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MEETINGS June-July 2019

Monday 17 June 2019, 2-4 p.m.

Combined Committee and General Meeting, 2 pm to 4 pm.

**Wagga Wagga City Library:
Community Learning Space Room**

Monday 15 July 2019

Combined Committee and General Meeting, 12.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.
at **Manor House (now Mates Gully)**,

GUEST SPEAKERS

17 June 2019: Michael Scutti will be speaking about Amplify and Wagga Wagga City Library's Local History Collection following the meeting

15 July 2019: A Presentation on the History of the Manor House (now Mates Gully), 38 Morrow Street. There will be a lunch at 12.30 p.m. members can order from a la carte menu followed by the meeting and the presentation.

FOUR SOCIETIES DINNER

The Wagga Wagga Rail Heritage Association have been tasked with organising this year's dinner. The RSL Club room behind the Buffet area has been booked for 31 July at 6.30 p.m. for 7 p.m. start.

What's inside: Photographs of Manor House p.2, article by Geoff Burch on Charles Frederick Lewis, p.3-23; and **Membership renewal form** p.24 (last page)

MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE: ANNUAL FEES ARE DUE 1 July

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Charles Frederick Lewis

Charles Frederick Lewis was born on the 25th May 1855 at Rangoon, British Burma.¹ He was the eldest child of Harold Kensington Lewis [aka Kensington Harold Lewis] and Catherine Norton.

Captain Harold Lewis was described as the “Master attendant of Rangoon,” while Catherine was said to be the eldest daughter of the late John Norton, of Little Onn Hall, Staffordshire.²

His parents had been married on the 13th June 1854, in Calcutta, West Bengal, India,³ and the couple nurtured five children. Harold died on the 11th September 1869, in London, England, at the age of fifty.⁴ Catherine survived her husband, and she passed away on the 18th May 1886. She was interred in the family vault in the Shifnal churchyard.⁵



Above: The family of Harold and Catherine Lewis. L to R: Edward, Alfred Bentinck, Catherine, Eveline Adelaide Kate, Charles Frederick, Harold Kensington and Harold Waller, circa early 1870's. Courtesy Frank Pagram.

The siblings of Charles were, Harold Waller (b. April 1858 at Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, England), Alfred Bentinck (b. 1862 at Calcutta, Bengal, India), Eveline Adelaide Kate (b. 1867 at Rangoon, British Burma), and Edward Lewis (birth unknown).⁶ Eveline visited Charles in Australia, but it seems she was the only sibling to do so.

¹ Frank Pagram. Descendant of Charles Frederick Lewis. February 2019. / Family Tree. Indian Births & Baptisms, 1786-1947.

² Frank Pagram. Descendant of Charles Frederick Lewis. February 2019. Notes by Jean Mary Boucher.

³ Frank Pagram. Descendant of Charles Frederick Lewis. February 2019.

⁴⁴ England & Wales, Civil Registration Death Index, 1837-195. 1869, 3rd quarter.

⁵ Frank Pagram. Descendant of Charles Frederick Lewis. February 2019. Notes by Jean Mary Boucher.

⁶ All birth dates provided by Frank Pagram. Descendant of Charles Frederick Lewis. February 2019.

Charles Frederick Lewis in Wagga Wagga

Charles supposedly moved to Wagga Wagga around 1876.⁷ It is not known when he migrated to Australia, but presumably it was in the period between the death of his father in 1869, and his arrival in Wagga Wagga. Charles was born in Rangoon (1855), as was his younger sister, Eveline (1867), and it appears that he spent most of his childhood in India. As Eveline was born in India in 1867 and their father passed away in England in 1869, Charles may have spent very little time in England up until this latter event. His sister referred to Charles living at *Shifnal*, before living at Wagga Wagga, suggesting the family spent some time at this latter location before he migrated to Australia. Charles was the eldest child and would have been fourteen years old when his father passed away.

No references could be found to Charles arriving in Australia, or to him residing at Wagga Wagga, before 1883, and he may have spent longer in England than is suggested above. It fair to say the matter is yet to be resolved.



Businesses

By March 1883 Charles was conducting an established business in Wagga Wagga, in partnership with John Standen. The business was that of a bakery and confectionery shop. It was in this month that the partnership was dissolved and Charles became the sole owner.⁸

In March 1884 he was one of six local bakers who set the price of a loaf of bread at 3d for a 2lb loaf, to take effect from the 1st April. It was promoted as cheap bread.⁹

Charles was still conducting the bakery and confectionery business in December 1885, when he testified in court, against John Casey, who was charged with stealing a tin of lollies from his shop, valued at 6s (sugar sticks). The perpetrator was sentenced to a month in jail.¹⁰ The shop was in Baylis Street, in the vicinity of the Albury hotel [now the Victoria hotel].¹¹

Above: Charles Frederick Lewis c. 1880's. Courtesy Frank Pagram.

⁷ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 14th October 1899, p2. Vol.1d, page 324.

⁸ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 3rd March 1883, p3.

⁹ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 29th March 1884, p3.

¹⁰ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 15th December 1885, p2.

¹¹ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 30th July 1885, p2.

The business continued in 1886, and in June of that year, Lewis, along with five other local bakers gave notice that due to an increase in the price of flour, the cost of a 2lb loaf of bread was to increase to 4d, if delivered, or 3½d, for cash, over the counter.¹²

No references to the business were found from 1887 to 1894 inclusive, but in August 1895, Charles was, as previously, one of five bakers to give notice that the price of bread was now 3d per loaf for cash over the counter.¹³ It is believed the business was continuously operated by Charles during the period 1887 to 1894.

Charles was definitely living in Baylis Street in October 1893, when three wild birds, which had been tamed with great difficulty, were stolen from his residence.¹⁴

By February 1894 Charles was a dealer in skins, hides and tallow. The business was being conducted out of premises next door to the White Horse hotel, in Baylis Street. The business also promoted the removal of furniture and goods. At the same time Charles offered accommodation paddocks, for horses.¹⁵ In 1893 Charles described himself as a dairyman,¹⁶ and it would appear he was running dairy cattle on his farm.

In August 1894 Charles Frederick Lewis testified he was a butcher conducting a business in Newtown, Wagga Wagga.¹⁷ It appears that he was operating several businesses at that time, as well as the farm near the showground.

No further references were found to the skin and hide business, but he was still conducting the bakery business in October 1896,¹⁸ and in June 1899.¹⁹

Unfortunately the Wagga Wagga Borough Council rate books for the period 1876-1900 are incomplete. It is also a fact that some of the data recorded by the council staff was erroneous. All of Charles' businesses appear to have been in the top block of Baylis Street on the western side of the street, within section 61. It seems that Charles occupied at least three different shops in this section, all facing into Baylis Street (see photos of three different shops).

No listings could be found of Charles occupying a shop in Baylis Street before 1884.²⁰ The earliest record, in 1884, is for a bakers shop on allotment 1 of section 61, which is situated on the south west corner of the intersection of Baylis and Morgan Streets. Charles leased the premises from GW Commins for a period of at least two years, and possibly longer.

By 1894 Charles was the owner and occupier of a brick shop and residence on allotment 4, of section 61.²¹ Charles continued to occupy the shop and residence up until 1899 when he sold the property.

Charles was quite the entrepreneur – baker, grocer, butcher, dairyman, grazier and farmer. He delivered meat and bread around town, and probably dairy products as well. On top of all this he found time to train his many pets and raise a family of six daughters.

¹² Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 1st June 1886, p3.

¹³ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 1st August 1895, p3.

¹⁴ Wagga Wagga Express. 28th October 1893, p3.

¹⁵ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 6th February 1894, p1.

¹⁶ NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 266, folio 244.

¹⁷ Wagga Wagga Express. 16th August 1894, p3.

¹⁸ Wagga Wagga Express. 31st October 1896, p4.

¹⁹ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 10th June 1899, p6.

²⁰ Wagga Wagga Rate Books. 1870-1907.

²¹ NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 266, folio 244.



Above: Charles Frederick Lewis in front of his baker, grocer and confectioner shop. Assumed to be an early business. Location to be determined. Courtesy Frank Pagram.



Above: Charles' bakery and store. This is a different building to the one above. Courtesy Frank Pagram.



Above: Charles' bakery shop (left) and residence. This is clearly the same shop from which he operated the skin & hide business (below), and possibly the butcher shop. Courtesy Frank Pagram.



Above: Charles' skin & hide business, in Baylis Street. These premises were located on allotment 4 of section 61. In 2019 this space was occupied by the South Town Walk at 40-42 Baylis Street. Courtesy Frank Pagram.

Property

Charles appears to have owned land facing Bourke Street (formerly the Albury Road) in September 1887, when he advertised for sale, green feed for horses and cattle, at 3s per load.²² Charles was making improvements to the property and in August 1887 he sought tenders for excavating a tank of four to five hundred yards, on the property, which was described as, "*near Show Ground.*"²³

A couple of months later in December 1887, he sought tenders for the erection of thirty chains of fencing (top rail and five wires).²⁴

In 1889 Charles' property, near the showground, was selected for the purpose of demonstrating Howard's digging plough, with a practical trial to come off on the 6th September.²⁵

In mid-1893 Charles applied to convert the title for some ninety two acres of land in the parish of South Wagga Wagga, under the Real Property Act. Specifically it was portion 97 and a part of portion 98, as originally granted to JD Thompson (portion 97) and Charles McRudden (portion 98).²⁶ These two portions were originally 48 acres each, or 96 acres in total. Part of portion 98 had been resumed by the government for the railway line. Lewis now owned both portions minus the small piece resumed. Allotment 98 was bound by Glenfield Road, on the west and by portion 97 on its eastern boundary.²⁷ Both portions fronted onto Urana Street and backed onto Fernleigh Road. It is suspected that Lewis also owned portion 96, making him the sole owner of a piece of land bound by Bourke Street, Urana Road, Glenfield Road and Fernleigh Road.

In May 1893 Charles Lewis was subdividing his Idsall (sic) Estate, near the showground, ready for auction. A clearing sale preceded the land sales.²⁸ The latter consisted of a number of villa sites.

The clearing sale included fifty sheep, sixty pigs, twenty eight head of cattle, seven horses and six greyhound dogs. Other items included farming equipment, and household furniture.²⁹ A report in September 1895 noted that a greyhound bitch, bred by Charles, was highly commended at the 1895 Wagga Wagga Show and it can be assumed that Charles had a lifelong interest in breeding and training dogs.³⁰

In September 1893 there were references, in the local press, to the sale of building sites in the Lewisham subdivision. The blocks were said to be opposite the showground, on high ground (good drainage), and outside the municipal boundaries (no rates to pay).³¹ There is no doubt that this was Charles' subdivision. There were thirty four building sites in the subdivision, with areas ranging from two to six acres, and included the Idsall homestead.³²

In September 1894 Charles, who resided in Baylis Street, still retained significant portions of the estate when he advertised, to let, the Idsall homestead, with either twelve or forty acres.³³ He also advertised, for sale, a lot of Berkshire pigs.

²² Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 6th September 1887, p3.

²³ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 20th August 1887, p3.

²⁴ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 13th December 1887, p3.

²⁵ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 3rd September 1889, p3.

²⁶ NSW Government Gazette. 1893, p5200.

²⁷ NSW Land Registry Services. Historic parish maps. South Wagga Wagga.

²⁸ Wagga Wagga Express. 2nd May 1893, p2, p3.

²⁹ Wagga Wagga Express. 2nd May 1893, p3.

³⁰ Wagga Wagga Express. 7th September 1895, p3.

³¹ Wagga Wagga Express. 12th September 1893, p2.

³² Wagga Wagga Express. 12th September 1893, p3.

³³ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 1st September 1894, p2.

LEWISHAM SUBDIVISION.

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Opposite Show Ground, Wagga-

34 SPLENDID BUILDING SITES.

—

BEST POSITION IN WAGGA WAGGA.

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Free from Rates. Perfect Drainage.

—

EXTREMELY REASONABLE TERMS.

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TOMPSON, MANNING, and JEREMY
have been favoured with instructions
from Mr. Charles Lewis to sell by public
auction on

Wednesday, September 13th
At 3 o'clock,
ON THE GROUND,

All the above Allotments in this popular
subdivision. Areas from 2 to 6
acres, including the Idsall Home-
stead.

—

The terms are £10 cash, £10 in six
months, £10 in twelve months, and the
balance extending over three years, at 6
per cent.

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The importance of this sale cannot be too
highly estimated, many investors requiring
villa sites having looked upon this Estate
for years with longing eyes, and at last Mr.
Lewis has consented to offer it for public
competition. Its proximity to our beautiful
Show Ground, destined to be the leading
Exhibition in Australasia, points to the great
prospective value of these Allotments, and
the necessity of Capitalists, Speculators, and
the thrifty of our community purchasing at
the Sale, and participating in the cor-
responding increments.

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Plans at all the leading Hotels, and at the
Offices of the Auctioneers,
dz TOMPSON, MANNING, & JEREMY.

Left: Advertisement for the Lewisham sub-division in September 1893.³⁴

It rained on the 13th September and the sale was pushed back a week, till the 20th September (a Wednesday).³⁵

Thirty five years later, RJ Gormly would call his subdivision, to the north of the showground, Lewisham subdivision, because of the fact that the blocks surrounded the then Lewisham hospital (and extended down to Edward Street).³⁶

Charles' sub-division near the showground was referred to as the Lewisham subdivision in 1899, some 26 years before Lewisham hospital was established. Bill Ellis attributes the naming of Lewisham Avenue as evolving from the name of the hospital,³⁷ but it is possible the hospital in turn may have been named after Charles' subdivision. It is quite plausible that the name Lewisham was derived from Charles' family name.³⁸

Charles was finally able to sell the homestead, along with fourteen acres of land, in June 1895,³⁹ to a Mrs Jackson.⁴⁰

Charles still retained some sections of the property and in February 1898 was offering several two acre blocks, opposite the showground, for sale.⁴¹ He was still trying to sell ten blocks facing the showground in November 1898.⁴²

By September 1899 Charles had decided to return to England, and consequently arranged to sell his property holdings, in that same month. The brick premises in Baylis Street were sold to Mrs Siviter for the sum of £610. The associated block of land had a frontage of sixty six feet to Baylis Street. The building was described

as being brick and containing four rooms, a baker's shop, a flour room, a bake house and furnace oven, a kitchen, a bathroom, and other conveniences. Also up for sale was the stock and equipment connected with the bakery.⁴³

³⁴ Wagga Wagga Express. 7th September 1893, p5.

³⁵ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 14th September 1893, p2.

³⁶ Daily Advertiser. 4th October 1928, p2.

³⁷ Ellis, Bill. *Street Names of Wagga Wagga*.

³⁸ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 19th September 1899, p3.

³⁹ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 8th June 1895, p3.

⁴⁰ Wagga Wagga Express. 8th June 1895, p3. / Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 21st May 1895, p3.

⁴¹ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 17th February 1898, p3.

⁴² Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 5th November 1898, p3.

⁴³ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 19th September 1899, p3.

The ten two acre blocks, near the showground, were sold to Mr C Clegg for a total of £265,⁴⁴ and were described as part of the Lewisham sub-division.

There was a follow up sale on the 12th October 1899, when the household furniture and a large selection of shop fittings were offered up for sale. The sale also featured some miscellaneous items, including prize poultry, a large collection of canaries and talking birds, a kit of carpenters', blacksmiths' and shoemakers' tools, and some valuable dogs.⁴⁵

In 1901 Idsal Farm was up for sale, on account of Mrs Hannah Jackson. It consisted of some twenty six acres of land, and was said to be situated on the Urana Road.⁴⁶

Charles owned the land where the Juvenile Justice Centre and CSU Regional Archives stand in 2019. Idsal Road lies on the eastern border of the Justice Centre complex, and according to Ellis, was named after the subdivider, Charles Lewis.⁴⁷ In 1941, twenty nine years after the death of Charles, the council determined that lot 35, (DP3003), was owned by Charles Frederick Lewis, deceased. Council resolved to resume the land in order that they might extend Idsal Road to Fernleigh Road.⁴⁸



Above: A photo of Hayes' flour mill in Edward Street, probably from where Charles purchased his flour supplies. Courtesy Frank Pagram.

⁴⁴ Wagga Wagga Express. 30th September 1899, p2.

⁴⁵ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 12th October 1899, p3.

⁴⁶ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 25th November 1909, p3. / 11th December 1909, p7.

⁴⁷ Ellis, Bill. *Street Names of Wagga Wagga*.

⁴⁸ Daily Advertiser. 28th February 1941, p4.



Above: Man on horseback (possibly Charles Frederick Lewis), with what may have been Idsal homestead in the background. Courtesy Frank Pagram.



Above: Another possible photo of Idsal homestead. Courtesy Frank Pagram.



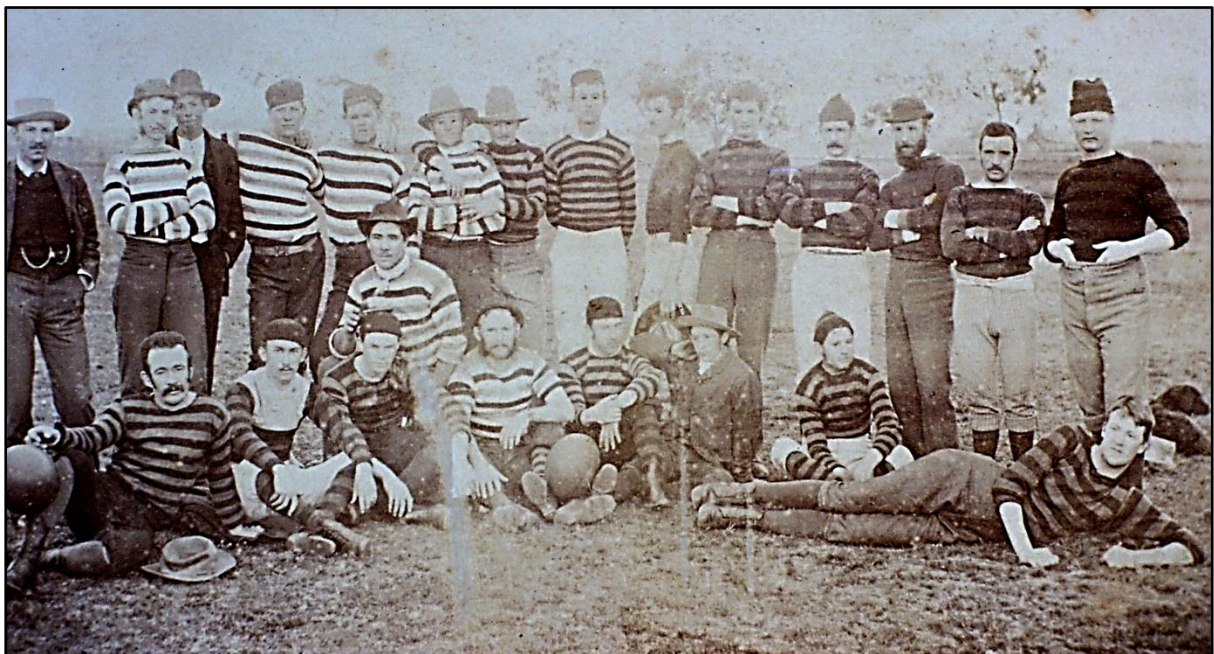
Above: The Wagga Wagga Cricket Club. Charles is the person holding the bat in one hand and resting his other arm on the bag. Courtesy Frank Pagram.



Above: Another Wagga Wagga cricket team. Charles is front row far right (with pipe). Courtesy Frank Pagram



Above: A group of cricketers, possibly at the cricket ground. Courtesy Frank Pagram.



Above: A Wagga Wagga football team. Charles Lewis is front row far left. Courtesy Frank Pagram.

Cricket

Charles was a prominent cricketer. In the 1884-1885 season he played for the Mechanics' Cricket Club and was the 3rd best batsman and the 4th best bowler – a good all-rounder. His batting average was 17.66, while his bowling average was 11.89.⁴⁹

In December 1885 Charles organised a match between a team from Yass and a local team put together by himself. Yass won comfortably, by ten wickets, and then all participants celebrated at Spring's Sportsman's hotel, in Kincaid Street.⁵⁰

A local team was selected in November 1889, to play a team from Coolamon, and Charles was one of those chosen to represent Wagga Wagga.⁵¹

A Family Visit.

Charles' sister, Eveline Lewis, visited her brother in June 1892, during an outbreak of smallpox. She had arrived from overseas, aboard the *Oroya*. Charles was compelled to write a letter to the editor refuting an earlier item declaring Eveline had neglected to report the fact that she was a passenger on this ship. Charles confirmed that he had advised Dr Burgess, a member of the NSW Board of Health, of the fact, and that the good doctor was keeping an eye on his sister, who was in perfect health.⁵²

Departure from Wagga Wagga

On the 13th October 1899, Charles was the recipient of a farewell dinner at Juppenlatz's Wagga hotel. Those in attendance included his friends and a number of local cricketers. The evening was chaired by James Gormly, MLA. Charles was presented with several gifts including a silver tea and coffee service, from the cricketers of Wagga Wagga, and a gold sovereign case, complete with an address, from his club mates from the Newtown Cricket Club. The address read as follows,⁵³

"Newtown Cricket Club, Wagga Wagga. To Charles Lewis, Esq. Dear Sir, — As you are about to depart from Wagga, we cannot allow the opportunity to pass without expressing our sincere regret that you are leaving us. When we look back to the many pleasant days we have spent with you in the cricket field, and to the very valuable services rendered by you, both with the bat and ball, we feel that we are losing one whose place it will be hard to fill. As a small token of respect and esteem, we beg your acceptance of the accompanying momentos [sic], and in saying good-bye, we trust that your journey home, with Mrs. Lewis and family will be a safe and pleasant one, and that your future life will be one of happiness and prosperity."

Charles did return to the old country, with his family, but returned again to Australia where he passed away at Hawthorn (Burwood Road) in Melbourne, Victoria, on the 30th November 1912.⁵⁴

Charles' eldest daughter, then Mrs Catherine Tidd, wrote to The Age newspaper in September 1939, in response to an item that had appeared in the same publication some time before. The original article had referred to Lewis Waller, a well-known English actor, who was born in Spain, on the 3rd November 1860, the eldest son of Harold Kensington Lewis's brother, William James Lewis, an English civil engineer. Lewis Waller was a stage name, his real name being William Waller Lewis.

⁴⁹ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 16th May 1885, p2.

⁵⁰ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 29th December 1885, p2.

⁵¹ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 16th November 1889, p2.

⁵² Wagga Wagga Express. 2nd July 1892, p3.

⁵³ Wagga Wagga Advertiser. 14th October 1899, p2.

⁵⁴ The Age (Melbourne). 4th December 1912, p1. ? VIC. BDM's. Death registration # 14565.



Above: Charles and Family on board the SS Yarrowonga, travelling between Australia & England.
Courtesy Frank Pagram.



Above: A picture of the SS Yarrowonga. Courtesy Frank Pagram.

In 1912 Waller toured Australia, and he had intended to meet up with Charles who was his first cousin, but unfortunately Charles passed away before such a meeting could eventuate. Kitty, as Charles' eldest daughter was known, had written to Waller to let him know he had a cousin in Australia, but Waller was initially sceptical of any such relationship. Kitty met with Waller, and his brother, in Australia, and showed him a picture of his (Waller's) mother. After some discussion Waller and his brother both remembered her father and were pleased they had established the connection.

Kitty referred to her dad as having come from *Innage House*, Shifnal, England, and later on from Wagga Wagga. She also pointed out that Charles' brother, Harrold Lewis, had a son named Waller Lewis, but that he was a different person from the actor.⁵⁵



Above: Innage House, Shifnal, Shropshire in the 1800's. Courtesy Frank Pagram.

⁵⁵ The Age (Melbourne). 23rd September 1939, p12.



Above Left: Charles Frederick Lewis c. 1890's. Courtesy Frank Pagram.



Above Right: Eveline Adelaide Kate Lewis, the sister of Charles c.1892. Courtesy Frank Pagram.



Above: Two photos of a younger Charles in the 1870's. Courtesy Frank Pagram.

The family of Charles and Annie Lewis.

Charles had married Annie Moore, on the 12th December 1883, at Pine Gully, near Wagga Wagga.⁵⁶ Annie was born in county Armagh, Northern Ireland on the 11th February 1856,⁵⁷ and she passed away on the 15th June 1934.⁵⁸ Charles and Annie had six children,



Catherine Eveline (Kitty) – b. 22nd September 1884.⁵⁹ Married **George Louis Tidd**, in 1910, in Victoria.⁶⁰ d. 1968 at Box Hill, Victoria.⁶¹ Birth registration lists her as Caroline E Lewis.

May Florence – b.1886 at Wagga Wagga.⁶² Married **Arthur Pagram** in Victoria in 1903.⁶³ Passed away in 1933, at Hawthorn, Victoria.⁶⁴

Hester (Essie) – b. 1st April 1888.⁶⁵ Listed as Ann on birth registration. Annie H Lewis married **William R McCracken**, at Newtown (Sydney) in 1908.⁶⁶ Passed away in Melbourne on the 18th May 1976.⁶⁷

Violet Idsol – b.19th January 1890 at Wagga Wagga.⁶⁸ Married **Walter Charles Ives** in 1912, in Victoria.⁶⁹ Passed away in Melbourne, Victoria, in March 1979.⁷⁰

Constance Adelaide (Cos) – b.4th November 1891 at Wagga Wagga.⁷¹ Married **Victor Robinson** in 1912, in Victoria.⁷² Passed away at Melbourne in 1973.⁷³

Mary Augusta – b. 7th January 1895 at Wagga Wagga.⁷⁴ Married Albert Victor Elonzo Allen in 1920. Passed away in 1956.

Above: Annie Moore c.1880's. Courtesy Frank Pagram

⁵⁶ NSW BDM's. Marriage registration # 6015.

⁵⁷ Frank Pagram. Descendant of Charles Frederick Lewis. February 2019.

⁵⁸ Frank Pagram. Descendant of Charles Frederick Lewis. February 2019.

⁵⁹ NSW BDM's. Birth registration # 26592.

⁶⁰ VIC. BDM's. Marriage registration # 9445.

⁶¹ VIC. BDM's. Death registration # 11928.

⁶² NSW BDM's. Birth registration # 27900.

⁶³ VIC BDM's. Marriage registration # 4149.

⁶⁴ VIC. BDM's. Death registration # 9152.

⁶⁵ NSW BDM's. Birth registration # 29284.

⁶⁶ NSW BDM's. Marriage registration # 11668.

⁶⁷ Frank Pagram. Descendant of Charles Frederick Lewis. February 2019.

⁶⁸ NSW BDM's. Birth registration # 34756.

⁶⁹ VIC BDM's. Marriage registration # 3372.

⁷⁰ VIC. BDM's. Death registration # 7271.

⁷¹ NSW BDM's. Birth registration # 35557.

⁷² VIC BDM's. Marriage registration # 2782.

⁷³ Frank Pagram. Descendant of Charles Frederick Lewis. February 2019.

⁷⁴ NSW BDM's. Birth registration # 8319.



Above: The six daughters of Charles Frederick Lewis and Annie Moore, c.1900. L to R: Constance, May, Catherine, Hester, and Violet, with young Mary at front. Courtesy Frank Pagram.



Above: The family of Charles and Annie at Burwood Road, Hawthorn, in 1910.

Back row – L to R: Arthur Pagram, Constance Lewis, Charles Frederick Lewis, Hester Lewis.

Mid row – L to R: Violet Lewis, Mary Lewis, Annie (with baby, Milton Pagram), May Florence Pagram (nee Lewis), Catherine Lewis.

Front row- L to R: Frederick, Victor and Lewis Pagram. Courtesy Frank Pagram.

When Charles married Annie, in December 1883, the ceremony was performed by the Rev. WH Pownall under the rites of the Church of England. There were three witnesses present, William Spiller, Mary Spiller and William Spiller Jnr.⁷⁵ Neither Charles nor Annie had previously been married.

⁷⁵ NSW BDM's. Marriage registration # 6015.



Above: Charles with some of his pets. Courtesy Frank Pagram.

Appendix A

Land Title History

Allotment 4, section 61, town and parish South Wagga Wagga.

Originally granted to James Edward Warby on 19th February 1864. An area of two roods with two chains frontage to Baylis Street (or 132 feet).

1869, 16th February – Transfer from Warby to Samuel Aaron Phillips, cordial manufacturer of Wagga Wagga.⁷⁶

1873, 16th June – Transfer from Sheriff of NSW to Dennis Bergin, store keeper of Wagga Wagga.⁷⁷

1873, 20th September – Transfer from Bergin to James Coffey, saddler of Wagga Wagga.⁷⁸

1876, 22nd June – Transfer from Coffey to Alexander Thorley Bolton, esquire, of Wagga Wagga.⁷⁹

Bolton split the allotment into two lots, each with an area of one rood and each with 66 feet of frontage to Baylis Street.

The southern half of allotment 4.

1876, 18th July – Transfer of half of allot. 4 to George Wood, brick maker of Wagga Wagga.⁸⁰ This was the southern half of allotment 4.

1885, 7th February – Transfer from George Woods to William Bootes, grazier of Gundagai.⁸¹ In 1907, the property was transferred to William Sydney Bootes, grazier of Northiam, Leslie John Johnson, bank manager of Campbelltown, and Edward Ernest Weekes, solicitor of Gundagai. On the 5th February 1908 the property was transferred from the aforementioned trio to William Sydney Bootes. On the 1st June 1909, William Sydney Bootes transferred part of the lot to William Hardiman, and the other part to Frederick Thomas Quarmby.⁸² This would have been the site of the old White Horse hotel.

William Hardiman's piece of land include almost all of the southern half of allotment 4 plus a piece of the rear section of allotment 5. Quarmby was the owner of the remainder of allotment 5.⁸³ In May 1912 Hardiman's portion was transferred to William Francis du Rieu, merchant of Wagga Wagga, and Harold Murray Baylis, solicitor of Wagga Wagga. In 1914 the property was transferred to James Ryan, a licensed publican of Wagga Wagga. On the 19th January 1926 the property was transferred

⁷⁶ NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 26, folio 205.

⁷⁷ NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 94, folio 239.

⁷⁸ NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 166, folio 225.

⁷⁹ NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 166, folio 225.

⁸⁰ NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 166, folio 225.

⁸¹ NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 266, folio 95.

⁸² NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 266, folio 95.

⁸³ NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 1994, folio 65.

from Ryan to Felix Phillip Kirby, gentleman of Wagga Wagga.⁸⁴ This property was not traced any further, for now.

The northern half of allotment 4.

1879, 23rd June – The northern half of allotment 4 was transferred from Alexander Thorley Bolton to John Turner of Wagga Wagga on this date. On the 11th December 1893, Turner transferred the property to Charles Frederick Lewis, dairyman of Wagga Wagga.⁸⁵ The property was mortgaged, by Lewis, to Sophia Kate Fitzhardinge, a widow of Wagga wagga. In March 1895 the mortgage was transferred to Martha Susannah Scriven, another widow. On the 17th October 1899 Lewis transferred the property to Susannah Siviter, a widow pf Wagga Wagga.⁸⁶ In October 1909, Siviter transferred part of her property to Robert Frederick Hiscock, a saddler of Wagga Wagga. Hiscock now owned the northern piece of the northern half of allotment 4, which had a frontage to Baylis Street of 22 feet and 4 inches. The address of this latter property was 44 Baylis Street,⁸⁷ and the current title for this piece of land is DP.4.934001 (prior title, volume 2007, folio 142). The current title for the other piece is DP.1.1078072 (prior title volume 10598, folio 64).



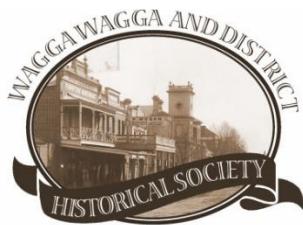
Above: The site of Charles’ old store and residence. It would have been to the right of the Sportsman’s Warehouse building. In February 2019 the site was occupied by the South Town Walk complex and by the Custom Music store. The block of land was subdivided by Susannah Siviter, and the part occupied by Custom Music, in 2019, was sold to Robert Frederick Hiscock, back in 1909. Back in 1909 the old White Horse hotel stood where the Sportsman’s Warehouse building is situated in 2019. Courtesy Google Maps.

⁸⁴ NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 1994, folio 65.

⁸⁵ NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 266, folio 244.

⁸⁶ NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 266, folio 244.

⁸⁷ NSW Land Registry Services. Title deed. Volume 2007, folio 142.



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