

# Australian - Irish Heritage Association



## NOTICEBOARD September and October 2019

### NEW PILOT EVENT: SUNDAY MISCELLANY, Sunday October 6

Based on the popular radio programme on Irelands national radio RTE 1, to be heard every Sunday morning at 9am for the past 50 years.

Listen to podcasts on [https://www.rte.ie/radio1/podcast/podcast\\_sundaymiscellany.xml](https://www.rte.ie/radio1/podcast/podcast_sundaymiscellany.xml)

This new event on our calendar incorporates the popular poetry content of last year's 'The Verse' but now we are inviting writers, reciters, readers and listeners for an afternoon of "Radio essays, reportage, appreciations, memory pieces, poetry, travel writing and personal accounts".

We invite you to email your interest in reading a poem or prose/essay of your choice or written by you, to [secretary@irishheritage.com.au](mailto:secretary@irishheritage.com.au) by no later than 22 September

Our Criteria is,

- Essays are generally 700/800 words that can hold listeners attention, usually 5 minutes maximum
- Subject is geared for the ear. Therefore the reader should have an engaging voice. The focus is on entertaining our audience
- Prose and poetry can be original or sourced from other writers

The programme will include live music, visual slides and introduction of readers. There will be two 40 minute segments with afternoon tea during the interval. Readings from behind lecterns with microphone facility under theatre light.

**Venue** Irish Club Theatre, Townshend Road Subiaco, cabaret seating  
**Time** Sunday afternoon 3pm to 4.45pm, 6 October  
**Cost** \$10, pay at the door, includes Irish afternoon tea. Flyer attached

### THE FOURTH TUESDAY BOOK CLUB

Meets fourth Tuesday of the month, with exception of December. At 8pm

**September 24** "Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine", by Gail Honeyman  
**October 22** "Strumpet City", by James Plunkett (to be confirmed)  
**Venue** Irish Club Committee Room, 61 Townshend Road, Subiaco  
**Admission** Free. All welcome. Light refreshments provided. Tea and coffee from the Bar \$2  
**Contact** Convener Mary Purcell, [m.purcell@telstra.com](mailto:m.purcell@telstra.com)

### WRITING COMPETITIONS FOR 2019, Deadline 31 October

**The Joe O'Sullivan Writers' Prize** honouring the memory of the Organisation's late founder, worth \$1,000, limit of 2,000 to 4,000 words - prose, fact or fiction. Australian-wide entries invited.

Topic: "Memories"

**Joyce Parkes Women's Writers' Prize** honours Joyce Parkes who is a well-known poet living in WA. She is the patron of the prize, which aims at promoting and encouraging women writers in Australia. Limit of 1,000 to 2,000 words – Prose, fact or fiction. Prize Money: \$500 Australian-wide entries invited

Topic: "If Only"

Entrance Fee \$10 for all competitions. Deadline **31 October, 2019**. Enquiries to Denis Bratton 9345 3530

*Winner of Joyce Parkes Writers Prize for 2018 was Freya Cox from Tasmania with 'Blackbird Fly'.*

*Winner of the Joe O'Sullivan Writers' prize was Peta Shaw of Lesmurdie with 'Wildflowers'*

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## AIHA other activities

**Planning AIHA future.** We welcome suggestions on projects, activities and events, and people willing to assist. Reply to contact details in footer section of this page. We meet on Saturday 14 September to plan for 2020.

**AIHA new Website** went live on 31 May. Please visit, log in for discussion and enjoy interactive media and photo gallery of events, <https://irishheritage.com.au/>. We acknowledge support of Lotterywest and thank Patricia Bratton.

**The Journal** is issued Quarterly to members only and the latest edition was mailed out in July. This collector's digest features stories from at home and abroad, poems, reports and features. Learn of one of Ireland's greatest scientists; a desert journey to Ooldea Soak; the poetry of Eavan Boland; twentieth century famous ballad singer, the academic and diplomat's wife Delia Murphy; the Irish reverend 'scarlet pimpernel of Rome'; 'From the cow field to Croke Park – reflection on the GAA by local Dr Felix McKnight; Irish Pilgrim Paths; an Irish photographer who recorded the American Civil War and portraited 18 American Presidents; Seamus Mallon on Irish Unity; Irish whiskey; Scotch corner and so much more. Back editions are available to new members on request.

## AIHA supports

**Claddagh Quiz Night**, Irish Club Subiaco, Friday 20 September at 7pm. Fundraiser supporting the Irish community in WA. Tables of 6 or 8, \$20 per head. To book a table or donate a prize ring the Association on 08 9249 9213.

**Irish Theatre Players season of 3 One Act Plays**, back in Irish Club Theatre Subiaco,  
**'Caught Inside'** by Therese Edmonds, Directed by Paul Taylor Byrne. Drama  
**'A Yearning for Home'** by Sean Byrne, Directed by Dale James. Comedy  
**'No Room to Party'** by Harry Davies, Directed by Aidan Murphy. *Romantic comedy*  
September 11 (Claddagh Assoc Fundraiser), 12,13 and 14 at 7.30pm, matinee on Sunday 15 at 2pm.  
Tickets \$25/20 concession. [www.trybooking.com/BEOZY](http://www.trybooking.com/BEOZY) , email [itp@irishtheatreplayers.com.au](mailto:itp@irishtheatreplayers.com.au) tel 0404 006 005

**The Gathering**, Irish Club Fundraising concert of music, song and dance. A collaboration of the best Irish musicians in Perth, the Torc Ceilí Club and Irish Choir Perth., Sunday 29 September (long weekend) at 7.30pm, \$20 at <https://www.trybooking.com/BEHGL> or at the bar

**Scottish Culture** – Armadale Highland Gathering and Perth Kilt Run, Minnowarra Park, Armadale, Sunday Oct 6 hosted by the City of Armadale. [perthkilt.com.au](http://perthkilt.com.au)

**National Trust Avondale Farm Community Day**, Beverley, Sunday 22 September, 11am to 3pm. Tours, nature walks, vendors, activities, music and more

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL was due 1 January, 2019

Family membership \$65                      Concession (Centrelink and unwaged students with ID) \$55  
Distant (200 kms from Perth) \$45                      Membership fee includes tax deductible donation of \$20

*Members enjoy discounted rates to dinners and functions, exclusive events, quarterly Journal, voting rights, and opportunities to participate in activities which promote an awareness of Australia's Irish Heritage*

## AIHA BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

**President** – Heather Deighan                      **Treasurer/ Membership** – Patricia Bratton  
**Secretary** – Tony Bray                      **Committee** – Carmel Ryan, Denis Bratton, John Sullivan  
Supported by a tier of volunteers. Please talk to us if you are interested in being involved in some way!

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