REMEMBERING THE JULIA ANN

When the three-masted Julia Ann blew into a hidden coral reef during an 1855 storm, the ship was carrying 21 Australian converts on their way to the Salt Lake Valley. Five Latter-day Saints were killed, and the survivors lived for two months on coconuts, crabs, and sea turtles while crew members repaired the ship's boat. A traveling exhibit titled "The Wreck of the Julia Ann" was on display through 21 February 1999 at the Museum of Church History and Art in downtown Salt Lake City. On loan from the Australian National Maritime Museum in Sydney, the exhibit featured artifacts, a video, and an interactive kiosk.