

# Swan Guildford Historical Society(Inc.)

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Making History Matter

## General Meeting

Mechanics Institute, Meadow Street, GUILDFORD

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018, 7 00 pm for 7 30 pm.

All welcome

## Guest Speaker - Ms Anne Chapple

Anne has had a life-long fascination with history and heritage and enhanced this with an incorporation of history studies in her Bachelor of Education degree. On a voluntary basis, Anne has a strong involvement with historic ANZAC Cottage in Mt Hawthorn, and has won several awards for her writing on the history of the Cottage.

## Presenting - Animals at War

This presentation explores the animals that served and still play a vital role in times of war. From the well known and honoured contribution of horses, donkeys and pigeons through to lesser known animals, birds and even smaller creatures these "critters" not only comforted and provided solace for our troops so far from home, but were often responsible for saving lives in these dangerous times. The talk will include a brief description of the history of ANZAC Cottage and its connection with the "Animals at War"

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Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018, 7 00 pm for 7 30 pm.

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## Guest Speakers-Lorraine Clarke and Cherie Strickland

Genealogical researchers Lorraine Clarke and Cherie Strickland from Swan Genealogy explored the State Archives Collection, WA's largest archival collection which is preserved and made accessible by the State Records Office of Western Australia"

## Presenting-Australia's Last Convicts: Reprobates, Rogues & Recidivists

There has been considerable research about their lives and fates. Photographs of the convicts are rare, but recently long time genealogical researchers Lorraine and Cherie explored the State Archives Collection, WA's largest archival collection to uncover and research their stories.

## 10<sup>th</sup> LIGHT HORSE STATUE COMMITTEE

ON THE 25<sup>TH</sup> OF August, after numerous committee meetings, the LIGHT HORSE STATUE COMMITTEE were ready to announce the winning artist to produce an interactive bronze statue of a horse and trooper, commemorating the formation of the 10<sup>th</sup> Light Horse Regiment in Guildford, on completion of the statue it will be placed in Stirling Square.

The guest speakers, John Lyall, John Lukin, John Harper and Dale Tilbrook reflected on the family triumphs and losses caused by the Great War,



Charles Robb of Queensland, the winning artist., provided the above maquette model of the statue. The statue was unveiled by Hon. Ken Wyatt MP and the Hon. Michelle Roberts MLA. The City of Swan has donated \$100,000 towards this magnificent statue, other monies will be raised by pledges from the local community. The announcement took place in the Foundation Pavilion, Guildford Grammar School.

## SOUTH AUSTRALIAN WINE

How did a bottle of Australian Wine find its way into the societies newsletter? It's because of the label, 19 CRIMES. James Kiely pictured on the label, came to WA on the last convict ship, the Hougoumont in 1868.

The discovery of Fenian activity in 1865 led to the arrest of many Irishmen, and charged with treason-felony, an offence against the state. The death sentence was commuted to transportation for these men. One of the Fenians, **Patrick Wall** wrote about the Fenians' dispersal to road camps. His party of 20 endured a two day march (from Fremantle) with an overnight stay in Perth, before they arrived to work at a stone quarry near Guildford. James was not on this road party. After nine years as a political prisoner he was granted a ticket of leave on 6 March 1877, twelve months later, Queen Victoria granted him a free pardon. James Kiely met and married a young Irish girl, they settled in Guildford, his retiring days were spent in Perth. For many years the old Fenian headed the annual St Patrick's Day parade in Perth. Why did the wine maker choose the label – I don't know – but I can tell you the Shiraz James Kiely put his name too, in my opinion, is a fine drop.



*It is one hundred and fifty years since the last convict ship – the Hougoumont - arrived at Fremantle. Approximately 10,000 male convicts over eighteen years were transported to Western Australia between 1850 and 1868.*

## ROGUES GALLERY

More characters have been added to our Rogues Gallery, in the Old Colonial Gaol. Come and listen to the stories of these local offenders. Our Tour Guides are available Tuesday – Saturday 10.00 am – last tour 1.30 pm.