

Australian - Irish Heritage Association



NOTICE BOARD OF ACTIVITIES FOR AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2021

ANNUAL MARY DURACK MEMORIAL LECTURE, Sunday 15 August

Launched in 1995 the annual Mary Durack Memorial Lecture honours the pioneering work in Australia on many fronts by the Durack family and our founding member and first patron Dame Mary Durack (1913-1994). This year's lecture will be delivered by the **Honourable Alannah MacTiernan**, MLC, Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Hydrogen Industry in the WA State Labor government. Alannah is of Irish descent and has a long career of public service in Local, State and Federal Government. Her talk will touch on the Durack involvement in the history of Horticulture in the North. *Due to Covid restrictions the lecture was rescheduled from July 4 during **Naidoc week**, with this year's theme of 'Heal Country' – which calls for all of us to continue to seek greater protections for our lands, our waters, our sacred sites and our cultural heritage from exploitation, desecration, and destruction.*

Venue Irish Club Theatre, Townshend Road Subiaco

Time Sunday afternoon 3pm, August 15, 2021

Cost \$10 includes Irish afternoon tea and Q&A moderated by Diana MacTiernan.

Pay at the door. Open to all

Enquiries secretary@irishheritage.com.au Web Page: <https://irishheritage.com.au/>. Look us up on Facebook
Flyer attached with more detail

BUIOCHAIS (THANKSGIVING) CELEBRATION, Sun 19 Sep to be confirmed

Proposed new version of our former Australia Day Thanksgiving service - this time an Exhibition of your Irish artefacts and memorabilia on public display. Formal representation of Irish Organisations, digital and live entertainment, running Irish afternoon tea. A homely and welcoming event celebrating the Irish contribution to Australia and a thanksgiving for this lucky country. *This is a project in development to be confirmed*

Venue Irish Club Theatre, 61 Townshend Road, Subiaco

Time Sunday 19 September, 3 to 5pm

Admission \$15 including Irish afternoon tea

Invitation Please advise secretary@irishheritage.com.au if you have items to display

Coming up

Annual Brendan Award - The prestigious Brendan award has been presented since 1997 in recognition of an outstanding contribution to Australia's Irish Heritage which clearly reflects favourably on Ireland and the Irish. 2021 Award will be presented at the Irish Club on Sunday 26 September, 7.30pm. Previous winners are invited.

The Journal – members of AIHA receive a free quarterly book bound publication. Current edition is co-edited by new editor Julie Breathnach-Banwait who as an Irish language poet brings a Gaelic current through the content, and outgoing editor Denis Bratton. This edition has articles on subjects of psychology, local and immigrant history, Irish politics, sentiment, poetry and poets, Irish literature, and quirky Irishisms that inform and entertain.

Parlour Concert, Sunday 17 October in Irish Club Theatre, co-ordinated by Gayle Lannon and Diana MacTiernan. Poets and Writers are invited to participate and read from your work or a work of your choice with an Irish Connection. This event has evolved from our innovative 'The Verse' in 2018 to 'Sunday Miscellany' in 2019 to our inaugural 'Parlour Concert' in 2020. It is an afternoon of Prose and Poetry, Music and Song with informative introductions of each presentation, illustrated slides and an Irish afternoon tea. Email expressions of interest to secretary@irishheritage.com.au

Annual Writers Competitions will be launched in August with some changes to prizes, rules and deadline.

If you know of someone interested in receiving our monthly 'Noticeboard' two-page newsletter just email our secretary to be added to our growing data base.

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AIHA Supports

Radio Fremantle 107.9fm, **Celtic Rambles**, Saturdays 8 to 10 am. Host Frank Murphy, producer Gerry Grogan. Irish radio at its best – interviews, news items, music and opinions

Claddagh Association founded in 1997 is a voluntary, non-profit organisation with Gift Recipient Status. Supported by the Government of Ireland, local Irish organisations and individuals. Check website and face book for regular senior's lunches and outings, and current projects. <https://claddagh.org.au/>

Fenians Fremantle and Freedom Inc – Contact info@feniansfestival.com.au

Tues 10 Aug, 7pm, Orient Hotel back bar - informative discussion providing in-depth information about the Catalpa Expedition - what we know about the planning that took place in the USA, some of the extraordinary circumstances that could have derailed the whole plan, the role of Fenian Edward Kelly and the Sydney connection and what we know about the crew of the Georgette - did they really need to return for coal? Members free, friends \$10

For more about the Catalpa story before you are invited to attend a free lecture by Mike Lefroy at the Maritime Museum, 11am-12noon the same day. Flyer attached on a series of lectures on Australian Irish heritage themes.

The Gaelic Athletic Association of WA will celebrate the 50th anniversary of WA Gaelic games on Sunday 26 Sep with outdoor games and an exhibition in the Irish Club Subiaco. If you have any records/memorabilia to exhibit please contact secretarygaawa@hotmail.com or gaawa50@gmail.com. Flyer attached

Irish Club, 61 Townshend Road, Subiaco. Affiliated membership available to AIHA members at \$25. Superdraw raffle, win \$10,000, \$3,000, \$2,000, Perth Hotel stay, Rottnest Hotel stay. Tickets \$50, Drawn Friday 6 August. Weekly quiz Wednesday 7pm, \$5 <https://www.facebook.com/irishclubofwa/>

Irish Film Festival Australia – launched in 2015, now online September 3 to 12. Tickets on sale 12 August.

The program boasts 7 Australian premieres - *Wildfire*, *Broken Law*, *Deadly Cuts*, *The Bright Side*, *Phil Lynott: Songs For While I'm Away*, *Aine Tyrell - Irish Troubadour* and *Finding Jack Charlton*. The voices of women are amplified with 5 films by female Directors. There's a documentary *Crock of Gold: A Few Rounds with Shane MacGowan*. Audiences will also have exclusive behind-the-scenes access to films via **Q&A sessions** with festival director Dr Enda Murray and a selection of the films' Directors and cast.

Trailer link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wfaA-Ss2RxA> Festival programme: <https://irishfilmfestival.com.au/>

Irish Theatre Players present "Little Gem" by Dublin Playwright Elaine Murphy, directed by Suzannah Churchman. A story of love, sex, birth and salsa classes, told by three generations of extraordinary Irish women. This comedy is definitely not for kids, and especially for ladies. August 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28 7.30pm, Sun 22 matinee 2pm. Age 18+. \$25, \$20 concession. www.trybooking.com/BTAGM

Royal WA Historical Society (Inc.) – regularly present talks and tours of interest

Stirling House 49 Broadway Nedlands WA 6009. Tel 9386-3841, admin@histwest.org.au www.histwest.org.au

Torc Ceili Club present *ANSEO (HERE)* evening of Ceol, Amhrain agus Rince (Music, Song and Dance) in the Irish Club on Friday 13 August at 7pm. Featuring a 'Pop-Up Gaeltacht'. They will teach you the dance steps. Dinner available upstairs before the Ceili. www.trybooking.com/BTEJJ

THE FOURTH TUESDAY BOOK CLUB

Meets fourth Tuesday of the month, with exception of December. At 7.30pm

August 24 'The Trauma Cleaner', award winning biography by Sarah Krasnostein, presented by Cecilia Bray

September 28 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

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL was due 1 January, 2021

Family membership \$65

Distant (200 kms from Perth) \$45

Concession (Centrelink and unwaged students with ID) \$55

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 Committee

President – Heather Deighan **Treasurer/ Membership** – Patricia Bratton **Secretary** – Tony Bray

Committee – Peter Conole, Gayle Lannon, Diana MacTiernan, Julie Walsh-Barwait, Gill Kenny

Supported by a tier of volunteers. Please talk to us if you are interested in being involved in some way!

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