

# Affiliates Newsletter

2024-09

## August 2024

### Important Changes in Reporting Requirements for Not-For-Profit Organisations.

Australian Tax office's New Requirements.

Starting from 1 July 2024, non-charitable not-for-profits (NFPs) with an active Australian Business Number (AB) will be required to lodge a new annual NFP self-review return to the ATO to confirm their income exemption status. This will apply to around 150,000 NFPs who currently self-assess as income tax exempt.

The new reporting requirement was introduced in the 2021-22 Federal Budget to enhance transparency and integrity in the tax, super and registry system by ensuring only eligible non-charitable NFPs access that income tax exemption.

It is hoped that the below link will provide affiliated historical societies with some guidance for those who have previously been self-assessed as income tax exempt:

<https://www.acnc.gov.au/organisations-have-been-self-assessing-income-tax-exempt#:~:text=Non%20charitable%20not%2Dfor%20profits,effect%20on%201%20July%202023.>

In addition if you are not sure if you are tax exempt, you can check your details on the ABN Lookup website as it has all of the information that is linked to your ABN.

<https://abr.business.gov.au/>

If you are registered with the ACNC as a charity and have been formally endorsed by the ATO then they don't need to lodge a self-review with the ATO. Normally they should know if they are income exempt. This is for those who have always self-assessed as income exempt (as a NFP).

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#### From the Archives - Branch notes submitted May 1964 to the Royal W.A. Historical Society Newsletter.

**Busselton** - President: Mr. E. Summerville Secretary: R. R. DePassey. A dozen members of the branch went to Donnybrook for Apple Festival activities on Easter Eve and Eastern Monday. They were delighted with the activity of the Donnybrook branch of the Society in re-creating a gold-mining scene at one of the old mines of 1901. They and visitors were most interested to see the panning of auriferous samples.

Eighteen members were present at a meeting on the 8th April. A current major activity of the Branch, in cooperation with the Tourist Bureau, is the work of furnishing two rooms of Prospect Villa in the style of 1870.

**Eastern Goldfields.** President: Mr. G. Spencer Compton. Secretary: Mr. W. Howard. Several members are at work compiling the history of Hampton Plains gold mining area, with special reference to Hunt's work (1864-6). Attention is being given to Mt. Ida Find and the Metzke's Find (1894), partly through diaries of F.W. Morrison.

A Forthcoming function in Kalgoorlie, at Kyle Motors in Cassidy St, will be the unveiling of a sign marking the point of entry of the telegraph in 1894 - seventy years ago. It is anticipated that the mayor of Kalgoorlie, Sir Richard Moore will unveil the sign and there will be a short address. The Post Master General's Department will be represented and Kyle Motors will be thanked for their cooperation.

Next Affiliates Committee

Meeting will be held on the

16th July 2024

RWAHS Annual State History

Conference of Affiliated Societies

hosted by the Irwin Districts Historical

Society 6-8 September 2024 Lottery

West Grant Application

Nick Drew is pleased to advise that our usual grant application to Lotterywest has been approved by the Board.

This grant is for support for one representative from each Affiliated Society over 100 km from Dongara to attend the Conference.

The application form can be found at the back of the newsletter. Alternatively the registration form and program for the Conference can be obtained by contacting the Irwin Districts Historical Society or visiting their website - [irwinhistory.org.au](http://irwinhistory.org.au)

The grant is for a total \$11,600.00 therefore once applications for this amount are received, the grant will be no longer be available.

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Please direct all queries relating to the newsletter to Rosie Stroud at the Eastern Goldfields Historical Society.

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**Katanning.** President: Mr. J. Battersby. Secretary: Mrs. M. Garstone. The branch's efforts to gain possession of the old school for a museum have been held up - simply awaiting a reply from a government department.

**Kojonup.** President: Mr. L. MacBride. Secretary: Mrs. M. Bignell. The Kojonup Shire Council has purchased the Old Barracks for the branch to preserve as a memorial to the pioneers of the district. A committee is now busy organising the renovation of the framework of the building, and the sale of unnecessary "extras". Such as tanks, baths and lean-to material.

## Your Committee Members

An Affiliated Societies Committee is elected each year at the Annual State History Conference of Affiliated Societies. This Committee acts in the interests of Affiliated Societies and is represented on the Society's Council of management. Representatives for 2023-24 are below:

- Nick Drew – **Convenor** (RWAHS- Council Rep) - nickdrew@bigpond.com
- Fiona Bush – Minute Secretary (Mundaring & Hills) - fiona.bush@icloud.com
- Ashleigh Murch (Denmark) - ashleigh.murch@gmail.com
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- Keith & Suzanne Cundale (Maylands) - maylandshs@gmail.com
- Marilyn Gazeley (Cervantes) - cervantes50th@hotmail.com
- Bev McGuinness (Denmark) - bev@denmarkwa.com
- Lyn O'Hara (South Perth) - lynn@eon.net.au
- Ellen Parrick (York Society) - ellen.parrick@gmail.com
- Diane Pope (Bindoon) - popetwo@gmail.com
- Rosie Stroud (Eastern Goldfields) - eo@kalgoorliehistory.org.au
- Richard Offen – ex-officio (President RWAHS) - richard.offen@inet.net.au
- Jacqui Huntley (Wanneroo & Districts) - huntleyjacqui@gmail.com
- Trish Parker (Irwin Districts) - trishpark@bigpond.com
- Denise Cook (City of Cockburn) - dcook@cockburn.wa.gov.au
- Natalie Evans (Collections WA) - natalie.evans@amaga.org.au
- Tony Bird (City of Cockburn) - tbird@cockburn.wa.gov.au

Please feel free to contact anyone on the committee if you have a query or concern.

## Committee Meeting News

The next meeting of the Affiliates committee will be held on the 20th August among other agenda items the annual activity reports will be discussed.

The following Societies have submitted their report and are now in the running to be selected as the winner of the annual merit award which will be announced at the State History Conference in September.

Albany Historical Society, Busselton Historical Society, Eastern Goldfields Historical Society, Harvey History Online, Maylands Historical Society, WA Police Historical Society, Swan River Pioneers 1829-1838 (inc), York Historical Society, Darlington History Group, Fremantle History Society Inc., Friends of Donnelly Village (FODV), Irwin Districts Historical Society Inc., Kalamunda & Districts Historical Society, Melville Historical Society, Naremburn Historical Society, Toodyay Historical Society, Cervantes Historical Society, Jarrahdale Heritage Society Inc., Margaret River & Districts Historical Society, Mundaring & Hills Historical Society, Serpentine Historical Society, Manjimup Historical Society, Bindoon & Districts Historical Society, Mt. Lawley Society, Northam and Districts Historical Society and Augusta Historical Society .

Thank you to all that took the time to submit the reports.



Did you know the RWAHS Book Shop have more WA History books for sale, than any other Book Shop.

Open Monday to Friday  
10am to 4pm, situated at 49  
Broadway, Nedlands, WA  
6010.

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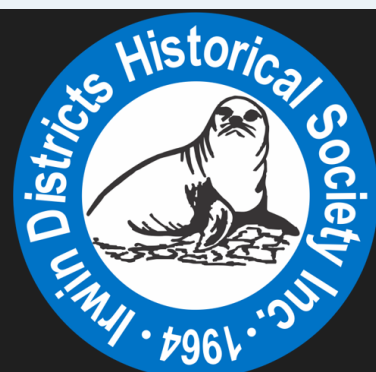
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or 9386 3841.

### Conference 2024

Irwin District Historical  
Society 6, 7, 8th September  
2024.

Irwin Historical Society has  
made a group booking at the  
Dongara Hotel and Priory.  
When booking your  
accommodating please  
specify that you are booking  
for State History Conference.

[office@dongarahotel.com.au](mailto:office@dongarahotel.com.au)



## Affiliates News

**Friends of Donnelly Village Inc** - Friends of Donnelly Village Inc are holding a FREE heritage workshop at the Loco Shed, Donnelly River Village on Monday 26 August 2024.

This FREE Workshop at Donnelly River Village with Rikki from Creative Spaces and Claire from Savagely Creative will outline the basics of developing both heritage interpretation and experiences, and then work through the creation of an experience to attract visitors and \$.

Rikki and Claire will cover a few different methods and focus on how heritage owners and organisations can design relevant site based interpretation to reach visitors that are likely to connect with the experience, potentially creating avenues for repeat visitors and, for some sites, opportunities to charge entrance fees.

**The workshop is organised by The Friends of Donnelly Village Inc and supported by Funding from the WA Heritage Commission.**

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided.

Spaces are limited so please get your ticket promptly from <https://www.trybooking.com/CTKFJ>

Any queries, please get in touch with Sally Paulin 0434350183 or [chair@friendsofdonnelly.org.au](mailto:chair@friendsofdonnelly.org.au)

Look forward to seeing you there.

### Felton Industries 2024

<https://felton.net.au/apply-for-a-grant-for-your-outdoor-furniture/>

Applications are **now open** for our 2024 Outdoor Furniture Grants Program!

**A total grant funding pool of \$20,000 is available!**

Sports clubs/associations and educational institutions can apply for grant funding! We're looking to support innovative projects that enhance your outdoor space with Felton Industries' outdoor furniture.



**Jewish Historical &  
Genealogical Society WA Inc**

**Malcolm Queckett  
presents**

**The Kimberleys 1930's  
Israel**

**An Unpromised Land**

**Sunday 25th August 2024**

**AGM 1:00pm  
Speaker 2:00pm**

*Members: \$5.00 Non Members \$10.00*

Noranda Chabad Synagogue (NSHC)

11 Garson Court, Noranda

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## Affiliates News

**Serpentine Historical Society** - See flyer. The Old Bridge School, cnr. Gordon Rd & SW Highway, will be open 10am - 2pm, Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> of September.

**Bayswater Historical Society** - The team at BHS have been out and about in the community and working hard to preserve and promote the history of the Bayswater district. The following image and grab was taken from their latest newsletter. Can you help?



At Leighton (Halliday House) are volunteers Lazar and Julie recreating a 1900-bedroom display which is now complete.

However, we are in need of a donation - an important artefact that was kept under the bed.

Do you know what it was? In the early days just about everyone kept one under their bed.



## Walpole Nornalup and District Historical Society Inc -

Commemorating Elizabeth Shaw - The Walpole Nornalup and District Historical Society mourns the passing of its President Elizabeth Shaw.

Elizabeth's family came to Nornalup in the early 1900s running the Post Office and Telephone Exchange where the Nornabar is now. Elizabeth started school with the opening of the Walpole Primary School in 1953. She went to Albany High School when she had a unique experience boarding at The Rocks in Albany previously used as a Vice-Regal Residence. In the 1950's the Country Women's Association managed The Rocks as a Hostel for 30-40 girls attending Albany High School. An early and direct experience of history for Elizabeth!

After school, Elizabeth joined the Air Force for about two years and then worked for the Red Cross Blood Bank for 40 years. She came home to Nornalup in 2007. Elizabeth interest in history lead her to join the Walpole Nornalup and District Historical Society in 2012. Later that year she was elected Vice-President and in February 2013 she was elected the Society's President.

Elizabeth passed away peacefully at her home on Monday 5 August still in that post she carried so well and faithfully.

The Society values the leadership and skill she has given in this role for over a decade. She has been a marvelous ambassador for local history and gained highest regard from us all.

She will be missed; her legacy and friendly vitality will be always treasured.

**Serpentine Primary School**  
**70th Birthday!**

**In 2024, Serpentine Primary School celebrates 70 years at Lefroy Street.**

*The Serpentine Primary School P&C invites you to our school to spend an afternoon in the past.*

**Friday, 6 September 2024**  
**3pm onwards**

*Students and Faculty, past and present, and our general community, All are welcome to help us celebrate.*

with support from the  
**SERPENTINE HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.**

*Food trucks*  
*Face Painting*  
*Explore a classroom from the 1950's*  
*Play some games from years gone by*  
*Cake stall*

*Organized by our Year 6 students to raise funds for Happy Pantry, Baldivis.*

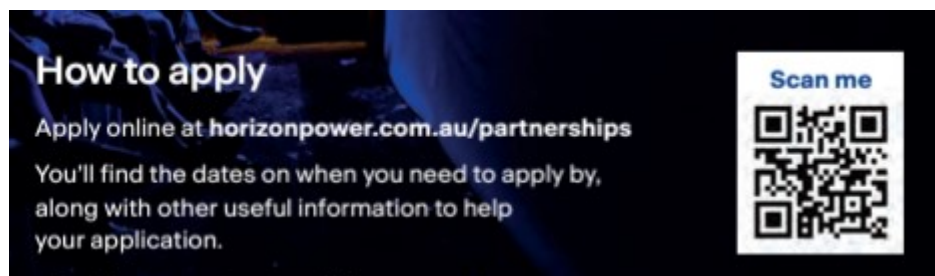
**Explore the history of our great school.**





## Funding Opportunities

Horizon Power Community Partnerships - Funding is available between \$1,000 and \$50,000. Applications are open now.



Bupa Community Grants open now.

Community organisations have the opportunity to share in a total of \$520,000 in grants, aimed at supporting programs that contribute positively to mentally healthy and sustainable societies. Funding of up to \$10,000 is available for initiatives that align to one or more of the Bupa Foundation's focus areas:

- \*Healthy minds - building mentally healthy and resilient communities.
- \*Healthy planet, healthy people - supporting a healthy planet for healthy people.

Applications demonstrating a meaningful connection to Bupa will be highly considered.

Applications are now open until 5pm AEST on 6 September, 2024.

<https://www.bupa.com.au/about-us/bupa-foundation>

<https://www.horizonpower.com.au/your-community/local-community-partnerships/>

Aurizon Community Giving Fund - Funding is available for grants up to \$20,000. Applications are open now. More details are available at -



<https://www.aurizon.com.au/community/community-giving-fund>

Graincorp - Our grants program provides financial support to organisations and projects that contribute to the development and promotion of those communities. There are two types of activities that we fund:

1. Community-related programs & activities (Maximum funding limit: \$5,000)
2. Community infrastructure projects (Maximum funding limit: \$20,000)

Grants Eligibility To be eligible for our Community Foundation Grants Program, your organisation or project must:

- Be based within a GrainCorp operational region or region linked to grain growing activities;
  - Be intended to have a positive effect on local communities in rural and regional areas;
  - Demonstrate a direct connection with community development; and
- Be categorised within at least one of **GrainCorp's Community Foundation Pillars**.

<https://www.graincorp.com.au/community-fund/>

**Santos Sponsorships and Grants** - aims to improve living standards, build respectful relationships, and create stronger communities in the areas where Santos operates.

Focus areas:

- Resilient Communities: Supporting access to social infrastructure, systems and services to help build healthy communities
- Economic Pathways: Advancing skills, systems and infrastructure for communities to create economic opportunity
- Environment: Supporting environmental initiatives and programs that support and protect biodiversity.

**Amount:** Dependent on project **Opens:** Always open

<https://santos.sponsor.com/>

### *The Eastern Goldfields Historical Society*

*acknowledges the support of  
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# STATE HISTORY CONFERENCE 2024

## Bruce Baskerville

By now every reader of this newsletter will be aware that this year's 59th State History Conference is being held in Dongara, on the beautiful Batavia Coast, hosted by Irwin Districts Historical Society. The conference will coincide with the start of the wildflower season (the signs are looking good) and will be just a fortnight before the King's Birthday long weekend and start of the Spring school holidays.

The Conference is being held over the weekend of 6-7-8 September 2024 at The Priory Hotel in Dongara. The conference theme is 'Waves of Change', which partly refers to the diverse maritime and fishing heritage of Dongara and Port Denison, and partly to looking at new developments and ways of doing local history and local museums. Both strands are woven through the draft (but almost final) program shown on the next pages.



*A midwinter morning in Port Denison, 2024*

There will be a Friday evening welcome with a spit roast and drinks at the Marine Rescue Centre in Port Denison, a conference dinner in the Priory Hotel on Saturday night with preceding sunset aperitifs, fascinating talks and presentations in the Saturday and Sunday mornings, and a selection of five tours in the afternoons, each with a distinct afternoon tea.

The keynote speaker, Gary Martin, will draw on his long experience of how a museum can change and survive and remain relevant to its communities. Other speakers will draw on topics as varied as food history, using maps, Aboriginal heritage places, the future for shipwrecks, co-operatives and commons, memorialising those lost at sea, reviving local Sikh history, the Midland Railway as regional history, and making the 'Such Was Life' short film series to deepen the theme of change. There is sure to be something for everyone.

The conference venue is The Priory Hotel in St Dominic's Road, Dongara. The old Dominican Priory and Dominican Ladies College complex was built in phases between 1881 and 1926 and has an atmosphere richly evocative of the period. We are almost ready for you. Lanyards have been printed, showbags packed, local sponsors and supporters are on board, even the Indian Ocean sunsets have been getting more spectacular!

Conference bookings can still be made online through our website at <https://irwinhistory.org.au/2024-state-history-conference/> and go to the "Registration Here" link. The conference dinner is already sold out, and remaining conference places are limited, so don't delay. Remember, no registration = no entry.

Our IDHS members are all excited and look forward, in same year we will be celebrating our Diamond Jubilee, to welcoming fellow members in the historical society movement to our little piece of paradise in the always delightful (although sometimes very windy) Dongara and Port Denison. You might even be blown away. Don't miss it.

# CONFERENCE DAY 1 - Saturday, 7 September, 2024

The Priory Hotel, 11 St Dominic's Road, Port Denison

SESSION 1	8:00 - 8:30	Check In, Registrations & Smoking Ceremony	
	Time	Speaker	Topic
	8:45 - 9:00	Bruce Baskerville	Welcome & Housekeeping
	9:00 - 9:10	Wattandee Littlewell Aboriginal Corporation	Call Out to Country
	9:10 - 9:20	Hon Sandra Carr MLC	Formal opening of the 59th RWAHS Conference
	9:20 - 9:35	Nick Drew RWAHS	Roll Call, Apologies & Remembrances
	9:35 - 10:30	Gary Martin - Curator of the Greenough Museum & Gardens	Keynote Address: New directions in local history, plus Q&A
SESSION 2	10:30 - 11:00	Morning Tea & Networking	
	Time	Speaker	Topic
	11:00 - 11:30	Tristan Mongoo	Littlewell project
	11:30 - 12:00	Nan Broad & Jeff Murray	Using maps and the Mellenbye example
	12:00 - 12:30	Tarun Preet	Sikhs in Dongara & the Irwin District
	12:30 - 13:00	Heather Hunwick	Appetite for Change
	13:00 - 13:45	Lunch	
OPTIONS	Departure Time	Tour Name	Guides
	14:00	OPTION 1: Sikhs of Dongara <i>Bus Tour</i>	Bruce Baskerville & Julie Nunn
	14:00	OPTION 2: Along the Old Port Road <i>Walking Tour</i>	Trish Parker & Elyce Tunbridge
	15:30 - 18:00	Free Time	
	18:00 - 21:00	Conference Dinner at The Priory Hotel John Fitzhardinge speaking on early days at the Abrolhos	

# CONFERENCE DAY 2 - Sunday, 8 September, 2024

The Priory Hotel, 11 St Dominic's Road, Port Denison

BUSINESS	8:15 - 8:40	Check In & Registrations	
	Time	RWAHS Business Session	
	8:45 - 9:30	Richard Offen in Chair	
		Ratification of conference minutes, Bridgetown 2023	
		RWAHS Report & Merit Awards	
		Promotion for 2025 Conference - Cockburn & Announcement for 2026 Conference	
		ASC Election & Open Forum Q&A	
SESSION 3	9:30 - 10:00	Morning Tea & Networking	
	Time	Speaker	Topic
	10:00 - 10:30	Howard Gray	Batavia
	10:30 - 11:00	Su Dhu	Flat Sea Project
	11:00 - 11:30	Bruce Baskerville	Commoners & Cooperators
	11:30 - 11:40	10-minute Break	
	11:40 - 12:10	Matt Pavlinovich	Midland Rail
SESSION 4	12:10 - 12:40	Paul Barron	Reflections on "Such was life"
	12:40 - 13:10	Bruce Baskerville	Closing Address & Thanks
	13:10 - 13:50	Lunch	
OPTIONS	Departure Time	Tour Name	Guides
	14:00	OPTION 1: Middle Irwin & Wildflower Walk <i>Bus Tour</i>	Bruce Baskerville & Julie Nunn
	14:00	OPTION 2: Packout Room / Museum of Fishing and the Sea <i>Guided Tour</i>	Nan Broad, John Fitzhardinge & Graham Grundy
	14:00	OPTION 3: Priory Hotel Tour <i>Walking Tour</i>	Di Turnock, Lorraine Bailey & Trish Parker