The Illawarra Historical Society

Affiliated with the Royal Australian Historical Society and National Trust of Australia (N.S.W.).

The monthly meeting of members will be held at the Y.W.C.A. Hall, Thomas Street, Wollongong, on Thursday, 2nd April, 1964, at 8 p.m.

SPEAKER: Mr. W. G. MacDonald, B.A., LL.B. (PRESIDENT, I.H.S.):

SUBJECT: "THE WHITE ROSE IN THE HEATHER, 1688-1746":

The Scottish Jacobites' attempts to restore the Royal Stuarts have inspired countless poets and novelists, good and bad; but no fictional romance could be more dramatic and colourful than the sober history of Killiecrankie, Glencoe, the Fifteen and the Forty-five, and their chief figures from "Bonnie Dundee" to Prince Charles Edward. The speaker will try briefly to sketch the story, from the Revolution of 1688 to the final "end of an auld sang" after Culloden.

Our speaker is well versed in his subject and we think this topic should appeal, being as it is somewhat different from the usual type of lectures.

Visitors welcome.
The usual supper arrangements.

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

Became due on 1st January last and will be received by the Hon. Treasurer, Miss J. Rowan, 17 Corrimol St., Wollongong. They are:

£1/1/- per member, plus 10/6 for any additional member of the same household.

Please note: If you have attained the age of 70 years and have been a member for ten (10) years you will be exempt from the subscription on application to the Treasurer.

£10/10/- (Life Membership).

£22/1/- (Benefactorship — 21 years' membership).

You are respectfully reminded that members who do not pay the Annual Subscription by 30th April are deemed unfinancial.

VALE — HAROLD ATHUR MACLEOD MORGAN:

At the March meeting the President made feeling reference to the passing of Mr. Morgan on 23rd February at the early age of 49 years. MacLeod Morgan first made contact with the Society in 1959 when, as Secretary of the Kembla Coal and Coke group of South Coast Companies, he spoke on the history of Coalcliff Colliery. He later joined the Society and became a regular attendant at our excursions and meetings until he suffered a heart attack some months ago. Just before his death he paid a Life Membership.
As well as his historical pursuits (a member of many local historical societies and the Immediate Past President of the R.A.H.S.) his other interests included "Shore" School, the Clan McLeod Society, the Masonic Fraternity and anything to do with the progress of his beloved Blue Mountains. During World War II he served with the Army as a Major.

A bachelor, sincere sympathy is extended to his only sister and fiancee (he was to be married in April).

INVITATION TO JOIN THE R.A.H.S.

An invitation has been made to all members and their friends to join our Mother Society. Annual subscription is £3/3/- (£1/5/- ladies, relative of and resident with members), Life Membership £52/10/-, Benefactorship £105.

The Society meets monthly, February to November, on the last Tuesday at History House, 8 Young St., Sydney, and conducts a monthly excursion. It publishes a monthly four page "Newsletter" and an 80 page "Journal" every two months (included in subscription).

Any enquiries will be answered at our meetings

EXCURSION TO STATE PARLIAMENT HOUSE AND FORT DENISON — SATURDAY, 29/2/64:

This excursion will live long in the memories of the 39 adults and three children who comprised the party as one of the most successful events in the history of the Society.

In the morning by courtesy of the Hon. Member for Illawarra and Deputy Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, Mr. Howard T. Fowles, we were privileged to visit State Parliament House.

Under the guidance of the Sergeant-at-Arms, Mr. F. J. Mahony, assisted by Mr. Barnes, we visited the Assembly and Council Chambers and the Parliamentary Library. Here Mr. Baker, of the Library Staff, had prepared a small exhibition which was of interest to all. A booklet "The Parliament of N.S.W." produced by the Officers of the Legislature was a welcome souvenir.

A hearty vote of thanks to all of the above gentlemen for their kindness.

Luncheon was taken in the Botanic Gardens and then we boarded the ferry "Leura" for the journey to Fort Denison. Here Mr. C. LaRondet, an enthusiastic member of the staff of the Maritime Services Board, gave a detailed history of the island followed by a comprehensive inspection. Again our sincere thanks to Mr. LaRondet and the Board. We returned by the "Lithgow".

The writer will long remember this near perfect day; blue skies and water, and the graceful yachts revealed Sydney Harbour at its best.

We were also pleased to renew acquaintance with Sydney member Mr. C. Law and his wife, who joined us for afternoon tea.

Finally for the "rail fans" the day was made complete by the sighting of one of the new "double-decker" cars of the N.S.W.G.R. (first "spotted" by young Philip Bayley!).

MARCH MEETING:

There was an attendance of 40 to hear a talk by Mr. E. Beale titled "Tasmania's National Homes and Folk Museums" which dealt mainly with "Narryna" (Hobart) and "Franklin House" and "Entolly" (Launceston). The talk was lavishly illustrated with coloured transparencies, some of which had been loaned by Mrs. M. M. Evans (Member) who also contributed some comments. To both people our thanks for an instructive evening.