



# North Head Sanctuary Foundation

## Custodians of North Head

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**Thank you** to Phillip Jones for your interesting talk and explaining to us the process of the casting and bronze pouring.

### Education Room - Bandicoot Heaven

Our community education room is open 10am to 4pm Saturdays and Sundays in Building 20. Maybe you would like to learn about volunteering in our education room. Ask one of volunteers or contact Judy Lambert at [twsombat@optusnet.com.au](mailto:twsombat@optusnet.com.au)

### Native Plant Nursery

Unfortunately, our wooden benches in the Nursery bays were showing their age and three became unsafe and were removed in November 2017. Our new benches arrived on Friday afternoon 20 April and thank you to Peter Nash, Ian Evans and Janet Fish for their help with the unloading and stacking.



On Tuesday, the old benches were removed, and the new ones put in their place. It was all hands on deck and when we left at 12pm the job was done. Interestingly a couple of benches collapsed when removed. THANK YOU



We have lots of maintenance to do and if you could help that would be great. There is no need to come every week, just when you can. Please join us on Tuesday or Friday morning between 8 am and 12 noon, For more details email [northhead@fastmail.com.au](mailto:northhead@fastmail.com.au) Or just turn up and ask for Jenny.

### Enjoying North Head in 1933

Sydney Morning Herald (NSW:1842-1954), 28 Oct 1933  
"NORTH HEAD. Wild Flowers and Views.  
(BY M.M.D.)

If you have not already been to Park Hill, Sydney's charming new reserve on the high-lands of North Head, array yourself at once in holiday mood and hiking attire, for there are unfinished paths for the pedestrian to tread and go forth while the profusion of shy spring flowers are at their best. Having arrived at Manly, walk uphill to the top of Darley-road, and pass through an open gate-way, which is the entrance to this unique park. Delightful vistas of the blue Pacific are glimpsed as one strolls along the roadway, bronze and green shrubs in the foreground making a pleasing contrast of colour. A few minutes' walk along the sandy path at the left brings one to a fertile area, where nature, with unflinching good taste, has massed her flowers in elegant confusion.

Away to the north stretches a succession of bold headlands, and foamy beaches. The scenery is entrancing. On the horizon the white hull of a great ship is still visible, as she ploughs her way over the blue ocean. Tiny fishing boats beneath the Heads seem not much larger than the gulls which flit above the sparkling swell, their plumage in bold relief against the shimmering blue water. Away to the right looms the stately South Head an angry roll of frothy wave forever waging war against its rocky foundation.

The booming of the sea impels one to leave the beaten track, and peer cautiously over a cliff into the fearsome depths, to wave-swept rocks below. One draws away in alarm. An artist perched perilously near the edge of a yawning chasm serenely plies his brush as he portrays in oils the frowning cliffs across the intervening gap. Overcome by a feeling of awe and reverence at the grandeur and magnificence of the outspreading panorama, one breathes a prayer of thanks for the precious gift of sight.”

### Threatened Species Children’s Art

**Competition 2018** will be open for entries between June 4 and August 3, 2018

The competition will be open to children 5-12 years old in NSW and the ACT. Fifty finalists’ works will hang in a two week exhibition in September, with winners announced on September 7, Threatened Species Day.

For more information please see

<http://www.threatenedspeciesartcomp.net.au/about-the-competition.html>



*Acacia terminalis* subsp. *terminalis*  
Conservation status in NSW: Endangered

### Third Cemetery

Jenny Wilson

Daily Telegraph (Sydney, NSW: 1883-1930), 2 April 1900.

“THE PLAGUE - TEN NEW CASES.

TWO DEATHS - ONE IN SYDNEY HOSPITAL.

The plague increases in severity. Two cases were reported on Saturday night, and during yesterday there were eight more, and, in addition, a case so suspicious as to leave little doubt that it is also plague.

The cases on Saturday were: — Francis Roberts, 18 years of age, living in Arthur-street, North Sydney, and employed in a Shop in King-street. Six contacts. Frederick William Burns, living in Druitt-street and employed on a wharf in the vicinity. Four contacts. Yesterday’s cases were as follow: — William C. Downes, 28 years of age, living at Ultimo; employed by City Council. Number of contacts not ascertained. James Ryan, Walker-street, Redfern; employed on wharf, Darling Harbor. George Cooper, Sussex-street; employed on wharf, Darling Harbor. William Greenland, 45 years of age, living in

Wattle-street, Ultimo; employed on wharf, Darling Harbor. James Riley, Walker-street, Redfern; employed as a bread-carter. Arthur Higginson, 20 years of age, residing in Buckingham-street, Redfern; employed in a factory in Kent-street. Albert Edward Jackson, 30 years of age, living at Kingsgrove, Canterbury; employed in George-street. Four contacts. Mary Thomasina Doyle, 8 years of age, living with her parents in Erskine-street; went to a school in a street off Erskine-street.

The cases of Burns, Cooper, and Riley received first attention at the Sydney Hospital. Accompanied by his wife and three children, Burns went to the hospital at about 8 o’clock on Saturday evening, and was examined in the casualty-room by Dr. McClelland, who at once detected plague, and promptly communicated the fact to the Health Department, an officer of which, having confirmed Dr. McClelland’s diagnosis, ordered the removal to quarantine of the patient and his children. Prior to being removed Burns bade an affectionate farewell to his family — a long farewell, as it sadly happened, for he died before he could be landed at the quarantine station. According to the patient’s own statement, he was seized with a shivering fit when returning from his work on Wednesday last, and, thinking he was getting influenza, thought to stave off the attack by partaking largely of whisky. His condition becoming gradually worse until Saturday, when he went to the hospital. Cooper, who had labored on the same wharf as Burns, was admitted to the Sydney Hospital on Saturday, and was placed in the casualty ward, where he died, early on Sunday morning. Plague was not suspected until the fact was revealed by the subsequent post-mortem. The examination also established the fact that Cooper was suffering not from the bubonic but the septicaemic form of plague. In this form the disease runs its course with appalling rapidity, and as there are not the same external evidences, it is much more difficult to detect than when it is bubonic. Riley’s case was very similar to that of Cooper. He had hardly any of the symptoms usually associated with the disease. There were circumstances, however, which impelled the doctor at the hospital who made the examination, to order his removal to the isolation cottage. Some of his blood was tested and found to contain the bacillus. He was removed to quarantine yesterday evening. Of the three mentioned, Cooper was the only one admitted to the hospital; the other two got no further than the casualty room. In the case of Cooper, as soon as the hospital authorities became aware of the nature of the disease, they had the patients in the ward removed, and a thorough disinfection made. The casualty room has also been disinfected. In all the above cases, the usual quarantine practice has been followed.”

Those who died are:

Frederick Wm BURNS, aged 34 died 31 Mar 1900.

George COOPER died 1 April 1900.

James O’REILLY aged 36 died 1 April 1900.