

# **ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT – 2024**

**DUE DATE Friday 26 July 2024**

Please complete the following Activity Report to be eligible for consideration in the Annual MERIT AWARD which recognises the various activities carried out by our affiliated societies.

The report should be **ONE PAGE** only, providing a summary of your activities and actions that occurred between **01 June 2023** and **30 June 2024** return to [admin@histwest.org.au](mailto:admin@histwest.org.au)

Should you wish to submit separately please ensure your organisation's contact details are clearly shown

## **1. Engagement with members** e.g. activities - opportunities for involvement, talks, excursions

General meeting hosted the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month excluding Dec & Jan. Speakers and topics included – Pat Leighton the history of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Jeff Gresham (author) History of Kambalda, Show & tell evening, talk on Herbert Peady, Wendy Carter and the Gwalia Museum, Eddie Robertson growing up on the Goldfields, Talks about Captain George Prout and Stuart Gore.

Engagement with volunteers/members – Christmas function, Christmas lights tour, as part of Seniors Week 2023 we applied for a grant and took a day trip to Widgiemooltha. Day trip and picnic lunch to Yakatooon (near Coolgardie). Sundowners, monthly volunteer morning teas. Celebrated volunteer week with a morning tea and National Volunteer Day with a morning tea also hosted Melbourne Cup Luncheon for members/volunteers,

## **2. Engagement with the local and wider community** e.g. involvement in committees outside your association, outreach activities; educate, displays, exhibitions, talks, enactments

Walk of Fame Committee, Boulder Traders Working Group, School Holiday Trail, High School visits (History and Community Service Classes), visits by the group OWLS (older, wiser, livelier seniors), visits from Amana Living & Victoria Park Nursing Home. Hosted BHP & Volunteering WA for a day of Volunteering.

30,000 negatives scanned – celebrated with a show and tell evening at the Hannans Club.

Items on display – Pharmaceutical collection, drill rig and various other items at Hannans North Tourist Mine. Trophies, images and items on display in the community including – St. John Ambulance, St. Mary's Primary School, Goldfields Football League, Police Historical Society and others.

Markets – Spring Festival, Lighting of the Christmas Tree & Seniors Expo. Talking tourism (guest speakers and hosted a tourism breakfast). Held a pop-up plant sale.

Rededication of Pitman & Walsh Memorial and unveiling of a plaque at the old Kalgoorlie Rifle Range.

Two book launches – Jenny Kroonstuiver & Dr. Sarah Rossetti.

Weekly spot on TripleM Breakfast with a this week in history segment.

Exhibition for the National Heritage Month, Riots, Steam Shovel used on the Trans Railway, Stephen Grace and several buildings on Burt St.

Installed several signs out at Kanowna for the Kanowna Heritage Trail.

Participated in the filming of and research for the Such Was Life Series Two series produced by the WA Museum (attended launch & priview).

## **3. Research activities**, enquiries and other research, **Publications**, Leaflets, books, websites etc. **Collection development and management, Curation, Oral History and other areas**, achievements and training etc.

New Kanowna Heritage Trail website and Facebook page.

Received over 280 requests for research and photographs.

Produced a 2024 calendar and tea towels for sale.

Had a stand made for our Brookman plaque and a mezzanine platform for our warehouse, along with curtains for our shelving.

Training continues for volunteers. Volunteers contributed 5440 hours to the organisation.