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FORBES HIGH SCHOOL TURNS 60

***“MULTUM NON MULTA”
(QUALITY NOT QUANTITY)***



Forbes was declared a District School in 1905 when this classification was first introduced. It provided two years of secondary education which led, at that time, to the Intermediate Certificate.

A request for the establishment of a High School in Forbes was made in 1912, but a decision was held over because it was felt there would not be sufficient numbers of students seeking an additional two years of secondary education to justify the request.

Two years later, a new secondary building (the first stage of the old two-storey structure in Browne Street) was approved, incorporating three classrooms and one science laboratory. Plans were completed by May 1916 and the structure was finished in 1917.

Over the years, secondary enrolments increased and further representations to have the school raised to the status of a full High School were initiated in the immediate post-war period. In 1955 it opened as such for the first time, with Mr G.R. Scott as Headmaster. It was recognised that the building and site were inadequate for the development of the High School and the present property on Turner's Hill

**ALL
MEMBERS'
FEES \$35.00
PER ANNUM**

DUE 1ST JULY

**(This covers
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from 1st July
to 30th June
the following
year)**



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- 1) Meetings are held in the Group's rooms, at 3pm on the third Saturday of the month.
- 2) The Annual General Meeting of the Forbes Family History Group Inc. is held at 3pm on the third Saturday in September each year.

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FORBES HIGH SCHOOL TURNS 60

was acquired in 1956 for a re-building programme.

After many delays, in 1962 it was announced that a new building would be provided on the Turner's Hill site and that it would be ready for occupation at the end of 1963. However, building did not commence until the beginning of 1964, and the transfer from the old premises was finally made in September 1965.

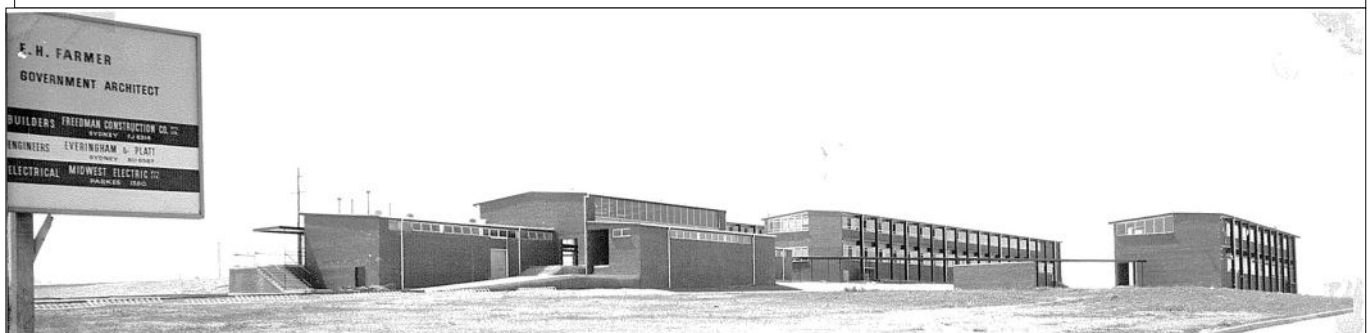
On Monday, 27th September 1965, the 520 students assembled in the school grounds ready to march into the modern structure (which was conservatively valued at £300,000) at 9:00am.

The street running past the High School had already been named Wyndham Avenue, after Sir Harold Stanley Wyndham, Director General of Education, who was born in Forbes on 27th June 1903.

The school was officially opened by Sir Charles Benjamin Cutler, Minister for Education (who had also been born in Forbes) on Saturday, 13th November 1965.

The Headmaster was Mr A.I. Yates B.Ec and School Captains for 1965 were Wendy McFarland and John Combe.

The School Houses are named for Aboriginal tribes—Burrabinya (red), Kamilaroi (green), Nguri (blue) and Wiradhuri (yellow).



Forbes High School—1965 (Photo courtesy of Forbes High School)



Mr C.B. Cutler officially opening the High School (Forbes Advocate , 19th November 1965)

FORBES HIGH SCHOOL TURNS 60

PROGRAMME FROM THE OFFICIAL OPENING IN 1965



FORBES HIGH SCHOOL

**OFFICIAL
OPENING**



**SATURDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER,
1965**

Programme



RECEPTION OF OFFICIAL VISITORS

NATIONAL ANTHEM

INTRODUCTION:

The Chairman, Mr. J. D. McFarland, M.B.E.,
President, Forbes High School Parents and Citizens'
Association.

ADDRESSES OF WELCOME

His Worship the Mayor of Forbes,
Alderman Albert Scrivener.

The Director of Education, Western Area, Mr. M. Z.
de Ferranti, B.A.

The State Parliamentary Representative, Mr. George
Freudenstein, M.L.A., Member for Young

**OFFICIAL OPENING and UNVEILING OF
THE COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE:**

The Hon. C. B. Cutler, E.D., M.L.A., Deputy Premier,
Minister for Education and Minister for Science.

DEDICATION OF THE SCHOOL:

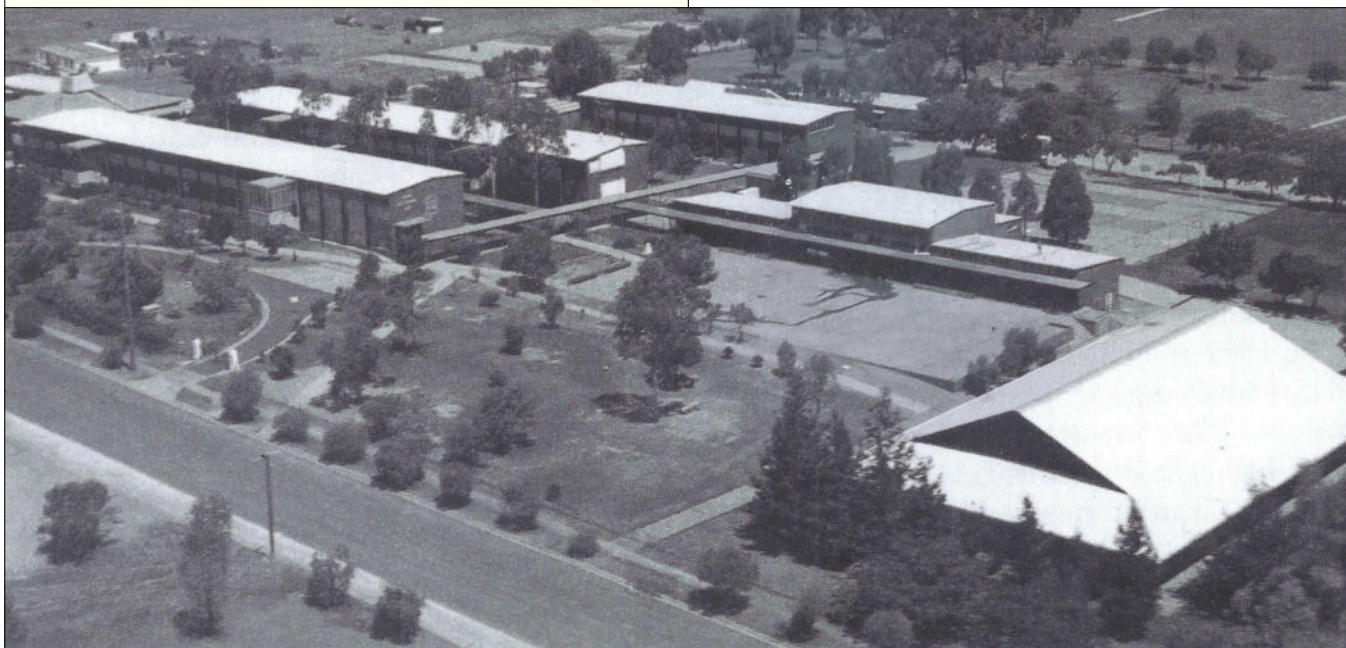
Rev. Hector Coutts

APPRECIATION:

The School Captains, Wendy McFarland, John Combe.
The Head Master, Mr. A. I. Yates, B.Ec.

INSPECTION OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING

AFTERNOON TEA



Forbes High School
(Photo from 1997 Forbes History Book)

MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE



The winners of our Mother's Day raffle were:

1st: Elizabeth Doughan

2nd: Fred Cooper

3rd: Michael Haley

4th: Bev Slaven

We hope you enjoyed your prizes.

Thank you to everyone who bought or sold tickets or gave a donation towards our prizes.

Your support is very much appreciated.



Kim Smith and Barbara Goodger drew the winning tickets in our Mother's Day Raffle

STACKING WHEAT IN BAGS—HOW IT WAS DONE (A STROLL DOWN MEMORY LANE WITH DAVID WALKER)

Forbes Advocate, 5th December 1998 -

In response to a letter in the Stockman's Hall of Fame newspaper (Forestville NSW) regarding the handling of wheat bags, where a reader asked if any old timers remembered the days when wheat was handled in bags, David Walker of Forbes gave this reply:

I am not an old timer at age 51, but my brother and I stacked the last bag wheat stacks here in Forbes in the summer of 1966-67. I had just turned 19 and my brother was 17.

We stacked 30,000 bags at 180 lbs (82kg) each for one pound (\$2.00) per 100. We finished that in January 1966 and the stacks were then roofed, curtained and mouse-proofed. That's how it was stored until the bags were 'trucked out' (ie every bag reloaded by elevator onto rail trucks) and taken to the seaboard.

There was a lot of work in trucking out—not only handling each bag, but taking the iron off the roof and stacking it away in the shed for the next season and stacking all the 3'x2' hardwood timber away, rolling all the hessian curtains up, pulling all the mouse proofing up and then stacking all the *dunnage* up (dunnage is what they call the timber that the stacks were stacked on, which was mostly 8 foot (240 cm) railway sleepers. When they ran out, we used 8 foot ironbark or stringy bark poles 8-12 inches in diameter, which would be imported into Forbes by rail truck.)

All this was done by hand—no forklift then! So my brother and I spent most of the 1967 winter trucking the 30,000 bags of wheat out.

Of interest to note here is the comprehension that the next

generation has of this era and what was involved in the bag wheat days, which were really only seen in the wheat belt of Qld, NSW, Vic, SA and WA and will never be seen again.

Today my brother and I have a rural merchandising business in Forbes and still handle bags of fertiliser and produce. However, the heaviest bag now is 50kg, most are 40kg.

Three years ago, an 18-year-old staff member heard that we had stacked a lot of wheat bags of 82kg and was mystified. Wanting to know more, he asked me all about the summer of 1966-67.

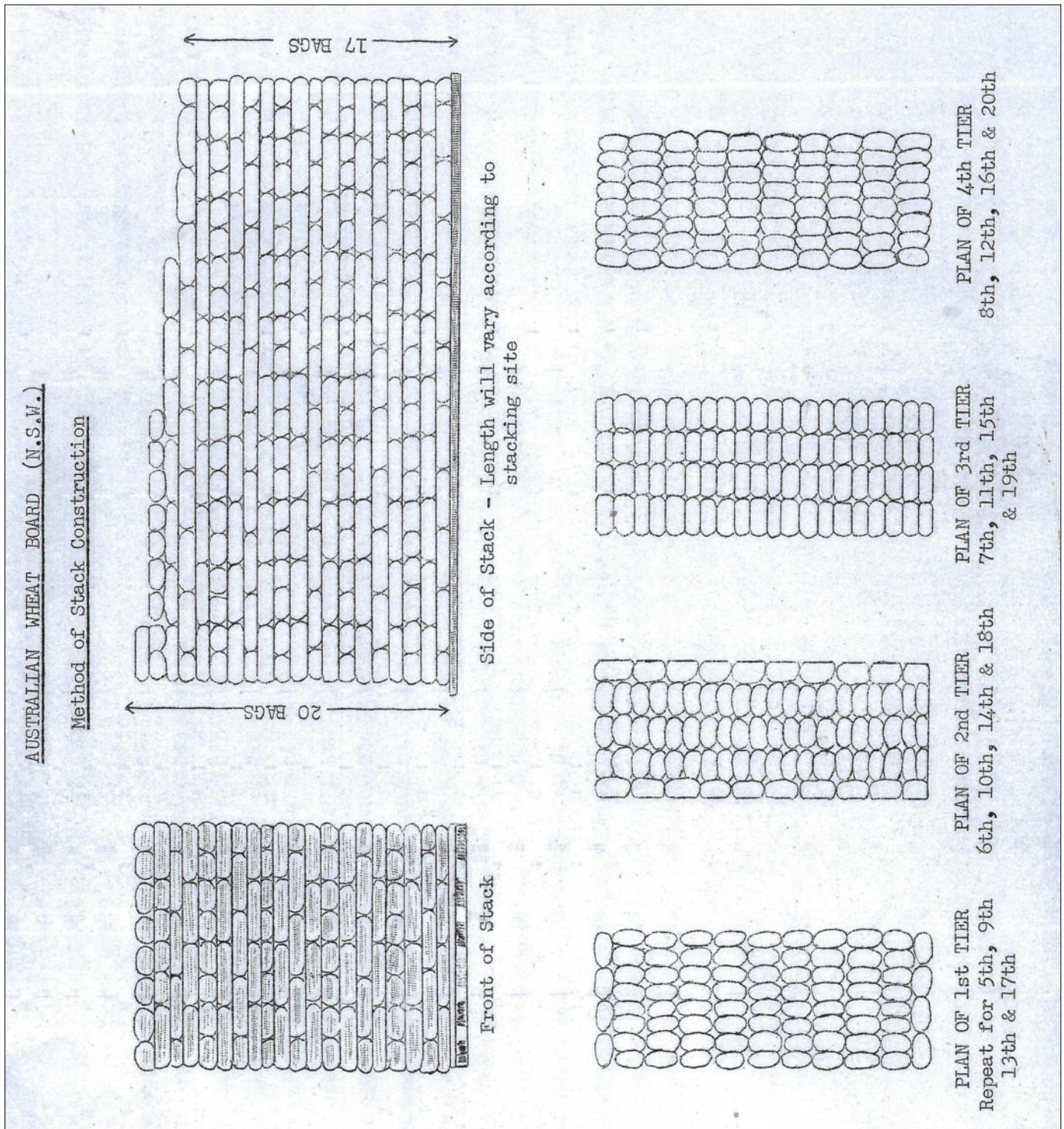
I told him all, explaining that our wages were the equivalent of \$2.00 per 100 bags. "Two dollars per 100?" he asked and I confirmed. He paused, thought a bit, looked at me questioningly and again asked "All that for \$2 per 100?" "Yes." He shook his head and said "How silly were you?"

That incident prompted me to start collecting a few of the old photographs of the wheat stacks as I feel this whole wheat stacking era is going to be lost with my generation.

However, I can go back a lot further than that with the bag wheat, as my grandfather and father were both heavily involved in the bag wheat era.

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STACKING WHEAT IN BAGS (cont.)



The Australian Wheat Board had very strict instructions about stacking wheat bags and these had to be followed to the letter.

STACKING WHEAT IN BAGS (cont.)

My grandfather was Harry Neil Walker, and his brother George.

In 1910, George and partner started a business in Sydney called The Lindley Walker Co. The nature of this business was bag wheat agents for the Australian Wheat Board.

George wanted his brother Harry to work with him in Sydney. However, Harry stayed in Forbes and opened up a business of buying and selling grain. He became the Forbes district agent for the Lindley Walker Co. and as such would receive the bag wheat into the stacks at Forbes.

When it was all received, they would then roof, curtain and mouse-proof the stacks. When the wheat was to be exported, they then loaded the rail trucks with bags and consigned them to the seaboard for loading onto ships.

My father, Darda, continued to do this right up until all the wheat was eventually handled by bulk and went into silos.

1966-67 happened to be a particularly big wheat year and it was slow getting it into the silos at Forbes due to long queues. My father said we would handle some in bags and that's how my brother and I came to stack those bags!

Of course, we knew by then how to build the stacks, as every chance we got as youngsters, we would be over at the stacks. But when you did this work day in and day out, you soon got to realise that it wasn't all fun and games!

Taking an 82kg bag on your shoulders and carrying it 30-40 foot (9-10m) to the back of the stack, walking not on a flat surface but from bag to bag, putting it down and going back—and they say they were the good old days!

But we knew no better and we did enjoy doing it—one pound per 100 was excellent money. One week I earned 56 pound clear, so with tax, my gross wage was probably 65 pounds. At that rate, I must have stacked 6500 bags in five days—or 1300 bags a day (108 tonne!) over your back each day.

These figures surprise me now as I write them, but my brother and I thoroughly enjoyed those wheat stacking days.

We sometimes hear people say you wouldn't get anyone today to do those things. However, I believe given the same era and circumstances, the youth of today could do it every bit as well as the youth of yesterday. It is only society and work practices that have changed.

I have heard that they used to put wheat in 4-bushel bags. Wheat was 60lb per bushel—therefore 4-bushel bags would weigh 240 lb, but I don't know when that was. I have a photograph of a wagonload of wheat in 1922 with the weight on it and they were 180 lb bags.

As for how the bags were stacked, the photo on page 9 is of me on this stack in 1966-67.

The bags were put on the elevator, went up and were taken on your shoulder and carried to their position. (Note the iron roof, hessian curtain, mouse proofing and dunnage).

Another photo shows two men in the Forbes district, Jack Redfern and Gordon ("Buck") Bentick. In 1947 they stacked 177,000 bags of wheat for 1 penny (1cent) per bag. In the 1940s, '50s and early '60s, stacks of 100,000-plus bags were not uncommon. (*See photo, page 12*)

- David Walker

STACKING WHEAT IN BAGS (cont.)



*1966-1967: David Walker on top of the stack of bags, using the elevator to load from truck to stack
(Michael Walker standing on back of truck)*



Wheat bags stacked—c. 1965-1967

Mouse Proofing

The Town Ambulance—step back in time

These excerpts taken from the "Forbes Times" fill in some details of Forbes' ambulance story:

In 1862 the need for a hospital went hand in hand with the developing settlement at the Forbes gold fields. We can only imagine what it must have been like to have been sick on the diggings; to have a doctor's care, so essential for survival; to have a safe and secure hospital; and to be dependent on someone else to take you there.

The gold field began to fail that year, and by 1864 only about 500 miners and their families, believing in the agricultural potential of the place, remained.

By 1891, the hospital was well-established on Camp Hill. However, it seems that the district's sick and injured had to make their own way there, although a St John's Ambulance Society had been established in the town that year.

As far as can be presently ascertained, a further decade passed before people at Forbes succeeded in realising their dream of a public ambulance ... and it was finally achieved through the efforts of a lady.

15th December 1906:

The Town Ambulance Subscribers and the public generally will be glad to hear that at length the town is about to be supplied with a first-class ambulance for the purpose of taking accident victims to the Hospital.

The necessity for something of the kind has been commented on freely in our columns in the past, but it was left to Mrs J.J. Strickland to undertake the work of raising the funds. Therefore, by her efforts, Mrs Strickland has succeeded in raising the sum of £34/4s/6d. The amount was more than was required for an ambulance, so the balance has been spent in obtaining a medical battery and two ward dressing tables for the Hospital. These have already arrived and have been sent to the institution, but the ambulance is not yet to hand. Some little delay has been caused in obtaining the proper kind of rubber-tyred wheels, but it was deemed advisable to wait a day or two and secure the best article obtainable. When it arrives, the ambulance will be placed in the town for public use.

Mrs Strickland desires us to thank the various donors for responding so generously to her appeal, but we think the town owes her a much greater debt of gratitude for undertaking the good work which has resulted so successfully.

29th December 1906:

'The Town Ambulance'

A week or so ago, we made reference to the ambulance which is being provided for the town, the funds for which were so kindly raised by Mrs J.J. Strickland. The structure arrived in Forbes on Thursday morning last and was at once placed in the Fire Station, where it may be obtained at any time for public use. It is the latest pattern ambulance with rubber-tyred wheels and should be a particularly comfortable conveyance for accident cases.

The Town Ambulance—step back in time

Mrs Strickland formally handed the ambulance over to the Mayor on its arrival for the use of the public, and we understand that it can be obtained at any time on application to the Council Clerk. (*The Fire Station was, at this time, situated in Lachlan Street next to the Post Office*).

26th January 1907:

‘The Town Ambulance’

Mrs J.J. Strickland writes us and desires us to make public the exact way in which the £34/4s/6d collected by that lady for a town ambulance at Forbes has been expended. The expenses were as follows:

Cost of ambulance: £18/5s

Medical battery: £6/0s/6d

Carriage on same: 3 shillings

There is still a balance of £2/18s/4d in hand which the Matron will decide how to expend.

We have already expressed the thanks of the town to Mrs Strickland for her good work in raising the money required for the purchase of the ambulance.

FASCINATING FACTS ABOUT OCTOPUSES

Did you know?

Octopuses have **three hearts**! Two pump blood to the gills, while the third pumps it to the rest of the body. Their blood is **blue**, due to haemocyanin, a copper-based molecule that helps them survive in cold, low-oxygen environments.



They can **change colour and texture** instantly to blend into their surroundings, thanks to specialised skin cells called chromatophores. Some species even mimic other animals, like venomous sea snakes or flounders!

Octopuses are incredibly intelligent, capable of solving puzzles, escaping enclosures and even using tools. Some have been observed **unscrewing jar lids** to get to food inside!

Most octopuses live only **1-2 years**, but they make the most of it. After mating, females **sacrifice themselves** for their eggs, refusing to eat while guarding them until they hatch.

Their bodies are **entirely soft**, except for their beak, meaning they can squeeze through tiny openings—if their beak fits, the rest of them will too!

STACKING WHEAT IN BAGS (cont.)



1947—Jack Redfern and Gordon “Buck” Bentick stacked 177,000 bags of wheat, each weighing 180 lb (82 kg) at Grawlin. Their wages were 1 penny (1 cent) per bag.

Note: The stack is stacked on old sleepers (“Dunnage”)



*David (left) and Michael Walker (right) with their father Darda c.1981
(Fun fact: Walkers was the first business in Forbes to issue uniforms to their staff)*

STACKING WHEAT IN BAGS (cont.)



1922: Bagged wheat at the Forbes Railway (before elevators)

DEFINITION OF TERMS USED IN SPECIFICATION

DUNNAGE: Sleepers or suitable timber

BEARERS: Pieces of dunnage placed on the ground and spaced so as to carry the weight in the centre and at both ends of dunnage placed on top of them.

RAIL: Railway line closest to stack.

ROOFING ANCHOR: Three inch by two inch (3" x 2") timber 13 feet (13') or more long built in stack right across section. (The only tools needed to make the anchor were pliers, wire and the use of a Cobb & Co. twitch for all roof and curtains.)

LEVELLING PLATES: 3" x 2" timber, 13 feet or more long placed on top of the tier of bags immediately over the anchors.

RAFTERS: 3" x 2" timber placed on its edge on the levelling plates with a continuous slope to ensure that when completed, the roof will have the correct level and pitch.

LOWER PURLINS (Otherwise battens): 3" x 2" timber placed at right angles to rafters to carry iron.

TOP PURLINS (Otherwise battens): 3" x 2" timber placed on top of iron directly above the under purlins (excepting the middle purlins).

STACK CONSTRUCTION:

Stretchers—bags placed showing full length of bags on outside of stack.

Headers—bags placed in stack showing only the bottom of bag on outside of stack every 4th layer.

CURTAINS: Sound jute twill.

FRONT OF STACK: High side facing the railway line—20 bags high.

BACK OF STACK: The low side—17 bags high.

ENDS OF STACK: The two other faces.

MEMORIAL TO FORBES SOLDIERS

The Sydney Mail—January 4, 1905

A handsome memorial lamp has been erected at the intersection of Lachlan and Templar Streets, Forbes to commemorate the names of soldiers from the Forbes district who fell in the South African (Boer) War. Colonel Waddell, Acting Commandant of NSW, arrived on the 19th ult. to unveil the memorial and in the presence of a large concourse, performed the ceremony.

The memorial is a handsome structure that was gratuitously designed by Mr J.H. Bates, and has been erected by Mr A. McPhee, monumental mason of Forbes on steps of freestone. The pedestal and cap are of Borenore marble, and the shaft is of Carrara marble, surmounted with a lamp of burnished copper. The total cost of the memorial was £140 (\$280).

The names on the memorial are:

Sergeant H. Bennett; Troopers J. Finnigan, W.P. Kearney, F.P. Toohey, J. Waddell, C.W. Flint and R. Cameron; Corporals A.E.E. Allen, E.B. Chesher and F.W. Bollinger.



Several years ago, the memorial was moved from its original site on the corner of Templar and Lachlan Streets and is now located in Victoria Park

Photo taken 2025



MEMBERSHIP FEES!



Membership fees for the year 2025/2026 will fall due on 1st July 2025.

Fees are as follows:

Membership: \$35.00

Research: \$30.00

**Please also note our new email address :
forbesfamilyhistorygroupinc@gmail.com**

Anyone wishing to pay their membership may either send a cheque to us at P.O. Box 574, Forbes, 2871 or pay the fees directly into our bank account, details of which are as follows:

Bank: Westpac Bank, Lachlan Street, Forbes
BSB: 032-822
Account No. 123487
Account Name: Forbes Family History Group Inc.

(Please also include your name if making a direct deposit to our account)

Our opening hours are as follows:

Wednesdays: 11:00am to 3:00pm

Saturdays: 11:00am to 3:00pm

We are always looking for more volunteers to assist in our Rooms during these times, so any assistance would be very gratefully received.

As always, your continued support is very much appreciated.

NED KELLY'S NEPHEW FOUGHT FOR AUSTRALIA

Private Frederick Arthur ("Fred") Foster was born in Forbes on 15th March 1889. He was the eldest son of Catherine ("Kate") Kelly and William Henry ("Bricky") Foster and a nephew to the infamous Ned Kelly.

Following the drowning death of his mother in October 1898 at Forbes, Foster (then aged 9) was raised by his grandmother Ellen Kelly (nee Quinn) at Eleven Mile Creek in Victoria.

On 29th June 1915, 26 year old Fred travelled to Melbourne and enlisted in the Australian Army. His military life got off to a somewhat irregular start. He enlisted twice—first in late June 1915 and again at Goulburn, NSW on 14th January 1916. He was attached to the 55th Battalion and embarked from Sydney aboard HMAT "*Barambah*" on 23rd June 1916.

Prior to enlisting in the army, Foster worked as a Bee Keeper and served in the 16th Light Horse regiment at Benalla. He had blue eyes, brown hair and was of Presbyterian faith.

On 28th February 1917, Foster travelled to France aboard SS "*Golden Eagle*". Frederick's war was short and brutal. On arrival in France, he was transferred to the 17th Battalion on 23rd March 1917. He found himself in a counter-attack against German forces at Lagnicourt on 15th April. The frenzied action resulted in two machine guns and 54 prisoners being captured at a cost to the 17th Battalion of 43 dead, 87 wounded and a further 51 missing. Foster was one of those killed.

He was buried in the trenches but his grave, although marked, was eventually lost. He is commemorated on the Villers-Bretonneux Memorial in France and the Oxley Shire War Memorial in Victoria.

The battle of Lagnicourt, France was a victory for the European Empire and therefore, men who lost their lives protecting their countries became heroes and were awarded posthumous medals for their service. Photos of soldiers in their uniforms were undertaken by men like Foster, so their families would be able to retain their memories and likeness before they embarked for war. Many men were killed or horribly wounded, so these images were important for reminding families about their sons/husbands/brothers/cousins and friends.

Fred's father, William, received a memorial plaque and commemorative scroll from King George V, in remembrance of his son.

These plaques, similar in colour to a penny coin, were frequently referred to as the 'dead man's penny'.

The 120mm diameter plaques were individually cast in bronze, with the name of the deceased and symbology of Britain's defeat of Germany.



Memorial Plaque for Private Frederick Arthur Foster of C Company, 17th Battalion, Australian Imperial Force

(Held by Forbes Historical Society Museum)

NED KELLY'S NEPHEW FOUGHT FOR AUSTRALIA



This photo is a part of the Burke Museum Kelly album, which includes numerous photographs relating to the Kelly Gang. As the son of Kate Kelly and William “Bricky” Foster, Fred Foster is an important part of the Kelly story.

News of Frederick’s death was another tragedy for Foster’s extended family. His mother Kate had drowned in the Forbes lagoon and three of his siblings had died in infancy. The grandmother who raised him, Ellen Kelly, was widowed once, deserted twice and lost seven of her 12 children before her own death in 1923.

- Beechworth Burke Museum Collection



References:

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- *War Diary, 17th Infantry Battalion, AWM4, 23/34/21 - April 1917*
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- *Roll of Honour*
- *Red Cross Missing and Wounded*
- *Jacqueline Zara Wilson, Kelly, Ellen (1832-1923), Australian Dictionary of Biography, National Centre of Biography, Australian National University*

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

Forbes Advocate, 9th September 1925

WIRRINYA'S NEW HALL

The official opening of the new hall at Wirrinya will take place next month, when that centre again expects a number of visitors.

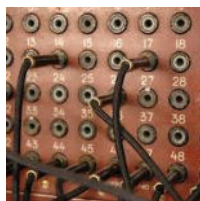
The principal speaker will be Mr E.A. Buttenshaw, MLA whose remarks will be supplemented by Councillor H.O. Elliott and other speakers.

The sports last week added a handy sum to the hall funds and the committee has asked us to mention Wirrinya's thanks to Messrs. Meagher & Co., Manson and Co., and Arthur Hughes for donations to the day's sporting events.

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RAPIDLY EXPANDING

The Forbes telephone exchange is growing rapidly. When the switch-board was installed, provision was made for 100 members, but that number is already in sight, and at the present rate of enrolling new subscribers, the existing facilities will become inadequate. Last month, nearly 26,000 calls were dealt with, which represents a severe tax on the switchboard staff. Enlarging operations will have to be entered upon very shortly.



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Lachlander and Condobolin & Western Districts Recorder,

30th September 1925

A SICK FRIEND

Dobson stayed out much later at night than his wife liked, and as he would never tell her where he had been, she got their little boy to ask him.

One morning at breakfast the youngster said: "Dad, where were you last night?" "Never you mind where I was," answered the father.

"But", insisted the boy, "where were you?"

"Well, if you must know, I was sitting up with a sick friend."

"Did your friend die?"

"What an absurd question! Of course he didn't die."

"Oh, but did you hold your sick friend's hand?"

"No", answered the father, "of course I didn't." And then he added, with a faraway look in his eyes, "I wish to goodness I had. He held four aces."



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NEWS FROM OTHER JOURNALS

"Eagle Eye", Cowra (December)

Dennis Miles Murphy (1808-1885); World War 1 Servicemen from Woodstock & District (Pt. 1); Irish Orphan Record; Japanese Royals Visit Cowra (1973).

"Blayney Diggings", (January)

Blayney High School—From National School to High School.

"Murrumbidgee Ancestor", Wagga Wagga (February)

Hotels in the Early Years of Adelong; The Hut on the Hill (James Thomas Osborne).

"Kith 'N' Kin", Warragul, Vic. (February)

Traditions of the Wedding Dress in Victoria (1840-2024).

"Descent", Sydney (March)

Ann Perkins (1818-1883); Crafting Your Family History; Wagga Soldiers' Comfort Fund.

"GhostBuster", Campbelltown (March)

"My Missing Ancestor" Stories.

"Patrick Plains Gazette", Singleton (April)

Edmund George ("Sonny") Bourke 1927-1953; Australian Ships in the Korean War.



EMAILED JOURNALS

"The Stonequarry Journal", Picton (March)

Blue Gum Creek; Ethel Campbell Louise Anderson (nee Mason) (1883-1958); Derry Hill and the Bargo Hotel.

"The Mallee Stump", Wyalong (March)

Gunnedah Water Tower Museum; Typhoid and Wyalong Hospital; Wyalong Criminal Archives—Edward Garnet Leslie Lees (1895-1947); Creating Modern Sydney, 1867; Lunatic Asylum, Tarban Creek.

Parramatta Female Factory (March-April)

Ann Gordon, Matron of Female Factory 1827-1836; "Our Girls—the 'Mariner' Women, Pt. 2.

"Time Traveller", Nowra (April)

First Weddings in Nowra District Churches; Nowra Show History; Revealing a Family's Adoption Secret; the Dangers of Copying Ancestry trees.

"Founders", Fellowship of First Fleeters (April-May)

Matthew Flinders, Pt. 2; First Fleeter Ancestors—Jane Poole and James McManus; How do we use the information that the Fellowship collects?



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