

# Swan Guildford Historical Society(Inc.)

**founded 1962**

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**Making History Matter**

## **General Meeting**

Mechanics Institute, Meadow Street, GUILDFORD  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018, 7 00 pm for 7 30 pm.

All welcome

## **Guest Speaker**

**Ms Jude Carr, Local History Librarian City of Swan**

## **Presenting Midland Monkey Town**

Midland would not be as we know it today if it wasn't for the establishment of the Midland Railway Company at the end of the 1800s. This private company was set up to build the northern railway line to Walkaway and it set the pattern for Midland as a location for the railway industry. The WAGR workshops were built in Midland only ten years after the northern line was completed thus ensuring that Midland was to experience 100 years of railway heritage. This presentation introduces the people who built the northern line.

## **General Meeting**

Mechanics Institute, Meadow Street, GUILDFORD  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2018, 7 00 pm for 7 30 pm.

All welcome

## **Guest Speaker**

**Chris Durrant, former Guildford Grammar teacher**

## **Presenting Under the Same Moon, A Story from the Great War.**

While researching his uncle's past, he and wife Shirley, a housemother at Guildford Grammar boarding school, dug into the history of the 46 Guildford Grammar School students and two staff who perished overseas in the conflict. Their research led them to the visit the graves or memorials for all but two of the local heroes across Gallipoli, France, Belgium and England, and one in Geraldton. Elements of his uncle's story became the inspiration for his novel which takes places across worlds, from small English towns to battle field nursing stations.

## Swan Guildford Historical Society awarded funding by the councillors City of Swan

Councillors at the June 6<sup>th</sup> meeting:

Approved recurrent funding support of \$46,542 per annum (indexed to inflation) to the Swan Guildford Historical Society to extend the existing arrangement to engage an experienced curator in a part-time capacity, 3 days a week, for a period of five years, subject to review after three years.

2) Approved new recurrent funding support of \$31,028 per annum (indexed to inflation) to the Swan Guildford Historical Society to engage the services of an education tourism tour coordinator, two days a week, for a period of five years, subject to review after three years.

This funding would not have been given without all the good works from volunteers, the support from the community, the quality of our collection, and our contribution to tourism by opening our doors five days per week.

## W.A. DAY

**Dale Tilbrook** Wardandi Bibbulmun woman, was our guest speaker at the W.A. Day celebration. Dale is passionate about Aboriginal history, art and culture, she spoke of the importance of our environment, and the way the Indigenous people have looked after country for over 40,000 years. She also stressed the importance of listening and respecting each other. You can meet Dale at Maalinup Aboriginal Gallery, in the Swan Valley or at her shop in Yagan Sq Perth an Aboriginal owned and operated enterprise offering Aboriginal cultural activities, talks, performances and bush tucker, as well as a gallery full of local Aboriginal art, exquisitely different hand painted gifts and high quality Australian made souvenirs. Drop in and sample sauces, jams, chutneys, oils and dukkahs from our bushtucker range or treat yourself to a handmade soap or book.



## ROGUES GALLERY

Meet Frederick Deeming, serial killer, why was he in our local gaol? read his story, when you visit the rogues gallery at the Old Colonial Gaol, Historical Precinct Meadow Street, Guildford.

Did you know Bushranger Moondyne Joe spent time in our local Gaol?



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