local venue for functions, exhibitions and information promoting heritage conservation in Illawarra.

"You can be involved in saving this wonderful building and contribute to the future of Conservation in Illawarra by becoming a Friend of the Old Court House."

Thus runs the information at the head of the application form, received at the May meeting if the IHS Board. This form offers the following types of membership:

- Group $30 p.a.; Individual $15 p.a.; Concession $10 p.a.; and Life $100.

The Board decided unanimously to enrol the Society as a Life Member. This pleased the President who is a representing the Society on the Old Court House Management Committee.

Copies of the enrolment form are available at the Illawarra Museum.

**MOUNT KEIRA MINE TRAMWAY**

Another conservation project is being planned in the vicinity of our harbour precinct. Members may have noticed how the City Council restored the remains of the old Mount Keira Mine Tramway bridge over what used to be Smith's Creek, in the corner of Osborne Park. Indeed, the Society has congratulated the Council on the restoration and associated landscaping.

Led by the Council's Coordinator of Cultural Development, Barbara Wheeler, a meeting was held on May 22 to discuss a funding application for an interpretive display marking the importance of this tramway to the region's history. Should the funding application succeed, the resulting display should offer more information than the usual plaque. Watch this page for the next instalment.