

Canberra Report

Maureen and party were welcomed to Parliament House by the Federal Member for Bendigo the Hon Lisa Chesters.

A delightful lunch was held in the members Dining Room and then to the House of Representatives for Question time.

Acknowledged by the Speaker but unfortunately just after the ABC broadcast had finished was a highlight. It was an enlarged question time going on for another 17 minutes.

A Nationally well known ABC Reporter "Barry Cassidy" took time to welcome us all and explain the painting of the opening of the new Parliament house to us in a private interview. For this we were most grateful.

We were fortunate to have the services of Cornish OPC and former Hansard reporter as well as family member "Bob Bolitho" to chauffeur us around this intriguing city.

The famous statue of the "Dog on the Tuckerbox" and the final stand of "Ned Kelly" were other sites we visited enroute.

Maureen's Plastron intrigued all Security Staff at Parliament House but was allowed to be worn by her in the House a great honour for Gorsedh Kernow.