# native and champion of Port

ONE of Port Macquarie's oldest natives, Neville Anderson, died on Thursday at the age of 90.

His funeral service was held yesterday morning in the Presbyterian Church.

In recent years he and wife, Pearl, have lived at

St Agnes Village.

He was born in Hay Street on March 18, 1908, the first child of a family of four boys and two girls. He started school at the age of six at Port

Macquarie Public School.

He left school at the age of 14 to work with his

father in his butcher's shop.

In 1938 he went to Wellington and into partnership in a butcher shop, returning to Port Macquarie in 1946 to continue his butchery inter-

He was part of a 98-year family association with

the butchery business.

As a teenager he was a keen sportsman and a fisherman and shooter.

He joined the surf club on Town Beach when he

His community involvement has included being a member of Rotary and president in early 1970s, member of Probus, member of RSL club since it

was formed, member of the golf club and member of Port Macquarie City Bowling Club.

Through groups such as Rotary Mr Anderson was involved in clearing the site for the Port Macquarie Airport.

He was one of the foundation members when the historical society was formed in Port Macquarie in 1956, and he retained this interest until his death.

He was one of five people who were guarantors when the council lent the money for the society to buy the Clarence Street property for a museum.

Mr Anderson became the first president when the society was formed. He was again president from 1966 until 1983.

Through his love of history he was involved with every aspect of the society, and he helped build portions of the museum.

This interest was shared by Pearl, and the couple are renowned for their close working relation-

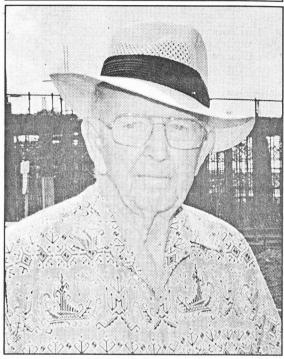
The couple have been married for more than 60 years and they were regarded as a "very special couple" by their legion of friends.

His knowledge of the town's history was highly

regarded.
In the mid 1990s he wrote numerous articles for

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## Neville Anderson 1908-1999



☐ Neville Anderson

the News including details of the town's involvement with shipping, electricity, water supply, road works and convict buildings.

He is survived by wife, Pearl, two sisters and one brother, son Ian (Port Macquarie) and daugher

Judith Grant (Sydney).

Two daughters and two brothers predeceased

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## 65 years together cause for festivity

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MR. DAVID ANDERSON.

An old resident of the district passed away, after a very short illness, on Saturday morning last in the person of Mr. David Anderson. Deceased entered the hospital only a couple of days previously, the fing from heart trouble. The old gentler who had attained the ripe age of 77 years and on the Hastings soon after his marriage and manifestely engaged in his trade of ship and the satisfied to this alone, however, as he was a very skilled mechanic, and manifested his ability in house-building, coachbuilding, co., his work always being very highly spoken of. Deceased leaves a widow and grown-up family of four sons, and seven daughters, all of whom, with the exception of Mr. William Anderson and Mrs. P. Kerr, have left the district. One son (Leslie) is engaged in journalistic work in Queensland. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon, a very large concourse of people following the cortege to the cemetery. In the unavoidable absence of the Rev. G. M. Torbett, the service at the grave was conducted by Mr. R. Davidson. This seemed pathetically fitting, as dwas an enthusiastic political supporter redent admirer of the ex-member for the tings and Macleay. A profusion of beautiful feaths covered the coffin. Mr. H. T. Wilkins

had charge of the funeral arrangements.

SATURDAY Obituary. 21/5/1921
MR. P. J. KERR.

WE regret to chronicle the death of Mr. P. J. Kerr, a well-known native of Port Macquarie, who has resided for some years in Sydney. Deceased, who was 45 years of age, suffered from Bright's disease, and his health was further impaired recently by an attack of congestion of the lungs. was a patient in hospital for 10 weeks, and had been back in his home at Edgecliffe road, Woollahra, for three weeks when he succumbed. The sudden death of his son Pat on the football ground 12 months ago was a heavy blow to him, and his health steadily declined thereafter. He died on Wednesday last at 1 o'clock, on the 43rd anniversary of his father's death. The late Mr. Kerr was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Kerr, well-known residents here in the early When old enough to work he took service at the samuells, and during his life here he was engaged chiefly in the timber industry and on the river droghers. About six years ago he lost three fingers of his right hand in a mill accident. He married Miss Malvina Anderson, third daughter of the late Mr. D. Anderson and Mrs. Anderson (now of Sydney). his young days he was a good footballer, and took part in many a hard-fought contest. Some four years ago the family removed to Sydney, where they have since resided. He was a member of the G.U.O.O.F. His mother died about 13 years ago. Deceased leaves a widow and one son. He also has a brother, Mr. W. Kerr, who resides in South Africa; and Mrs. W. McGrath, of Port Macquarie, is his sister. Mrs. McGrath went to Sydney last week to see her brother, and Mr. McGrath was there at the time of his death. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

The body will be brought to Port Macquarie and interred in the Catholic section of the West Port Macquarie cemetery on Sunday. The cortege will move from Mr. W. Mc-Grath's residence, Clarence-street, at

2.30 p.m.

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A well-known and respected native of Port Macquarie, in the person of Mr. William Anderson, passed away in the Hastings District Hospital on Saturday night, 14th April, aged 72 years.

The late Mr. Anderson was a son of the late, Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson, and was born at Port Macquarie, where he had resided practically all his life. After completing his education he entered the butchering business as an employee of the Messrs. McInherney Bros., the killing yards then being at Settlement Point and the shop in town, the site being that now occupied by Mr. C. Woodlands, in Horton Street. He continued in this line with Messrs. E. McInherney and J. Lockton, and some 20 years ago became a master butcher on his own behalf, after being in partnership with Mr. F. Ross, la'er admitting his sons to the business under the name of Anderson & Sons. To this he gave strict attention, and it may truly be said of deceased that he practically died in harness, taking sick and being admitted to the district hospital only on Wednesday previous to his death.

The deceased married Miss Ada Batten, of Lue, near Mudgee, who survives, as do four sons and two daughters, viz., Messrs. Neville A. (Crow's Nest), Vernon (Port Macquarie), Leonard (A.I.F.), Lance (Port Macquarie), Mrs. A. Martin (Port Macquarie), and Miss Noel Anderson (A.A.M.W.S.).

The late Mr. Anderson was a hale fellow, well met, a man who made no enemies, and held the respect and esteem of all. In his younger days it was often his lot to go far afield for stock to kill, to the Upper Hastings and New England. He was an old member of the local branch of the G.U.O.O.F. Lodge, at which he was a regular attender up to the time of his death . In days gone by he was a member of the H. R. Jockey Club, Port Macquarie Regatta Club, and took a keen interest in bo'h football and cricket, and also foot-running. which was fafrly prominent here in what was then known as the gaslight days, being himself fairly speedy. In later years his time was devoted almost wholly to the butchering business.

The funeral, under the direction of Mr. F. V. Hayward, undertaker, took place on Monday afternoon, and was largely attended. Following a service in St. Thomas' Church, the cortege moved for the Church of England section of the Port Macquarie Cemetery, where Canon T. M. Gerry concluded the funeral service. The deceased was also accorded an Oddfellows' Lodge service, the burial ritual being read by Bro. E. A. Kennedy, P.N.G., in the presence of several other members of the lodge.

SALVRAY IJUM Obituary.

WE regret to record this week the death of Mrs. W. Leask, which occurred at her residence, Pilot Station, at the age of 68 years. The deceased lady had been ailing for some years, but took a bad turn about a month ago, since which time she had been confined to her bed. All that kind hands could do was done for the sufferer, but the end came on Saturday last hence falluno being the immediate cause she was a sisten OF MA D AND ERSON and hadfalotes to Mar. S STRUT and MERSES T. and H. Donhow of This Tower The tunsent fook place on Sunday afternoons the Rev. G. M. Toppert. MA performing the last sad rites. We extend our heartful sympothy to the bereaved husband and relations in their and ttorope

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MRS. A. ANDERSON At the age of 79 years, another of Port Macquarie's well known identities of long standing in the person of Mrs. Ada Anderson, passed to her last rest at Kurri Kurri hospital on May 2nd.

Because of failing health, deceased had been with her daughter (Mrs. Ashmore); she fell and broke her leg, and pneumonia followed.

The late Mrs. Anderson was the daughter of a grazier family (John and Jane Batten, deceased) and was born at Lue, N.S.W.

She married the late William Anderson (a former well known butcher, of Port Macquarie) at Rylstone, and lived here practically all her married life. Her husband prede-ceased her 13 years ago.

Deceased was an active member of the C. of E. wo-

men's guild.

She is survived by her four sons and two daughters, ville, Vernon and (Port Macquarie), viz., Neville, Lance Leonard (Sydney), Audrey (Mrs. R. Ashmore), and Noel

(Mrs. K. Day, Wauchope).
One brother (of a family of nine) Mr. Andy Batten, of Lue, also survives.

Saturday Her funeral on moved from the Church of St. Thomas, and the interment was made in the C. of E. portion of Port Macquarie cerneterv.

The four sons were pall bearers; Canon Gerry conducted the service, and McWhirters the funeral arrangements.

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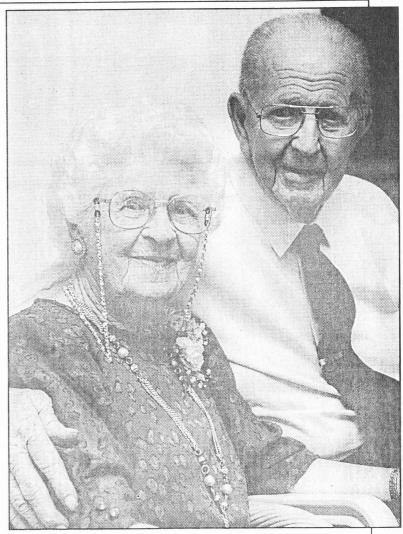
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# **Many mourn loss** of pioneer of historical society

THE death of Pearl Anderson is being mourned by long-time residents and historical society members as well as the family.

Mrs Anderson, who was aged 91 years, died on January 21.

She was the wife of late Neville Anderson a leading figure in the recording Port Macquarie's history.

A service to celebrate her life was at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church last Thursday, prior to the Innes Gardens Park Crematorium.

Pearl Anderson Memorial 1909-2000 Macquarie Port

Historical Society members are among those with whom Pearl had a lengthy association.

Both Mr and Mrs Anderson were foundation members of the society some 44 years ago, and both maintained strong links with the society until their deaths.

For many years she was in charge of displaying the range of gowns held by the society, and her efforts won awards from various museum associations.

As the wife of Neville, who was president for a lengthy period, she played an important role.

She was born and raised in the Wingham

The president of the historical so-Joan Cook, said members remen Anderson as a lady who was always ch bright, and was always well groomed.

"She was much loved and respected

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was always interested in people.

Mrs Anderson is survived by family
Ian and Pamela, Judith and Tam, a grandchildren and various great gran

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# History in lace collection



☐ Old lace: Port Macquarie Historical Society's display co-ordinator, Connie Fuller, and society president, Joan Cook, with samples of the Pearl Anderson lace collection.

PORT Macquarie **Historical Society** will soon present an exhibition of Pearl Anderson's lace collection.

The display will run from Friday March 24 to Sunday March 26.

This collection, of lace is regarded as one of the best in Australia and includes examples of about 40 styles of lacework.

The late Mrs Anderson was an expert needlewoman with a special interest in lace, of which she had a vast knowledge.

She passed the collection to the museum some years ago.

Admission to this unique collection will cost \$5, which includes admission to the historical museum.

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#### **DEATH NOTICES**

ANDERSON, Vernon Lawrence (Mick). — Beloved husband of Norah Jean Anderson nee Stanfield. Father of Robert, John William. Born Port Macquarie 2nd Feb, 1912, passed away Campbelltown 27th April.

# 4/1992 /04

#### **DEATH NOTICES**

ANDERSON Leonard William. April 6, 1992 (suddenly) of Balmain. Dearly loved husband of Betty, loved father of Phillip and Christine, dear father-in-law of Laurel, devoted umpa of his grandchildren. Brother of Neville, Audrey, Vernon (dec'd), Lance, Noel.

Aged 78 years.

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#### FUNERAL NOTICE

ANDERSON - Olwyn Pearl. January 21, 2000. Dearly loved wife of Neville Andrew (deceased), loving sister of Bert Moy (deceased). Loved mother and motherin-law of Lauraine (deceased), Maureen (deceased), Ian and Pamela, Judith and Tam. Loving grandmother of Leonie, Rodney, Bradley, Kerrin, Nicole, Thomas and Lachlan and great grandmother of their children.

#### Aged 91 years

A Service to Celebrate the Life of Pearl Anderson will be held at St Andrews Presbyterian Church, William Street, Port Macquarie on Thursday, January 27, 2000, commencing at 2pm thence for Innes Gardens Memorial Park Crematorium.

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#### **DEATH NOTICES**

ANDERSON, Neville Andrew – March 11, 1999. Late of Mount Carmel Hostel, and formerly of Lake Road, Port Macquarie. Dearly loved husband of Pearl, loving father and father-in-law of Lorraine (deceased), Maureen (deceased), Ian and Pam, Judith and Tam, loving Papa of Leonie, Rodney, Bradley, Kerrin, Nicole, Thomas and Lachlan.

Aged 90 years
Relatives and friends of
Neville are respectfully
Invited to attend his
Funeral Service to be
held at St Andrews
Presbyterian Church,
William Street, Port
Macquarie on Tuesday,
March 16, 1999, commencing at 9.30am,
thence for private cremation.

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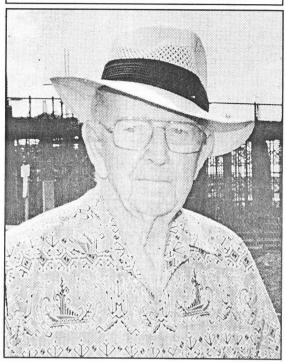


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Neville Anderson 1908–1999



☐ Neville Anderson

# Memories

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People and their past

Compiled by Barry Jennings



Nicolas Cain's pride and joy ws the SS Macquarie

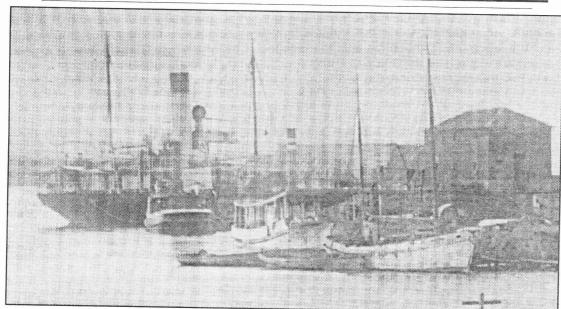
# Port Macquarie was big in shipping trade

THE SS Macquarie Port Macquarie. She was built in Glasgow. Scotland, in 1907, a twin screw, and during its opertion to Port Macquarie was under the command of Capt Merrett. It was owned by Nicholas Cain Coastal Co-op Steam Shipping Co Ltd and they were called the blue funnel line, hence the blue funnels. The local agents were William Spence and Geo Smith.

Nicholas Cain had several boats and droghers in his time. His pride and joy was the SS Macquarie. She was a passenger and general cargo carrier between Port Macqvarie and Sydney mostly weekly or less. depending on the

She had a very good passenger accommodstewardess, chef or cook much cheaper by boat Macquarie came in February 1930. Cain Practically every trip

was a prominent part of The memories of shipping in Port Macquarie up to the second world war, by 85-yearold Neville Anderson.



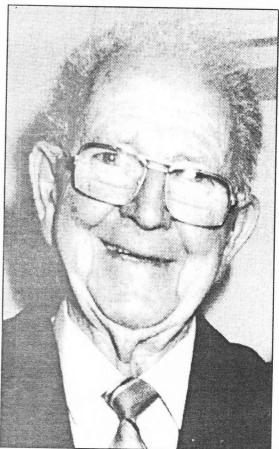
☐ The shipping scene at Port Macquarie at the junction of Kooloonbung Creek and the Hastings River. The SS Macquarie is on the left with other boats being the tug Undaunted and the cream boat Willaree. The 'highrise' building is one of the town's four wool stores.

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□ Neville Anderson.

**LOOKING FOR** A NEW HOUSE?

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storage for butter from crews of each boat. the factory in Bay

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for his butchery trade band. Telegraph Point and through Farmers and even as far up as Bains Graziers purchased at at Settlement Farm at Bridge. Cargo was off- Sydney's Flemington McInherney's property. loaded onto droghers saleyards at 25 to 30 at This was one great

were single always busy in Port reloaded for Sydney on screw boats specially Macquarie when the the Tuesday. built for river work, annual regatta was hides, skins, timber, Sydney Flying Squad- 10 or 12. ron and six to eight 12-The Macquarie also footers all from Sydney into had a refrigeration there were also the Their assets

always a big crowd

turnout for Port at Easter time was Easter. Boats were

those days than by with all the boats and was also a director in they were in trouble.

Cain owned Pappinbarra of 518 out. The regatta was held tons and the drogher Oxlev.

The Macquarie was sold to W.R. Carpenter and Co for the island trade. From then on I don't know what happened. The North It was very sad to see Coast Co carried on the They picked up the held. Easter Saturday the SS Macquarie trade from Port Macfreight for Sydney and Monday there were finish up, also most quarie back loading calling on farms for generally 8 to 10 18-foot shipping on the coast. timber and oxide. They freight such as maize, sailing boats from the She had a crew of about finally vacated Port Macquarie in 1939. Nicholas Cain went Most of the coastal voluntary boats were taken over picked up butter. She by the Macquarie and liquidation in 1929. by the RAN. Also the and state of the river business connections entrance was such that Good Friday was were taken over by boats were continually Street. Freight was quite a day when the North Coast Co in being stranded here.

I have seen timber the and oxide stacked up as Mr Father generally down to welcome them Ballengarra at one far as the post office Macquarie, Wauchope got sheep from Sydney as was also the town stage and then the waiting to be shipped

Many a trip I had on the SS Macquarie. The fare was one pound each way which included meals.

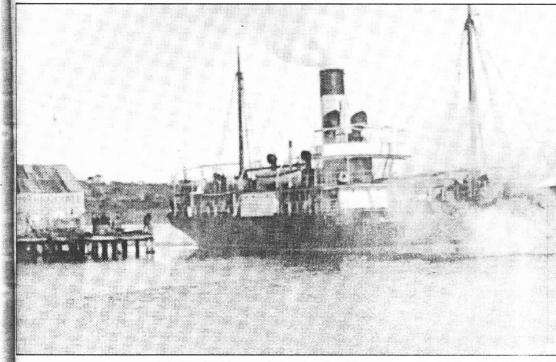
When the Macquarie was leaving for Sydney Capt. Merrett would blow the whistle three times — the first whistle half an hour before leaving, the next 15 minutes to leaving and then on the hour of leaving. In that time you had to be on board and settled.

When the Macquarie was returning and was ahead of time and the tide was right they would heave to on certain areas and the crew would cast their lines and fish and would sell the fish when they arrived for extra pocket money.

When the Macquarie Port was entering halfway along the breakwall the captain would blow the whistle to let the population know he was coming in to tie up especially there when was livestock on deck and had to be unloaded immediately.

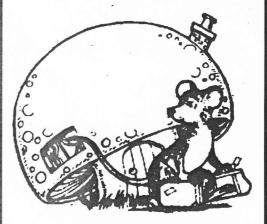
Sometimes she would be bar bound and couldn't get out the entrance.

(Historic bromides used to complement Mr Anderson's story are from News files with the original photographs made available courtesy of Hastings District Historical Society's museum)



☐ The SS Macquarie leaving Port Macquarie.

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# History still reigns supreme



· Neville and Pearl Anderson.

Visitors to the well appointed Hastings District Historical Society in Clarence Street Port Macquarie would be unaware of the huge financial gamble which was taken by the five trustees of the embryonic committee to acquire the convict built 1836 building to house the Society's records and artifacts.

When a public meeting was held at the council chambers on October 15, 1956 to form the Port Macquarie Historical Society, Neville Anderson was elected foundation president; but soon after, this body amalgamated with the Hastings District Historical Society from Wauchope.

In February 1963, the council required the five trustees to be guarantors of a \$7,000 loan to purchase the building: Ron Howell, Raymond Dick, Spencer Alex Bowman, Clarence Rae Lynneth Eggins and Neville Andrew Anderson were each prepared to mortgage their homes and businesses to ensure the repayment.

Our story focuses on one of the five men. Neville Anderson, still a member of the society after 35 years, whose service to the community was recently recognised by an Achievement Award from citizens of the community.

William Anderson, a wheel and shipwright, was born at Aberdeen, Scotland, in 1804 and arrived in Sydney aboard the Red Rover in 1832, along with fellow passenger. Bridget Mead of County Cork, Ire-

The couple were married in Sydney by Reverend John Dunmore Lang on November 16, 1832.

A-son, David was bron at The Rocks, Sydney on February 5, 1835 and married Elizabeth Philips from Port Sorrell, Tasmania on May 25, 1866 and their children were Caroline, born in Tasmania, Florence, Eva, William (1874), Melvina (1975), Sydney D (1879), Beatrice (1881), Thomas Leslie (1883). Jeanette (1875), Ivy (1887) and Elwyn E (1889).

David and his family were engaged to do restoration work on the Royal Hotel, Port Macquarie and the family lived in a house owned by Lt Wilson in Hay Street, close to the present Garrison Building.

The Royal had been rebuilt with the convict pattern bricks made at Lake Innes by Major Innes and were required to be cement rendered. William Nicolls having been brought from Sydney to do this job.

David Anderson and Bill Nicolls were the successful tenderers for the construction of the Town Hall in 1892 at a cost of \$169/17/ 6-the bricks came from the demolished asylum.

David also helped in the building of the first St Agnes Church in 1878, the first timber bridge over Fernbank Creek, Jon Hibbard's house. Elsinore (Lindens Travellers Hostel) and the spiral staircase in Hayward House in Horton Street.

His son, William was born in Port Macquarie on January 10 1874, worked as a butcher for the McInherneys of Settlement Farm at their butcher shop in Horton Street (Dymocks Book Store), before starting his own butchery in Clarence Street

# **Neville Anderson steps** down as museum chief

The president of Hastings District Historical Society, Mr Neville Anderson, has stepped down after serving 17 years in the position.

He has been succeeded by secretary for the past 17 years, Mr Ron Howell.

Both are founding members of the society.

Other officers appointed at the annual general meeting were: Vicepresidents, Jack secretary, Ron Lushington-Bowles; treasurer, Stuart Peattie; solicitor, Robert Godfrey.

Members of the managecommittee ment are: Building, Wal Arnold: Ruth Pritchard; display, house,

publicity, Ray Fuller: records and research, Frank Rogers; social, Dorothy Sargeant.

In his report for 1982/83 Mr Anderson said that although there had not been the dramatic advances of some previous years, the society had continued to consolidate its activities both in the museum and in other areas, such as research, and this augered well for the future.

Although there had been Allen Sargeant a small decrease in the Alexander; overall total of visitors to the museum, group visits of pupils from 47 schools emphasised the contribution the society continued to make in demonstrating the fascinating history of the Hastings area.

A highlight of the year Evelyn Flarety; had been the visit of the



Mr Anderson

James Rowland, and Lady Rowland.

Mr Anderson said Sir James had been the third area should take place in the successive governor to be next few months. the society's patron.

The visit by the Member for Cowper, Mr Ian Robinson, and Mrs Robinson to been replaced or extended present a new national flag and extensive reticketing and a portrait of the Queen had been accomplished. to the society had been an important occasion.

the society's participation in ground floor front and this obtaining the recognition by the National Trust that the National Trust that the Sura accuracy and wide museum, the court house and the "Dunlop" building was a collection of historical significances. significance.

He drew negotiations with to regularise future occupation of the museum building ding. on which the society had expended \$61,000 on constructions, apart from the many thousands of dollars represented in stock and fittings.

The hoped that the matter would cemetery were received and soon be resolved and the recently the municipal counmuseum buildings, which cil granted permission for achad not cost the ratepayer a cess to its burial and deaths single cent, would always re- records for the municipality. main a museum for the enlightenment of residents the society to provide inforand visitors.

society continued active quiries membership of appropriate residents and visitors to Port organisations, including the Macquarie, Mr Anderson Museum Association of said.

Australia and the Royal Australian Historical Society, and was now participating in the Hastings Municipal Council's plans for the bi-centennial celebra-

He complimented the National Parks and Wildlife Service on its restoration of "Roto" and the Port Mac-quarie Rotary Club on the refurbishing work on the grave surrounds in the Historical Cemetery.

He told members that the Governor of NSW, Sir setting of historic markers in concrete bases was going well and the placing of the markers at the 21 sites in the

> In the museum itself, a number of display areas had been refurbished, some had

The major efforts were being made in the setting up of Mr Anderson mentioned the Pioneer Room on the

Behind the scenes in the attention to museum, continuous activithe ty was going on to extend Hastings Municipal Council and broaden the society's historical research and recor-

Cataloguing and indexing was an ongoing task and purchase has been made of the births, marriages and deaths records on microfilm, the gift of the undertaker's society fervently records of the general

These facilities enabled mation on family history in Mr Anderson said the particular to the many enreceived