

Hurstville Museum & Gallery at home

Exploring historical households (Stage 1 & 2)

Household objects are a great source of information about family life in the past. The activities below are designed to guide students exploration of historical objects from the Hurstville Museum & Gallery collection, providing them with skills to identify and compare objects from the past and present, and discuss how they relate to their own lives.

Students will explore two primary sources. A primary source is something that has been created or written during the time period being investigated.

Activity 1: Investigating primary sources

This is a picture of a household object from Hurstville Museum & Gallery's collection. Lots of families used objects like this in the past.

By looking closely at the object and asking questions, we can discover a lot of information about the object. Use the following questions to guide discussion about the object:

- What is the object made from? (*metal, wood*)
- What shape is the object? (*Barrel shaped*)
- What interesting features does it have? (*metal barrel with the word 'Lehmann' on it, metal and wooden handle.*)

Have you worked out what it is? Sometime just looking at the object alone does not provide enough information to figure out what the object is.

In the next activity we will explore a different primary source that will give us more information about the object



Activity 2: Finding out more

This is an extract from a newspaper article, published in the West Australian newspaper in 1946. This source can be found at Trove (<https://trove.nla.gov.au>), a website that provides public access to historic images, newspapers, maps and more.

Do you see something familiar in this newspaper extract? Look closely at this source and think about the following questions. Make sure you look at the picture as well as the text:

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- What extra information does it give you about the object?
- Using both sources, explain how the object works
- What type of source is this?

To discover more detailed information about this object, visit the Hurstville Museum & Gallery's collection online at:

<https://ehive.com/collections/9106/objects/1026904/lehmann-washing-machine>

Extension activity:

Follow the link above to read more about the object and discuss the following

- What new feature did this washing machine have that made doing the laundry easier for people in the 1930s and 1940s?
- What new technology came next that made doing the laundry even easier?

Advertisement from the West Australian newspaper, Wednesday 16 November 1949, page 19 (<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-page3852103>)

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GOLF

Pickworth Defeated In Victorian Match

Championship Draw

(By "PUTTER.")

MELBOURNE, Nov. 15: The defeat of the title-holder, H. (Ossie) Pickworth, 2 and 1 by Jack Harris and the brilliant play of Eric Cremin in beating Graeme Cates 12 and 11 were features of the first round of match-play in the Victorian professional golf championship at Yarra Yarra today.

Pickworth finished the morning round in 73 to be four up. He still led three up at the 27th. Then Harris turned on the fireworks. He won six holes in a row with 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 3, comprising three birdies and three pars. Pickworth's scores at these holes were 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 4—three pars and one over at each of the other three holes. Pickworth won the 34th with a four to Harris's five, but Harris halved the next with a four to win two and one. "I hope it wasn't a dream," Harris said when Pickworth congratulated him. It was the first time that he had beaten Pickworth. He is 25 and is professional attached to a sports store in Melbourne. He needed only a four at the 36th to equal Cremin's record of 33 for the nine holes at Yarra Yarra.

Cremin was five under fours for the 25 holes in which he beat Graeme Cates, the Ballarat professional. It was one of the easiest wins seen in a professional golf championship for many years. Cremin went out in the morning in 33 to be six up and came home in 36 to be nine up. Par for each nine is 37. Cates won only two holes, both in the morning round—the 11th, where Cremin pushed his tee shot into a bunker, and the 14th, where Cremin pulled his drive into some trees. "Cremin has the title as good as won," Cates said.

Results:
C. Campbell b W. Fowler 6-5;
E. Cremin (N.S.W.) b O. Cates 12-11; E. Naismith b J. Boorer 3-2;
W. Robertson b W. Smith 4-3; W. Clifford b J. Moran (N.S.W.) 3-2;
L. Boorer b E. Wood 1 up; 2.
Harris b O. Pickworth 2-1; R. Jamieson b R. Harris 4-3.

GOLFERS IN CHOOSING YOUR CLUBS seek the expert advice of Mr. J. H. Anderson, Golf Tutor by appointment. H2324—(Adv.)

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SPORTING NOTICES.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE WEST PERTH FOOTBALL CLUB

will be held in the Clubrooms, LEEDERVILLE OVAL, ON THURSDAY, DEC. 8, 1949.

Nominations for the following positions will close with the Secretary, T. Boutar, 37 Bruce-st., Nedlands at 8 p.m., 24/11/49:

President, 3 Vice-Presidents 3 Trustees, Secretary, Treasurer and 8 Committeemen.

Nominations for the said positions must be signed by the proposer, secondor, and nominee. Forms obtainable from the Secretary.

T. W. BOUTAR, Secretary.

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First Race 2 p.m.
Passenger Train leaves Perth 6.7 a.m. Horses must be loaded by the following times: South Beach 5.50 a.m., Fremantle 6.2 a.m., Belmont 6.10 a.m., Rivervale 7.25 a.m.

H. M. ANDERSON, Secretary.

PROFESSIONAL RUNNERS: TODAY.

YAY, Saturday, Nov. 26, 1949
100yd. handraps; nominations 4/; 210 yds. Sprint, nominations 2/.

Entries close Nov. 24 with W. B. Walsh. Today's Transport, Perth return, providing minimum passengers, number 20. Runners nominating notify Don J. O'Connell, Perth, with number of supporters by Nov. 20 at latest.

TENNIS players wanted. Vacancies for lady and gentlemen players in Haywards Lawn Tennis Club. Social Club and pool tennis. Apply Secretary, 93 Guildford-rd., Bayswater or 89121, exten. 128.

FOR sale Barchess Scotch Mill, sound, ready to race, good country proposition. Apply A. Wapner, Belmont, 89121, exten. 128.

WANT to buy Trotting saddle.

Activity 3: Then and now

Find an object in your house that does the same job as this object and compare them.

- What is similar?
- What is different?
- Does the modern object in your home make housework easier? How?

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