

KEW HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Our monthly e-Bulletin is for members of the Society and describes some of our past and future activities to keep everyone informed and encourage participation. It supplements our quarterly newsletter. Please pass it on to friends who may be interested.

FIRST MEMBER'S MEETING FOR 2019

Next Wednesday is our first members meeting for 2019 – Wednesday, 13th February, in the Phyllis Hore Room at the Kew library.

With our first speaker for the year, we are in for a treat. Our very own Associate Professor Don Garden OAM has kindly offered to address us. His chosen topic: "Punching Above Our Weight: The Community History and Heritage Movement."

As the immediate Past President of the Federation of Australian Historical Societies, current President of the Royal Historical Society of Victoria, and a member of the Australian Heritage Council, Don is eminently qualified to speak to this topic.

It should be a very interesting talk – we hope to see you there.

Don has provided us with this mystery illustration. Can anyone identify it? The answer will be revealed on Wednesday night.



CHRISTMAS DINNER

What a terrific evening it was. Our venue for 2018, the Greenacres Golf Club clubhouse, delivered fine dining, efficient service and, of course, lovely golf course views. Nearly thirty-five members and friends attended and enjoyed good fellowship, an outstanding meal and, as has become a tradition, a somewhat challenging but fun after-dinner Kew-trivia quiz.

FEBRUARY BOOK SALE

Our first book sale for 2019 is not far away now. It is scheduled for Sunday, 17 February, 1 to 4pm. While we need lots of customers ie Society members and their friends, relations and neighbours, what we really need are some volunteers to help set up on the Saturday (from 10am, and especially from 12noon) and to help pack up on the Sunday (from 4pm). If you can possibly help, that would be great as the book sales are our major fundraiser.

EXHIBITIONS

Our current Court House exhibition, 'Historic Houses of Kew', re-opened last week, so if you didn't get a chance to visit last year now is the time to do so. As always, the exhibition is opened up by some of our fabulous volunteers every Friday and Saturday between 11am and 1pm.

And don't forget to check out our exhibition of 100-year old fashion at the Kew Library.

OUR PROGRAMME FOR 2019

Our events committee has been hard at work over the summer and come up with a full and varied programme for us all in 2019. This was considered by the management committee earlier this week and, with minor tweaking, endorsed.

In summary:

- Monthly meetings, with speakers
- An outing (in May) to the Old Treasury Museum
- Three court house exhibitions
- Four book sales
- Participation in the Kew Festival
- Participation in Open House Melbourne
- Participation in at least one joint Boroondara Historical Societies Association event.

In addition, as usual, our research and collections committees will meet throughout the year.

As always, we welcome members who might like to assist with the organisation of any of these events or join the research or collection committees.