

Australian - Irish Heritage Association



NOTICE BOARD OF ACTIVITIES FOR JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2024

AIHA FILM CLUB SEASON Wednesdays February 7, 14, 21, 28, March 6

Fourteenth annual outdoor Irish Film Festival with a programme of rarely seen and some classic Irish cinema. Private garden cinema, 7.45pm nightly. Ample parking available. Big fifteen-foot cinema screen.

Wed Feb 7: ROSE PLAYS JULIE, 2019, 101 min, Drama Mystery

Gripped by curiosity, a young woman's search for her biological mother leads her into a web of sexual trauma, power struggle and an identity crisis. A film about identity and integrity, tension and release, discomfort and catharsis – and ultimately about the human condition and our need to understand who we really are. Stars Aidan Gillen, Orla Brady and Ann Skelly

Wed Feb 14: MY SAILOR MY LOVE, 2022, 102 min, Romance Drama

"It's Never too late to Love". A retired sea captain embarks on a new romantic relationship with a widowed housekeeper, leading his daughter to reevaluate their tense relationship. Filmed on Achill Island. Features James Cosmo and Brid Brennan. Nominated for best Irish film at Dublin International Film Festival

Wed Feb 21: THE MIRACLE CLUB, 2023, 91 min, Comedy Drama

"The Best Journeys take your Home". Dublin 1967, there's just one dream for the women of Ballygar to taste freedom: to win a pilgrimage to the sacred French town of Lourdes. With a little benevolent interference from their local priest, a group of close friends get their ticket of a lifetime. Starring Laura Linney, Kathy Bates, Maggie Smith, Stephen Rea and Agnes O'Casey (great granddaughter of Irish playwright Sean O'Casey).

Wed Feb 28: PIXIE, 2020, 93 min, Thriller Crime Comedy

Pixie Hardy sets out to avenge her mother's death and attempts a heist that will give her the means to leave her small-town life behind. When the plan goes horribly wrong, she's forced to team up with a pair of misfits who are clearly in over their heads. On the run from a criminal gang of priests and nuns, the trio tries to scheme and swindle anyone they come across. Featuring Colm Meaney, Alec Baldwin and Dylan Moran. Filmed Killough Co Down, Antrim coast, Knock airport, Doolough Valley near Westport

Wed Mar 6: YOU'RE UGLY TOO, 2015, 80 min, Comedy Drama

With Aidan Gillen and Lauren Kinsella. After her mother's death, Stacey moves with her Uncle Will, who is on compassionate leave from prison to a remote region in the Irish midlands. As the two cautiously get to know each other, they must deal with the dark shadows of the past. An astute character-driven study on the need to regain footing and let go, told with a good dose of Irish humour. Filmed in Offaly and Donabate, County Dublin.

Plus Each night a supporting Irish short film or documentary, together with tea/coffee and cakes. Ice creams \$3

Venue 8 Fourth Avenue, Kensington (South Perth). Ample parking - primary school across the road

Entry Donation \$15 to cover catering and costs, pay at the gate.

Seating Come early for best seats, bring deckchair if running late

Enquiries 9367 6026, check our website and facebook. *Flyer available*

THE FOURTH TUESDAY BOOK CLUB

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

The group and partners enjoyed Christmas Dinner at C Blu Restaurant, Cottesloe on Monday 11 December

January 23 'Lessons in Chemistry' by Bonnie Garmus, presented by Thelma Blackford

February 27 To be decided at January 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

Non Political-Non Sectarian-Emphatically Australian

PO Box 1583 Subiaco 6904.

Tel: 08 9345 3530.

Secretary: 08 9367 6026

Email: secretary@irishheritage.com.au or admin@irishheritage.com.au

Web Page: <https://irishheritage.com.au/>. Look us up on **Facebook**

NOTICES

Brendan Awards 2022 and 2023 have now been finalised. Full details will be advised in late January. This prestigious award recognises individuals or groups with a record of dedicated service and outstanding achievement in one or more aspects of Australia's Irish heritage. Meanwhile we invite nominations for 2024, Details can be found on <https://irishheritage.com.au/awards/the-brendan-award/>

The Journal – is our quarterly book publication edited by Teresa O'Brien. Correspondence may be emailed to journal@irishheritage.com.au. December edition, Vol 31 no 4, will be mailed to members in early January.

Annual General Meeting is planned for Sunday 24 March. We welcome new committee member Teresa O'Brien who was co-opted at our December Planning meeting.

Easter Monday Catalpa Commemoration, Rockingham, April 1, 11 am to 12 noon. Coordinator David McKnight. Rockingham Catalpa Rescue Project will present the second annual Catalpa Festival at Churchill Park on Easter Sunday with a Catalpa Dash bike ride from Fremantle Prison on Easter Monday providing a focus on our annual event at the Wild Geese Memorial, followed by a play reliving the Fenian departure from the Colony in 1876.

AIHA Supports

Radio Fremantle 107.9fm, **Celtic Rambles**, Saturdays 8 to 10 am. Hosts Heather Deighan, president AIHA and Eoin Kenna. Irish radio with interviews, news items, music and opinions. Email requests to celticrambles@outlook.com

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. <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 - AGM – 5.45 pm Tuesday 9 January 2024, Kelp Bar, Kidogo Arthouse. Hougoumont Day Social Gathering - 6.30 pm Tuesday 9 January (immediately after the AGM). Membership \$25, due 1 January. BSB 633 000, A/C 160679791, Ref Your Name and Membership. info@feniansfestival.com.au

Irish Club, 61 Townshend Road, Subiaco. Bar, Lounge, Kitchen, Theatre, meeting rooms. <https://www.facebook.com/irishclubofwa/> Nollaig na mBan, Little Women's Christmas, Sat 6 Jan, 5.30pm. Complimentary cocktail with Live music, plenty of food options and all cocktails on the night only \$12. <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1154697>

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 Donations of books welcome for 2024 book sale

Irish-Australian Arts Round Up monthly newsletter issued by irishfilmfestivalaustralia@gmail.com

Explore Your Irish Roots Seminar, Tues 13 Feb, 9.30am to 4pm, State Library Theatre, Francis Street. [What's on - Explore Your Irish Roots \(fhwa.org.au\)](http://What's on - Explore Your Irish Roots (fhwa.org.au))

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL Now Due 1 January, 2024

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

AIHA has approved charity and tax deductible status. Deductible Gift Recipient Status (DGR) allows our sponsors claim a tax deduction. Membership rates are unchanged since 2014.

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, Teresa O'Brien

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

Non Political-Non Sectarian-Emphatically Australian

PO Box 1583 Subiaco 6904. Tel: 08 9345 3530. Secretary: 08 9367 6026

Email: secretary@irishheritage.com.au or admin@irishheritage.com.au

Web Page: <https://irishheritage.com.au/>. Look us up on **Facebook**