



NEWSLETTER

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RICHEY'S TERRACE 76-80 NICHOLSON ST, FITZROY

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Sometimes overlooked in favour of its more prestigious and more elaborate neighbours, Richey's Terrace at 76-80 Nicholson Street Fitzroy was built between 1855 and 1858 by John McEleavy for Andrew Richey. The terrace row of three houses is depicted in Charles Troedel's 1864 lithograph of Nicholson Street and its form, unlike that of Grantown house next door, has not changed substantially in almost 170 years since it was built.



Image 1 detail from Charles Troedel's 'View of Nicholson Street c. 1863-64.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Fitzroy History Society acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people as the Traditional Owners and true sovereigns of the land now known as Yarra. We also acknowledge the significant contributions made by other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to life in Yarra. We pay our respects to Elders from all nations - and to their Elders past, present and emerging.

RICHARD PETERSON FITZROY HISTORY SOCIETY TALK

The Fitzroy History Society has been fortunate to secure Richard Peterson for a talk on the early history of Gertrude Street and more recent history in North Fitzroy.

Richard Peterson is an Architect, Heritage Consultant, Author and Academic. From 1916, when his thirteen-year old father and his parents arrived in McKean Street seeking a new life after steady work, had run out underground on the California Gully diggings, until 2017, when Richard finally sold at auction his cool queer friendly bar Radio in Gertrude Street, It is sure to be an interesting night.

**Bargoonna Nganjin, North Fitzroy Library.
Seminar rooms, ground floor.**

7pm. Tuesday, 23rd April 2024



Two Nicholson Street, North Fitzroy women, Jean Higgs and Anne Pipe on Anne's wedding day in 1941. (Richard's Mother on the left)

Save the date. Tickets will be made available in the next few weeks



John L. O'Brien Collection c. 1958

RICHEY'S TERRACE 76-80 NICHOLSON ST, FITZROY

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The use of wrought iron rather than cast iron 'hairpin' fencing flanking the entrance steps to each house was depicted in Troedel's image and remains intact. The upper level balconies were roofed and in the mid-twentieth century were enclosed. While the pediment has lost its urns, its broad design features remain. Though not strictly three stories, the Terrace has sizeable basements with windows facing the street. It is currently owned by the Marist Brothers.

Richey himself was born in 1788 in Downpatrick in County Down, Ireland. He married Mary Harper and had five children. Mary died in 1851.



John L. O'Brien Collection c. 1958



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Richey married a second time to a woman whose name may have been Deborah Horne. Richey died at his home in Nicholson Street in 1869 at the age of 81 and is buried at the Melbourne General Cemetery. His estate comprised four houses in the City of Melbourne, Richey's Terrace and tenanted farms at Carlshue and Lauriston. His will provided income for his wife until her death as well as income for two sisters in Ireland. The major part of his estate, the properties and the income they generated were left to his children, William, Andrew, Elizabeth and Maryanne and their descendants.



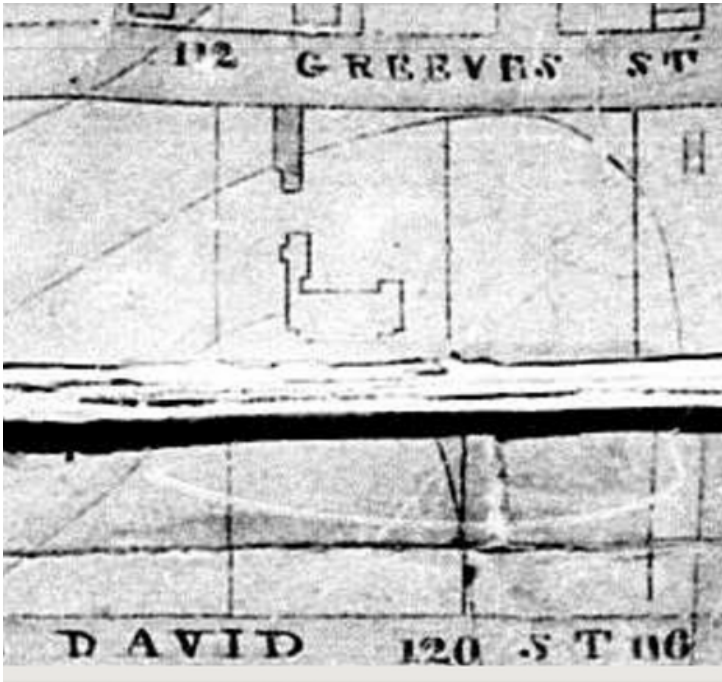
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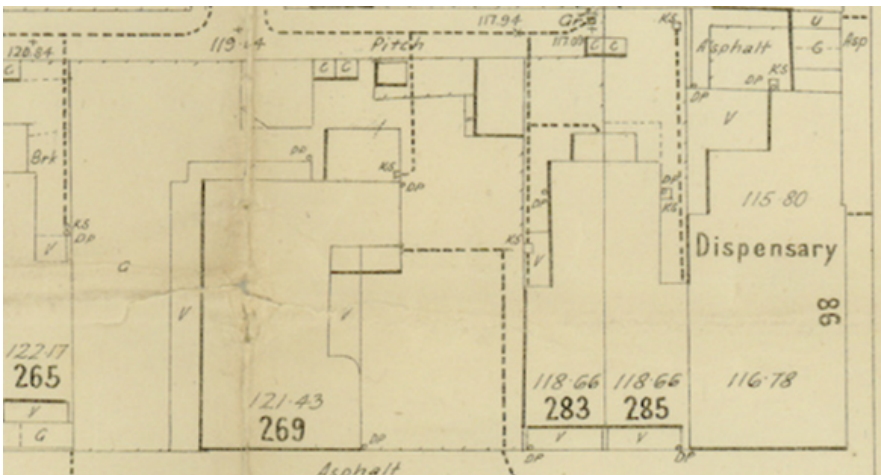
MONTGOMERY COTTAGE

269 GORE ST, FITZROY

WRITTEN BY MIKE MOORE



Hodgkinson map, 1853



MMBW plan, 1900

From 1886 to 1900, the owner and occupant was Cheok Hong Cheong (1853-1928), a leader in the Chinese community – see <https://adb.anu.edu.au/biography/cheong-cheok-hong-3198>

By the 1960s, the original house had been replaced by the current block of six flats at 269 Gore St.

Please note: This is a reprint of the article which appeared in December's Newsletter, correcting an error.

The first sale of land in Fitzroy was in 1839, and by 1840 James Montgomery, the first Crown Solicitor, was living here at his Erin Cottage. His eight acres of land on the south side of Greaves Street included a grass paddock, a garden and vineyard “commanding a fine view of the windings of the Yarra, the Plenty and the Dandenong Hills.”

By 1850 David Young was the owner and resident at what was then known as Montgomery Cottage, Montgomery Place or Montgomery Villa. In the

mid-1850s Gore Street was extended northwards from Webb Street and £50 compensation was paid to Young for the 66 ft strip of Gore Street and a small portion of his house. Young lived at the house until his death in 1877, by when he had subdivided and sold the sites along David St and Gore St.



269 Gore St, in 2023

CAN YOU HELP? FITZROY FOOTBALL CLUB

EDITED BY LINA FAVRIN

The National Historian and Custodian of the Fitzroy Brisbane Lions Historical Society, Brenden Campbell is putting a call out for help to locate 65 photographs of players that played at least 1 senior game for the Fitzroy Football Club in the VFL / AFL from 1897 to 1996. The Museum located at Marvel Stadium, has 5 pictorial player photographic boards for the 1,157 players that played at Fitzroy Football Club.

The names listed below are the ones missing a photograph. The years shown are the years or year they played for our Fitzroy FC (and the games played, and goals kicked in brackets for the Fitzroy FC or other clubs) and also the Clubs shown are where they were recruited from. Quite a few of the players were born in Fitzroy and some passed away in the suburb of Fitzroy as well. Their Dates of Birth and if applicable, their Dates of Death are also listed.



Fitzroy Library Photo

If you can help the Fitzroy Brisbane Lions Historical Society with any photographs or information about any of the players, please contact:

Museum/Memorabilia Enquiries – Melbourne

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- Bob ALLEN - Sea Lake FC - 1926 2 (1) - b. 22/12/1908, d. 8/4/1992
- Henry ANDERSON - Kerang FC - 1913 6 (0) - b. 23/5/1892, d. 30/10/1926
- Ivan ASTRUC - Essendon Districts FC - 1897 6 (1) - b. 28/4/1876, d. 30/10/1926
- Sam BAKER - Collingwood Juniors FC - 1902-03 6 (0) - b. 2/10/1874, d. 2/1/1946
- Maurie BARRETT - Morris & Walkers FC - 1916 2 (1) - b. 4/6/1893, d. 9/11/1981
- Herman BARTLETT - Carlton / Northcote FC VFA - 1910 (Fitzroy) 1 (1), 1912 (Carlton) 2 (1) - b. 5/3/1892, d. 8/8/1975
- Alf BOYCE - Leopold FC - 1915, 1917-18 S.Melb FC 18 (22), 1920 Fitzroy FC 4 (10) - b. 3/3/1895, d. 3/6/1977
- Harold BOYD - Abbotsford FC - 1932 11 (1) - b. 2/2/1913, d. 25/4/1971
- Bernie BROPHY - Shamrock FC - 1909 1 (1) - b. 3/1/1889, d. 24/7/1965
- Joe BROPHY - Shamrock FC - 1910 2 (2) - b. 5/4/1890, d. 25/9/1972
- Charles 'Charlie' BYRNE - Preston FC - 1916-1917 2 (1) - b. 23/2/1895, d. 30/6/1924
- William 'Bill' BYRNE - Preston FC - 1917 10 (2) - b. 14/8/1896, d. 19/7/1930
- Charlie CAMERON - Preston FC and Ormond Coll. - 1897 5 (1) - b. 24/3/1874, d. 12/6/1936

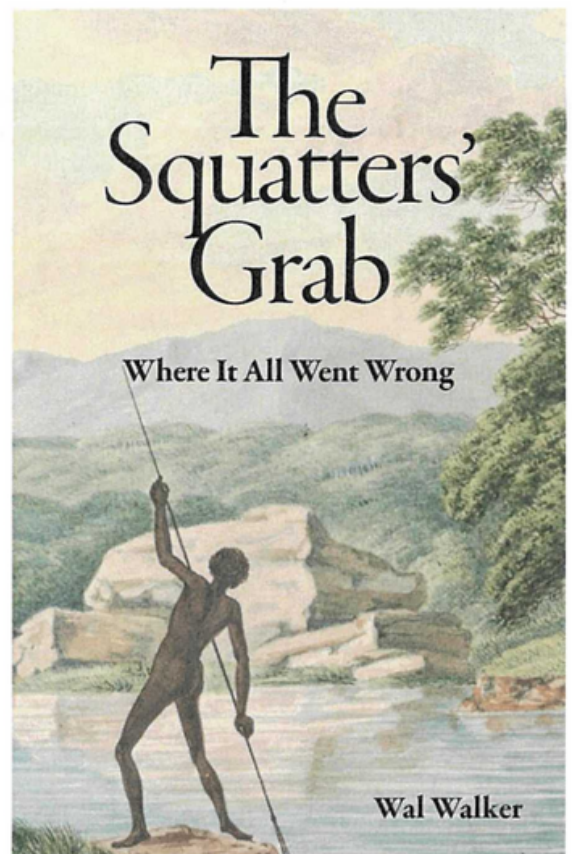
- Bill CAMPBELL - Preston Districts FC - 1908 1 (0) - b. 26/7/1883, d. 9/7/ 1954
- Johnny CARTER - South Ballarat - 1920 7 (0) - b. 2/10/1894, d. 19/2/ 1960
- William CHARLESON - Campbells Creek FC - 1948 4 (0) - b. 5/7/1929, d. 17/9/1983
- Jack CLEARY - Thornbury CYMS - 1932 3 (0) - b. 28/8/1911, d. 14/2/1995 (brother of Jim)
- Tim CURRAN - St Kilda FC / Fitzroy Jnrs - 1897 Fitzroy FC 3 (0), 1900 St Kilda FC 10 (1) - b. 12/2/1875, d. 14/9/1915
- Alex DAVIDSON - Albion Un. FC - 1896 Fitzroy 7 (0), 1897-8 Fitzroy 4 (0), 1898 Nth Melb VFA - b/ 12/8/1876, d. 12/7/1951
- Ray DAVIES - Preston FC - 1954 1 (0) - b. 26/9/1932, d. 21/2/ 1984
- Charlie DOHERTY - Ballarat FC 1898 2 (0) - b.. 23/1/ 1876, d. 5/3/1961
- William DREW - Fitzroy Jnrs FC 1910 8 (4) - b. 7/2/ 1890, d. 30/7/ 1955
- Steve FOLEY - Fitzroy Jnrs FC 1927-28 15 (0) - b. 31/8/1920, d. 22/2/1948
- Orm FOWLER -St Kilda/Fitzroy Jnrs -1913 Fitz 1 (0), 1914-15 St Kil 9 (11) - b. 4/12/1891, d. 25/7/1963
- Jack FURNESS - Fitzroy Jnrs FC 1911 6 (3) - b. 23/8/1890, d. 9/2/1968
- Bob HALL - Fitzroy Jnrs FC 1929 1 (0) - b. 25/10/1908, d. 26/4/1999
- Rob HENRY - Heidelberg FC 1929 2 (0) - b. 30/5/1907, d. 25/11/1987
- George HUTCHINSON - Ballarat Imperials FC 1902 9 (0) - b. 6/12/1874, d. 22/5/1946
- Harry JAMES - Roseneath FC 1897 1 (0) - b. 18/6/1877, d. 13/10/1940
- Charlie JENKINS - West Melbourne FC & Wonthaggi FC 1898 8 (0) - b 17/6/1878, d. ???
- Mal MACRAE - Essendon FC 1930-31 19 (14) - Fitzroy FC 1932 6 (6) - b. 17/10/1907, d. 26/9/ 1947
- Fred MARKBY - Fitzroy Jnrs FC 1911 2 (0) - b. 29/6/1892, d. 10/5/1952
- Alby MCDONALD - Yarrowonga FC & Nurmurkah FC 1902-03 7 (1) - b. 27/2/ 1881, d. 8/6/1961
- Roy McDOUGALL - Port Melbourne Districts FC 1930-32 8 (0) - b. 2/7/1907, d. 15/11/ 1993
- Norm MCLENNAN - Nth Fitzroy FC 1907-08 7 (2) - b. 17/2/1887, d. 21/3/1909
- Ern MICHEL - Preston FC 1923 5 (0)- b. 21/3/1903, d. 7/7/1983
- Arthur MIDDLETON - St Kilda FC & Windsor FC 1897 St Kilda 1 (0), 1900 Fitzroy 3 (1) - b. 7/6/1876, d. 17/5/1946
- Tom MOLOUGHNEY - St Kilda FC & Leopold FC - 1911 Fitzroy 1 (0), 1915 St Kilda 1 (0) - b. 8/10/1888 , d. 27/7/1977
- Alan MUIR - Ivanhoe Amateurs FC 1940-42 6 (0) - b. 2/1/1922, d. 20/9/1996
- Jack John Arch MUIRHEAD - St Kilda FC, Fitzroy Jnrs, Fitzroy FC 1896 18 (5) - 1897-98 Fitzroy 16 (3), 1900-1901 St Kilda 33 (1) - b. 25/7/1876, d. 22/4/1958
- Don MUNRO - Brunswick FC 1913 1 (0) - b. 1/6/1891, d. 9/4/1954
- Danny MURPHY - Fitzroy Jnrs 1911 1 (0) - b. 22/2/ 1884, d. 1/11/ 1956
- Vic NANKERVIS - Balmain FC - 1915-18 Essendon FC 6 (0), 1918 Fitz 2 (1) - b. 4/1/ 1893, d. 4/1/1973
- Herbert NOLAN - Essdn Dist FC 1897-98 4 (0) - b 21/11/1875, d. 21/12/1933
- Tom NOLAN - Albert Park 1899 2 (0) - b. 11/12/1876, d. 27/5/1958
- Frank O'KEEFE - Southern Districts FC 1916 1 (1) - b. 24/4/1898, d. 26/6/1958
- James PORTER - Fitzroy Jurs 1910-11 & 13 15 (14) - b 30/7/1892, d. 26/6/1958
- Harry POWDITCH - Preston Jnrs 1917-18 Fitzroy 2 (0), 1919-20 Northcote 28 (16) - b. 21/5/1894, d. 21/1/1963

- John POWER - East Melb. 1898-99 10 (0), 1898 FFC Premiership Player- b. 10/4/1874, d. 16/5/1958
- George PYKE -Northcote Dist. FC 1909 5 (1) - b 2/3/1867, d. 31/3/196?
- Len RICHARDSON - Northcote FC VFA 1910 1 (0) - b. 10/2/ 1891, d. 7/4/1924
- Fred H SCOTT - Yarra Glen 1910 3 (1) - b. 21/10/1885, d. 20/4/1987
- Robert SCOTT - Preston FC 19199 (0) - b. 27/10/1894, d. 23/10/1990
- George F SHAW - Fitzroy Church of Christ FC 1898 5 (1) - b. 6/3/1887, d. 24/3/1954
- Syd SMITH - Manjimup FC 1919 1 (3), Northcote 1919-20 - b/ 21/11/1888, d. 20/6/1954
- Roy SNELL - West Adelaide FC SA 1924 1 (0) - b. 25/3/1901, d. 3/4/1977
- Bob TEASDALE - South Freo FC 1904 1 (0) - b. 25/3/1901, d. 24/6/1953
- Jim THORPE - Clifton Hill FC 1908 2 (0) - b. 21/10/1884, d. 25/9/1962
- Jim TULLOCH - Pembroke FC 1898 1 (0) - b. 27/6/1878, d. 22/3/1944
- Bill TURNER - Fitzroy Jnrs 1924 3 (1) - b. 6/12/1901, d. 3/1/1967
- Harry WALKER - Maldon FC 1906 1 (0) - b. 20/8/1895, d. 21/7/1935
- Eric WATSON - Kew FC 1911 1 (1) - b. 11/9/1893, d. Jna 1977
- Bert WHITE - Northcote Jnrs FC 1927 14 (8) - b. 2/11/1906, d. 2/9/1988
- Henry YAGER - Fitzroy Juns 1897 2 (10) - b. 28/11/1874, d. 15/2/1915

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