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Education Room - Bandicoot Heaven

New volunteers needed

We are open on **Saturdays and Sundays between 10am and 4pm**. Please call in, have a chat and see our new echidna poster. We also have some new card designs.

We need to recruit new volunteers to help provide visitors with information about North Head and its bushland.

Anyone interested should contact Judy Lambert (email: twsombat505@gmail.com or phone 0427 217 580).

Native Plant Nursery

The Nursery grows mainly Eastern Surburbs Banksia Scrub plants for planting by our volunteers into degraded areas of North Head. One of the areas that we have been planting over 15 years is the old oval. We have been providing habitat for the bandicoots and Diamond Python.



Photo Ian Evans

You are welcome to join us. There is always planting, weeding (never ending), and maintenance to be done in one of our many areas.

Please call in any Tuesday or Friday morning between 8am and noon. Email northhead@fastmail.com.au if you would like to join us.

We especially need more help on a Friday morning.

Q Station Community Day, Quarantine Connections Sunday 19 May 2024

"The past is never past but alive in our present. Connecting the stories of its compelling history to today's heritage site, Q Station's next open day, Quarantine Connections will bring the site alive through a program of free tours and activities."

Booking will be available for all tours through the Q Station website in early May.

One event which is part of the National Trust Australian Heritage Festival.

Cassia/Senna

Or *Senna pendula* var *glabrata* is a native plant of South America and is an invasive weed spoiling our area and is often found in people's gardens.

Senna is a straggly evergreen shrub with bright yellow flowers. The green seed pods turn brown when ripe and have over 20 seeds which are spread by birds, rats and garden refuse dumping.



Photos Ian Evans



161 Bus timetable

Has changed and there are now more buses available from Manly Wharf to North Fort and back again..

<https://transportnsw.info/routes/details/keolis-downer-northern-beaches/161/29161>

Ochrogaster lunifer



Photos Ian Evans



These caterpillars, *Ochrogaster lunifer*, are grey and hairy with a brown head. They are famous for walking in processions, nose to tail and leave a silk thread behind.

For further information see

<http://lepidoptera.butterflyhouse.com.au/noto/lunifer.html>

We have found individual ones having a feed on our plants in the Nursery bays. Notice all the rabbit scats in the photos. We have to guard all our plantings due to the hungry rabbits which are increasing.

Third Cemetery

Jenny Wilson

Armidale Express and New England General Advertiser (NSW), Friday 13 April 1900

The Plague. Sydney, Tuesday.

“Three additional cases of plague were reported this morning. They are Emily Shaw, aged four years, living with her parents in Wentworth-street, Glebe; two contacts. Godfrey Roven, 21, of Binning street, Erskineville; five contacts. John Dwyer, 22, living at present at the Union S.S. Coy's wharf, Darling Harbour. The whole of the patients and seven contacts were removed to quarantine. It is stated the child Shaw was taken to the Children's Hospital for treatment last night, but the medical men there found the case to be one of plague and communicated with the Board of Health. Roven was employed in a large

printing establishment in Castlereagh-street, City, and is the third employee of the firm who has developed the plague. His case was discovered late last night. Dwyer was employed as a labourer within the quarantined area and is the first of the men so employed to develop the disease. Dwyer, in common with the other labourers engaged in scavenging work, was inoculated some time ago. It is presumed his attack will prove to be a very light one.

Fifty-eight persons, who had undergone the regulation period of detention, were released from quarantine yesterday, and between thirty and forty others are due to get their liberty to-day.

There are about 1600 men engaged on the new area South of Pyrmont Bridge, it is not, however, expected the work will occupy much time, as in many cases. "Cleaning up" has already been performed. Wexford-street and the locality was in the hands of the cleaners to-day and it is intended to burn all inflammable material, and matter which cannot be disposed of in that way will be removed to the punt at Darling Harbour.

Replying to a deputation at Bourke, on Tuesday, Mr. Lyne stated the Government is expending between £30,000 and £40,000 per month in their endeavours to cope with the plague in Sydney.

Sydney, Wednesday.

To-day's plague developments up to noon were one fresh case and one death. The patient Oswald Munro, who was taken from North Sydney some days ago to North Head, died at one o'clock this morning, the corpse being interred in the quarantine cemetery. The new patient is Ebenezer Wakeham, fifty-one years of age, who resided at Windsor-street, Paddington. He and four "contacts" have been sent to the quarantine station. No particulars are yet available as to the nature or place of Wakeham's employment.

Another suspicious case was reported just before noon, the patient being a Chinaman. A medical man from the Health Department has been sent to investigate the matter.

The cleansing of the different infected areas is proceeding vigorously.

A number of members of Parliament have signed a petition to the Premier asking him to make a grant towards the cost of destroying rats. It is pointed out the authorities agree in regarding rats as the most fruitful medium for spreading the infection, and it is suggested their destruction should be paid for at so much per head.

The record up to noon to-day was ninety cases and thirty-three deaths”

Godfrey ROSEN aged 16 died 11.4.1900 (note wrong age and spelling of his surname in the paper)

Oswald MUNRO aged 16 died on 11.4.1900

Ebenezer John WAKEHAM died on 15.4.1900. He lived at Windsor Street Paddington and was employed as an unpacker in a large establishment near the Haymarket. He had married Jessie A J MacLaren in 1878 and they had two children Alfred John Wakeham born in 1882 and Hilda E Wakeham born 1889.