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# HISTORY ROOM

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**History Week** is being celebrated statewide and we in Goolwa are having a display on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May in the Community Chambers of the Library/Council building. The theme of this varied exhibition will be **Mystery, Mayhem, Myths & Men at Work**, which will be open from **10am-3.30pm**. This will be free with tea, coffee & biscuits provided in the afternoon. The morning will be centred on the schoolchildren, but anyone will be welcome anytime during the day.



**Havelock House**

This quaint cottage “Havelock House” (c1870), on the main thoroughfare in Goolwa, has for years intrigued passers-by with the quaint china lids decorating the outside walls. For many years it was an antique shop, and it is not known when the china lids were stuck on the walls, but definitely after 1972. Mr and Mrs Sinclair operated the antique shop for many years?

It is believed a Mr Nash was the builder.

It is also known locally as “Terrine House” because of the terrine lids adorning the walls.

*[If anyone has any further knowledge of the history of the cottage, we would be pleased to hear from them.]*

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**Duyfken Day** – The replica of the 17<sup>th</sup> century Dutch Ship the *Duyfken* will be in Victor Harbor on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. There will be many festivities on the lawns of Granite Island, Victor Harbor, on the Saturday to mark this visit. The *Duyfken* according to ‘*Chapman-Great Sailing Ships of the World*’ by Otmar Schauffelen, was the first European ship to have discovered the Australian coast in 1606.

The Captain, Willem Janszoon drew the first maps of the Australian coastline.

For the construction (1997-99) of the replica, Latvian oak was specifically brought to Fremantle. In keeping with the old Dutch construction methods, the planks, which had been bent over steam, were assembled, and only after that, were the ribs added.

*[There is also further reading in the new magazine ‘Australian Heritage’]*

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The **Migration Museum** – 82 Kintore Ave, Adelaide current exhibition is a look at the influence of migrant weavers. This showcases the many weaving skills migrants brought to SA, and is on until 31<sup>st</sup> May.

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### **Did you know?**

*Journey of Discovery to Port Phillip* – an unpublished proof copy of this book on Hamilton Hume & William Hovell's expedition to Port Phillip has just been sold at auction for \$932,000 making it the most expensive Australian book in the world. It was bought by a private Sydney collector.

In 1747 James Lind, a Scot, began an experiment which demonstrated that citrus fruits could prevent scurvy, a disease contracted by sailors on long voyages. The lime juice which eventually became standard issue to British sailors gave rise to the term "limey" as a name for British overseas. [*Rampant Scotland Newsletter*]

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It is a few months off, but I would like you to keep in mind when the census papers arrive at your door 8<sup>th</sup> August, that question 60 (on census retention) which reads "Does each person in this household agree to his/her name and address and other information on this form being kept by the National Archives of Australia, and then made publicly available after 99 years?"

**If this question is ignored, it will be treated as a NO.**

**Please tell your friends to tick "YES".**

I will remind you again in July.

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### **Websites:**

[www.archives.tas.gov.au](http://www.archives.tas.gov.au) recently re-vamped and has some new databases and an index to Tasmanian Convicts.

[www.records.nsw.gov.au/staterecords/](http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/staterecords/) not a new site by any means but Index option is apparently expanded and also Photo Investigator.

[www.pcrescue.com.au/Protection%20kit.htm](http://www.pcrescue.com.au/Protection%20kit.htm) This website is run by Paul Wallbank of PC Rescue who is a regular guest on 'Nightlife' ABC program. The website contains lots of advice & tips.

<http://mail2web.com> if you want to retrieve your emails whilst on holidays (even overseas apparently).

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Recently we had a very generous donation of some local photos and family history. If you have any photos you would like to donate or have copied, please get in contact with the History Room. We are particularly keen to obtain photos of the local football teams from the early days.

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*Success is how high you bounce when you hit bottom.*

Genealogy help is available by appointment on Thursdays, to guide you through your research. Please phone the Library on 8555-7000 to make an appointment. For comments, suggestions or to receive this newsletter – email [historyroom2004@yahoo.com.au](mailto:historyroom2004@yahoo.com.au) or phone me, Dawn Juers on 8555-2885.