

# Australian - Irish Heritage Association



## NOTICE BOARD OF ACTIVITIES FOR MARCH & APRIL 2023

### SAINT PATRICK'S WEEKEND

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March, Community Mass, 10.30am, Saint Joseph's Subiaco**

Appropriate to the Saint's Day join us for a wonderful Irish spiritual service. AIHA will be among the community groups in procession behind our banner. Organised by *Irish Families in Perth*

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March, Leederville Parade and Irish Festival, 10am**

The AIHA will be participating in the parade and will have an information tent at the Medibank oval with children's activities and photo opportunities in heritage dress. You are invited to join our float featuring a green 1949 Riley sedan, AIHA banners with participants dressed in black and white. We will provide participants with a ribbon. The theme for the 2023 Festival Parade is "Irish Heroes". Concert at the oval is free.

### THE FOURTH TUESDAY BOOK CLUB

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

**Mar 23\*** 'Winter Garden' by Kristen Hannah, presented by Mary Purcell

**April** *Cancelled as most members will be out of the State*

**May 23** 'The Power of the Dog' by Thomas Savage, presented by Cecilia Bray

**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)

**\*Note** *March changed to Thursday 23 due to most members being out of the state*

### EASTER MONDAY CATALPA COMMEMORATION ROCKINGHAM, 11am

Annual commemoration of the escape of six Fenian convicts on 17-18 April, 1876. With oration, verse, music and song at the Catalpa Memorial. Guest speakers and dignitaries in attendance, including Mayor Deb Hamblin and city councilors; Federal Minister Madeline King; Richard Offen, President Royal WA Historical Society and media historian; actors Michael Sheehy and Michael Breslin; musician Ormonde Og Waters; John McCarthy of Fremantle Fenian Festival; and more to be confirmed. Coordinated by David McKnight.

This event has been registered with the National Trust for their annual Heritage Festival which runs 10 April to 14 May. See their website for full program: <https://nationaltrust.org.au/ahf/wa>

**Date** Easter Monday, 10 April at 11am to 12 noon.

**Venue** Catalpa Memorial, Rockingham Beach, walking distance south of Township.

**Entry** Free public event.

**Followed by** Inaugural Irish Festival by the local Rockingham Catalpa Rescue Project on Churchill Park from 12 noon to 6pm. It will feature an afternoon concert of Irish performers, children's activities, food vans, licensed bar and market stalls. Free event. <https://www.facebook.com/TourismRockingham/>

### NOTICES

**ANZAC Day Commemoration**, Tuesday 25 April, 8am. AIHA at invitation of Subiaco RSL lay wreaths for Irish ANZACS. Morning tea follows. Subject to confirmation

**Annual General Meeting** was held on 26 February. We congratulate Heather Deighan on her fifth year as chair of the AIHA, and continuing committee members Patricia Bratton, Tony Bray, Gayle Lannon and Peter Conole. Members can obtain Presidents Report and Financial report on request from our secretary.

**Website and Facebook** assistance – if you know of someone who can assist with Wordpress for an hour a month we would love to hear from you.

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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. Hear latest AIHA activities.

**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. Seniors Digital Workshops, Visa Clinics, Volunteer opportunities, Seniors lunches, Coach trips. <https://claddagh.org.au/> Membership \$10

**Irish Scene** free bi-monthly magazine is the go-to source of all activities in WA's Australian Irish community. Check out AIHA regular page. Available from Irish Club and Irish hospitality venues

**Fremantle Fenian Festival:** [info@feniansfestival.com.au](mailto:info@feniansfestival.com.au)

**Irish Club**, 61 Townshend Road, Subiaco. Open Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat. Bar, Lounge, Kitchen, Theatre, meeting rooms. Weekly quiz Wed 7pm. Seniors Lunch Friday 3 March, 12 noon, \$25 buffet, raffle and quiz. Kitchen open all day from 9am, St Patrick's Day, Friday 17 March with live music and Irish dancing. Tel 9381 5213 <https://www.facebook.com/irishclubofwa/>

**Irish Theatre Players** - Annual General Meeting, Monday, March 13, 7pm, Irish Club, Subiaco. Vacancies on committee. Email [itp@irishtheatreplayers.com.au](mailto:itp@irishtheatreplayers.com.au)

**Royal WA Historical Society** – Stirling House 49 Broadway Nedlands. Giant Second Hand Book Sale 31 March to 2 April 2023. Slater Homestead Goomalling tour, Sat 15 April, 8am to 4.30pm, \$85 members, \$90 non-members includes morning tea in Toodyay, and two-course lunch at the homestead. Check website for regular talks and tours, 9386 3841, [www.histwest.org.au](http://www.histwest.org.au) Email [admin@histwest.org.au](mailto:admin@histwest.org.au)

**National Trust CY O'Connor Lecture**, Friday 10 March, 5.30 to 7.45pm, NWS Shipping Theatre, Fremantle Maritime Museum. Presented by Nicole Lockwood, Chairperson of Infrastructure WA. <https://cyoconnor23.eventbrite.com.au/> \$22/\$17, members \$15. Followed by refreshments

**Hand in Hand – Kidogo Irish Aboriginal Festival**, March 17 to 19, Kidogo Arthouse, Fremantle, featuring Gaeilgeoir Manchán Magan; Irish poet Tony Curtis; Multimedia artist Stano; and songwriter Eddie Sherlock of the Dublin band "The Rattling Kind". <https://kidogo.com.au/kiaf/> 0401 333 309

**Southwest Irish Community Group** – inaugural Saint Patrick's Festival Bunbury, March 17 to 19. Music, dance, Gaelic games, Fenian lecture, Irish cooking, food and fun, with The Castaways, The Doozys, The Broken Pokers, Jarrah Celts, Crooked Brook. At Stirling Street Arts Centre and Dolphin Discovery Centre. Also John Boyle O'Reilly 'Escape' tour. All events free. <https://www.southwestirish.com.au/festival>

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL Now Due 1 January, 2023

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

**Pay Online** – you can register your details and pay via <https://irishheritage.com.au/membership/registration/>

**Or Bank Transfer:** Bank: Commonwealth, BSB: 066-192 Account No: 1054 6502

*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

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

## Coming Up

- Bloomsday Literary celebration of James Joyce's Ulysses, June 16
- Mary Durack Memorial Lecture, July
- John O'Donohue (Irish poet, author and philosopher) Afternoon reflection, August 27
- 'The Silver Branch' documentary and conversation, October 29
- Other events in planning

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