

ANNOTATED PUBLICATIONS LIST

BOOKS

ASHFORD Stephen (Ed) ABBOTT Hilda 2016

Good Night All About: Reminiscence of Life in Darwin and the Northern Territory 1937-1946

\$20.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

Hilda Abbot arrived in Darwin in 1937 with her husband who was the Administrator. During their nine years in the Territory, Hilda was known as an energetic "First Lady". She had previously worked for the Australian Red Cross in Cairo and she revived the Darwin branch. She was inspired by the Territory to record her memoirs as well as writing numerous articles about Territory life. In 1946, the Abbots left Darwin and returned to NSW.

BAKER Gwenda 2018

A Legendary Partnership: Yolnu, Bapa Sheppy and Nandi Ella

\$35.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

The book tells the story of the Yolnu and two missionaries, Harold & Ella Shepherdson who lived in Arnhem Land for 50 years. Together they built the town on Elcho Island working side by side to develop the infrastructure needed. Harold used his planes to connect with Yolnu living inland and in other places along the coast. He encouraged the Yolnu to protect their land by staying on their country.

BISA, Deborah 2016

Remember Me kindly: A History of the Holtze Family in the Northern Territory

\$45.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

The Holtze family fled Russia in 1872 and in the following year, arrived in Port Darwin. Maurice Holtze, and son Nicholas were among the first to trial crops in Darwin, eventually developing the Botanical Gardens. This in depth, well researched book discusses the lives of this pioneering family including those of their children, Ludmilla, Nicholas & Waldemar "Wallaby". The book has also expanded to include stories from some of Holtze's descendants.

BUCKNELL Graeme & GUTHRIE Robert 1996

Conquest of Distance

\$10.00 Postage and handling \$5.00

Eight life stories from Central Australian pioneer families – 1920s to 1970s

CADOGAN, Jimmy 2012

The Book of Harry, Eric and Bronte

\$20.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

This is a tragic story of three brothers, Jimmy's uncles, who lived in the Territory undertaking various occupations between the two world wars. They came from Paraguay and were descendants of the New Australia settlement. While only one brother died in the Territory, the other two had unfortunate deaths.

CAMERON, James (Ed) 1999

Letters from Port Essington

\$15.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

Letters from the third and another unsuccessful settlement on the Northern Territory's coast 1838 - 1849

CAMERON, James (Ed) 2017

My Name is Bert: Bert Nixon's Memories of Katherine 1931-1990

\$30.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

Bert Nixon was 24 when he arrived in Katherine in 1931. He was originally from England and was on his way to Queensland but never got any further than Katherine. He became a very successful farmer and contributed greatly to the knowledge of tropical agriculture.

CARMENT David 2005

Australia's Northern Capital: A Short History of Darwin

\$15.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

The book covers the history of Darwin when it was administered by South Australia; the Commonwealth Government; self-government in 1978; and up to the present. Two chapters are devoted to WW2 which had a huge impact on Darwin. The book contains many photographs.

CARMENT, David, WILSON, Helen & JAMES, Barbara 1993 *The life and work of John George Knight*

\$10.00 Postage and Handling \$5

A comprehensive assessment of John Knight and his architectural heritage, with particular focus on his work in the Northern Territory in the last decades of the Nineteenth Century I

DE LA RUE Kathy 2017

A Stubborn City: Darwin 1911-1978

\$35.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

*****Winner of the 2018 Chief Minister's History Book Award*****

A lively history of Darwin during the time it was ruled by Canberra. A well-researched and complete history of Darwin in the period of the Commonwealth years.

DEWAR, Mickey, 2010

Darwin - No Place Like Home:

Australia's Northern Capital in the 1950s through a Social History of Housing

\$25.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

*****2011 winner of the Chief Minister's NT History Award*****

The book examines the evolution of the Darwin community through its private and public housing schemes. Dr Dewar also addresses the housing reconstruction of Darwin after the cyclones of 1897, 1937 and Cyclone Tracy in 1974, and after the bombing of Darwin in WW2.

DICKINSON, Janet 1995 & 2012

Refugees in their own Country: The Story of Darwin's Wartime Evacuees

\$20.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

This book was republished in 2012 to coincide with the 70th anniversary of the bombing of Darwin as the anniversary sparked a renewed interest in the book. Janet tells of the one of the most horrendous journeys that top end women and children had to undertake in December 1941, two months before Darwin was bombed. The interviews were heart wrenching. In many cases, the women and their children were given very little notice when they were told they were being evacuated from Darwin. All their possessions had to fit in small suitcases and many had no chance to farewell their husbands. Conditions on many of the ships were overcrowded and inadequate catering - a long and arduous journey with a lot of port stops along the way. Those who didn't have family to go to were billeted with strangers or had to fend for themselves.

DUMINSKI, Marge 2005

Southport Northern Territory: 1869-2002

\$30.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

As well as including many early photographs of buildings, Marge has also documented and photographed artefacts collected from Southport. The book includes the history and ownership of every title of land.

FARRAM Steven 2018

"Two Excellent Girls": Cissy and Clara McLeod, the Northern Territory 'half- caste' foster daughters of Captain and Mrs Mugg

\$25.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

The true story of two sisters born in Borroloola, NT who lived in Darwin with their foster parents during the early 1900s. In 1922, they left Darwin for Singapore and never to return to the Territory. They achieved a lot considering how Aboriginal people were treated at that time. Their ultimate fates were tragic but their lives in Darwin had been successful.

FARRAM Steven 2017

Charles James Kirkland

\$30.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

Charles Kirkland arrived in Palmerston (Darwin) in 1878, less than a decade after the settlement's establishment. Kirkland proved to be one of the NT's most enduring and successful pioneers and was one of the best-known individuals in Palmerston/Darwin of his day. He had a long career as editor and owner of the *Northern Territory Times and Gazette* and was active in the social, civic and political life of the town and as a result became well- acquainted with all the major figures in the community.

FARRAM Steven 2014

A History Written in Metal: Commemorative Plaques at Charles Darwin University's Casuarina Campus, 1972-2013

\$25.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

By means of using CDU plaques, Steve has taken an unusual approach to documenting the development and history of the CDU. The plaques and the stories behind them show that a range of significant people from federal and state politicians; royalty; and university staff have played an enormous part in the progress of the university over the past forty years.

FARRAM Steven 2009

Mud-punchers, Racehorses and a Roadhouse: Bob and Mavis Lindon in North Australia, 1950s-1980s

\$20.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

Bob Lindon arrived in the Territory to drill water for cattle stations and Sydney city girl, Mavis joined him later.

Mavis quickly learnt to live in a tent and the skills needed as a driller's offsider. The Lindon's later managed the Renner Springs Roadhouse and founded the local racing club. Their own racehorse Wood won the Darwin Cup in four consecutive years 1959-1962, a record never beaten. Bob returned to water drilling until his death in 1985.

FLETCHER Val 2013

The North/South Transcontinental Railway in Australia's Story

\$35.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

Dr Val Fletcher (nee Snell) was born in Darwin in 1923 and raised here. She was among those evacuated from Darwin just before the bombing of Darwin. Because tertiary education opportunities were limited in the Territory, Val moved to Queensland to complete her Master of Arts and her Doctorate. She later returned to Darwin to be with her daughter and family. Val's book takes us back to the very first idea of a north/south railway when South Australia administered the Territory. Her book then takes us through the many aborted dreams of a north south railway and the governments at those times until finally in 2004 the dream was realised with the arrival of the Ghan in Darwin.

GIBBS Jack 1995

Son of Jimmy

\$10.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

This is the story of Jack Gibbs and his pastoralist father, James Gibbs. Jack Gibbs' lively tale of life as a stockman of Aboriginal descent – from Borroloola to leprosarium to Roper River Mission, and mustering and droving throughout the Territory

GIBSON, Eve 1997

Bag-huts, Bombs & Bureacrats

\$10.00 Postage and Handling \$5.00

A history of the impact of town planning and compulsory land acquisition on the town and people of Darwin, post second world war

GIBSON, Eve 2011

Beyond the Boundary: Fannie Bay 1869-2001

\$25.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

The book focuses on events, buildings and town plans that contributed to the history of Fannie Bay - from the first buildings in the area, the railway, Vesty's meatworks, and housing to the landing of the first flight from England to Australia in 1919, and the enormous impact that second World War and Cyclone Tracy.

GRAHAM Beth 2016 (4th reprint)

Dear Family: Letters from Arnhem Land 1962-1966

\$30.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

A compilation of letters written by Beth in the early 1960s when she was a resident at Milingimbi, Croker Island and Yirrkala. Among other activities, Beth taught school while at Yirrkala and these letters provide a rare insight into everyday living and working in a remote area. In addition, the letters report on matters related to Land Rights which was emerging as an issue at Yirrkala at that time.

HARLOW, Sue 1997

Tin Gods — Maranboy

\$10.00 Postage and Handling \$5.00

A social history 1913–1962 of men and women in the tin-mining town of Maranboy, 70 km east of Katherine

JAMES, Barbara

Occupation Citizen

\$10.00 Postage and Handling \$5.00

The story of Northern Territory women and the vote 1894 – 1896

JAMES Earl & Wendy 2018

Rediscovering the Overland Telegraph Line: Further Memoirs of a Bush Surveyor in the Northern Territory of Australia

\$25.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

Earl James was commissioned to find what remained of the Overland Telegraph Line between Katherine and Alice Springs for The National Trust NT. Earl and his wife Wendy in 1984 travelled down the line chasing a disappearing heritage and tell the story from his notes and report and Wendy's diary

JAMES Earl 2015

The Spinifex is Green: Memoirs of the Bush Surveyor in the Northern Territory of Australia 1952-1996

\$30.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

This is the 3rd reprint of this book as the first publication sold out at its launch. The book provides a wonderful insight into the early days of surveying in remote and sometimes dangerous areas. These were the days before airconditioned 4WD, car refrigerators and satellite phones. Surveyors would have to camp in the bush for weeks and needed to be very resourceful when faced with mechanical problems, wild animals or accidents. Earl tells it like it was, with no fluff, which makes this book so interesting and very readable.

JAENSCH Dean & SMITH Robyn 2015

Turning 40: The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory 1974-2014

\$30.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

Since the 1930s, there have been efforts made for the Northern Territory to achieve full representative democracy. In 1978, those efforts paid off when self-government was granted. The book highlights the Territory's political excitement, controversy and its productivity. It covers the years since the Legislative Assembly held its first meeting in 1974 to the possibilities of Statehood.

KENNEDY Rosemary 2016

Darwin Defied: Records of my Family's Struggle to Settle in Darwin 1948-1950

\$30.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

Using her father's letters, diaries and photographs Rosemary researched her family's history and life. Her book covers the huge challenges her parents had to overcome in early post-war Darwin. It was at a time when military dominance was slowly giving way to the return of civilian society.

KIRKE Kerry 2016

Off the Beaten Track

\$25.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

A personal account of health services in Central Australia 1965-1985.

LING Ted 2015

Blame and Martyrs: The Commonwealth Government and the Northern Territory Cattle Industry, 1911-1978

\$30.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

The story of the Territory's cattle industry from the cattleman's side has been well documented. Ted, with the wealth of information held in National Archives, tells of the industry through the "eyes" of government.

MASON, Elizabeth Anne (Janie) 2014

From Hospital to University: A Northern Territory Nursing Story

\$25.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

The book provides a detailed experience of the transition of nursing education from an "apprentice" system to academe. A nursing course developed from learning on the job to become accessible nationally online.

MASON, Elizabeth Anne (Janie) 2019

Connecting Darwin and the Eastern Front: Anzac Nursing Stories.

\$15.00 Postage and handling \$5.00

An Anzac journey in the centenary years of the Great War 2014 to 2018 is now part of the nursing heritage held by the Charles Darwin University's Nursing Museum. From Salonika Street in Darwin and the Adelaide River War Cemetery in the Northern Territory of Australia to the Eastern Front outside Thessaloniki, hospital sites and Anzac Street on Lemnos in Greece, our Nursing Museum is making connections and keeping and telling our Anzac nursing story

MOORE Jillian 2012

Top End Nurses: Bush Nursing in the Top End of Australia's Northern Territory: 1964-1974.

\$30.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

The book contains Jillian's stories of bush nursing in Arnhem Land 1964-1974 with the Anglican Church Missionary Society and then with the Commonwealth Department of Health.

OLIVER Pam 2017

The Intrepid Hilda Abbott: Author, Designer, Red Cross Officer, Political Wife, 1890-1984

\$35.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

Hilda Abbott was the wife of the Northern Territory Administrator, CLA Abbott. The frequently unfair criticisms regarding Hilda's behaviour during and immediately after the Japanese bombing of Darwin in February 1941 are forensically examined. Hilda's achievements working for the Red Cross and as an interior designer are outlined. This was a woman who, while not without noticeable flaws, showed great determination, kindness and loyalty. Her legacy is far more positive and varied than is often portrayed in the historical record.

OVERALL Mary Jane 2019

Buffalo Johnny: Portrait of an Aussie Battler.

\$40.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

Mary Jane Knew Jean Meskens, aka Buffalo Johnny when she lived in Darwin. After researching his life she decided to write her first biography, giving a detailed picture of this complicated man, a prisoner of war, an artist, with a poor Northern Territory reputation due to his controversial outback zoo. A fascinating read.

PETRICK Jose OAM 2017

Bournemouth, The Bush and Beyond!

\$35.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

Well-known Centralian, Jose Petrick (nee Tizard) came to Australia on a working holiday in 1950, became a governess on MacDonald Downs Station, 300km north east of Alice Springs and in 1952, married Martyn Petrick from nearby Mt Swan Station. Later with their children, they moved to Junction Station, Barrow Creek where Jose ran the health centre for 100 Aboriginal people. Following Martyn's 1974 death, Jose moved to Alice Springs, became a journalist with the *Centralian Advocate*, did much charity work, mostly in the heritage sphere and wrote several books. In her early 90s, she is still active in the Alice Springs community.

POWELL Alan 2015

The Shadow's Edge: Australia's Northern War

\$25.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

First published in 1988 and republished in 2015, The book is about the Northern Territory and its people as a war zone during the 2nd World War. Darwin was first bombed by the Japanese in February 1942 and went on to experience constant bombing and devastation. The remote and sparsely populated Territory was a challenge to the defence of Australia and the people left to defend it.

POWELL Alan 2009 – 6th Edition 2015

Far Country: A Short History of the Northern Territory

\$25.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

This is a must text book for students and others who have an interest in the Northern Territory's history. Although first published in 2009, this book continues to be in demand so much that its 6th edition was published in 2015. The book covers the Territory's settlement by Britain; South Australia; the Commonwealth Government; and self government.

REE Gerald Hugo 2015

Loathsome No Longer: Hansen's Disease (Leprosy) in Queensland 1850-1975

\$35.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

This is a narrative of the management of leprosy in Queensland. Ree covers the discovery of leprosy and the policies and racism that followed. Throughout his work are accounts by patients who lived in the institutions and those who cared for them. While it is about Queensland, it is also a top end and Kimberly story as the practices and attitudes were very similar.

REID Brian 2017

'To Mend My Situation': The Journey of James Stokes Millner 1830-1875

\$20.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

James Millner was a significant figure during the early years of Darwin's development. Millner was a South Australian Medical Practitioner and was involved in many Colonial duties in the Territory.

REID Brian (Ed). 2015

In Search of History: Fifty Years of Field Trips by the Historical Society of the Northern Territory 1964-2014

\$30.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

Brian has meticulously compiled the Society's early 4Xwheel drive trips including loads of photographs and information on Territory history.

REID Brian 2011

A Colonial Enigma Resolved: The Rediscovery of Fort Wellington, Cobourg Peninsula

\$25.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

This settlement was the shortest British establishment on the northern Australian coast (1827-29), and one of the most challenging in matching its original site plan with archaeological remains. This was achieved only recently by historians and archaeologists. This book covers the history of British settlement in the Northern Territory, past expeditions to the site and recent discoveries.

REID Brian (Ed) 2009

Collectors and Museums: Two Centuries of Collecting in the Northern Territory

\$22.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

From the 2007 Historical Society lecture series, articles include: "The Museum and Art Gallery at Bullocky Point, some aspects of its history"; "NT history in NT museums"; "Frontier Collecting in the Twenty First Century: The Charles Darwin University Art Collection in Australia's NT"; "A Teddy Bear's Story"; "Early Explorer- Naturalist Collectors in the Top End of the NT"; "Aviation History and Collections in the Top End".

REID Brian 2003

The Menzies School of Health Research 1978-1997

\$10.00 Postage and Handling \$5.00

From establishment 1978-1997 and founding individuals and institutions to launch of the School in 1984 and a first decade of building a significant health research institution for the Northern Territory

SAGAR Eric 1993

Discovering Darwin – the 1930's

\$10.00 Postage and Handling \$5.00

Telling of Darwin in the words of those who live here pre-second World War: from open-air picture theatre, Lameroo Sea Baths to the train, shopping

SAYERS Susan 2015

The Not So "Silent Night":

\$30.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

Cyclone Tracy Stories from Doctors, Nurses and Health Workers, Darwin, December 1974. Sue has interviews and first hand accounts from nursing and medical staff, including herself, who were on duty when Cyclone Tracy devastated Darwin.

SPILLET Peter 1982

Discovery of Relics of HM Colonial Brig Lady Nelson and the Schooner Stedcombe

\$10.00 Postage and Handling \$5.00

What happened to two vessels leaving Fort Dundas in 1852, never to be seen again? Taken by pirates and finding their relics in 1981

STACK Ella 2013

'Is There Anyone Alive in There'? Our Cyclone Tracy, Darwin, Christmas 1974

\$20.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

Former Darwin Lord Mayor, Dr Ella Stack has written about her personal experience as a medical doctor working with the injured during the devastation of Cyclone Tracy. In May 1975, she was elected mayor "on a heap of rubble" that was Darwin. With most of the population evacuated, Dr Stack, also a member of the Darwin Reconstruction Commission, worked with others to rebuild Darwin.

STEPHEN Matthew 2015

Colour Bar: Remembering and Forgetting Northern Territory Football, 1916-1955

\$40.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

The book covers the beginnings of football and topics such as race, class and segregation. Matthew discusses the evolution of football and its clubs such as St Mary's and Hermannsburg. What makes the book interesting is the contributions from many well known Territorians.

STREET Edward 2012 Brian Reid (Ed)

Distant Settlements: Convicts in Remote Australia

\$40.00 Postage & Handling \$20.00

Biographical details of the convict mechanics who served at the settlements of Melville Island (1824-1829); Raffles Bay (1827-1829); Western Port (1826-1827); and King George's Sound (1827-1830).

TAYLOR Jim 2013

Change in Paradise: Groote Eylandt Development, 1960-1974

\$25.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

Anglican Priest, Jim Taylor moved to the Territory in 1960 with his family to work for the Church Missionary Society. He served as the superintendent of the CMS Mission at Angurugu, Groote Eylandt for nearly 14 years. He then served in other regions of the Territory, retired in 2002 and moved to Denmark, Western Australia. Jim's book is mostly about his early days in Groote Eylandt, his friendship with the local people, living in the community and the development of the town – a supermarket, services, an aerial tower, a bridge to mining.

TUXWORTH, Hilda 1995

Helen Springs

\$10.00 Postage and Handling \$5.00

This story from the Barkley Tableland tells of the establishment of Helen Springs Station from 1894

WELLS Samantha (Ed) 2018

Beyond the Far Country

\$25.00 Postage & Handling \$5.00

Emeritus Professor Alan Powell has published widely on the Northern Territory's history. In particular, he is our guru on the Territory's military and maritime history. In 2017, the Northern Territory Library in Parliament House, hosted a celebratory symposium for colleagues, family and friends to pay tribute to his distinguished work. This publication consolidates the proceedings of the symposium.

WOLFE Jacki 2019

Crossed Tracks at Ngurra Mala: Ownership and Dispossession, Requests and Resilience.

\$40.00 Postage and handling \$20.00

Jacki came from Canada to arrange and attend a meeting, in Elliott, of many of the people who helped her with stories and information about the region and their families as she researched and wrote the book. The book tells of the interactions of Aboriginal people and the pastoralists.
