

THE OAKS HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

RESOURCES HELD AT *THE WOLLONDILLY HERITAGE CENTRE & MUSEUM*

LOCAL HISTORY FILES

1. Family History Correspondence – 1989 to date
2. Individual Family Histories: (e.g. Bollard, Cranfield, Chiddy, Chalker, Dunn etc)
3. Local History Files
 - : Aborigines – general, local, politics
 - : Transfer of graves from Burragorang Valley to Camden/The Oaks
 - : Marriages, St. Matthew's, The Oaks 1857-1869
 - : Marriages, The Oaks, 1948-1962
 - : Restoration of St. Matthew's, The Oaks
 - : Baptisms, St. John's, Cox's River
 - : Baptisms, Marriages, Burials, District of Camden, The Oaks, Picton, Burragorang Valley
 - : Cemetery Transcripts, St. Paulinus', Cox's River
 - : Roman Catholic Church Properties- Burragorang Valley
 - : Roman Catholic Priests, Burragorang Valley, 1834-1954
 - : Schedule- Properties Acquired by Water Board, 1954
 - : Files on Individual Towns and Villages e.g. Camden, Burragorang Valley, and within Wollondilly Shire (e.g. The Oaks, Oakdale, Yerranderie, Appin, Bargo, Buxton, Cawdor, Douglas Park, Glenmore, Menangle, Mount Hunter, Orangeville, Picton, Theresa Park, Wallacia, Wilton, etc.
File may include all or some of the following: history, buildings, businesses, churches, schools, Post Office, Hall, School of Arts, sport, organisations, etc.
 - : Convicts – on *Craigend, Gledswood, Vandeville*
 - : Greville's Post Office Directory 1872- The Oaks – extract
 - : History of RAAF Landing Ground, The Oaks.
 - : Research Papers- Robert Gaudry
 - : George Armour- Poetry
 - : District Properties: *The Hermitage, Mowbray Park, Orthez, Vandeville, Montpelier, Victoria Park.*
 - : Barnardo Boys' Training Farm
 - : Films made in Burragorang Valley
 - : Local Industries: Coal mining, fruit growing, dairying, timber, poultry, bee-keeping, fish farming, farmgate trail, etc.
 - : Warragamba Dam
 - : Military History: Boer War (files on individual soldiers), World War 1, World War 2, Vietnam etc.
4. NEWSPAPERS – 254 to date. No complete runs, only a collection of individual local papers, some complete, some a few pages only.

5. MAPS: Australia, New South Wales, Sydney, Appin, Bargo, Burratorang, Camden, Campbelltown, Colong, Jooriland, Kowmung, Lakesland, Menangle, Mount Hunter, Nattai, Oakdale, Picton, The Oaks, Theresa Park, Warragamba, Wollondilly Shire, Yerranderie.
6. ORAL HISTORIES: Audio Tapes, some typed transcripts.
7. PHOTOGRAPHS: Collection of 4000 plus: local people, places, buildings, events
8. VIDEOS, DVDS, CDS, CAMRECORDINGS: material relates to the Society's area of collecting. e.g. Movies filmed locally, The Oaks Sesquicentenary Celebrations, "Pansy", Camden's train, flooding of Burratorang Valley etc.
9. SCROLLS: The Yerranderie-Burratorang Scrolls – 169 scrolls. A unique collection of local history handwritten in Indian ink on architect's archival paper. The wealth of material they contain on the history of Yerranderie and Burratorang Valley is made accessible through a separate 18 000 card index.
- 10 LIBRARY: (Reference only) - 2000 plus books. Main subject areas in the collection includes:
 - . Aborigines (general, local, culture, politics)
 - : Heritage:(Assessments, studies, reports), conservation (handbooks), museums (guides, manuals, textbooks)
 - : Genealogy: (Pioneer registers, guides, directories, members' interest registers family histories), vital records (census/musters, immigration, cemetery transcripts, Picton & District Burials, Burratorang Valley Burials) , guides to State Archives, Land Titles Office, National Archives *of* Australia.
 - : History: Australia: (discovery and exploration, colonial, convicts, goldfields, immigration, federation, bushrangers, biographies.
New South Wales: Explorers, Government (state), Local Government, Local Histories: (Appin, Burratorang Valley, Camden, Campbelltown, Picton, Oakdale, The Oaks, Yerranderie, etc.)
Local Histories: out of the area (e.g. Penrith, Canberra, etc)
 - ; Education: General, Local schools, out of area schools.
 - : Fine Arts: Art- Aboriginal, Music (Australian folk/bush) etc
 - : Social History: the Home (history, equipment, furnishing, cooking, etc), Costume, Craft, Hobbies, Gardening, Childhood, Community etc
 - : Agriculture: Dairying, Timber, Fruit growing etc.
 - : Natural Resources: Water, Minerals, Forestry, Natural Gas, Environment
 - : Science: Flora/Fauna, Inventions, Machinery, Manufacturing, Health etc.
 - : Sport (Bushwalkers, Football, Cricket) etc.
 - : Literature
 - : Religion
 - : Transport
 - : Generalities (dictionaries, encyclopaedias, atlas, gazetteers, Almanacs, etc.