

## Swan Guildford Historical Society (inc.) founded 1962

Patrons: Ken Wyatt, AM and MP. Hon. Donna Farragher MLC

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### Newsletter May - June 2016

#### The A.G.M. held 14<sup>th</sup> March at the Mechanics Institute endorsed the new committee for 2016/2017

President: Celia Miller  
Immed Past Pres: Clement Mulcahy  
Vice President: Ann-Marie Meredith  
Secretary: Vacant  
Treasurer: Kath Feucs  
Tourism: Wendy Davidson  
Caretaker: Janet Harvey  
Social convenor: Vacant

*(Gaye Sweeney accepted position of Secretary after AGM endorsed at ex meeting 24/05/2016)*

Executive Members The Hon  
Margaret Couper-Grant  
Rod Brinkworth

*The Keepers of Textiles, Gaol, Artefacts, Archives, Images, & Caretaker continue in their current roles.*

#### Clement Mulcahy outgoing President

The society wishes to thank Clem for his contribution made to the society in 2015/2016. His interest in Guildford and his knowledge of its history is truly inspiring. We are sorry he is not able to continue in the role, his work load means that reluctantly he has had to step down. Clem has organised the speakers for the coming year, I am sure he will advise and guide the new President and help when able. Once again thank you.

#### Can you spare 4 hours per week? NEEDED Volunteer Tour Guides for the Old Guildford Gaol

Open 10 am-2 00pm Tues – Sat  
Ring Celia 9379 1133 if you can assist.

#### General Meeting 13 June 2016

Mechanics Institute 7 00pm for 7.30pm

#### Speakers: Marty and Connie Winch Buist:

The couple are sandalwood nut farmers near York in Western Australia, they were named 2014 Australian Forest Growers National Tree Farmer of the Year.

**Topic** *Old Industry to Modern Food.*

*All welcome*

#### W.A. Day Monday 6 June 2016



Did you know?

The first flag of Western Australia was adopted in 1870 and is almost identical to the current flag of W.A. which was officially adopted by the government in 1953.

This year the flag will be raised by:

**Hon. Michelle Roberts MLA BA, DipEd**  
at the Old Gaol, Heritage Precinct, Meadow Street Guildford at 10.00 am.

Morning tea will be served after in the Mechanics Institute. *All welcome.*

#### Exhibition at the Swan Valley Visitor Centre. “Blood Sacrifice”

The exhibition will continue to run in support of the launch of a website to honour soldiers who left Guildford to fight in WWI.



*The visual presentation of items has been enhanced by QR codes that will enable you to get more information by scanning it with your smart phone, laptop or iPad. A QR reader can be downloaded free from your App Store.*

**VALE**

It is with a great sense of shock that the society is recording the passing of member Alan Haime. Alan a great supporter in keeping Guildford untouched by unwanted development, he attended City of Swan council meetings to keep an eye on what was going on. He very much respected the work of the Swan Guildford Historical Society and enjoyed attending the meetings and various speakers.

Condolences to Lois and family.

**GUILDFORD HERITAGE PRECINCT VISION FOR GUILDFORD**

We have a vision that Guildford becomes a “must do” tourist attraction in a similar way to Fremantle. That people come to view Guildford as a complete historic town with a wealth of heritage buildings and plenty to do and see. The Heritage Precinct will be at the heart of the historic town and offer interpretation, access to heritage buildings and guided tours. The National Trust of Australia (WA) was established in 1959 due to the efforts of a group of concerned people who were dismayed at the disregard for the state’s heritage during the 1950s. Its objectives were to raise public awareness of the importance of heritage through education and preservation. A Buildings Committee was very quickly formed and by 1961 the newly formed Trust had a short list of classified buildings.

**The National Trust in 1984 classified Guildford as a National Trust Historic Town**

because of the survival of much of Guildford's original town plan, built fabric, and the homogenous form of the buildings. It is a contemporary example of a 19<sup>th</sup> century English country town retaining its original layout and is picturesquely located on high ground overlooking its flood plains. Guildford is a unique and comparatively intact! A 19<sup>th</sup> century urban centre within a relatively undisturbed topographical setting. The built environment reflects Guildford’s most prolific period, the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries.

**MEMBERSHIP FEES NOW DUE**

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	DONATION	\$ _____
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