



# In Touch

## Echuca Historical Society Inc. Newsletter

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### Exhibition "Where? To Echuca- A Journey" 12 April – 26 May 2014

The exhibition from Where? To Echuca – A Journey in celebration of our passage, both physical and cultural from our various points of origin to the Australia of today will be showing at the Echuca Historical Museum.

Entry is included in the Museum admittance and open daily from 11.00am – 3.00pm (except Good Friday).

### Working Bee

A Working Bee was held at the Museum in March with a good turn up. There was a lot of work done at the workshop and in the cells and another one will be held towards the end of May. A big thank you to the members who came on the day!!

### BOOK PUBLISHING

Janet and John are in the final stages of editing on the WW1 Book.



### CONFERENCE

In February the members of our executive attended a 3 day conference of Victorian Maritime Museums. Great networking opportunities with Curators from several museums attending. The Saturday evening dinner was at the RSL Club with our member Mesh T accepting a presentation for her 10 years as Secretary of the Victorian Maritime Museum.

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### RESEARCH TRAINING

Since last newsletter we have had 3 research in-house training sessions. The 7 members who attended will now be in a better position when asked by visitors to assist with research. We will run more as needed. This ongoing project is expanding the research team and Heather is very pleased about that. All the members found these sessions very informative and are now more confident of where to look and what our resources contain.

### FUNDRAISER

A Night at the Museum Fundraiser was an enjoyable evening with music by River Port Pickers band with member Gwen as one of the singers. Member Michael and his wonderful Welsh finger puppets were brilliant, along with the children's games and tours of the museum complex. Approximately 50 adults enjoyed the evening.

### BUGGY UPDATE

On the evening of our fundraiser we also unveiled our renovated Coalbox Buggy, with thanks to our members. Specifically Jim Coombs and supporters including Charlie Bray, Ray Gribben, Gordon Stanton, Peter Ritchie and Rod, our signwriter.



### SCANNING UPDATE

The 'Hut Girls' have completed their scanning of the Riverine Herald negatives up until 1985. They scanned 124,694 original negatives. After editing there are 46,491 photo's which have been indexed.

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