

ANNUAL REPORT
Kenmore & District Historical Society
2021-22

This report covers the 12 months from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022. We started with 47 members and finished the year with 47.

From June to November the Management Committee consisted of President, Judy Magub; Secretary Ian Muirhead; Treasurer John Carter; and Committee members Sue Deal, Edna Winkel and Deann O'Donoghue.

After the 2021 AGM, from November 2021 until the end of this reporting period in June 2022, the committee consisted of Judy Magub President, John Carter Treasurer, and committee members Edna Winkel, Deann O'Donoghue and Rosemary Chay.

With no secretary during the latter part of this period, the role was shared by Judy and John. Judy did agendas, minutes, correspondence, and responses to enquiries from the public. John Carter also continued with his role with photographs and Audio Visual as well as Treasurer. The newsletter was done by Ian, Sue, and Judy and John during those 12 months. Sue looked after Guest Speakers for the first half of the year, then Judy did it in the second half. Edna continued to look after Membership, Library and Supper during the whole period. Deann looked after Publications and book sales, and also assisted with research. Judy continued to research and write books and articles for the Local Bulletin.

Thank you to all those who served on the Committee during those 12 months. Also thank you to Dorothy Miller who continued to be the person at the front door each meeting greeting members and recording attendance. Others have helped with supper and putting out the chairs and tables and putting them away at the end of the meeting. Others have given short presentations... Thank you all.

We are grateful to Peta McDonald Smith for being our webmaster and advising on IT matters. Thank you, Peta.

We took on some special projects: John Carter digitised all the Oral Histories we had received from the Kenmore History Group. Deann and Judy did some research on Housing Commission homes in the area. Edna and John catalogued

all the books in the KDHS library. Judy and Deann prepared a handout on how to research your house so that we can give this to people who contact us about that topic.

Thank you to members who assisted in other ways, making donations, speaking at meetings, and picking up other members to bring them to meetings.

Over the past 7 years I have researched and written an article for the Local Bulletin each month. We are fortunate to have this opportunity. One of our purposes is to promote the local history in the area and this magazine has a circulation of 24,000 in 15 suburbs.

The articles in the Local Bulletin for KDHS over the reporting period were:

July	Wongabel
August	The Henry Family
September	150 Years of Education
October	Children's homes
November	Life in the 1950s Part 1
December	Life in the 1950s Part 2
January	Pullenvale Cemetery
February	Shopping Through the Years
March	Lone Pine
April	Lest We Forget
May	Frank & Eunice Corley
June	Cooking in the Olden Days

We published a limited number of the book, 'Historic and Significant Trees' in the western suburbs researched by Judy with assistance from Kristen Dangerfield from Brisbane City Council. Copies of the book were placed in the libraries of all the local schools and council libraries, and provided to the other historical societies and to other interested parties. We also made it available as an electronic version, so it was easy to distribute widely.

We are continuing to make most of our book sales from two outlets: The Kenmore East Post Office and the IGA at Pullenvale. Books are also sold online via our website. At this year's Brookfield Show, Deann sold some of our books. Thank you for coordinating all of that Deann...storing the books, delivering them and keeping tally of sales.

Member Dawn Burgaty shared her family history with the society, and we decided to have printed the section of her history that related to our local area. This became a 298-page publication which is in the KDHS library for members to access.

Also thank you Edna for bringing our library to the meetings each month and thus facilitating borrowing of our books. We are very grateful to the RSL who give us a room at their facility at Fairview, to store our books and records. Our library is also housed there.

During these 12 months we did a reprint of the book Pictorial History which had been our first publication. The printer made an error in the publication and consequently reprinted the 200 books. He advised us we could keep the ones with the error, so we hand corrected them and provided them free of charge to the local schools. Several members helped in doing the corrections and delivering the books.

I have been guest speaker at a variety of organisations on behalf of KDHS during the 12 months. These were:

Indooroopilly Probus Club
Kenmore Garden Club
Fig Tree Pocket State School Assembly,
Moggill Catchment group,
Probus Club Taringa,
Ionian 91 Club,
Probus Club Chapel Hill.

John and I were invited to give a presentation to young students at Kenmore State School on what school and the local area was like in the 'olden days'.

Members were invited to the Lord Mayor's Xmas Party and the Seniors Morning tea, both coordinated by Ian Muirhead. Those who attended enjoyed the events.

We are very grateful to have the use of this Library Meeting Room for our Committee and General Meetings. It is free of charge and well equipped, so we are fortunate. Thank you to the Brisbane City Council.

We held 9 Committee Meetings during the 12 months and 9 General Meetings. The July General Meeting was cancelled due to Covid restrictions, also the

Committee Meeting in August. For most of these meetings we had to meet Covid restrictions with supper and seating.

We had some interesting guest speakers :

August	Nick Wilson – Buses of the Western Suburbs
September	Allan Tonks – WW2 Heritage on Mt Coot-tha
October	Helen Gregory – Indooroopilly, Centre of the World
November	AGM Trivia Quiz
February	Duncan Richardson – Civilizing Brisbane
March	Alana Lewis – The QLD Verandah
April	Video – Padres of Gallipoli
May	Janet Spillman – Surveyor Rawnsley
June	Judy Magub – Memories of Yesteryear.

The society maintained its links with the other local historical societies during the 12 months and also continued our membership of the Royal Historical Society of Queensland, History Queensland and Brisbane History Group. History Queensland provided our insurance cover at an annual cost of \$340.

Thank you to all of you who have attended meetings, served on the committee, and helped in other ways to make this another successful year for Kenmore & District Historical Society.

Judy Magub
President

November 2022