

Australian - Irish Heritage Association



NOTICE BOARD OF ACTIVITIES FOR AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2023

THE FOURTH TUESDAY BOOK CLUB

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

Aug 22 Charles Dickens and the Great Theatre of Life by Simon Callow presented by Joe Purcell

Sep 26 To be decided at August meeting

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

Afternoon Reflections with John O'Donohue, Sunday August 27

A Celtic Tapestry of Poetry, Music, Storytelling, Imagery

Afternoon Reflections with John O'Donohue, Irish Mystic and Poet

Philosophy – Poetry – Music - Spirituality

Spend an afternoon being introduced to John O'Donohue's sense of being and engagement with life in the real world, its joys, beauty, pain, and sorrow. John O'Donohue reflects reality through a Celtic prism/lens.

John O'Donohue was born in 1956 and raised into a Gaelic speaking family in the Burren region of County Clare Ireland. His love of nature and the wild landscape was nurtured in his childhood framed by an "ethereal view of a limestone valley and the beckoning waters of Galway Bay." Ordained into priesthood and completing a M.A. (Ireland) in 1982, he was awarded his PHD in Philosophical Theology at University of Tübingen, Germany in 1990.

A notable work by John O'Donohue 'Anam Cara' - Spiritual Wisdom from the Celtic World was critiqued as "a rare synthesis of philosophy, poetry and spirituality" ... and as "a lively companion to all Celts or to those who are Celtic in their hearts." John O'Donohue died in Avignon, France in 2008 at the early age of fifty-two.

Meet Heather Deighan, Geraldine Taylor, Colleen Wallace, and others; to pause and enjoy companionship and friendship over an Irish Afternoon Tea with Irish Music, visual presentation and the Celtic Harp with professional harpist Eliza Bourgault du Coudray.

Experience John O'Donohue's approach and way of thinking; offering a sense of inner harmony, peace, encouragement, and hope in a changing world.

Date Sunday August 27, 3.00pm to 5.00pm

Venue Irish Club Theatre, 61 Townshend Road, Subiaco

Admission AIHA members \$20, Non-members \$25, includes Irish afternoon tea

Bookings <https://www.trybooking.com/CKLMR> Enquiries to Colleen Wallace 6153 1081

NOTICES

The Journal – June edition features articles on contribution of Nuns to Ireland; John Moriarty Aboriginal elder; Ancient Irish medical practices; Dr Charles William McCarthy, composer, doctor, artist; Thomas Meagher patriot; Hugh Mahon – Irish republican of the goldfields; Irish community gatherings through history; What have the Irish ever done for Australia? Plus articles on AIHA activities incl Catalpa commemoration and Bloomsday, literary – Seamus Heaney anniversary, review of 'A Man of Honour', Irish Proverbs and more. Email articles to journal@irishheritage.com.au

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. New hosts Heather Deighan, president of AIHA and Eoin Kenna commence 5 August. 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. Seniors Digital Workshops, Visa Clinics, Volunteer opportunities, Seniors lunches, Coach trips. Seniors lunch, Stirling Arms Guildford, Mon 14 Aug, 12 noon, includes bingo! \$25/\$35. Tel 0417 099 801 or 9345 3530. <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 To join What's App group text Anne on +61 457 199 953

Irish Club, 61 Townshend Road, Subiaco. Open Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat. Bar, Lounge, Kitchen, Theatre, meeting rooms. Weekly quiz Wed 7pm. Monthly seniors lunch Friday 4 August, 12 noon, \$25 buffet, raffle and quiz. Membership renewals now due. Tel 9381 5213 <https://www.facebook.com/irishclubofwa/>

Irish Theatre Players – September production "ByThe Bog of Cats" by Marina Carr, directed by Lucy Eyre. <https://www.facebook.com/IrishTheatrePlayers/>

Royal WA Historical Society – Stirling House 49 Broadway Nedlands. Check website for regular talks and tours, 9386 3841, www.histwest.org.au Email admin@histwest.org.au

Irish-Australian Arts Round Up monthly newsletter issued by irishfilmfestivalaustralia@gmail.com Look out for Irish Film Festival in Luna Cinema Leederville, Oct 27 to 29

JB Forever 27 Gala Ball in aid of the Kevin Bell Repatriation Trust and the Claddagh Association WA, Hyatt Regency Perth, Sat Nov 11, 2023. <https://aus.givergy.com/JBForever27GalaBall2023/?controller=tickets>

AIHA 30 years on

Since our foundation in 1993 we have on record an index of every article and author published in our quarterly Journal. The current Journal records a list of all Mary Durack Lecture speakers and subjects as well as a list of the Recipients of the Brendan Award which celebrates people with a record of dedicated service and outstanding achievement to Australia's Irish heritage. This is a permanent legacy of the association in addition to many novel and regular events of an historical, literary and social nature; as well as writing competitions and grants. We have been described as a noble organization that facilitates people to participate in celebrating our distinctive Irish heritage.

As the world becomes more virtual and on-line we want to preserve a means of social engagement for the community. Your participation at events, as a member, encouraging others to come along, joining a committee are ways of ensuring the future of AIHA continues with confidence.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL was 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

Chairperson – 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

- 'The Silver Branch' documentary and conversation, Sunday, October 29
- Mary Durack Memorial Lecture, November 19
- Other events in planning

Non Political-Non Sectarian-Emphatically Australian

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