

THE BRITAIN-AUSTRALIA SOCIETY

WEST COUNTRY BRANCH

NEWSLETTER 4th November 2013

THE MEMORIAL IN BATH TO ADMIRAL PHILLIP HAS BEEN COMMISSIONED

Chairman of the Education Trust, Sir Christopher Benson, signed the commission for David Harber to commence work on the armillary sphere on Tuesday 1st October at the second book launch at the Australian High Commission.

Fundraising is progressing well with over £100,000 raised to date. It is important that every effort is made to maintain our efforts to ensure that the legacy for education is well funded. A major fundraising event is planned by the West Country Branch with an auction at Hartham park on Sunday 2nd February 2014. See details below for this and the West Country Branch Web site.



NEW BOOK LAUNCHED IN BATH

Justice Michael and Gillian Pembroke outside 19 Bennett Street



At a second very successful book launch, held at the Australian High Commission, on 1st October all book stocks bought by the publisher were sold out to the audience of about 140 guests

**THE BRITAIN-AUSTRALIA SOCIETY &
THE COOK SOCIETY**

**HARTHAM PARK, CORSHAM
SUNDAY 2nd FEBRUARY
LOTS ALREADY PROMISED FOR THE
MEMORIALS AUCTION**

Auction Organisers:

Richard Thorogood, Keith Newton & Richard Pavitt

1. A week in an apartment in Hong Kong, for 2
2. A week in an apartment in Majorca, for 4
3. Perth Mint, Sydney Cove Medallion
4. A pair of Royal Crown Derby Salad Bowls
5. "The Australian People" by James Jupp
6. Visit to Royal Crown Derby, dinner and overnight stay at Whitmore Hall, for 2
7. Watercolour of sunflowers by Lady Gigi Boyle
8. An Aboriginal Picture by Garriel Maralgurra
9. Bottle of Penfolds Rare Grandfather Tawny
10. Case of 6 Bottles Wolf Blass Red
11. Case of 6 Bottles Wolf Blass White



12. Two Days fly fishing on apx 1 mile of the Wiltshire Bybrook*
13. A real "Two-Up" board with old pennies
14. Flight for 45 minutes from White Waltham over the Thames Valley for 3 passengers
15. Helicopter flight from Thruxton over the Fovant Badges, Codford and Sutton Veny for 2 passengers
16. A Norman Lindsay official print date 1960
17. Tom Roberts oil on canvas reproduction "Springtime in Sussex" 1921
18. Round Breakfast Table from Colonial Tasmania *
- 19/20. Autographed copies of the new Phillip Book

More lots are needed to ensure we meet our target to raise £15,000+ for the Britain-Australia Society Education Trust. Please send ideas or donations to Richard Pavitt

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<http://www.britozeast.org.uk/celebration-auction-2014.pdf>

ADMIRAL PHILLIP MEMORIALS PROGRAMME 2104

Events and Hotels now available for booking on the European Connoisseurs Travel, Bath website
<http://www.ecttravel.com/index.php/partnerships/britain-australia-society/admiral-arthur-phillip-rn-commemoration>

LONDON

Tuesday 8th July

Welcome Reception the Australian High Commission 6pm to 8:30pm; Cost per person £30.00.

Wednesday 9th July (Provisional) Westminster Abbey
Dedication of the memorial stone to Admiral Arthur Phillip. **The service will be by invitation only.**

BATH

Friday 11th July

Mayoral Reception - Bath Guildhall 18:00 - 20:30
cost per person £30 members & £35 non members

Saturday 12th July

Coach transfer for visits to St Nichola's church at Bathampton, where Admiral Phillip and his wife Isabella are buried. The Vicar, the Revd. Paul Burden will give a talk on "Phillip in Bath"

Unveiling of the Admiral Arthur Phillip Memorial

THE BATH ASSEMBLY ROOMS. Time PM -
<http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/bath-assembly-rooms>

Tea in The Assembly Rooms - Cost £22.50 members & £25 non members.

Special Reception Number 1 Royal Crescent £40.00 per person

THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, BATH The Admiral Phillip Dinner - in The TEA ROOM the Assembly Rooms 7:30 to 10:30pm £60.00 members & £65.00 for non members.

Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th July

Optional visit to the Victoria Art Gallery to view the famous portrait of Admiral Phillip by Francis Wheatley which is on loan from the National Portrait Gallery to Bath. Time TBA

The Gallery is open on Saturday 10:00am to 5:00 pm and on Sunday from 1:30pm to 5:00pm.

Sunday 13th July

LYMINGTON/LYNDHURST

Optional 1 night visit hotel and details will soon be available.

All UK Travel, special event arrangements and guest listings will be handled by:
European Connoisseurs Travel Ltd. Bath (ECT)
Now available for booking on their web site

Above arrangements are subject to change.

<http://www.ecttravel.com/index.php/partnerships/britain-australia-society/admiral-arthur-phillip-rn-commemoration>

UNVEILING IN SYDNEY

Unveiling of a Bronze Memorial on Saturday, 21st September 2013, in honour of: "The naming of Looking Glass Bay by the First Governor of NSW, Captain Arthur Phillip, on 15th February 1788"

The Memorial is in the grounds of the Banjo Paterson Cottage Restaurant, Gladesville, Sydney.

The unveiling was carried out by the Governor of NSW Her Excellency Professor Marie Bashir AC CVO.



L to R : Robin Palmer, the Governor, Aboriginal Actor, Actor playing Captain Arthur Phillip, Marine Actors, Ian Palmer (President FFF), Denis Smith OAM (Vice President FFF)



The Governor & Sasha Chandler (son of the Bronze Statue Artist) with the unveiled Memorial

Sent By: Denis Smith, OAM, (Vice President, Fellowship of the First Fleeters)

ACCOMMODATION IN SYDNEY

Members requiring apartment accommodation in Sydney should contact :

THE APARTMENT SERVICE.



<http://www.apartmentservice.com.au>

A beneficial arrangement has been made for Society members who book one of their numerous apartments and houses in the Sydney Area.. Contact – Keris@apartmentservice.com.au.

Please mention your membership of the Society to receive the discount and voucher.

When you book you will receive a 10% discount on accommodation. Minimum 1 week and 2 weeks at Christmas.

To add to this, when you arrive at the property you will be greeted by the personal property manager who will assist with any queries there may be before settling in.

The guest may call the property manager at any time with questions about the property, Sydney and the location etc.

The property manager will provide them on check-in a \$100 gift voucher for the Westfield Shopping centers. This can be used to stock the fridge with food or to buy a personal gift.

STOP PRESS – See pictures from the **Admiral Phillip Lunch** at the Bath Guildhall on 25th September

<http://www.britozwest.org.uk/picture-gallery.asp>

ETIHAD AIRLINES have a special offer for UK members travelling to Australia this winter – see

<http://bit.ly/BAS-EAOct13>

