



# North Head Sanctuary Foundation

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## General Meeting – 16 February 2012

Our next general meeting is on Thursday 16 February at 7.00pm in our education room – Bandicoot Heaven. Our speaker has not yet been confirmed.

## World Wetlands Day - Wetland Tour Thursday 2nd February 2012

To celebrate World Wetlands day, Geoff Lambert will be taking a guided walk of the Hanging Swamp at North Head.

The walk will depart from the Trust Visitor Centre, Gatehouse Building at North Head at 10am. Please wear enclosed shoes, wear a hat and bring water, insect repellent and sunscreen.

Free but bookings essential: Jenny Wilson at [northhead@fastmail.fm](mailto:northhead@fastmail.fm) or 0414 735 350

## Official Opening – Bandicoot Heaven –



Mike Baird, Member for Manly opened our new Education room (Building 20) on Tuesday 13 December at 12.30pm.

## Education Centre – Bandicoot Heaven

Call in for a chat or some information. See our displays. We are open every weekend, from 10am to 4pm in Building 20. Have a look at our range of botanical cards that are available for purchase.

## 18th Ocean Care Day Festival

Unfortunately the day was wet and windy and as a result we packed up after the third lot of rain about 3pm. A big thank you to all who helped Judy, Geoff, Kathy, Julie, Jodie, Christabel and Jenny. Remember to tell your friends about North Head and how great it is to walk there and enjoy the views, flowers, insects, birds and history.

## Native Plant Nursery

We have started planting at North Fort, near the entrance. Keep an eye on the mulched area at North Fort; we will continue to plant there for the next couple of weeks.

Would you like to help us weed on Sunday 5 February, from 8am to 11am?



Weeding on the oval

Would you like to plant or assist in the planting? On Thursday 16 February before our General meeting, we will be planting from 4.30 to 6.30pm.

Please wear a hat and closed shoes, and bring insect repellent and sunscreen. Please meet at our Native plant nursery which is behind our Education room. For more info please email Sue at [shalmagy@bigpond.net.au](mailto:shalmagy@bigpond.net.au)



In early 2010, we planted out many plants, here is one of those, a *Banksia marginata* which is now in flower and in the background is Sue Halmagyi. It's great when you plant out to watch your plant grow and know you had a part in it.



## *Dampiera stricta*



Or Blue Dampiera is a small erect herb about 20 to 40 cm high and is often overlooked as it is often found under other plants. The colour varies from blue to dark mauve. It is in flower from spring to early summer.

## Third Cemetery

From the Sydney Morning Herald 24 April 1900



Jeannie Thomson, only 16 years and 9 months old

**“THE BUBONIC PLAGUE.** Several cases yesterday, Dr. Thompson on the situation.

Yesterday's list of bubonic plague cases is a long one, comprising eight patients, though one of them rightly belongs to Sunday. It was not, however, reported, to the Board of Health until yesterday. The name of this patient was Jeannie Thomson, who resided at Chippendale. She was, after her illness, taken to the Sydney Hospital, and died there before she could be removed. Another patient, Miss Mary Newton, resided at Annandale; a third, Mrs. Esther Fuller, resided at Redfern. The fourth patient is named Percy Cook, of the city. In his case there is an unusually large number of "contacts," approaching 100 in number. This patient was taken to the Sydney Hospital for treatment, as was also James Munn, another resident in the city. They were there found to be plague-stricken. The sixth patient, John Linklater,

also resided in the city. The seventh patient, who is also dead, was a Chinese, named Gooney Gooney, who went to Prince Alfred Hospital for treatment, and died there.

The last patient is named Ephraim Thomson. He resided on the border of Summer Hill and Ashfield.



Dr. Salter's report of the state of the patients under his charge in the quarantine hospital mentions several who are very ill. The greater numbers are, however, improving. It is likely that the names of a dozen convalescents will be submitted to the Board of Health to-day as being fit for release. They have quite recovered from their illnesses.”

On 22 May 1900 James Munn died from bubonic plague, his doctor was. Dr A E Salter.

## Sanctuary Foundation aims:

The Sanctuary for biodiversity will honour the natural and cultural significance of North Head. It will be a safe place for flora, fauna and people, a living laboratory promoting the spiritual and biological value of Sydney Harbour.

It will:

- \* Respect and honour the Indigenous significance of North Head;
- \* Build understanding of the natural and cultural values of North Head; and
- \* Promote integrated planning and management for the whole area, to ensure the highest level of protection for the natural and cultural attributes of North Head.

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