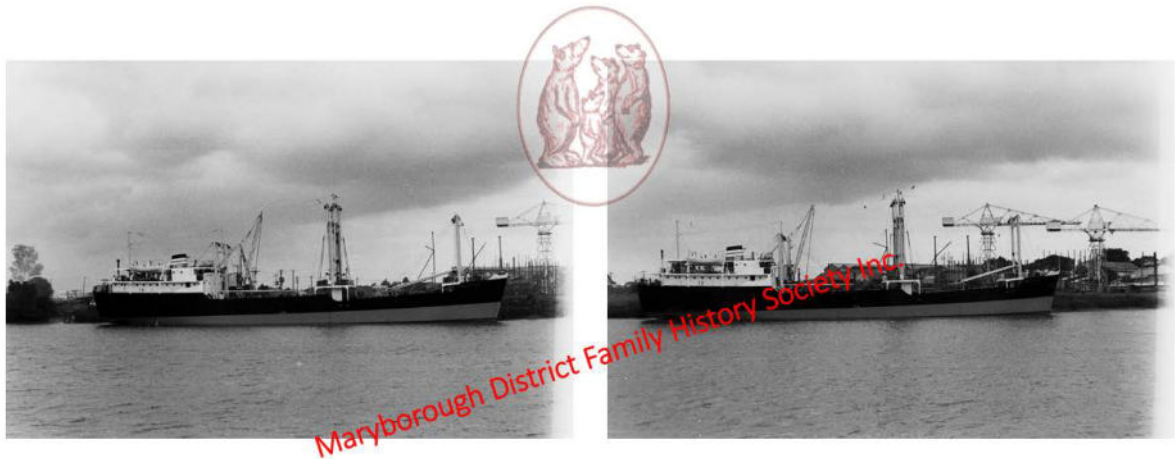
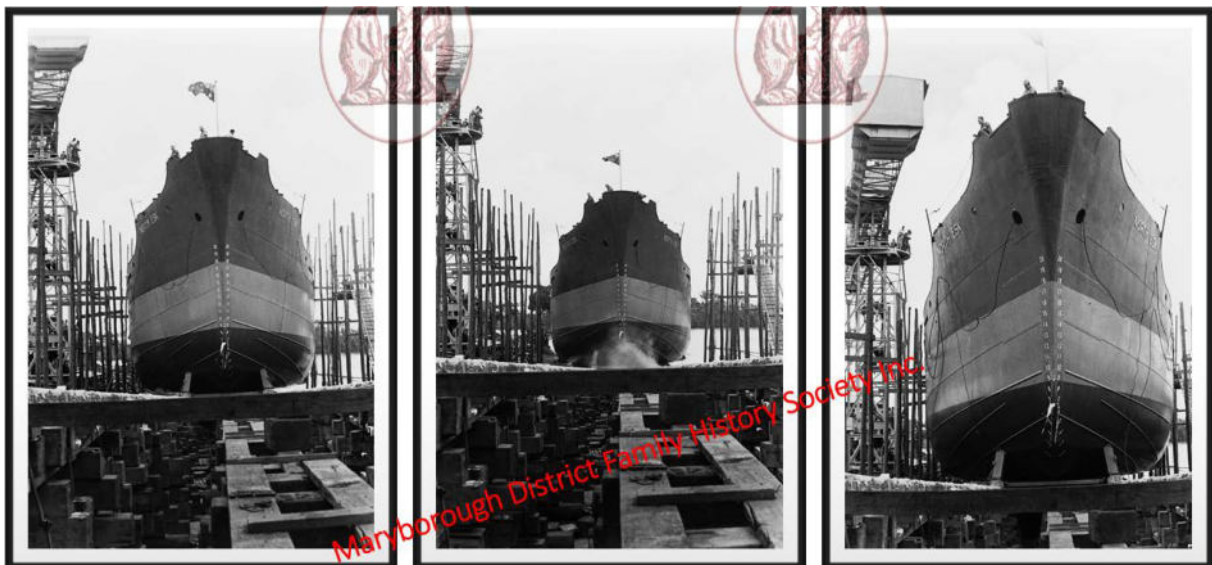


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PRESIDENTS REPORT MAY 2024

High all, it is May, and another financial year is coming to a close. This past year expenses have risen with costs rising for most necessary items. Ink cartridges and paper have risen sharply. Insurance is getting harder to get and is more costly. In the past we had only one insurance payment but now we have two different companies to cover our needs. Council have seen fit to apply payments they previously covered back onto us, which is making it harder to continue. Although research is still continuing to provide an income, our main source of revenue is the Cemetery Tours which has unfortunately slowed somewhat. Poor Margaret has had to battle on with Jenni being absent due to fracturing her arm (Tony says he didn't do it). There have been murmurs of the bottle being involved but we can neither confirm nor deny this. However, we wish Jenni a speedy recovery. Jenni came in and joined us for morning tea recently and reported her treatment left a bit to be desired, but she was definitely on the mend and hoped to be back soon.

With Jenni being away, Leslee has put her hand up to learn research and is going really well with it, proving out of dramas, sometimes good things happen. Well done Leslee. With the drop in income and higher expenses we have unfortunately had to draw on our investments and unless things change, we will have to do the same next year.

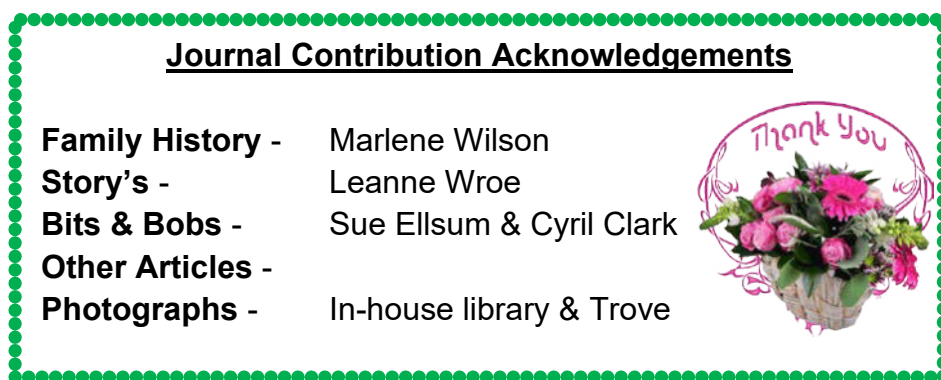
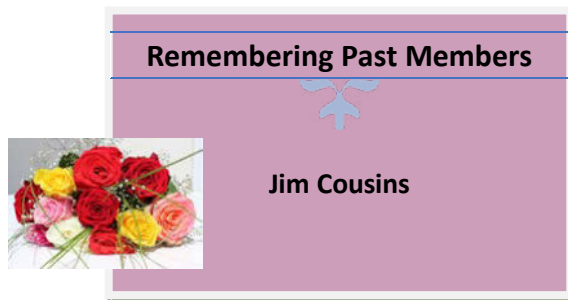
On last month's Cemetery Tour, a strange event occurred when two young ladies came up the path. When asked what they were doing, they revealed that they had paid \$35 for an app., which supplied them with a map illustrating where they could find "Ghosts". This led them to our Cemetery? We wondered who was behind this misguided tour, since our Society has guidelines places upon us to run our inexpensive tour. However, we have since found out this is a possible scam and should be avoided at all costs.

Otherwise, things are running smoothly, and we are assisting people with enquires every day. We have reduced the hours of opening and now close at 1.30pm on the three days we are open.

We wish all well and don't forget to drop in anytime and make yourself known.

All the best to all.

John Ruhle
President



ARCH CASWELL



Archibald Harold CASWELL was born in Murgon on 20 July 1913, the youngest of the 10 children of Francis William Caswell and Mary Ann Dennis.

In 1936 he was a shop assistant of Fryar Street, Murgon. In August 1940 Arch applied for entry in the RAAF. He stated he had 10 years of radio service experience in the South Burnett District and was still employed there as such by his brother. In 1934 he had passed an AOPE [operators] certificate and had been active both on the air BC and short wave until the war. He took the radio mechanics course in the Marconi School of Wireless by correspondence. He later qualified as a graduate of the Institute of Radio Engineers.

On 26 June 1941 in Brisbane, he took the oath of affirmation when he joined the RAAF Reserve. He was posted to the Class Radio Mechanic Group of the Reserve. When he enlisted on 27 June 1941 his occupation was given as radio mechanic. It was noted he was a trombone player in a brass band and a bass fiddler in a string band. He was posted to the No 1 Squadron on 23 January 1942 when he disembarked in Singapore. On 8 February 1942 he disembarked at Palembang from Singapore.

Arch was captured in Java in March 1942 and was at first reported as missing but in April 1943 was believed to be a prisoner of war. In October 1943 he was a prisoner of war in the camp at Moulmein, Burma. In December he was at Camp Thai, Thailand.

The ARGUS 13 September 1945 reported: Appalling Ordeal of Prisoners on "Death Railway" in Burma LAC Arch Caswell of Murgon, Qld and in Siam the brothers Webber of the British Army operated sets with a disregard of the enormous risks involved. They were nicknamed "Jungle Dickie Birds" or "Nightingales."

The Maryborough Chronicles of March 1946 described in great detail the exploits of Caswell while a prisoner of war.

15 March: "Secret Radios Tricked Japs" tells of the ingenuity of Arch Caswell of Maryborough. Shortly after the fall of Batavia in 1942 Arch Caswell and several others discussed the possibility of constructing a receiving set whereby, they might be able to keep abreast of the news of the day. In the Japanese barracks at Batavia, they found valves. Caswell and two mates strapped four valves to their legs just before returning to camp and were able to smuggle them in. Appeals were made throughout the camp for torch batteries. Tuning condensers were made from pieces of tin and other scraps. Lengths of wire, pieces of solder and flux and an old soldering iron were also scrounged. From a broken down telephone an earpiece was stolen, and lengths of fine wire were cut and concealed and brought into camp. Fixed condensers were made with a length of lead pencil as a register.

The next problem was an aerial. They solved this by unravelling 20 feet of rope and replacing it with a length of fine wire through the centre of the strands. This rope was

tied between two verandah posts and used as a clothesline for their washing. Work continued on the receiver. To dispense with valve sockets, soldering direct to the valve pins had to be done. The initial set was a double tube affair constructed inside an army dixie. To hide the set a dummy platform was placed over the lower portion of the dixie and the top portion was filled with rice as a camouflage. When the set was tried after lights out, the voice of the BBC announcer came through. Caswell almost jumped for joy.

16 March: “Jap Search for Secret Radios” tells how Arch set about building himself another set in case the initial set became ineffective. It would also enable him to tune in on the local Japanese station. By combining lead and sulphur to produce Galena and by throwing electric arcs from two 125 volt power lines onto the substances a substitute for the crystal detector was found. Repeatedly the fuses were blown but eventually a tiny piece of Galena was produced, and it worked as a simple detector. A hiding place was found by loosening two tiles near Caswell's bed and by chiselling away at the concrete foundation a hole of three cubic feet was excavated. In this was inserted a wooden frame to hold the tiles in place, the joins being plastered up with scraps of soap. To use the set all that had to be done was to remove the tiles, lift out the headphones and tune in to listen.

Further experiments were undertaken in August - the construction of a three valve portable set which was built in an army water bottle. To do this a dummy tube was devised and placed through the centre and soldered to the mouth of the bottle. This was kept full of water. Another bottle was fitted up in the same way to hold spare parts and headphones. Word came that a large number of men were to be shipped from Java. Caswell was confident the water bottle trick would work but the torch batteries had to be got through somehow. They had two dozen of these that had been purchased from a Chinese trader over the wire that encircled the camp. It was decided to salvage all the M and V tins that had been opened in camp, cut them in half and join them with solder so that from two tins one was made that was thoroughly insulated top and bottom. The original label was then pasted back on and into each new tin thus created seven batteries were placed.

19 March: “Secret Radio Goes to Burma” The voyage to Singapore took 19 days. Through the long years that followed night after night voices from the Allied broadcasting studios were heard by the weary workers on the Thai- Burma Railway. The Japanese knew of the radio's existence, but they were never able to find it.

20 March: “A Slender Link with Home Cheered Dying P.O.W.” Arch Caswell and his band of workers were faced with the almost impossible task of manufacturing batteries in the heart of the Thai-Burma jungle. Some sal ammoniac was obtained and the cells of the batteries were rebuilt with a compound of it and rice flour mixed into a jelly. This worked well.

After his release Arch disembarked in Brisbane on 18 September 1945. He attended Medical Rehabilitation and was discharged on 3 April 1946. The Chronicle 9 April 1946 announced his engagement to Desley GOODMAN of Yaralla Street, Maryborough.

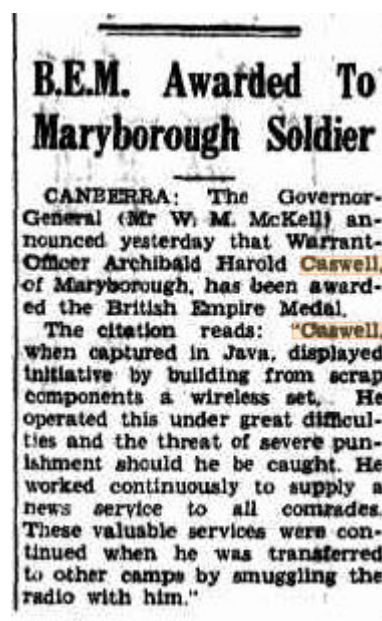
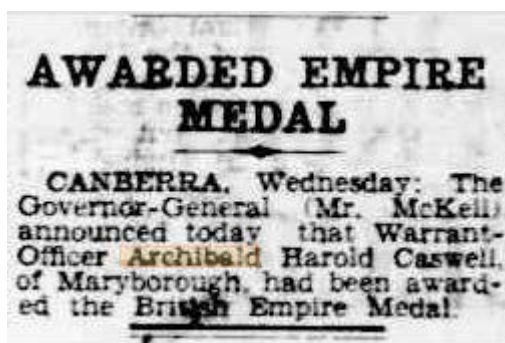
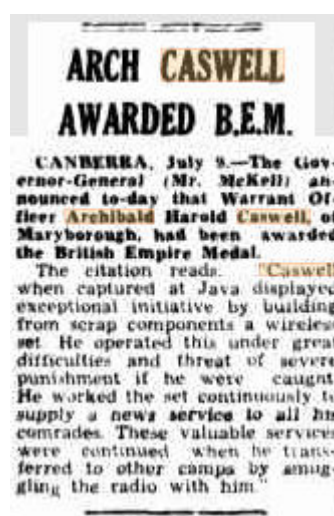
In that month Air Commodore R. Hewitt on behalf of the Air Board paid tribute to Arch for the service rendered by him during his three and a half years as a prisoner of war.

On 25 May 1946 at St Pauls, Maryborough Arch and Desley were married. A long write up of their wedding appeared in the Chronicle on 6 June.

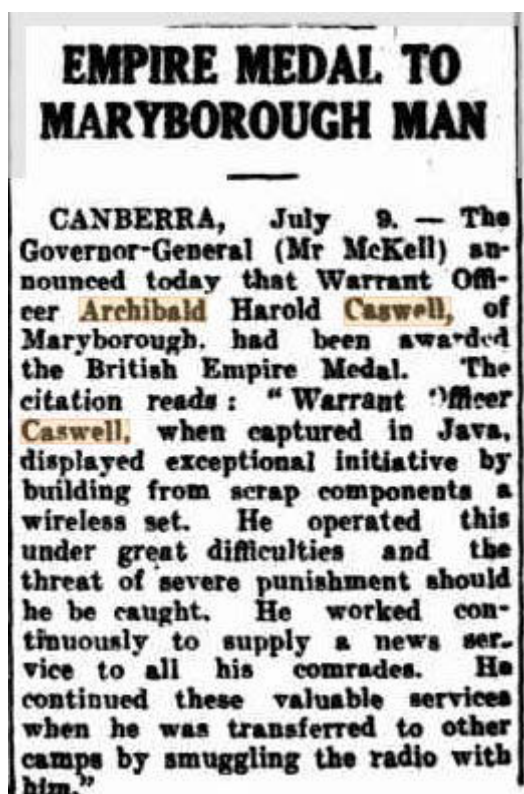
In November that year, Arch now a permanent resident started a radio business in a portion of his brother's premises in Kent Street. Arch specialised in radio repairs to all makes of radio and was the authorised dealer for the popular TASMA and HOTPOINT radio receivers and electrical appliances.

Chronicle 10 July 1947: Warrant Officer Archibald Harold CASWELL of Maryborough was awarded the British Empire Medal. A photo of him accepting this award at Parliament House, Brisbane appeared in the Chronicle 24 June 1949.

Arch died in the Hervey Bay Hospital on 5 November 1986 and Desley in July 2014.



Name:	Warrant Officer Archibald Harold Caswell
Birth Date:	20 Jul 1913
Birth Place:	Murgon, South Burnett Region, Queensland, Australia
Death Date:	5 Nov 1986
Death Place:	Queensland, Australia
Cemetery:	Maryborough Crematorium
Burial or Cremation Place:	Maryborough, Fraser Coast Region, Queensland, Australia
Has Bio?:	Y
Father:	Francis William Caswell
Mother:	Mary Ann Caswell
Spouse:	Desley May Caswell
URL:	https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/194693493/archibald-harold-caswell



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John HOOD



John HOOD was born c 1812 in Tain, Ross and Cromarty, Scotland to parents Donald Hood and Christina BAIN. On 9 September 1859 at Tain, he married Isabella GRAHAM born 3 June 1828 to Peter GRAHAM and Margaret Mackay. In 1861 John aged 52 was a carter living in Tain with Isabella 32, son Donald aged 3 months and his mother Christina aged 80. In 1871 John a carter was 60, Isabella 40, Maggie 9, Hugh 7, Christina 5, Peter 4 and Donaldina [known as Danina] aged 2.

They arrived in September 1872 on the **POLMAISE** – John 60, Isabella 43, Margaret 10, Hugh 8, Christina 6, Peter 4, Danina 3 and John an infant. A son Donald born 8 January 1861 died on 18 July 1868 in Scotland. A son George James Munroe born after their arrival on 3 August 1874 died aged 16 months of Alice Street, Maryborough on 5 January 1876.

John died at his residence Alice Street on 12 October 1886 aged 75. Isabella later moved to Lauri Lane in Gympie. She was there with her daughter Margaret a schoolteacher in 1908. She died on 3 February 1914 in Gympie and was buried in Maryborough.

Margaret HOOD born in Tain on 27 March 1862 died on 7 August 1928 in the Rockhampton Mater Hospital.

Hugh Graham HOOD born 22 November 1863 in Tain married on 6 September 1893 Elizabeth Mary Frances KING, the daughter of Walter Stewart KING and Charlotte Isabella Maud IRVINE. Hugh was a pupil teacher at the Central School then later joined the railway and transferred to Cooktown. In 1905 they were both at Campbell Street, Rockhampton and Hugh was a clerk. In 1919 they were at 374 Campbell Street with their son Hugh Graham a clerk and their daughter Agnes. They moved to Stanley Street by 1925. In 1937 they were at 93 Stanley Street with Hugh Graham junior, Agnes, and Walter Stewart King their son. Hugh Graham senior died at his residence on 16 August 1940. His obituary stated he had lived in Rockhampton for 42 years. He was a keen sportsman and represented Wide Bay in rowing. He was also an elder of St Stephens Presbyterian Church. His uncle Hugh Graham of Mariana and Gootchie stations had Graham's Creek named after him. Elizabeth died on 6 December 1945 in Rockhampton. They had three sons - Hugh Graham, Walter Stewart King, John William, and a daughter Agnes.

Christina HOOD was born in Tain on 3 July 1865 and died unmarried in Queensland on 11 October 1941. In 1873, 1876, 1878 and 1880 she was awarded prizes at the Presbyterian

Sabbath [Sunday] School. In March 1879 Christina, sister Margaret and brother Hugh of the Central School all passed the examinations for teachers. In 1883 Christina was appointed teacher Class 111 Division 3. In 1884 she was transferred to be assistant teacher at Pialba. In 1886 she was transferred to Maryborough West School and in 1888 to Mungar. In 1893 she was transferred to Sugarloaf. Christina won first prize for her crochet work in cotton in the Maryborough Show. She won first prize for her landscape drawing in sepia or Indian ink in 1890 and second prize in 1891 for her landscape painting in water colours. Her whereabouts after that are unknown.

Peter Graham HOOD born 2 July 1867 in Tain passed the University Senior Examination in 1885 when a student at the Grammar School in Maryborough. He became a chemist and was at North Quay, Brisbane in 1913. In 1915 he was of Wharf Street, Kangaroo Point. He was in Bundaberg in 1917 and 1919. From 1925 to 1937 he was a chemist of Diamond Street, Cooroy. He had married Alice May HUNTER in 1930. They were at 49 Gympie Road, Northgate in 1943. Peter died on 15 August 1948 and Alice on 22 June 1977.

Danina HOOD born 25 February 1869 in Tain married on 1 November 1899 Charles Ernest LANFEAR. Charles was a brewer of Merivale Street in Brisbane in 1895 and in 1896 was at the Fitzroy Brewery in Rockhampton. Danina and Charles moved to Lauri Lane, Gympie by 1903. In 1906 they were in Western Australia. They sailed from Fremantle on the CHINA and arrived in England in 1909 - with their four children. In 1911 the family was in Staffordshire: Charles Ernest a brewer 44, Danina a school employee 42, Margaret Emily 7, Frederick John 5 and Peter Graham 2. Their son Charles Ernest was with his grandmother. Danina became friends with Ethelwyn FRENCH, a teacher with an associate's degree in piano from the London College of Music. In 1914 Danina, her daughter Margaret and Miss FRENCH sailed to Canada where they settled on Hill Farm in Terrace, British Columbia. They were well known for their flowers, fruits, vegetables, and poultry. In 1918 Danina was a teacher there. In 1919 the pair volunteered to nurse influenza patients. They returned to England in 1931. Danina died in Somerset in October 1951. Charles died in Wandsworth, London on 31 March 1953.

John Graham HOOD born 17 May 1871 in Tain married on 3 April 1899 Emily Edith JOHNSTON. John was a bank accountant, and the pair were in Ellis Street, Teneriffe in 1903. In 1908 they were in Bowen Terrace, Fortitude Valley. By 1913 they had moved to Wanganui, Eton Street, Nundah. John died on 14 June 1942 and Emily on 6 February 1945. They had a daughter Isobel Graham HOOD born 4 May 1900. She did not marry and died on 7 August 1987.



The "Polmaise" moored in the Thames River

Research & Story by member Marlene Wilson.
Photo curtesy of Find-a-Grave & Trove



Sue's Corner



The first time that the title Australia was ever actually given to a known piece of land by an explorer was when De Quires gave it to what he thought was the eastern fringe of the Great South Land he was in search of ; and that, as it turned out, was to one of the large islands now known as the New Hebrides group.



Fri 19 Aug 1898

In Westphalia 12 bees were released at a distance of three miles from their hives at the same time as 12 carrier pigeons, to test which could cover the distance in the shortest time. The bees came in first.

Mon 16 Nov 1896

A STRANGE gun accident occurred last evening in a yard off Wharf-street. A man named Buettal and his wife were amusing themselves firing at a target with a pea rifle. The woman unfortunately got in the line of fire and received the bullet just below the cheek bone. The shot must have passed into the nostril and, in the rush of blood, have been carried down her throat, as it is ascertained that the shot is nowhere lodged in her face. Mrs. Buettal walked to the Hospital, where her wound was dressed and she then returned home, so that it may be concluded that no very serious consequences are likely to ensue.

Hot water has far more medicinal virtues than many believe or even know. The uses of hot water are many. For example, there is nothing that so promptly cuts short congestion of the lungs, sore throat or rheumatism, as hot water when applied promptly and thoroughly. Headache almost always yields to the simultaneous application of hot water to the feet and back of the neck. A towel folded several times and dipped in hot water and wrung out and then applied around the neck of a child that has the croup, will sometimes bring relief in ten minutes. Hot water taken freely half-an-hour before bedtime is helpful in the case of constipation, while it has a most soothing effect upon the stomach and bowels. A glass of hot water taken after rising, before breakfast, has cured thousands of indigestion, and no simple remedy is more widely recommended by physicians for dyspeptics. Very hot water will stop dangerous bleeding. A hot water bag that can be purchased cheap is worth as much to a family as a whole medicine chest.

Tue 29 May 1883



JOHN WALTON

ALBION FOUNDRY



John Walton was born September Qtr 1854 in Salford, Lancashire to parents John Thomas Walton and Eleanor Grace Fitzhugh. On 7 December 1878 in Salford, he married Eliza Bridget Dawson, the daughter of Crossley John Dawson and Mary Bromiley.

In 1861 John aged 7 was living in Salford with his parents and 8 siblings. In 1871 he was aged 17, an iron moulder, living with his family in Salford. By 1881 John and Eliza had two daughters - Elizabeth aged one year and Eleanor one month. A third daughter Ann was born in 1882 or 1883.



The family arrived in Queensland on the CHYEBASSA on 4 April 1884 – John 28, Eliza 26, Elizabeth 4, Eleanor 2, and Ann an infant. Two daughters and four sons were born after their arrival.

A notice in the Chronicle informed of the Dissolution of Partnership on 30 November 1886 for the business trading as the Albion Foundry Company. The business would be carried on by Thomas Alfred Bromiley, James Parker and John Walton. In August that year the Albion Foundry Company had received first prize in the Industrial Section of the show for ornamental castings in iron or other metals. In December that year the Railway Department received a tender from the company for the supply of cast iron brake blocks.

On 14 April 1887 the partnership between, Bromiley, Parker and Walton was dissolved as Bromiley was retiring. The firm was continued by Parker and Walton. In August the Chronicle reported that Messrs Parker and Walton of the brass and stove foundry had turned out some most creditable work for the exhibition in the form of cast iron stoves – believed to be the first made in the colony. They won first prize for cooking stoves.

The firm the Albion Foundry was advertised in the Chronicle as an ornamental and general iron and brass foundry situated in Kent Street beyond Cheapside Street.

In October 1889 Parker and Walton listed their specialities at the Albion Foundry : Cast Iron Cooking Stoves and Ranges [American and English Patterns], Parlour Fire Grates, Colonial Ovens.

In November they called a meeting of their creditors for Thursday 12 December at the offices of Messrs Morton and Powers. In December 1889 they faced insolvency. Robert Jones an accountant was appointed trustee of their property. He sold to Bromiley all his rights to the Books and Books Debts of the estate in January 1890.

John Walton formed a partnership with Abraham Hanson and Alfred Allan May as iron and brass founders and stove manufacturers “Hanson, May & Co.” This partnership was dissolved in May 1893 and the business carried on as Hanson, Walton & Co of the Albion Foundry. The firm won first prize for the best district made

stove in 1895 and for colonial ovens and ornamental castings in iron or other metals in 1897.

A large advertisement featuring a drawing of one of their stoves appeared in the Chronicle 29 September 1900 urging readers to support local industry by using their stoves – Balmorals Nos 6 and 7; Excelsior No 2; Sweet Home and their Gothic Grates Nos 18 and 21.

Abraham Hanson died in Sydney on 9 December 1902. His body was brought to Maryborough on the Burwah and buried in Maryborough. His obituary stated he had established the firm Hanson, Walton & Co many years ago. His funeral was from his late residence the corner of Sussex and Yaralla Streets. In February 1904 at Hanson, Walton & Co's stove foundry two youths Turner and Wylie were severely burnt when one tripped while carrying ladles of molten metal.

The firm won awards at the district and Brisbane exhibitions for their stoves in 1905 and 1906. In 1906 they were employing 50 workers. In 1907 and 1908 the firm was advertising for lads for the moulding and fitting shops.

In the Supreme Court in November 1913 J. A. Hockley and Rupert R. Hockley executors of the will of James Hockley deceased and lately trading as Hanson, Walton & Company entered a claim against Alonzo Sparkes. The obituary of James Hockley [of Hockleys Limited] who died on 22 June 1913 stated he had recently taken over the Albion Stove and Agricultural Machinery Works.

John Walton of Walker Street, Maryborough advertised in January 1920 his furnished cottage "Mascot" at Torquay was available to rent. His wife also advertised that "Mascot" was to let in November 1925

By May 1926 John Walton had registered his firm as John Walton and Son – the son being his eldest son John Crossley Walton. In the Catholic Advocate in September that year the firm [late Hanson and Walton] advertised their Standard Stove Works in Neptune Street.

John Concannon wrote a long article about the Industrial Fair in the Chronicle 29 December 1933 commenting on the agricultural implements, stoves and castings exhibited by Walton and Son.

There was an article about Maryborough's stove foundries in the Chronicle 28 June 1938 – there were four :

"Scotia Dover "manufactured by Daniel and Co; "Sovereign " by Connell & Co; "Croydon" by Stevenson and Co; "Standard "by John Walton and Son.

The Chamber of Commerce report in the Chronicle 21 June 1941 had a long article about the firm and its history.

John Walton of 206 Walker Street died on 8 July 1944 [Obituary 10 July] and he was buried with his wife Eliza who died on 16 February 1927 at her residence "Warloy" in Walker Street.

Elizabeth WALTON born September Qtr 1879 married on 23 December 1898 James DANIEL the son of Smith Daniel and Isabella Hunter. James was a moulder of Cheapside Street in 1908 working in the Hanson and Walton Foundry. With his brother he established the Scotia Stove Foundry as Daniels & Co. He was living at 294 Pallas Street when he died on 5 February 1926. Elizabeth was at 102 Cheapside Street when she passed away on 19 December 1947. Their children were James, Elizabeth, Isabella, Leslie Stanley, Robert Walton, Elsie Ruth, and Joyce Marjorie.

Eleanor WALTON born June Qtr 1881 married on 19 July 1906 John GASTON who was born in Ireland in 1880. James was a farmer and the couple lived first in Degilbo and then in Lindah Road, Tinana. By 1949 they had moved to Torquay Terrace, Hervey Bay. Eleanor died on 28 June 1964 and John on 21 January 1967. Their children were John Walton, Robert James, Lily Isabel, and Eleanor Grace.

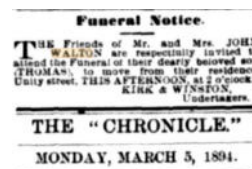
Ann[ie] WALTON born 1882/1883 in Salford married on 20 May 1914 in Sydney to Alfred Major CROWTHER. Alfred was a stove fitter, and the pair were living in Sussex Street in 1925. By 1930 they were at 170 Walker Street. Ann died there on 1 January 1959 and Alfred on 2 June 1970. He was buried with Annie. They had a daughter Lily Bridget who was born in Sydney in 1915.



Mary WALTON was born in QLD on 1 August 1885. On 11 May 1911 in Sydney she married Peter Holtzendorf JENSEN. Peter was a farmer and the pair lived at Bidwill. By 1949 they had moved to 181 Fort Street. Mary died on 5 October 1959 and Peter on 25 June 1964. They were buried next to each other. There is a headstone. They had Sidney Buxton, Grace Florence, Ruby Isabelle, Constance Myra, Eric Walton, and Neville Peter.

Lily WALTON born 22 October 1887 married on 15 October 1908 David CAMPBELL the son of Alexander and Jane nee Miller. David a grocer worked in his father's grocery store on the corner of Ellena and Adelaide Streets. He and Lily lived at first in Walker Street but were in Ferry Street by 1922. By 1930 they had moved to Holmesville in NSW where David was a grocery salesman. Lily was still there in 1949 but David had moved to Brisbane where he was employed at Allan & Stark stores. His address was given as 243 Kent Street, Teneriffe when he died on 13 June 1949 at the Holy Spirit Hospital. Lily returned to QLD and was living on the Esplanade in Torquay in 1954 and at 226 John Street, Maryborough in 1972. She died on 29 November that year. She and David had no children.

Thomas WALTON was born on 4 March 1890 and died on his fourth birthday. The family was at that time living in Unity Street.



John Crossley WALTON born 12 October 1892 married on 28 March 1921 Mab Florence JONES the daughter of Herbert Algernon and Minnie Jones. John was a moulder when he married Mab and at first, they lived in Walker Street. By 1930 he was a stove manufacturer and the couple now lived at 112 North Street. In April 1950 the

Public Curator was negotiating to acquire the Walton Estate at the corner of Walker and Neptune Streets. In June 1951 tenders were called for the construction of 65 houses on the Housing Commission's Estate [Walton Estate]. John Crossley died on 10 September 1953 at his residence in North Street. Mab was living at 202 Walker Street in 1958 and in 1963. In 1968 and 1972 she was living on the Esplanade, Point Vernon. She moved to 11 Bell Street, Maryborough by 1977. Mab died on 26 July 1990 and was buried next to John. There is a headstone. John and Mab had John Robert Crossley, Naomi Crossley, Herbert Algernon, Zoe Crossley, and Cherie.



Robert WALTON born 10 May 1895 enlisted in WW1 in February 1915. His mother wrote in March asking for his release as he was only 19 and his father was seriously ill. Robert enlisted again in August that year aged 20 years 3 months, an engine cleaner in the railway. He was assigned to the Lewis Gun Section of the 47th Btn. Robert died of wounds received in action on 12 August 1916 in France.

James WALTON born 10 December 1897 enlisted in the RAN in February 1916. He served on the HMAS UNA and on the CERBERUS as a stoker. James married in 1924 in Redfern NSW Eleanor Elizabeth ATKINSON. After their marriage they lived in Walker Street and then in Dry Street, Maryborough in 1928. James was a cabinet maker. In 1936 James was a stove fitter of 196 Walker Street and of 200 Walker Street in 1943. James was a moulder of Glendon Street, Mackay in 1949. In 1954 Jean [born 1928] and Iris a nursery assistant were living with James and Eleanor in Glendon Street. James and Eleanor were at 19 Glendon Street 1963 - 1968. In 1972 they were at 15 Magpie Street, Slade Point. Faith a clerk was with them and also Robert James a seasonal worker. Eleanor died on 22 October 1977 and James on 25 October 1978. He was buried in the Mt Bassett Cemetery, Mackay next to Eleanor.

OBITUARY MR. JOHN WALTON—

The passing at the age of 89 years and 10 months of Mr. John Walton, of 200 Walker-street, Maryborough, on Saturday morning, leaves another link less in the now very short chain of pioneers connected with ironfounding in this country. Mr. Walton was born in Manchester, England, where he served his apprenticeship and when a young man left England with his wife and three young daughters for Australia, in the small steamer, Chyeabassa, arriving in Maryborough on Good Friday, 1884. Soon after his arrival he was employed at the old Vulcan Foundry, also at John Walker & Co.'s Union Foundry. The late Mr. Walton founded in Maryborough, the old firm of Hanson, Walton & Co. Albion Stove Works, thus pioneering the Anglo-American type of fuel stove in this country. In 1924 with his older son he founded the firm of John Walton & Son and took an active interest in the business until illness forced him to retire. He was a tradesman of outstanding experience and ability, and was always willing to impart his practical knowledge to younger men. He was a sincere Christian man and was highly respected in all religious circles. He leaves behind him, to mourn, five daughters. Mesdames J. Daniel, J. Gaston, P. H. Jensen. A. M. Crowther, D. Campbell and two sons. Messrs. J. C. Walton, Maryborough. and James Walton, Mackay. There are also 32 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. His wife and two sons predeceased him, one son, Robert, paying the supreme sacrifice in the Great War.

Maryborough Chronicle, Mon 10 Jul 1944

[Gravesite Details](#)

Date of Burial 8/07/1944, Age 89 years



John Walton

BIRTH 1854
Manchester, Metropolitan Borough of Manchester, Greater Manchester, England

DEATH 8 Jul 1944 (aged 89–90)
Maryborough, Fraser Coast Region, Queensland, Australia


BURIAL [Maryborough Cemetery](#)
Maryborough, Fraser Coast Region, Queensland, Australia

PLOT Monumental A Plot 439

MEMORIAL ID 219634817 · [View Source](#)

Family Members


Spouse



[Eliza Dawson Walton](#)


1856–1927 (m. 1878)

Children




[Annie Walton Crowther](#)

1882–1959




[Thomas Walton](#)

1890–1894



[John Crossley Walton](#)

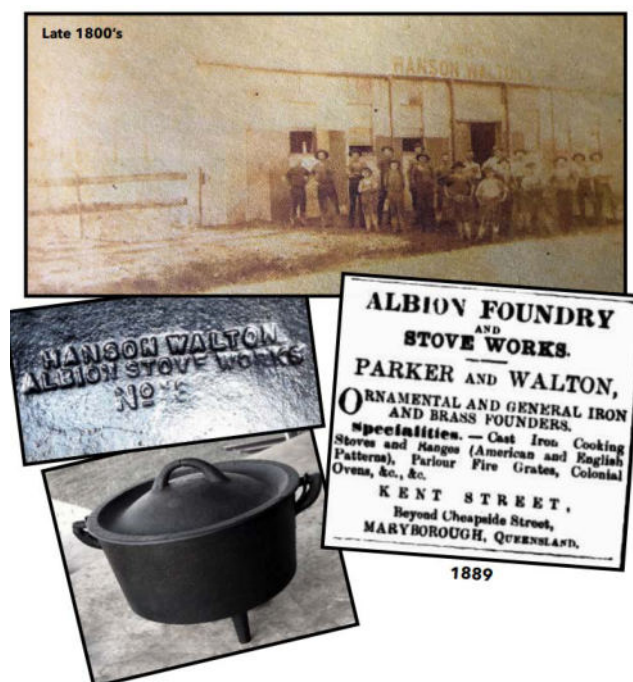
1892–1953



[Robert Walton](#)

1895–1916

Details on Albion Foundry - <https://www.pinterest.com.au/pin/570409109027143466/>



JOHN WALTON AND SON

Messrs. John Walton and Son of Neptune-street, have a display at the show of their manufactures—Standard Dover stoves, the Walton range, boiler stands, agricultural farm implement casts, and a large variety of other products. The firm has been established for 60 years and the Standard products are favourably known by dealers throughout Queensland and thousands of householders. Featured in the display in No. 2 pavilion are the Queen and Kandian heating stoves, splendid and cheerful comfort during winter days and nights. The camp ovens exhibited are made in various sizes, from 8 inches to 24 inches in diameter. These ovens are used at stations, shearing sheds, road construction camps, and other works in many parts of the State. The Standard boiler stands which are freely admitted to be a most popular stand in Queensland, are made in the 10, 12, 14, 16, 18 and 20-gallon sizes. The stands used by Mr. Walton in his display are already ordered and will be shipped north at the earliest possible moment. A free competition has been arranged in connection with the Walton heavy range on display. A guinea will be awarded to the person who guesses nearest to the correct weight of the range, which will be weighed on the railway weighbridge not later than Monday next. Walton and Sons are noted for their wide range of agricultural implement casts. The firm is recognised as one of the largest manufacturers in the State of these casts in gray iron malleable iron, and gunmetal. These products are used extensively in the building of implements for horse and tractor disc ploughs, sugar cane farming planting and chipping and general farming.

June 1 1939

OBITUARY

MR. JOHN WALTON. The passing at the age of 89 years and 10 months of Mr. John Walton, of 200 Walker-street, Maryborough, on Saturday morning leaves another link less in the now very short chain of pioneers connected with ironfounding in this country. Mr. Walton was born in Manchester, England, where he served his apprenticeship and when a young man left England with his wife and three young daughters for Australia, in the small steamer, "Cassiope," arriving in Maryborough on Good Friday, 1884. Soon after his arrival he was employed at the old Vulcan Foundry, also at John Walker & Co's Union Foundry. The late Mr. Walton founded in Maryborough, the old firm of Hanson, Walton & Co. Anglo-Stove Works, thus pioneering the Anglo-American type of fuel stove in this country. In 1924 with his elder son he founded the firm of John Walton & Son, and took an active interest in the business until illness forced him to retire. He was a tradesman of outstanding experience and ability, and was always willing to impart his practical knowledge to younger men. He was a sincere Christian man and was highly respected in all religious circles. He leaves behind him, to mourn, five daughters, Mesdames J. Daniel, J. Gaston, P. H. Jensen, A. M. Crowther, D. Campbell and two sons, Messrs. J. C. Walton, Maryborough, and James Walton, Mackay. There are also 32 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. His wife and two sons predeceased him, one son, Robert, paying the supreme sacrifice in the Great War.

July 10 1944

MANUFACTURERS' DISPLAY.

WIN FOR WALTON & SONS.

MILLING COMPANY, H.C.

The principal exhibit in the pavilion at the exhibition, which concludes to-day, was the manufacturers' display. There were only two entries, none of the furniture firms of the city competing. The first prize was awarded to the exhibit of Messrs. John Walton and Son, manufacturers of stoves, who won a special order of merit was awarded to the display of the Dominion Milling Company. The sec-

tion for manufactures provides that all the articles must be made within a radius of fifty miles of Maryborough. In making his awards, the judge stated that the reason he had not given the first prize to the Dominion Milling Company was that its exhibit did not conform to the requirements of the competition in this respect. The display of this firm, however, was much more attractive than that of the winners, who featured Standard Dover and Henson Light stoves and Standard boiler stands. One particularly fine piece of workmanship was a large cooking range suitable for an hospital or an hotel. This had two ovens, with the firebox between. It was neatly finished and a very creditable job. The smaller stoves were no less attractive in appearance than the larger article. All stoves were finished with nickel plates on the front, bearing the brand of the stoves. The whole display was a commendable effort.

The Dominion Milling Company's entry advertised their extensively known product—Silver Spray flour, made up in bags of various sizes, and attractively arranged in pyramid formation. These were displayed in the centre of a large stand, the outside frame of which was coated with brass. Large glass display cases contained exhibits indicating the manufacture of flour by progressive stages, from the raw material to the article as manufactured at the mill. The wheat when received from the farmer contains many foreign substances, and these are first separated. The cleaned wheat is then put through the rollers, and receives its first, second and third crushings. The next stages showed the wheat in the form of coarse and fine meal, middlings, dust, wheat meal, bran and pollard. The finished product is of fine quality, and the demand for it throughout the district is great. It is used by many bakers of Maryborough, and a quantity of bran and cakes manufactured from "Silver Spray" by one of the leading city bakers was in a prominent position.

The judge (Mr. H. S. Goldsmith), commenting on the section, said that the two exhibits were especially fine. He had given the first prize to Walton and Sons, and a special order of merit to the Dominion Milling Company, as the former display consisted of material manufactured in the district. This could not be said of the flour mill's exhibit. He expressed regret that there were no furniture exhibits.

May 28, 1926

Research & Story supplied by member Marlen Wilson
Newspaper articles & Foundry details curtesy of Trove & Goggle
Grave & photos Curtesy of Find-A-Grave & Ancestry

Someone Asked the Other Day?

Someone asked the other day, what was your favourite "Fast Food" when you were growing up? We didn't have fast food when I was growing up,' I informed him.

"All the food was slow."
"C'mon, seriously... Where did you eat?"



"It was a place called "home", I explained.
!

Mum cooked every day and when dad got home from work, we sat down together at the dining room table, and if I didn't like what she put on my plate, I was allowed to sit there until I did like it.

By this time, the lad was laughing so hard I was afraid he was going to suffer serious internal damage, so I didn't tell him the part about how I had to have permission to leave the table.

But here are some other things I would have told him about my childhood if I'd figured his system could have handled it:

Some parents NEVER owned their own house, wore jeans, set foot on a golf course, travelled out of the country, or had a credit card.

My parents never drove me to school... I had a bicycle that weighed probably 50 pounds, and only had one speed (slow).



We didn't have a television in our house until I was 10.

It was, of course black and white, and the station went off the air at 10 PM, after playing the national anthem and epilogue; it came back on the air at about 6 AM. And there was usually a locally produced news and farm show on, featuring local people....

Pizzas were not delivered to our home...but milk was.

All newspapers were delivered by boys and all boys delivered newspapers. – My brother delivered a newspaper, seven days a week. He had to get up at 6 every morning.

Film stars kissed with their mouths shut. At least, they did in the films. There were no movie ratings because all movies were responsibly produced for everyone to enjoy viewing, without profanity or violence or almost anything offensive.

If you grew up in a generation before there was fast food, you may want to share some of these memories with your children or grandchildren. Just don't blame me if they bust a gut laughing.

Growing up isn't what it used to be, is it?

MEMORIES from friends:

My dad is cleaning out my grandmother's house (she died in December) and he brought me an old lemonade bottle. In the bottle top was a stopper with a bunch of holes in it. I knew immediately what it was, but my daughter had no idea.

She thought they had tried to make it a saltshaker or something. I knew it as the bottle that sat on the end of the ironing board to "sprinkle" cloths with because we didn't have steam irons. Man, I am old.

How many do you remember?

Headlight dip-switches in the floor of the car.

Ignition switches on the dashboard.

Trouser leg clips or bicycles without chain guards.

Soldering irons you heated on a gas burner.

Using hand signals for cars without turn indicators.



Older Than Dirt Quiz:

Count all the ones that you remember, not the ones you were told about. Ratings at the bottom

1. Sweet Cigarettes
2. Coffee shops with juke boxes
3. Home milk delivery in glass bottles
4. Party lines on the telephone.
5. Newsreels before the movie
6. TV test patterns that came on at night after the last show and were there until TV shows started again in the morning. (There were 2 channels [if you were fortunate])
7. Peashooters
8. 33 rpm records
9. 45 rpm records
10. Hi-Fi's
11. Metal ice trays with levers
12. Blue flashbulb
13. Cork popguns
14. Wash tub wringers.

If you remembered 0-3 = You're still young

If you remembered 4-6 = You are getting older

If you remembered 7-10 = Don't tell your age

If you remembered 11-14 = You're positively ancient

I must be "positively Ancient", but those memories are some of the best parts of my life.



Don't forget to pass along!

Especially to all you're really OLD friends....I just did!

Taken from FaceBook
(Why wouldn't you?)

MARYBOROUGH FURNITURE FACTORY



An article in the Chronicle 2 September 1915 stated : The newly formed company known as the Maryborough Furniture Factory have purchased the well-known wholesale business lately carried on by Mr A Charteris at Saltwater Creek Road known as the Charteris' Furniture Factory and intend to carry on trade in Maryborough in future as wholesale manufacturers of high class furniture and upholstery. They solicit a share of public patronage.

Many advertisements appeared later that month. From February 1916 the Maryborough Furniture Factory in Creek Road regularly placed wanted ads for cabinet makers and polishers.

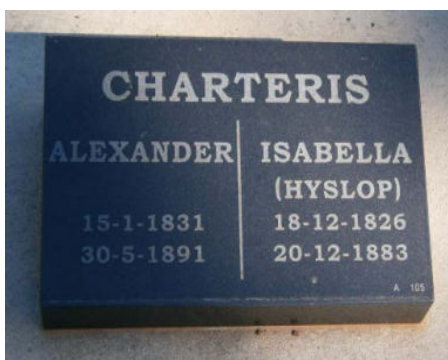
Early on the morning of 29 April 1930 the Maryborough Furniture Company's furniture factory on the corner of Creek Road and Woodstock Street was completely destroyed by fire. The adjoining house of Mr Kent was able to be saved.

An inquiry was held in June. The owner of the factory, Walter Hammant Charteris, a wood turner of Scarness, said the adjoining house was occupied by his brother-in-law Alfred Henry Kent, who also rented the factory from him.

An article in the Chronicle 4 August 1930 stated that Mr A H Kent was to be complimented for the speedy reopening of the Maryborough Furniture Factory. After the fire which destroyed the factory in April, Mr Kent set about establishing a more up to date factory with all the latest of machinery. It was now almost complete. The new factory was in Kent Street opposite the butter factory.

An advertisement in the Chronicle 13 February 1946 informed that the furniture factory previously known as the Pyramid Furniture Products had been purchased by the Maryborough Furniture Factory. Its address was the corner of Ferry and Ann Streets. All cabinet work would be supervised by Mr Robbins and the polishing by Mr Shaw, both high class tradesmen.

Alexander CHARTERIS 1831- 1891 (Grave A105)

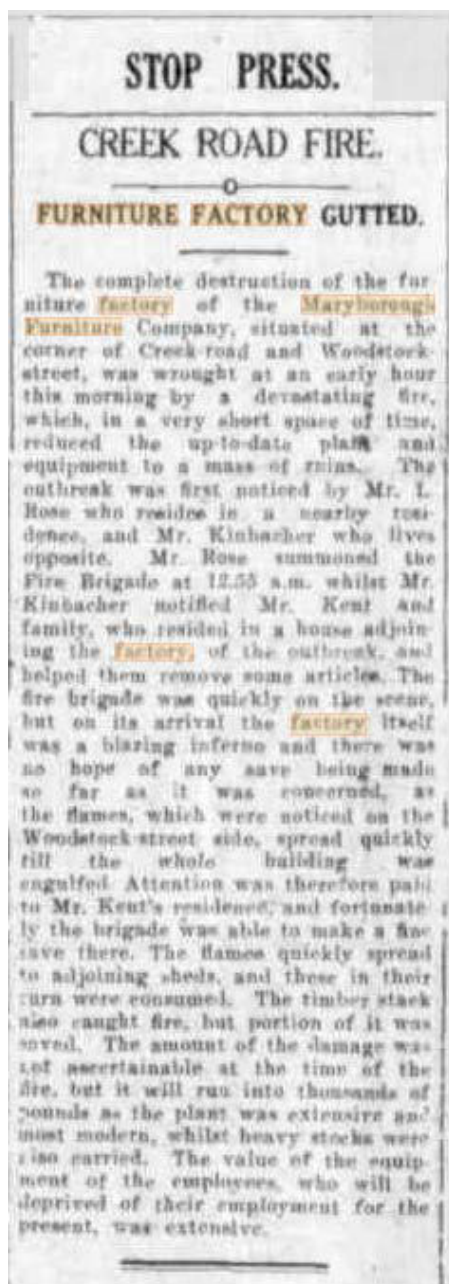


Alexander Charteris arrived on the GENGHIS KHAN in 1854 and was in Maryborough by 1874 when he was a wood turner in March Street. In January 1876 he was a cabinet maker and general and Elizabethan wood turner in Richmond Street. He had a steam wood turnery in Bazaar Street in 1879. His son Alexander became his apprentice, and they were listed as undertakers in 1884. Alexander died on 30 May 1891 and was buried in Grave A105[2]. His old workshop in Bazaar Street was partly demolished during a violent storm in October 1897.

Alexander CHARTERIS 1862- 1929 (Grave A585)



Alexander left his father's business to work for Wilson, Hart and Company's sawmill where he remained for 22 years. He then left to commence a furniture factory, "The People's Furniture Warehouse," in Adelaide Street, later moving to more up to date premises in Saltwater Creek Road. A newly formed company known as the Maryborough Furniture Factory purchased his business at Saltwater Creek Road in 1915. In 1923 Alexander built flats at Scarness for holiday makers. He retired a few years before his death on 23 September 1929.



Tue 29 Apr 1930

FURNITURE FACTORY.
Mr. A. H. Kent is to be complimented upon the speedy re-opening of the Maryborough Furniture Factory, which 73 weeks ago was completely demolished by a destructive fire. Mr. Kent immediately set about establishing a more up-to-date factory with all the latest of machinery and this is practically completed, being situated in Kent-street, opposite the butter factory. Last Saturday the wheels of the machinery were officially set in motion by the Rev. S. T. Earl, of the Forest-street Baptist Church, in the presence of the staff and a few friends. Mr. Kent is to be complimented upon his enterprise, and his faith in the city of Maryborough is also worthy of notice. Most of the machinery was Australian-made. The whole plant should be working at full pressure shortly.

Mon 4 Aug 1930

FURNITURE

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT !

The **Furniture Factory** previously known as the Pyramid **Furniture** Products has been purchased by the —

MARYBOROUGH FURNITURE FACTORY

Situated at the **CORNER OF FERRY and ANN STREETS.**

The Special Features of this **Factory** will be **Furniture** to your own design at "**FACTORY TO HOME**" PRICES.

NO EXTRA CHARGE FOR TERMS

All Cabinet Work will be supervised by Mr. Robbins, and the Polishing by Mr. Shaw. Both are high class tradesmen, and together with modern machinery, assure you of the Best in **Furniture** with the least outlay.

Call at the **Factory** or phone 895 to discuss your **Furniture Needs.**

Wed 13 Feb 1946

Story compiled & supplied by member Marlene Wilson
 Newspaper clippings sourced from Trove
 Grave information from Find-a-Grave

Our Office Motto

I DON'T CARE WHAT DAY IT IS.



IT'S EARLY...

I'M GRUMPY

I WANT COFFEE!

Story from Sandy Cape, Fraser Island

Prepared by Member Leanne Wroe

In October 2023 I went as part of a research team and stayed at Sandy Cape lighthouse for 2 weeks putting satellite tags on male green sea turtles. This project is a part of a larger project to monitor the turtle's migration paths and determine where they come from and where they go.

While we were at the light house we decided to take a walk down to the bunkers and the graves at Sandy Cape which are located in the gully below the light house.

The headstones belong to John Simpson who was a lighthouse keeper who died on 20 July 1882 from an accidental discharge of a weapon. Buried beside John is his daughter E M Simpson who was only nine months old. There is apparently an unmarked grave between them that may have been a child also.

Edith Maud Simpson

Event date: 12/01/1877

Event type: Death registration

Registration details: 1877/C/2611

Mother: Jane Williams

Father/parent: John Simpson

  **Order products**

Jane Simpson

Event date: 24/09/1901

Event type: Death registration

Registration details: 1901/C/3115

Mother: Ann Lobb

Father/parent: Robert Williams

  **Order products**

John Simpson

Event date: 20/07/1882

Event type: Death registration

Registration details: 1882/C/3415

Mother: -

Father/parent: John Simpson

  **Order products**

Daniel Gorman who was previously stationed at Sandy Cape on the northern end of Fraser Island. Daniel Edward Gorman (born County Cork, Ireland, 1838) and his wife Johanna (nee Hayes, b 1840) were married on 11th July 1864 at St Stephen's Cathedral in Brisbane and Daniel entered Government service immediately after. He was at Sandy Cape from 1873-76 and then at Gatecombe Head, Gladstone for three years followed by a few years Lady Elliott Island until 1882.

The Gorman's moved back to Sandy Cape Light in 1882 to replace the 51-year-old John Simpson who had died of a gunshot wound. Simpson had been a lightkeeper for 26 years starting on 1 January 1856 as the principal lightkeeper in the port of Moreton Bay. After this he was the first lightkeeper at Woody Island in the Great Sandy Strait (from 1 October 1867) and then at Sandy Cape since 28 April 1870. Simpson and his wife Jane (nee Williams, daughter of Robert Williams and Ann Lobb) were married in 1859 had 10 children; the last three (Charles, twins Edwin and Percy, and Edith Maud) were born while Simpson was stationed at Sandy Cape. Youngest daughter Edith was bitten by a snake and died aged 8 months on 12 January 1877, but it was the death of John Simpson that brought the family's stay to an end. John Simpson, on Thursday 20 July 1882, was out hunting wallaby in the afternoon and had just shot one with his doubled barrellled rifle. As he ran to secure the wallaby John tripped over a log and as he fell the stock of the gun smashed off and the gun discharged into his left breast. He died face-down on the spot and was found by his son Charles soon after. An inquest a week later found that it was an accident. Simpson left a wife and 9 children (Elizabeth, Helen, Martha, Fred, William, Fanny, Charles, Edwin and Percy) to mourn his loss. A grave was erected on the track from the house to the lighthouse, beside that of Edith. The graves and gravestones are still there today. The Simpson family moved out and Daniel Gorman and family moved in, taking official residence from 4 November 1882.

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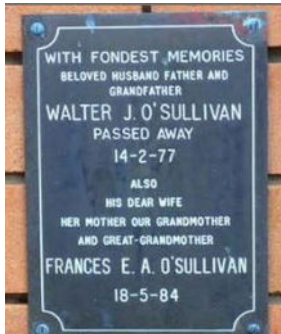


Headstone of John Simpson



Headstone of E. M. Simpson

Walter Joseph O'SULLIVAN – Optometrist



Walter Joseph O'SULLIVAN was born c1895 [place unknown] to parents Denis Roger O'Sullivan and Elizabeth Mary NUGENT. Walter, his parents, and his siblings arrived in Australia probably in NSW, but their immigration details were not found. An article in a Brisbane newspaper dated 22 July 1916 stated that Walter J. O'Sullivan an expert optician formerly of Sydney had established a practice in Queen Street, Brisbane. In 1917 and 1918 he was living at 61 Barker Street, New Farm.

He was staying at the Central Hotel , Maryborough in 1918. In 1920 in NSW, he married Frances Emma Alice BURY who arrived a milliner aged 18 on the WAIPARA in December 1913 with her family.

An advertisement in the Chronicle 11 September 1920 stated that Walter J .O'Sullivan who had been visiting the district for the past few years as a representative for W. J. DOBBYN was permanently located in Maryborough and was arranging suitable consulting rooms. He was still available at the Central Hotel.

In March 1921 W. T. WILLIAMS, the optometrist sold his business to Walter. Walter would continue at the same address - corner of Kent and Adelaide Streets, diagonally opposite Finney's. A notice in the Chronicle in July 1930 stated that Walter had spent the last 9 months in Gympie where he had built an excellent and growing practice; he was now returning permanently to Maryborough and could be consulted at the Mainway Corner. He was at 356 Kent Street opposite Stuparts in September 1931. He was appointed optometrist to the Friendly Societies' Association of Maryborough and District.

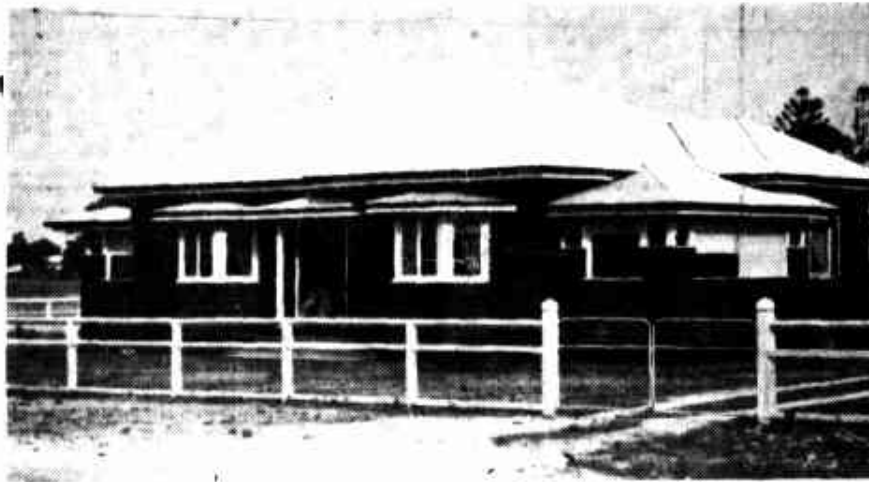
The Chronicle dated 26 January 1939 had a very long article about the new home that had been completed for Walter on the corner of Lennox and Dalhousie Streets. There was a photo and description of his home and a floor plan.

A large advertisement in December 1940 featured his signature beside the drawing of an eye. Many residents would be familiar with this.

In 1949 Walter was joined by James HAMILTON and began regular visits offering optical services to Childers, Gayndah, Mundubbera, Monto and Biggenden. He also began offering this service at Pialba.

In 1925 and 1928 Walter and Frances were living in North Street, Maryborough. They were in Gympie in 1929 and 1930. In 1934 they were both in Ferry Street, Maryborough. They moved into their new home at 349 Lennox Street and lived there till the 1970s. From 1977 – 1980 Frances was at 8 Yaldara Street, Carseldine.

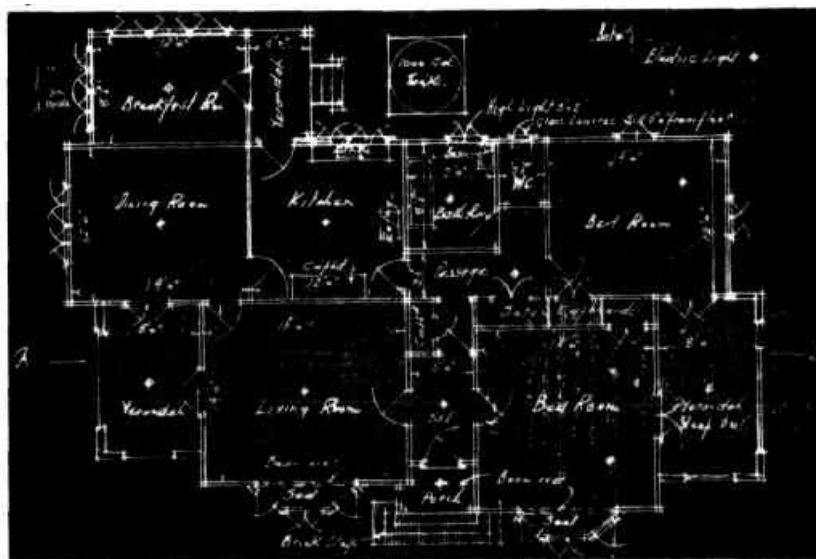
Walter died on 14 February 1977 at the Freemason's Home in Sandgate late of Carseldine . Frances died on 18 May 1984 at the Point Vernon Nursing Centre, Hervey Bay.



Front view of Mr. Walter J. O'Sullivan's new home.

Photo by Campbell's Studio.

O'Sullivan, Walter Joseph, 349 Lennox st., optometrist, M



Grand Plan of Mr. Walter J. O'Sullivan's New Residence.

Attractive Modern Dwelling – The Chronicle 26th January 1939 link below

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Walter Joseph O'Sullivan

BIRTH	unknown
DEATH	14 Feb 1977 Brisbane, Brisbane City, Queensland, Australia
BURIAL	Albany Creek Memorial Park Cemetery & Crematorium Bridgeman Downs, Brisbane City, Queensland, Australia Add to Map
PLOT	Wall 2, Section 17
MEMORIAL ID	136517440 · View Source

OPTOMETRIST WALTER J. O'SULLIVAN.

As advised elsewhere in this issue, Optometrist Walter J. O'Sullivan, who for the last nine months has resided in Gympie, where he has built up an excellent and growing practice has now returned permanently to Maryborough and may again be consulted at Mainway Corner.

Mon 21 Jul 1930

Family Members

Spouse



Frances Emma Alice *Bury* O'Sullivan
1895-1984 (m. 1920)

Walter J. O'Sullivan,

OPTOMETRIST,

(LATE OF SYDNEY AND BRISBANE.)

WHO HAS BEEN VISITING THIS DISTRICT FOR YEARS PAST, AS REPRESENTATIVE FOR W. J. DOBBYN, IS

PERMANENTLY LOCATING IN
MARYBOROUGH,

AND WILL CALL ON ALL OLD CLIENTS
WHILE ARRANGING SUITABLE CONSULTING
ROOMS.

COMMUNICATIONS MAY BE ADDRESSED TO
HOTEL CENTRAL, MARYBOROUGH.

[Sat 11 Sep 1920](#)

CONTINUITY OF SERVICE YOUR HOME-TOWN FEATURE

The continuity of Professional Service and Advice throughout the lengthy period of over 20 years in Maryborough is your best guarantee that you, too, can benefit by availing yourself of the Optical Service of Walter J. O'Sullivan. If glasses are necessary you may select whatever style of Frame or Mount you desire, the type of lens you prefer, and your Glasses will be maintained in correct and comfortable fitting all the time they are in use. With the best of care glasses do get out of alignment and uncomfortable from time to time, and you need an ever-ready service of attention and re-adjustment in your own home-town to reap the full benefit from them. Every day, in every week throughout the years, clients call on Optometrist Walter J. O'Sullivan to have their Accurate Glasses re-adjusted or made comfortable again free of charge. Clients are expressly encouraged to avail themselves of this Home-town Feature.

OPTOMETRIST

WALTER J. O'SULLIVAN,

MAKER OF ACCURATE GLASSES,

KENT STREET,

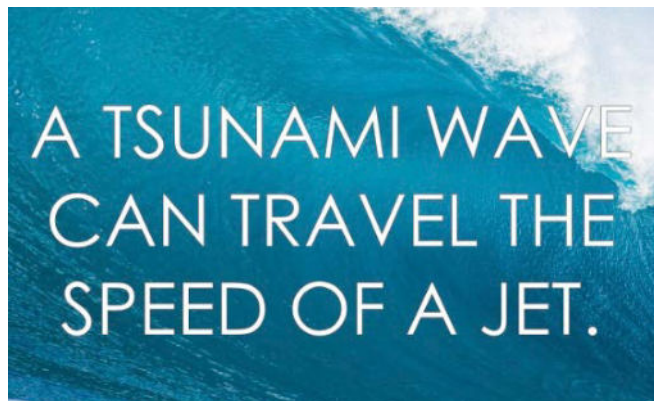
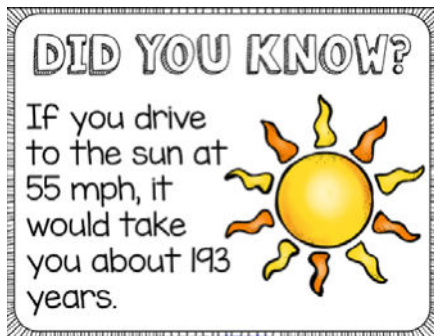
Phone 301,

MARYBOROUGH.

[Tue 24 Dec 1940](#)

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Did You Know



1. Banging your head against a wall for one hour burns 150 calories.



If you're not keen on losing brain cells, you might want to give this calorie-burning idea a miss.

A safer way to burn 150 calories would be to take your dog for a walk for 45 minutes.



The Herschel was the last ship to come directly into the Port of Maryborough from Hamburg due to the change of Immigration laws for German and Scandinavian migrants wishing to come direct from that embarkation port. Later immigrants had to get to England and board English ships to migrate to Queensland.

At its recorded peak in the 1886 census, some 5,756 Swedes, Danes, Norwegians, and Finns had settled in "Sunny Queensland", and these numbers would remain high until the outbreak of World War I.

By 1901, Queensland was home to more than half the Danish population of Australia, with some 3,138 Danes residing in the state.



Gravestone Symbols & their meaning



A book on a gravestone can symbolize the good deeds of the departed, as recorded in the Book of Life. It can also represent the scriptures, as a sign of faith.

Books may also indicate that a scholar or teacher is buried at the gravesite. An open book can signify an early death for someone whose life story was not yet fully written.



The Celtic cross has a ring or nimbus that connects the four arms. It originated in Ireland and Great Britain in the Early Middle Ages.

Irish legends hold that St. Patrick introduced the Celtic cross. Adherents claim St. Patrick combined the symbol of the Christian cross with the symbol of the sun, worshipped by pagans, to attract new believers to Christianity. Others interpret the placement of the cross on top of the sun as Christ's superiority over the pagan sun gods.

The legends may be true, but it also may simply be that the circle gives structural support to the arms, so it was easier to create.

If your ancestor has a Celtic Cross, chances are good that you have an Irish heritage.

Future Local Events coming up.

MDFHS Cemetery Tours (held on the 3rd Friday each month)



~~Friday 19th January 2024~~
~~Friday 16th February 2024~~
~~Friday 15th March 2024~~
~~Friday 19th April 2024~~
~~Friday 17th May 2024~~
~~Friday 21st June 2024~~

Friday 19th July 2024
Friday 16th August 2024
Friday 20th September 2024
Friday 18th October 2024
Friday 15th November 2024
Friday 20th December 2024

Mary Ann Steam Train



The original Mary Ann was the first steam train locomotive built in Queensland by John Walker & Co. Ltd. in 1873. The loco was built for timber pioneers William Pettigrew and William Sim who used the Mary Ann to haul logs in the Tin Can Bay area.

The replica Mary Ann was built in Maryborough by Wm Olds & Sons Pty. Ltd. Many businesses and individuals have contributed to make the Mary Ann dream become a reality.

On each Thursday (market day in Maryborough) and the last Sunday of each month between 9am and 12.30pm, and on special occasions, the Mary Ann operates from Macalister Station, behind the Bond Store, in the Wharf Street Precinct.



Maryborough Military and Colonial Museum



The Maryborough Mural Trail



GALLIPOLI TO ARMISTICE MEMORIAL 'WALK WITH THE ANZACS'

Location: Queens Park, Maryborough

The Gallipoli to Armistice Memorial traces the birth of the Anzac legend, drawn from the personal perspectives in letters written home to loved ones by Wide Bay district men who fought on the front line, including Lieutenant Duncan Chapman, the first Anzac ashore at Gallipoli. Soaring eight meters into the sky is a steel representation of the cliffs of Gallipoli leading to panels telling the story of the battles. From there, visitors follow inscribed pavers to the Western Front battlegrounds, past sculptures and whispering voices to an arbour dedicated to the pitiless Battle of Pozieres.



The Story Bank



Hervey Bay Historical Village and Museum



Bond Store

Check out the latest Publications from Scott when you visit Childers.



Childers District Historical Publications

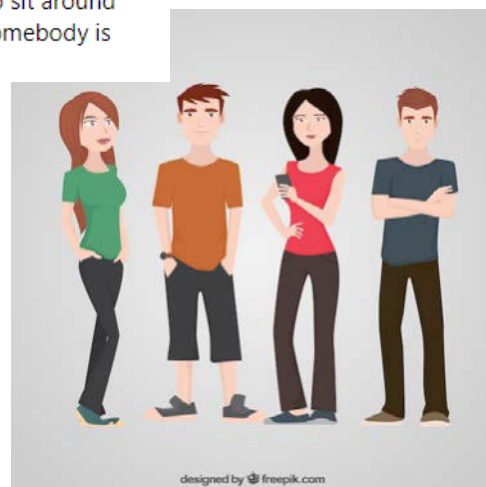
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Great news!!! Some of my publications are back from the Printers!!! "Pioneers and People who have Shaped the Isis" and "From the Pages of Yesteryear". Updated and Reviewed versions of "Where did They Live? Booyal and Doolbi/Horton are now available for purchase at the Old Pharmacy Museum, Childers. Postage can be arranged for out-of-townners!!! Why not pick up a packet of Old-Fashioned sweets while you are browsing?

Northland College (NZ) principal John Tapene has offered the following words from a judge who regularly deals with youth.....

"Always we hear the cry from teenagers 'What can we do, where can we go?' My answer is, 'Go home, mow the lawn, wash the windows, learn to cook, build a raft, get a job, visit the sick, study your lessons, and after you've finished, read a book. Your town does not owe you recreational facilities and your parents do not owe you fun. The world does not owe you a living, you owe the world something. You owe it your time, energy and talent so that no one will be at war, in poverty or sick and lonely again.' In other words, grow up, stop being a cry baby, get out of your dream world and develop a backbone, not a wishbone. Start behaving like a responsible person. You are important and you are needed. It's too late to sit around and wait for somebody to do something someday. Someday is now and that somebody is you."

Quote of the Month



Books

On Sale from our rooms

Maryborough Heritage Register Series

Books

<u>Whose House is That?</u> (House names of Maryborough & District and their Owners)	\$12 (+P&H)
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