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Campbelltown Railway Station, c.1916 (Courtesy CAHS)



2024 Cultural Grants Recipients

RAHS President Dr Iain Stuart announced today that twenty-one local history projects will receive funding from the 2024 Cultural Grants Program. This grant program is administered by the RAHS on behalf of the NSW Government.

‘The Royal Australian Historical Society thanks Create NSW for funding this grants program which supports local and community history projects. These projects provide unique insights into the people and places of NSW and strengthen community connections through preserving and sharing our histories. History is preserved and passed on at the local level through communities interested in our history and by the individuals working in community groups. Without this grant funding, many shared histories and local history resources would be lost to us,’ explained Dr Stuart.

The NSW Cultural Grants recipients cover a diverse range of projects, including research, publications, and conservation through digitisation projects.

Nambucca District Historical Society

To publish approximately 60 historical articles about the Nambucca Valley.
Awarded: \$3,710.

Manly Warringah and Pittwater Historical Society

To publish the history of the Forest Youth Theatre Company. Awarded: \$3,601.

Kiama and District Historical Association

To publish *Rascals and Respectables, a social history of Kiama area hotels*.
Awarded: \$3,789.

Canowindra Historical Society and Museum

To print a book about Public Education in Canowindra, from 1975 to 2025.
Awarded: \$4,580.

To conserve a tinted photograph of Alexander Berry and 'Prout's Landscapes'.
Awarded: \$4,880.

Pyree Library Institute

To publish *Pyree: Setting the standard in Shoalhaven Cricket* and *Pyree Rovers: The Story of a Football Club*. Awarded: \$3,850.

Grafton Rowing Club

To collect, collate and preserve the history of the two Volunteer Water Brigades that served Grafton in times of flood from 1885 to 2000. Awarded \$1,001.

Port Macquarie Historical Society

For the *Historic Port Macquarie Driving Tour Brochure*. Awarded: \$2,150.

Goulburn Mulwaree Council

For the pre-publication research and writing of *Rocky Hill War Memorial Tower*.
Awarded: \$2,500.

Paterson Historical Society

To publish *Gresford to Carrabolla – People and Places*. Awarded: \$2,500.

Albury and District Historical Society

To digitise *Border Morning Mail* 1954 and to conduct a free public workshop.
Awarded: \$1,958.

Picton and District Historical and Family History Society

For the publication *The History of Thirlmere NSW*. Awarded: \$2,635.

Bathurst District Historical Society

To produce a book about the Bathurst women who contributed to the Great War.
Awarded: \$5,000.

Shoalhaven Libraries

To preserve and provide access to several historical newspapers produced in the Shoalhaven. Awarded: \$5,000.

Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society

To publish the history of St. Patrick's College, Campbelltown. Awarded: \$5,000.

Clarence River Historical Society

To translate the 1869 diaries of Anna Mues and to produce a book of the

Latin American Research Platform

To research the solidarity movement and activism in support of Latin American people and causes. Awarded: \$575.

Callara Culture and Heritage Aboriginal Corporation

To record the history of the Wiradjuri family of Jacky Sloan. Awarded: \$2,590.

Berry and District Historical Society

For *Our Ancestors: The Pioneers of Berry*, which will document the pioneers of the Berry region who are buried in the Berry Cemetery. Awarded: \$1,155.

Sydney Heritage Fleet Maritime Research and Records Centre

To scan a collection of historical photos and documents. Awarded: \$1,000.

Coonamble Family History Society

To digitise *Coonamble Times/Coonamble Independent*. Awarded: \$1,320.



Opening day of Ladies' Bowling Club, Campbelltown Bowling Club, 21 May 1927

2024 RAHS Conference Bookings Close at Midnight Tonight

Bookings for the 2024 RAHS Conference will close at **midnight TONIGHT**. This deadline is final; we must confirm all details with the venue. Don't miss out!

Why attend?

This year's conference, held at Campbelltown Catholic Club from 26 to 27 October, will offer a unique opportunity to explore the rich tapestry of local history. With sessions on everything from Campbelltown's fascinating past to how digital tools are transforming historical research, attendees will gain new insights and make meaningful connections. Join us for engaging talks, guided tours, and special presentations, all set against the backdrop of one of the State's most historically significant regions.

For your last chance to book, visit:

<https://www.rahs.org.au/2024-rahs-conference/>



New Information Board Unveiled for Hume and Hovell's Historic Expedition

On 2 October 2024, RAHS Vice President Carol Liston and RAHS Librarian Donna Newton attended the unveiling of a new information board to commemorate the bicentenary of Hamilton Hume and William Hovell's overland expedition to Port Phillip. The two explorers set out from Appin in 1824. The board is located on Appin Road, between Campbelltown and Appin, near the remains of Hume's cottage, 'Brookdale'. The board shares its location with a

The celebrations began at the Harlequin Rugby Union Club, where Phil Hayward, Chairman of the Surveying Heritage Group, gave a welcoming speech. After a coach trip along Appin Road to the monument site, the ceremony consisted of unveiling the board and speeches by project coordinator Pat Duffy, NSW Surveyor-General Narelle Underwood, MP Greg Warren, Council deputy GM Ben Hoyle, and Mitch Hanlon from the Institution of Surveyors NSW.

After returning to the club for lunch, Stephen Coppins, President of the Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society, and Bob Hanna of the Institution of Surveyors NSW's Surveying Heritage Group gave presentations. Along with officials, dignitaries, and other guests, attendees included several descendants of the Hume, Fitzpatrick, Boyd, and Bollard families. The day was a fitting 200th-anniversary celebration for the explorers.

Donna Newton

RAHS Librarian



Unveiling by (left to right) Narelle Underwood, Greg Warren, Ben Hoyle and Mitch Hanlon (Ken Greene, ISNSW Surveying Heritage Group)

RAHS EVENTS



RAHS Day Lecture The Antipodean Laboratory: Re-reading the colonial archive

Speaker: Anna Johnston.

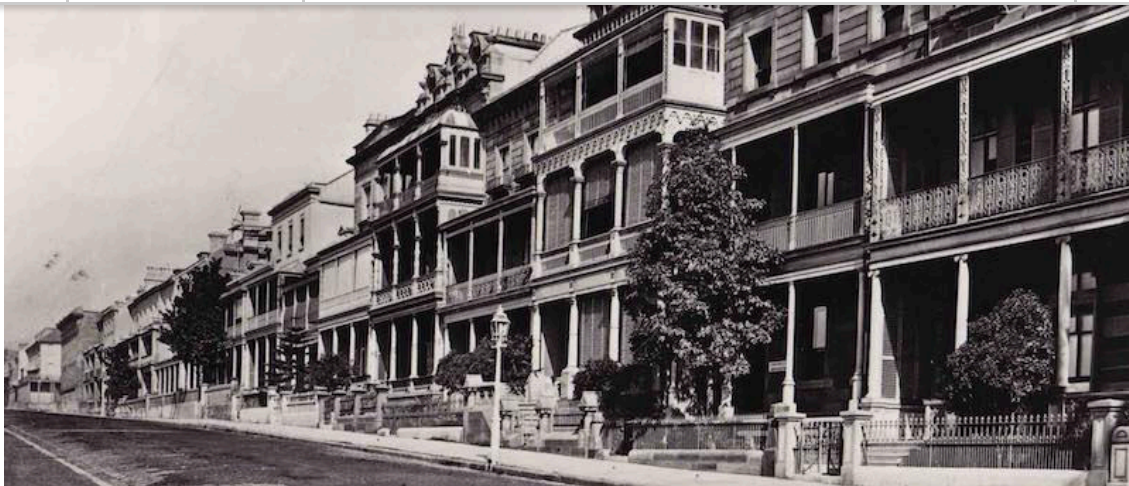
When: Wednesday, 6 November 2024 at 1 pm.

Where: Online via Zoom.

Cost: Free.

What if the Australian colonies, far flung and usually considered peripheral to nineteenth-century Europe, were in fact central to the period's philosophical, ethical, and scientific developments? This talk explores this provocative idea, showing how Australia was a key colonial field where British ideas could be trialled in experimental sites that transformed and distilled them before returning them as textual and material artefacts through circuits of correspondence and print culture.

RESERVE TICKETS



RAHS-HHA Evening Event In the House with Kate Fitzpatrick

Speakers: Kate Fitzpatrick and Tamar Kelly.

When: Tuesday, 12 November 2024 at 6 pm.

Where: History House, 133 Macquarie St, Sydney NSW 2000.

Cost: RAHS-HHA Members \$35 | Non-members \$40.

We are delighted to announce that the Royal Australian Historical Society, in partnership with the Historic Houses Association, will host a special joint event at History House. **Tamar Kelly** will interview **Kate Fitzpatrick** and explore Kate's extraordinary career that spans theatre, film, and television.

Star of Australia's stage and screen, artist's muse, writer and trailblazing commentator **Kate Fitzpatrick** has been hailed a National Treasure for good reason. Career highlights include playing Magenta in the original Australian production of the 'Rocky Horror Picture Show', opening the Opera House in 1973 with the 'Three Penny Opera', being the first woman in the world to call the cricket, and most recently touring Australia in 'Gaslight'. In 2025, you can catch her in Renny Harlin's latest film, 'Deep Water'. We chat to Kate about her several appearances at the Opera House, time spent with Brett Whiteley, Martin Sharpe and Charles Blackman at the Yellow House and everything in between – including a rich and rambunctious collaboration with writer Patrick White.

Tamar Kelly landed her first acting role at age seven and spent weekends running backstage at the Sydney Opera House or whirling around a ballet studio. She has worked all over the world as a performer, writer, teacher and producer. Tamar is currently at Carriageworks in Redfern where she produced the Yellamundie Festival, 'swim' for Griffin Theatre and 'Gilgamesh' with Sydney Chamber Opera and Opera Australia, among others. Tamar loves exploring the techniques and inspirations of creatives and is excited to work with HHA to

Join us as we delve into the creative life of a true National Treasure in what promises to be a captivating conversation, connecting Australia's past and present through art and performance.

[BUY TICKETS](#)



RAHS-WEA Workshop

Stepping Ashore: Researching Passenger Arrivals in the Australian Colonies

Speaker: Christine Yeats.

When: Wednesday, 13 November 2024 at 11 am.

Where: History House, 133 Macquarie St, Sydney NSW 2000.

Cost: RAHS Members \$35 | Non-members \$39.

Explore the methods and resources that can be used to uncover the records of people who immigrated to the Australian colonies in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. This course also delves into the significance of immigration, providing participants with the skills to access historical sources, with a focus on accessing and interpreting ship's passenger records, government archives, newspapers, and personal narratives.

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RAHS Special Lecture
Life So Full of Promise: Further Biographies of Australia's Lost Generation

Speaker: Ross McMullin.

When: Wednesday, 20 November 2024 at 1 pm.

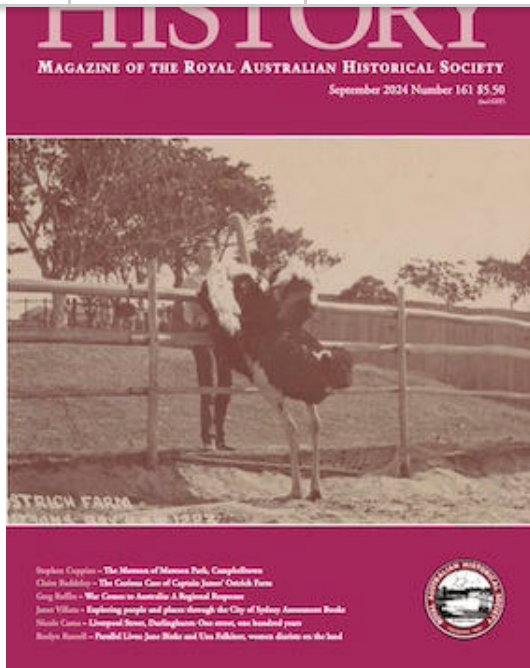
Where: Online via Zoom.

Cost: Free.

Life So Full of Promise, winner of the 2024 Age Book of the Year Award, is Ross McMullin's second multi-biography about Australia's lost generation of World War I following *Farewell, Dear People*, winner of the Prime Minister's Prize for Australian History. Ross has again combined extensive research and narrative flair in another collection of inter-woven stories about forgotten Australians who had radiant potential. With their families and friends also conspicuous in the narratives, *Life So Full of Promise* illuminates what the war was like at home and at the sharp end. It provides insights into the experiences of Australians before, during and after the war, whether they were combatants or civilians, or soldiers' wives or parents.

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RAHS Digital News



It seems NSW was the ideal location for Australia's first ostrich farm, which attracted a royal visit. Barracluff's Ostrich Farm was founded in Waverley in the late 1800s and became highly lucrative.

Dr Claire Baddeley, currently Acting Coordinator of cultural services at Hurstville Museum & Gallery, joined Philip Clark on ABC Nightlife to discuss its intriguing history. This interview is based on an article in September's *History* magazine.

[LISTEN HERE](#)

Affiliated Societies News

Strathfield-Homebush District Historical Society



Back to Black: The David Jones Family in Strathfield

The David Jones family have strong associations with the Strathfield district, dating back to the 1860s. Members of the family have played an important role

David Jones is one of the world's oldest department stores still trading under their original name. It was founded in Sydney in 1838 by Welsh immigrant David Jones and continued to be managed by his family for over 140 years.

This exhibition will take you on a journey through the history of David Jones and their stories and legacy in the Strathfield district. A talk will be held on Sunday, 10 November 2024, to accompany the exhibition.

This exhibition has been developed by Strathfield-Homebush District Historical Society with the support of Strathfield Council.

OFFICIAL OPENING:

When: Thursday, 17 October 2024 at 6 pm (Free entry).

RSVP: Thursday, 10 October 2024. Bookings are required for catering purposes.

Please reserve at exhibitions@strathfield.nsw.gov.au

EXHIBITION:

When: 17 October – 1 December 2024.

Where: Strathfield Library & Innovation Hub (during opening hours).

TALK:

When: Sunday, 10 November 2024 at 2.30 pm.

Speaker: Cathy Jones, Strathfield-Homebush District Historical Society.

Cost: Free, but booking is essential. Afternoon tea provided.

RSVP: [Register Here!](#)

City of Sydney Historical Association



Joseph Conrad's Eastern Voyages

Historian and author Ian Burnet tells the story of Józef Teodor Konrad Korzeniowski, which reads like an adventure story that could be written by somebody like Joseph Conrad. The young Conrad dreamed of a life at sea, he eventually became a British merchant seaman and he spent fifteen years sailing on the classic three-masted, square-rigged sailing ships, including many voyages to what was then the Dutch East Indies. During this period, he worked his way up from apprentice to third mate, to second mate, to first mate and finally the captain of one of these beautiful ships.

When: Saturday, 12 October at 2 pm.

Where: Lord Mayors Reception Room, Sydney Town Hall.

Admission: Members \$5. Visitors \$10. No bookings required.

BMACHO



Identification of HMB Endeavour Shipwreck Site

BMACHO is pleased to announce that Dr James Hunter, the Australian National Maritime Museum's Curator of Naval Heritage and Maritime Archaeology, has agreed to be guest speaker at BMACHO's next event and will be speaking about the identification of HMB *Endeavour's* shipwreck site.

Dr Hunter has a background in maritime archaeology and naval history and has been involved in the investigation of several shipwreck sites with significance to Australia, including HMB *Endeavour* and the submarine HMAS *AE1*.

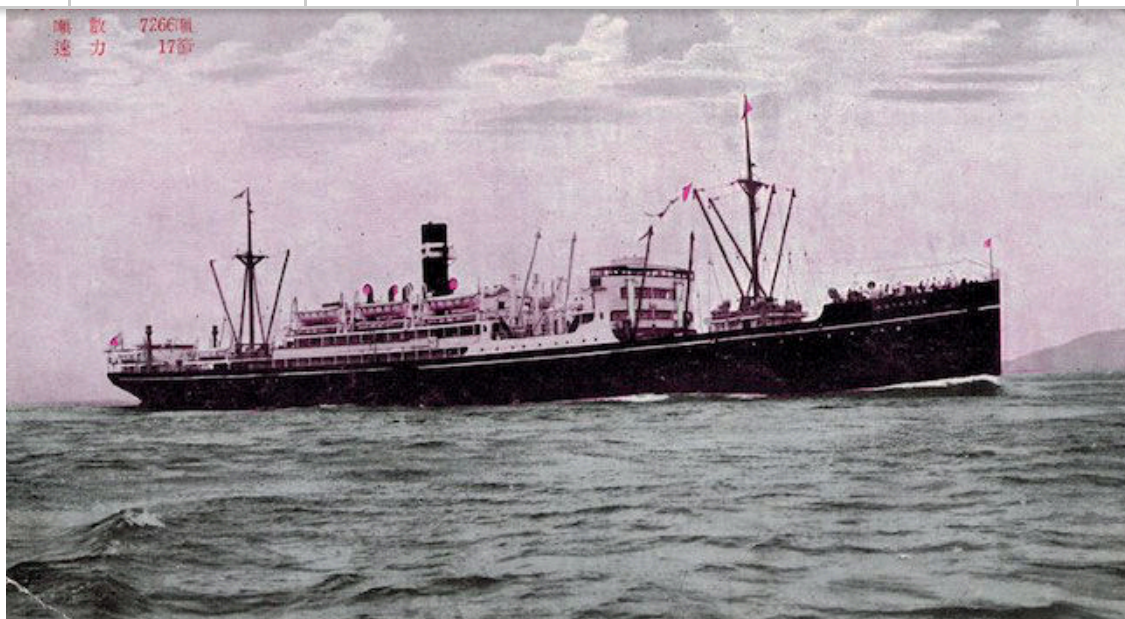
When: Wednesday, 16 October at 10.30 am.

Where: Hawkesbury Regional Museum, 8 Baker St, Windsor.

Admission: Free, but booking is essential.

RSVP: [Register Here!](#)

Naval Historical Society of Australia



The Finding of Montevideo Maru

The loss of the *Montevideo Maru* is the worst maritime disaster in Australian history, and for 81 years, until 2023, the exact location of its final resting place remained a mystery. The ship sank with at least 850 Australian service members and 210 civilians. The tragedy has transcended generations and reminds us of the human cost of conflict.

Andrea Williams was part of the 2023 Silentworld Expedition team that found the wreck of the *Montevideo Maru*. Its discovery in the South China Sea, off the coast of the Philippines, made headlines worldwide. Andrea will share the significance of this expedition and behind-the-scenes insights into the remarkable discovery and identification of the *Montevideo Maru*.

When: Wednesday, 16 October at 10.30 am.

Where: Online via Zoom.

[Click for more details.](#)

Colo Shire Family History Group



Bass and Flinders

A public lecture by Ron Ray OAM

Volunteer speaker from the Australian National Maritime Museum

Find out about these two famous maritime explorers, their fates and voyages of exploration around the coasts of NSW, Tasmania and 'Terra Australis' in small boats. This talk explores the men themselves, their boats, and their voyages, including Flinders' circumnavigation of Australia.

Lucky door prize: A family pass to the Australian National Maritime Museum for 2 adults and 3 children (valued at \$70) to be drawn at the end.

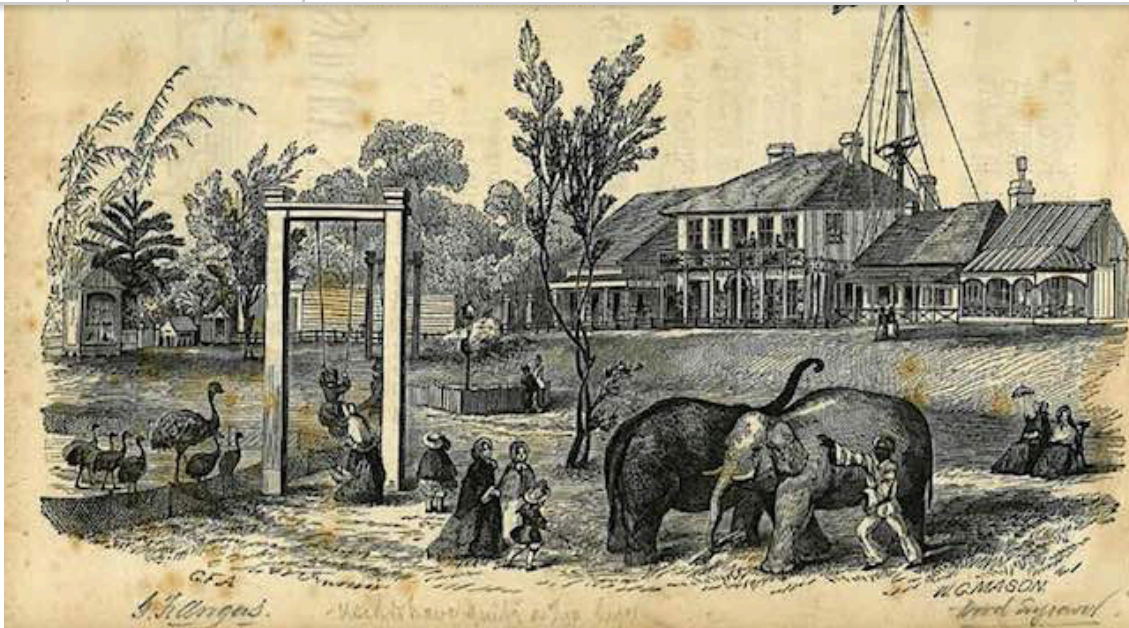
When: Saturday, 19 October at 10 am.

Where: The Tebbutt Room, Hawkesbury City Library, Deerubbin Centre, 300 George St, Windsor.

Admission: Members \$5. Visitors \$7.

RSVP: nrenaud@bigpond.com by Wednesday, 16 October 2024.

Randwick and District Historical Society



Sir Joseph Banks Hotel

Dr Mark St Leon will explore the history of the Sir Joseph Banks Hotel and the development and demise of Beaumont & Waller's Zoological and Botanical Gardens, Sydney's first significant pleasure resort.

When: Saturday, 19 October at 1 pm.

Where: Lionel Bowen Library, Maroubra.

Admission: Free, but booking is essential.

RSVP: [Register Here!](#)

Bundanoon History Group



Bundanoon Railway Station in the 1920s

How The Railways Made Bundanoon

The Bundanoon History Group's latest exhibition, *How The Railways Made Bundanoon*, opens in the Old Goods Shed on 26 October. The exhibition looks at how Bundanoon developed with the advent of the railway and declined in the 1950s and 1960s as the motor car became the dominant form of transport.

EXHIBITION:

When: Saturday, 26 and Sunday, 27 October from 10 am to 3 pm.

Where: Old Goods Shed (Bundanoon Railway Station Precinct, Railway Ave).

Bundanoon history walking tours will also be running to coincide with the first day of The Bundanoon Garden Ramble on 26 October and the reopening of the heritage-listed buildings of Bundanoon Station after their recent refurbishment. The tours, which visit sites around the historic heart of Bundanoon, take approximately one hour and are mostly on flat ground.

WALKING TOURS:

When: Saturday, 26 October at 1 pm, 1.30 pm and 2 pm.

Where: Old Goods Shed (Bundanoon Railway Station Precinct, Railway Ave).

Tickets: \$15 pp or \$35 for a family booking of 2 adults and 2 children.

RSVP: [Register Here!](#)



Open Day at 'Yaralla'

Our next Open Day at 'Yaralla', the family home of the Walkers of Yaralla, off Nullawarra Avenue and opposite The Drive, Concord West, will be on Sunday, 27 October 2024. The grounds will be open from 9:30 am. Other than the time for your tour, you are free to visit the Dairy, the Squash Court and the Stables complex, or just wander around the grounds until the gates close at 3:00 pm.

Guided Tours: These 75-minute tours will be of the grounds and inside the Squash Court, the Dairy and the Stables. The first tour commences at 10:00 am and then every half hour until the last tour at 1:30 pm.

Devonshire Tea: Before or after your tour, refresh with tea, coffee, hot chocolate or a cold drink and Sydney's best home-made scones.

Booking Essential: It is essential that you book a time for your tour as we may not have any spaces available for anyone who turns up on day without having booked. As the tours fill fairly quickly, particularly the early ones, we suggest you book early to get your preferred tour time.

To book and for more information about the day go to our web page:

<https://openday.canadabayheritage.asn.au/>

Parramatta and District Historical Society

JAMES JERVIS MEMORIAL LECTURE

SPEAKER: PROF. KATE FULLAGAR

Her Topic

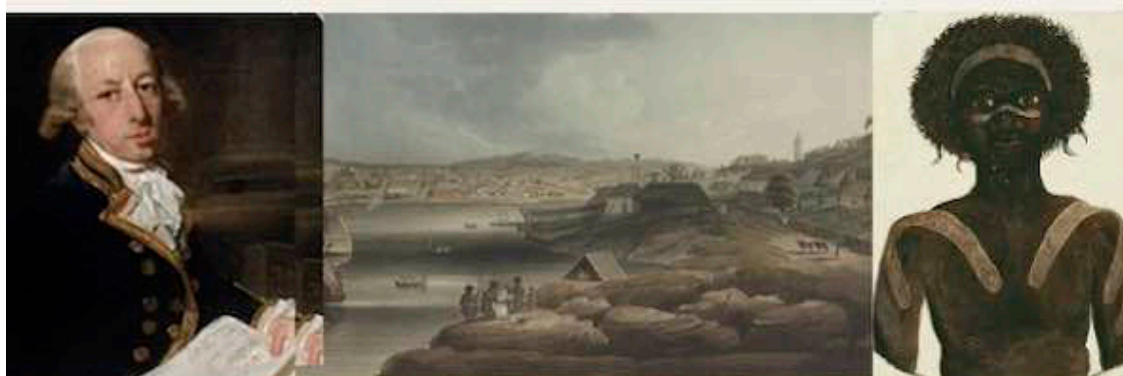
Bennelong & Phillip: A History Unravelled

Bennelong and Phillip were leaders of their respective people in the first encounters between Britain and Indigenous Australians, Phillip the colony's first governor, and Bennelong the Yiyura leader. The pair have come to represent the conflict that flared and has never settled.



Kate Fullagar's new book, *Bennelong & Phillip: A History Unravelled*, is the first full biography of Bennelong of any kind and it challenges many misconceptions, among them that he became alienated from his people and that Phillip was a paragon of Enlightenment benevolence. It tells the story of the men's marriages, including Bennelong's best-known wife, Barangaroo, and Phillip's unusual domestic arrangements, and places the period in the context of the Aboriginal world and the demands of empire.

To present this history afresh, Fullagar narrated these events in reverse order. In this lecture, she will discuss both her method and her research, asking questions of both conventional ways of writing history and of the role of the past in debates about nations and Indigenous possibility.



PRESENTATION DETAILS

MONDAY 21ST OCTOBER 7:30 PM

AT BURNSIDE GARDENS COMMUNITY CENTRE, 3 BLACKWOOD PLACE OATLANDS

JOIN US! The lecture is free and is followed by supper. Visitors very welcome

Enquires Jeff Allen 0414 996 497 or parramattahist@tpg.com.au

Parramatta Female Factory Friends

Parramatta Female Factory Friends Inc.
Bi-Monthly Guest Speakers' Programme – 2024

BUNYIP MUSIC

**WHEN:** Friday 18th October 2024 at 1 pm**WHERE:** Parramatta Female Factory Friends Rooms, the 'Greenway'
Matron's Quarters, 5 Fleet Street, North Parramatta
NO parking onsite - Limited on-street parking.**GUEST:** ALAN FOSTER**TOPIC:** *History as told in Folk Songs*

This presentation, based mainly on 19th-century Australian history and songs arising from events of the era, will focus on the history told in these songs and the songs themselves.



Alan is a retired electronics engineer who has spent more than a decade working as a volunteer for the Blue Mountains Historical Society, providing technical expertise. Having spent many years as a 'folk singer', he has combined his long-term interest in 'old songs' with his more recent interest in Australian history. The result is a unique look at history through the eyes of those experiencing it at the time.

**BOOKINGS:** <https://bit.ly/3Yf79Rf>**Entry:** Cost: \$5 (plus booking surcharge)**Places** are limited, so please book early

The talk will be followed by a delicious afternoon tea and then the PFFF General Meeting at 2:15 pm. New members are most welcome

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IT'S A RIOT!



FRIDAY 25th OCTOBER 2024 - IT'S A RIOT! - ANNUAL RIOT DAY

Join us as we commemorate the Parramatta Female Factory Riot of 197 years ago. On the 27th October 1827, 100 convict women were missing at the morning Muster and within hours, Parramatta Town was in uproar! The convict women, hungry and fed up with the reduction in rations and their appalling living and working conditions, broke out of the Factory and Penitentiary onto the streets of Parramatta town 'like Amazonian Banditti...and pouring forth 'as bees from a hive...' alarming all before them!

This iconic Annual Parramatta event is on Friday 25th October 2024 at the National Heritage Parramatta Female Factory & Institutions Precinct, 5 Fleet Street, North Parramatta, opening at 9:00am.

Events include an Opening Ceremony followed by a Commemoration at the Bicentenary Commemorative Wall commencing at 11:00am. As a lone piper plays, we will remember the convict women whose lives were cruelly impacted by forced removal from their homelands and kin, through transportation - floral tributes will be laid at the Bicentenary Commemorative Wall This will be followed with the Opening of the Parramatta Female Factory Friends Research Centre & Babette Smith Collection by Dr. Andrew Charlton MP, Federal Member for Parramatta, Meg Keneally and Tom Keneally AO, PFFF Patrons. Take the opportunity to explore this uniquely Parramatta Female Factory focussed collection, for convict and family history research.

Walk in the convict women's footsteps with tours at 9:30am and 1:30pm which will include rare access to one of the three Factory period buildings on site - the haunting 3rd class Penitentiary (c1823-1826), still resounding to the echo of rock breaking and the convict women's chatter!

The Annual Thomas Keneally Lecture (12.00pm) will be delivered this year by eminent historian Assoc. Prof. Hamish Maxwell Stewart, topic: *"Fighting Back: Female Convict Labour & Resistance in Convict Australia"*.

The Friends' Rooms is open for information, sales, *Herstory* displays and the Matron Gordon pop up café for tea, coffee and light refreshments. The PFFF Research Room - family history enquiries, 12pm-3pm.

NOTE: BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL - FOR TOURS (\$10+ booking fee) & TALK (\$5+ booking fee)

EVENTBRITE BOOKINGS OPEN EARLY OCTOBER - go to our Facebook for link to Eventbrite bookings:

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NO PARKING ON SITE - LIMITED ON STREET ONLY

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History News



A Historical Society Seminar: Practical Strategies for a Successful, Vibrant Organisation

The Royal Historical Society of Victoria (RHSV) is staging an in-person and online seminar that will interest local historical societies.

Featuring a selection of presentations that are designed to tackle real-world challenges and offer actionable solutions for your organisation. Plus, there'll be plenty of opportunities to ask questions, share experiences, and connect with others, making this a day rich in learning and collaboration.

Sessions include:

- Attracting New Visitors, Members, and Volunteers.
- Tips for Winning Grants.
- Creating Engaging Events.

Registrations close at 4 pm on Wednesday, 16 October.

When: Friday, 18 October at 9 am to 3 pm.

Where: Drill Hall, 239 A'Beckett St, Melbourne VIC and Online via Zoom.

Admission: Members \$35. Non-members \$55.

RSVP: [Register Here!](#)



Mascot, 1936 (RAHS Woodley Collection)

Spring History Courses at WEA Sydney

Two Hawkesbury Women and One Hawkesbury Man

Margaret Catchpole was a convict, Sarah Cobcroft loved a Second Fleet convict, and William Cox was in NSW to supervise convicts. Learn about their contribution to early colonial development.

Shipwrecks of Australia

Our land is girt by sea, the site for over 8,000 shipwrecks, which tell the story of changing technology, environmental threats, lighthouses and emergency aid, and human tragedy.

Surry Hills and Darlinghurst – The Highs and Lows of Sydney

The upper classes were on the high lands and the lower classes lived beneath them and the buildings we see today – gaols, courts, churches, schools – reveal these stories from the shadows.

From Ross Smith to Kingsford-Smith – Australian Pioneer Pilots

Follow the history-making flights of Kingsford-Smith and other pioneering pilots, from crossing the vast Pacific Ocean to bridging the Tasman to leapfrogging from London to Sydney.

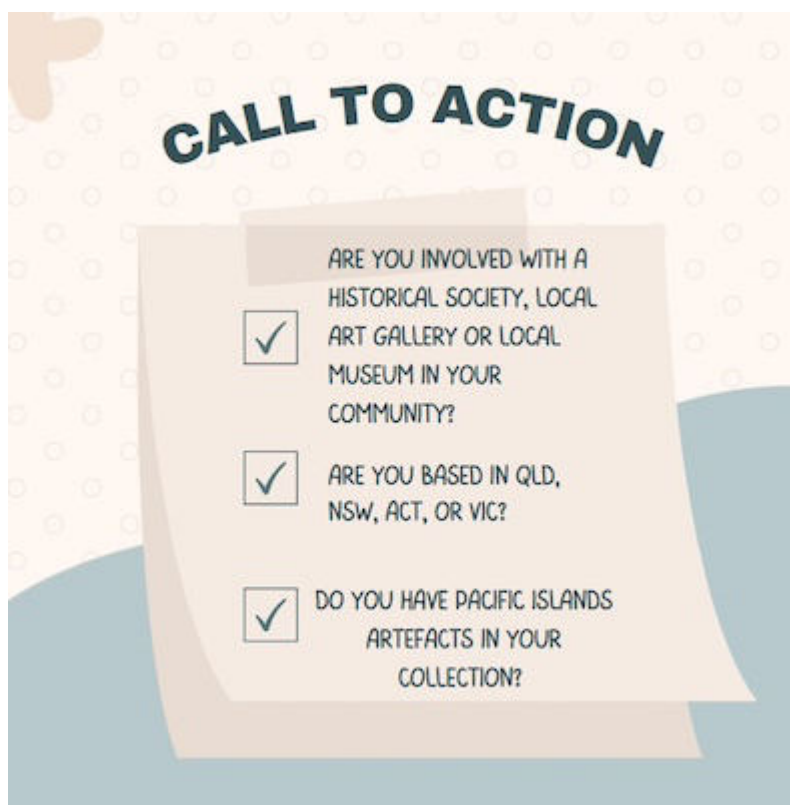
Up, Up and Away! The History of Aviation in Australia

For International Civil Aviation Day on 7 December, let's explore how the Australian tyranny of distance was conquered by risk-taking and perseverance so that we started ruling the skies.

For more information and bookings, visit:

<https://www.weasydney.com.au/courses/History/Australian>

Other News



Call to Action: Pacific Island Collections

Dr Deborah Lee-Talbot is researching the significance of Pacific Island collections in local collecting spaces in Australia.

- Are you involved with a local historical society, local art gallery or local museum in your community?
- Are you based in QLD, NSW, ACT, or VIC?
- Do you have Pacific Islands artefacts in your collection?

If you answered yes to all three questions, [please DM her](#). Deborah wants to speak with you about the collection and local perceptions of Pacific History.

Birchgrove Walking Tour

Join members of The Australiana Fund's NSW Committee on a private walking tour around historic Birchgrove from Ballast Point to Birchgrove Oval.

The area is a wonderful nineteenth-century streetscape with marine villas, significant houses, stone walls, and harbour views. We will visit three private heritage houses and gardens and enjoy a glass of wine overlooking Sydney's beautiful harbour to conclude. All proceeds go to The Australiana Fund for new acquisitions and preservation of our historical and culturally significant collection of Australian artworks in the four Official Residences of the Governor-General and Prime Minister in Canberra and Sydney.

When: Saturday, 2 November from 2.30 pm to 5.30 pm (drinks to 6 pm).

Meet: Ballast Point Park at the end of Ballast Point Road, Birchgrove.

Cost: \$100 for tour and drinks.

RSVP: Monday, 21 October 2024. Fund Members and Guests welcome (no children, thank you). [Register Here!](#)

PREMIER'S ANZAC MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 2025



A unique opportunity to explore Australia's wartime history with students in the Republic of Korea and Singapore.

APPLY NOW



Apply to be an Accompanying Teacher on the 2025 Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarship

Eligible NSW History teachers have the chance to travel to the Republic of Korea and Singapore during the 2025 Term 3 school holidays, accompanying a group of highly engaged NSW high school History students on a study tour.

Joined by a military historian, the tour includes visits to significant historical sites, memorials, and war graves to learn about and commemorate the service and sacrifice of Australian men and women.

This unique experience provides an unparalleled opportunity for professional development and the chance to support students' knowledge and understanding of the history of Australians at war through immersive, hands-on, and site-specific learning.

Apply now: www.veterans.nsw.gov.au/pams-teachers

Applications close on 25 November 2024.



Anzac Community Grants Program 2024

Applications for the 2024 Anzac Community Grants Program are now open!

The NSW Government's Anzac Community Grants Program provides grants of up to \$3,000 for projects that commemorate and educate NSW communities about the service and sacrifices of current and former military servicemen and

Individuals and not-for-profit organisations, including local governments, ex-service organisations, and educational institutions, are eligible to apply.

Applications close on 11 November 2024.

For further information and to apply, please visit veterans.nsw.gov.au/ACGP



Commercial Bank, Queen Street, 1880 (Courtesy CAHS)

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