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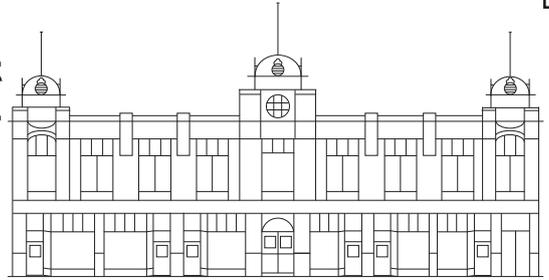
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**An illustrated lecture on some of Victoria's major regional cinemas exploring their history and architecture.**

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**Presented as a part of Victorian History Week** *(see p.11)*

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## Vale Keith Dunstan OAM



We were very sad to hear of the death, on 11 September, of Keith Dunstan OAM, a member of the PMI for 15 years and Patron of the PMI since 2009.

Keith was also a regular library user and always a cheery and gentle man. He accepted the PMI's invitation to become Patron at a time when it's future was under a cloud and he took our cause to a much wider audience at ABC local radio.

He made a regular appearance at the annual function for PMI volunteers, offering them thanks and encouragement for their efforts.

He will be missed by all at the PMI.

*(more in 'News from the Committee' p.3)*

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**SHORT HISTORY PRIZE**
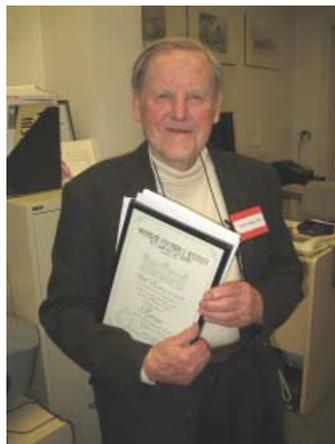
The 2013 PMI Short History Prize winner will be announced on our website at 11am on Monday 21 October
(during Victorian History Week)

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# AROUND THE LIBRARY

## MEMBERS NEWS

### New Members

Welcome to the following new members who joined in Oct:

### Financial Donors

Thank you to the following people who made financial donations to the library in Oct:

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| *Laurie Cunningham* | *Ian Clarke* |
| *Jillian Gengoult Smith* | *Margaret Katilius* |
| *Peter Bergin* | *Murray Houghton* |
| *Ada Ackerly* | *Maya Lazarus* |
| *Ingrid Kasapyan* | *Harry & Margaret Oulton* |

### Book Donors

Thank you to the following people and groups who donated books to the library in Oct:

| | |
|---|---|
| *Australian Scholarly Publishing* | *Ken James* |
| *Jim Badger* | *Malacoota & District Historical Society* |
| *Donald Barker* | *Tim McKenna* |
| *Bayside Library Service* | *Beverley Mills* |
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| *Rachael Gregory* | *Stonnington Libraries* |
| *Henry Lawson Memorial and Literary Society* | *Williamstown High School Ex-Students and Staff Association Inc.* |
| *Hepburn Shire Council* | *Ursula Zamecnik* |
| *Murray Houghton* | |
| *Frank Hutchinson* | |

## GENERAL NEWS

### Committee & Staff

Many thanks to Jennie Jones, who has completed her placement for the Diploma of Library & Information Studies, and was a very big help to us during that time.

On 14 October Ursula Zamecnik will commence a three-week online course called RDA for Practitioners. RDA (Resource Description and Access) is the new cataloguing protocol that is replacing AACR2 (Anglo-American Catloguing Rules). The cataloguing records standard is adapted to incorporate a greater variety of electronic formats, and information fields suitable for searching in the online environment (as opposed to card catalogues).

### Christmas Closure

It seems a long way off, but this is our last newsletter for 2013 and we'd like to wish all our members a very happy, relaxing and safe Christmas break. Thank you all for your support large and small.

The PMI Library will close at **4.30pm on Fri 20 Dec** and will reopen at **9.30am on Mon 6 Jan 2013**.

The return book chute will be closed during this time so please do pop in before the break to organise your holiday reading. All loans issued in the three weeks prior to the break will be extended to cover the break.

### Collection News

We were very pleased to be contacted recently by Mrs Phyl Knaggs, wife of our late member Trevor Knaggs, with an offer to donate four large bound newspaper books. These books contain Trevor's collection of special newspaper issues collected over decades. More information can be found on page 4. Needless to say we're very grateful for this gift and we look forward to the opportunity to display these very impressive books at the new library.

We would like to inform members that the PMI committee have decided that as of next year, **general collection** books will not be budgeted for.

This means that we will not be buying general fiction, mysteries or international histories from next year, and general collection items already held will be removed from the collection when the library moves next year.

The committee feels that as a specialist library we should concentrate on our mission of providing a good collection of Victorian and Australian history (we will still collect some Australian literature).

# AROUND THE LIBRARY

Our revised collection policy will be available soon to any members who wish to see it. Apologies to those members who use the general collection.

## Visiting Groups

Christine Worthington gave a talk to the Friends of St Kilda Cemetery at the group's AGM on 22 September. The talk concerned some of the people involved in the early days of the PMI who are buried at St Kilda Cemetery. Some brief notes about these people are given in the 'Writing History' section.

## Short History Prize

Thank you to all those who submitted works for the 2013 PMI Short History Prize. A judging panel from the Professional Historians Association is currently deliberating and the winner will be announced on the PMI website on Monday 21 October.

## COMMITTEE NEWS

The architect's plans for the renovation of the new library are with the council and the approval process is underway.

In the meantime the committee have been engaged in planning meetings with library staff to discuss a whole range of policy and operational matters for the future library. Additionally, the committee has been exploring alternatives for the secure investment of PMI funds.

The committee was very sad about the death of the PMI's Patron, Keith Dunstan OAM. Tribute notices from the PMI were placed in the Herald Sun and The Age, and committee member Peter Wolfenden attended the funeral service at St Georges Church, Malvern. As requested by the Dunstan family, in lieu of flowers, the Committee has arranged a donation to the Villa Maria Society.

## VOLUNTEERS NEWS

So far this year 19 volunteers have contributed 778 hours work in the library, delivered 200 PMI pamphlets and created seven book indexes.

Volunteers with library experience continue to check back through our old accession register (register of items acquired by the library) - checking items on the Libraries Australia (Trove libraries) database to ensure all our holdings are correctly listed and making notes on any anomalies they find. This has now been completed to the earliest digital register - now the volunteers are checking the big old accesion register books dating back to the origins of the historical collection in 1981. We are finding that our holdings for some of these books acquired early on are not recorded on Trove so it's great that this can be rectified, as we receive more and more enquiries about the library via Trove.

Volunteers will soon receive their invitations to our annual International Volunteer Day function, held each year early in December. IVD was designated by the United Nations in 1985 as an international observance day to celebrate the power and potential of volunteerism.

We see International Volunteer Day as a great opportunity to celebrate and acknowledge the hard work of our volunteers and to recognise the enormous difference the volunteer program has made and continues to make to the library since it was established in 2008.

At the IVD function volunteers are treated to a light lunch and receive certificates denoting their specific contributions for 2013.

**International Volunteer Day**

### Available for Sale at the PMI Library:

*(prices listed include the members 10% discount)*

Buildings, Books and Beyond  $54

No Shops in Acland Street  $27

Frontier French Island  $45

Design for Living: a History of 'Prahran Tech'  $31.50

Beginnings: a Brief Account of Some of the First Europeans to Explore or Settle in Victoria  $13.50

The Pride of Prahran: a History of Prahran Library $25

Valuable Steps: a History of Physical Education in Victoria $31.50

Visionary Lives: Five Hundred Biog*raphies from the Brighton General Cemetery* by Jane Mayo Carolan $31.50

# Newspaper books

## of Trevor Knaggs

### contributed by Mrs Phyl Knaggs

Trevor Knaggs, who passed away in May 2013, was a Stonnington resident for most of his long life. His wide range of interests included an extensive knowledge of local history and an interest in military history from his years in the army. Over a period of many years, he was the 'family historian,' tracing his family back to the 17th century.

A collection of old books in need of restoration, which he inherited from his g-grandfather's library, aroused his interest in bookbinding, and on his retirement, after completing a series of workshops with the Bookbinders Guild, he embarked on a career as a hobby bookbinder, specialising in the restoration of old books.

As a volunteer, he honed his skills repairing damaged books in the libraries of the Genealogical Society of Victoria, Army Records and the PMI, as well as restoring countless bibles and family treasures for friends and acquaintances.

One of the projects in which he was involved with the Genealogical Society of Victoria, was the binding of their collection of early newspapers. He had been keeping newspapers reporting sensational events, for many years - they were kept in bundles, tied with a piece of string!…. and with his keen eye for history in the making, and aware of their fragility, he decided to preserve his own collection by binding them into hardback volumes.

The collection contains reports of national and international events between the years 1934 and 2005 and is interesting also for the social history, advertisements, and as a record of 20th century life. There are four indexed volumes which include whole sections of the Melbourne Age, Argus, Sun, Herald and Star.

The papers and the events they record, are addictive reading - when the newspapers were brought out (no small feat as they are heavy and unwieldy to handle) - readers would pore over them for hours, going back in time, from one piece of trivia to the next!

Trevor would be delighted to know that PMI have acquired his collection and a whole new group of readers will now have the chance to enjoy them.
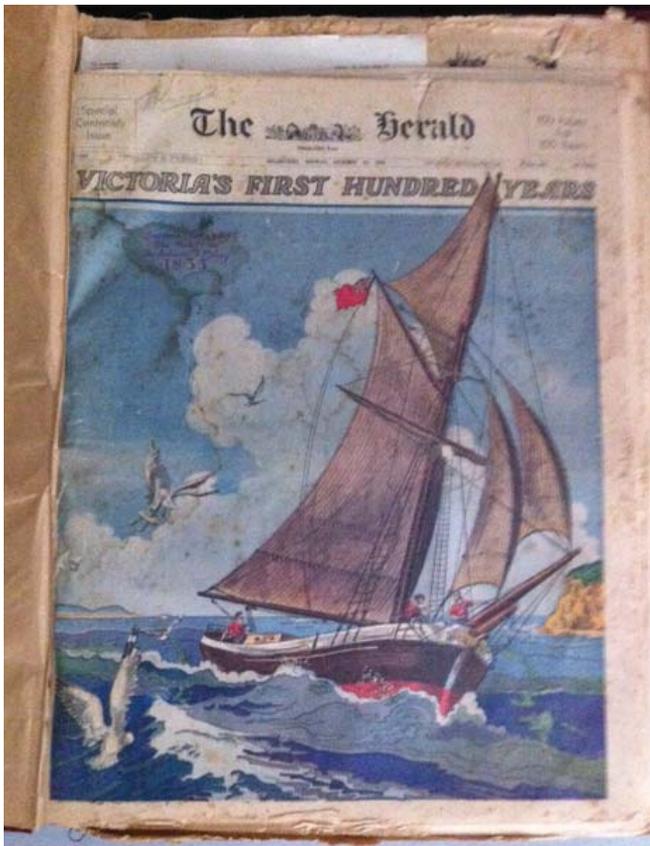




*Broad themes of the newspapers collected by Trevor 1934-2003 (4 large volumes) include: royal visits and royal news; war; Olympic games; bushfires; politics; space travel; major international and domestic events.*

*Because the wholes newspapers are bound (not just cuttings) a whole lot of extra incidental material is included which is often very interesting.*

## PMI PEOPLE
### laid to rest in
## ST KILDA CEMETERY

Brief notes from a talk given by
Christine Worthington to Friends of St Kilda
Cemetery on 22 September

### Rev William Moss  (1828-1891)

Buried St Kilda Cemetery:

Independent, Compartment A, Grave 16

Service: 15 March 1891

- Congregational minister and philanthropist
- Founder of the PMI
- Born Surrey, Eng., migrated in 1850
- Closely associated with many othercommunity and charitable associations including Prahran Town Mission, Deaf and Dumb Institution, Asylum and School for the Blind.
- Passed away at his home, 'Farnham', Sorrett Avenue, Malvern, on 14 March 1891 aged 63

### George William Rusden (1819-1903)

Buried St Kilda Cemetery:

Other Denominations, Compartment A, Grave 69A

Service: 24 December 1903

- Public servant and historian
- Foundation Trustee of the PMI
- Born Surrey, Eng., migrated in 1833 with parents and siblings
- Clark of the Victorian Parliament
- Writer of publications about Shakespeare, national education, and controversial histories of Australia and New Zealand
- Brighton Councillor and Mayor
- Passed away at his home, 'Cotmandene', Punt Road South Yarra, 23 December aged 84

### Dr James Stokes (1824-1914)

Buried St Kilda Cemetery:

Independent, Compartment B, Grave 0204

Service: 28 November 1914

- Born Staffordshire, Eng., qualified 1842, migrated 1853 with wife Mary Ann and son William
- Local Prahran doctor and surgeon
- Foundation Trustee of the PMI
- Involved in the local campaign for drainage in Prahran
- Committee Prahran Road Board
- Prahran Health Officer 1867-1873
- Passed away at his home in Regent Street, Elsternwick on 23 November 1914 aged 90 years

### Frederick Thomas Sargood (1834-1903)

Buried St Kilda Cemetery:

Independent, Compartment C, Grave 024A

Service: 17 January 1903

- Merchant and politician
- Son of Frederick James Sargood (foundation Trustee of the PMI)
- Born London, Eng., migrated in 1850 with parents and siblings
- Went into his father's wholesale softgoods business, Sargood, King & Co.
- MLC and Victoria's first Minister of Defence
- Assisted PMI with the formation and enacting of the Prahran Mechanics' Institute Act (1899)
- He died while holidaying in New Zealand on 2 January 1903, aged 68

### James Mason (1820-1914)

Buried St Kilda Cemetery:

Church of England, Compartment B, Grave 0375

Service: 8 Oct 1914

- Prahran publican, Royal George Hotel
- Donated a section of land adjoining his property to the PMI for its first building
- Born Staffordshire, Eng., migrated in 1849 with his wife Emma
- First Prahran Municipal Council 1856-58 and 1859-61
- St Kilda Council 1861-62
- Passed away at his home 'Alfriston', Brighton Road, St Kilda on 6 Oct 1914 aged 94

### John Henry Furneaux (1857-1943)

Buried St Kilda Cemetery:

Church of England, Compartment C, Grave 319

Service: 19 August 1943

- Born South Yarra, worked in the family timber business
- Prahran Municipal Council 1892-1899
- Secretary of PMI 1900-1938
- Re-invigorated the PMI after a very difficult period in the 1890s
- Driving force behind the formation of Prahran Technical School
- Passed away on 17 August 1943 at a private hospital in Malvern, aged 86. Funeral left from his son's residence, Alfred Street, Prahran.

### Ernest Horatio Willis (1820-1947)

Buried St Kilda Cemetery:

Church of England, Compartment B, Grave 1A

Service: 11 March 1947

- Born South Yarra
- Prahran Councillor 1908-1920 and twice Mayor of Prahran
- Architect: Fawkner Mansions (1910), Victory Square war widows homes, Armadale (1920)
- Architect: PMI, 140 High Street, Prahran (Victorian Heritage Register)
- Awarded an OBE in 1920 as a leader of patriotic movements in Victoria (particularly for his work with the Red Cross during WWI)

## ancestry library edition

Ancestry Library Edition contains electoral roll information for Australia and this can be very useful for family history research. This information is from the ALE website:

## About Australian Electoral Rolls, 1903-1980

This database contains selected Australian electoral rolls, with the exception of South Australia, that run from 1903-1980. Electoral rolls were compiled by each state during election years to determine the number and names of individuals eligible to vote. Information listed in electoral rolls usually includes: number; name of voter; gender; address; occupation.

### Who will be listed in electoral rolls

Electoral rolls began being compiled for some areas of Australia in the 1840s. At that time only property owners were eligible to vote. In most of the colonies all men were granted voting rights by the 1850s. Half a century later, women were granted voting rights as well.

Non-British subjects were not allowed to vote until the 1940s and aborigines until 1949. Therefore, individuals falling into these two categories are not presently included in this database.

### Arrangement of Records

Within each state voters were organized into electoral districts and subdistricts according to where they lived. Electoral rolls were compiled according to these geographical divisions. The boundaries of districts and subdistricts could change throughout the years.

### Why Use Electoral Rolls

Electoral rolls are great records to use as "census substitutes." They are useful when census records are either not complete or non-existent, and are usually available in between census years. Because electoral rolls were published on a fairly consistent basis and are generally country-wide, they are useful for tracking individuals over time and place.

### State and Years Presently Included

Those marked by asterisk have been indexed. Others are image-only.

**ACT**: 1928*, 1929-31, 1935*, 1937*, 1943*, 1949*, 1954*, 1958*, 1963*, 1968*, 1972*, 1977*, 1980*

**NSW**: 1930*, 1931-32, 1933*, 1934-35, 1936-37*, 1943*, 1949*, 1953-54*, 1958*, 1963*, 1968*, 1972*, 1977*, 1980*

**NT**: 1922*, 1928, 1929*, 1930-31, 1934*, 1937*, 1943*, 1949*, 1954*, 1958*, 1963*, 1968*, 1972*, 1977*, 1980*

**Qld**: 1903*, 1905*, 1906, 1908-10, 1912, 1913*, 1914-17, 1919*, 1921*, 1922, 1925*, 1926, 1928-29, 1930*, 1931-32, 1934, 1936-37*, 1943*, 1949*, 1954*, 1958*, 1963*, 1968*, 1972*, 1977*, 1980*

**Tas**: 1914*, 1915-17, 1919*, 1921, 1922*, 1925, 1928*, 1929-31, 1934, 1936-37*, 1943-44*, 1949*, 1954*, 1958-1980

**Vic**: 1856*, 1903*, 1905-06, 1908, 1909*, 1910, 1912-13, 1914*, 1915-18, 1919*, 1920-22, 1924*, 1925-28, 1931*, 1932-35, 1936-37*, 1942-43*, 1949*, 1954*, 1958*, 1963*, 1968*, 1972*, 1977*, 1980*

**WA**: 1903*, 1905, 1906*, 1909, 1910-11*, 1912-15, 1916*, 1917-22, 1925*, 1926, 1928-30, 1931*, 1934, 1936-37*, 1943*, 1949*, 1954*, 1958*, 1963*, 1968*, 1972*, 1977*, 1980*

## ITEMS FOR SALE AT THE LIBRARY:
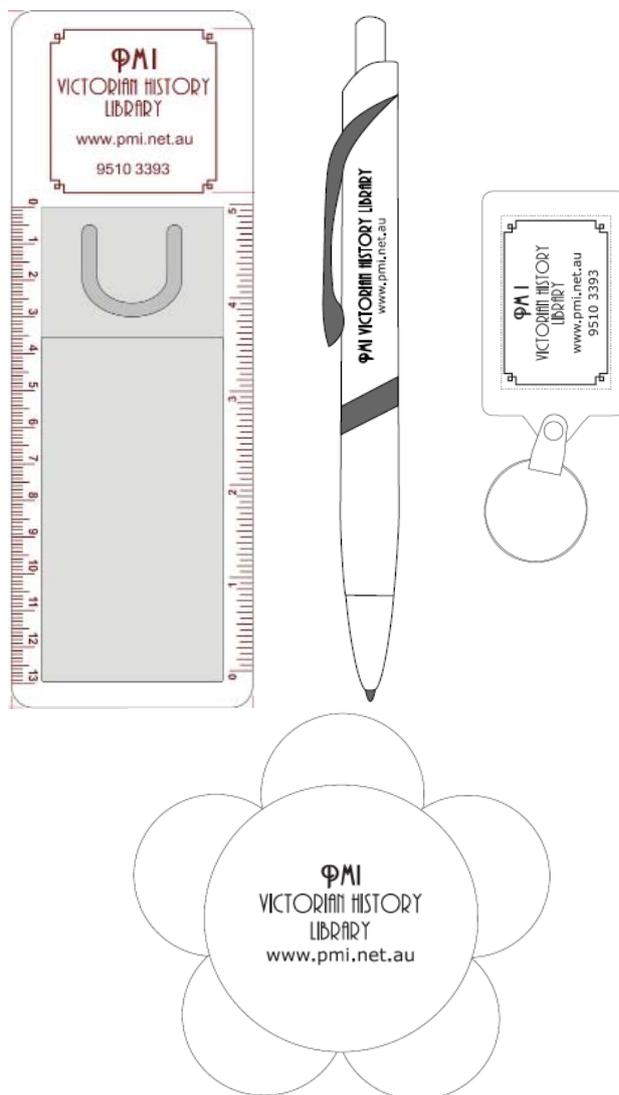


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# BOOKS 📖 ETCETERA

## NON-FICTION

*NOTE: All information reproduced from book jacket blurbs.*

### Melbourne : city of words / John McLaren 2013

In this study of Melbourne as a city imagined through words, John McLaren examines the words of writers who, in memoir and autobiography, diaries and journalism, fiction and poetry, have shared their perceptions of the city, its conflicts and its celebrations. He shows how this past lives on beneath today's city, taking us back to the boats that filled its harbour, the rivers that run beneath its streets and the ghosts who dance in its market. His book offers its readers new prospects of reading, and new ways of seeing the city within the city.

### Walter Lindesay Richardson MD : a Victorian seeker / Bruce Steele 2013

Dr Walter Richardson is known to readers - if at all - as the father of novelist Henry Handel Richardson and as the model for her character Richard Mahony. Richardson is a significant figure in his own right. Not only a dedicated doctor and obstetrician in Ballarat, he was a scholar, a thinker and an eloquent contributor in the debate between science and religion in Melbourne and elsewhere in the 1870s.

### Making Melbourne's monuments : the sculpture of Paul Montford / Catherine Moriarty 2012

Based on recently discovered letters, this book tells the story of Paul Montford 1868-1938, who, as Basil Burdett described, 'left his mark so definitely on the civic landscape in Melbourne'. Montford designed the sculpture on the Shrine of Remembrance and the statues to Adam Lindsay Gordon in Spring Street, John Wesley in Lonsdale Street and Peter Pan at Melbourne Zoo. His engaging correspondence and previously unseen photographic archive reveal his professional and private concerns and are a fascinating reflection of the cultural life of Melbourne between the world wars.

### Books for the profession : the library of the Supreme Court of Victoria / Sue Reynolds 2012

The Library of the Supreme Court of Victoria was founded in 1853. Its founder was Sir Redmond Barry K.B., K.C.M.G., a judge of the Supreme Court and a bibliophile. Barry's interest in books prompted his close and leading involvement in the creation of libraries and other major public institutions for the new, thriving Colony of Victoria. This book recounts the drama and intrigue of the Supreme Court Library's founding and development from its beginnings to its rebirth as the Law Library of Victoria. The Library's story will appeal to readers who are interested in colonial, library and legal history.

### W. Macmahon Ball : politics for the people / Ai Kobayashi 2013

W. Macmahon Ball was a seminal figure in the development of the discipline of political science in Australia. His pioneering efforts at the University of Melbourne from the early 1930s culminated in the establishment of a separate Department of Political Science in 1939, an achievement at least a decade ahead of other Australian universities.

### French Canadian rebels as Australian convicts : the experiences of the fifty-eight Lower Canadians transported to Australia in 1839 / Brian M. Petrie 2013

After the 1838 Lower Canada rebellion, 58 French Canadians were convicted of treason, sentenced to death, and later transported to life at hard labour in New South Wales. From the day they left Quebec, until the last man returned home in 1848 their activities were closely observed in journals, diaries and newspapers, and it seems they were viewed with wariness and fascination and treated with leniency. Some became servants and tradesman for their French-speaking superintendent; others were only lightly employed; and with a sympathetic handling of their petitions by the Governor, political efforts locally and in Britain and Canada, and sheer luck, they only served two years before parole was granted and they were pardoned.

### Athenaeum Club, Melbourne : a new history of the early years 1868-1918 / Paul de Serville 2013

The Athenaeum Club was founded during the political crises of 1868 as a neutral meeting place where 'gentlemen of character and intelligence may meet together irrespective of class distinction or personal wealth'. To avoid blackballing, election was by committee. The club brought together professional men, civil servants and merchants who shared scientific and literary interests (hence the choice of name). At first there were evenings devoted to music, literature and science. By 1878 the membership was described as chiefly mercantile and the character of the club had presumably altered. The club was a proprietary institution, first owned by versatile entrepreneur J.G. Knight. The club's earliest house was at 26 Collins Street East (near the present Centreway); its second, from 1891, at 290-292 Collins Street (the site of the Block Arcade); and its third and present site, from 1930, at 83-87 Collins Street, where a clubhouse was built to the design of Cedric Ballantyne. The Athenaeum ceased to be a proprietary club when the Moorhead family sold it to its members in 1918. Composed now mainly of professional and business people, the Athenaeum is one of the three principal clubs in Melbourne.

### Killing Fairfax : Packer, Murdoch & the ultimate revenge / Pamela Williams 2013

An incisive, hard-hitting and utterly compelling expose of media, powerful mates and multimillion-dollar deals. Killing Fairfax tells the inside story of the decline of hallowed media company Fairfax.

### Dark paradise : Norfolk Island : isolation, savagery, mystery and murder / Robert Macklin 2013

Aren't remote South Pacific islands supposed to be paradise? Perhaps, from a distance, Norfolk Island looks a peaceful place lush with tall pines. But look closer and that idyllic facade is shattered. For all of the 220 years

we have known it, Norfolk s story has been one of darkness, pain, rage and horror. Long-buried bones and axes hint at the violence before Captain Cook arrived and claimed the place for England. And then the horror truly began. From its earliest days, the isolation of life on this rocky outcrop took its toll. Robert Macklin, author of the bestselling "SAS sniper", tells the vivid, bewitching story of how a unique lifestyle and culture evolved amongst the almost two thousand inhabitants. From a brutal penal colony, a refuge for descendants of the Bounty mutineers when they outgrew Pitcairn Island in 1856, to the murder of Janelle Patton in 2002, Norfolk Island is exposed like never before. A place full of shadows and wrongful deaths, its history is a mesmerising tale all the more powerful because it is true.

### Ian Frazer : the man who saved a million lives / Madonna King 2013

When Professor Ian Frazer, was awarded the patent for the vaccine to cervical cancer, he knew it could help to save the lives of 275,000 women around the world each year. Respected across the globe, few people know the real story of the Scottish-born Australian of the Year who is behind one of the great medical discoveries of the century. Given exclusive access to Ian Frazer, biographer and award-winning journalist Madonna King peels back the many layers of his extraordinary life. She tells of the ongoing struggle for funding cancer research, the herculean international legal battle waged to win the patent, the devastating loss of his friend and co-researcher, Dr. Jian Zhou, and Ian Frazer's commitment to have the vaccine made available in the developing world. Ian Frazer: The man who saved a million lives in an unforgettable story of perseverance and aspiration. And he isn't finished yet, with research underway for another historic medical breakthrough.

### Eyre : the forgotten explorer / Ivan Rudolph 2013

Edward John Eyre was one of the bravest explorers to tackle the unforgiving Australian outback - and one of the youngest. Lake Eyre, the Eyre Peninsula, the Eyre Highway that traverses the Nullarbor between Adelaide and Perth and many other landmarks are named after him - so why do Australians know so little about him today? This new biography, shows how this idealistic young Englishman - still in his teens when he arrived in New South Wales in 1833 to seek his fortune - transformed himself into a rugged frontiersman, taking up farming and later overlanding cattle to Melbourne and Adelaide. But it's Eyre's attempt on the Nullarbor that was the peak of his Australian career. Determined to find an overland route to Perth, he left Adelaide with a small party on 24 February 1841. Using Eyre's own journals and other sources, this book relates their journey step by step - and it makes for gripping reading. Beset by the harsh terrain, a constant lack of water, food rations running low, the danger from hostile Indigenous people and dissent - and worse - among Eyre's companions, could Eyre achieve his ambition and find a way across the Nullarbor? Based on original documents, letters and previously unpublished material, this fascinating portrait reveals a young pioneer who led an adventurous life in the early years of the colonies. Truly a forgotten hero of Australian history.

### Footy's glory days : the greatest era of the greatest game / Elliot Cartledge 2013

When football was a high scoring, bruising tribal contest with cult figures, suburban rivalries and local grounds packed with fans. It's a look at the days when footballers had 'real jobs' and smoked cigarettes at half time, before rules and regulations meant players were watched with eagle eyes and misdemeanours were a bad thing. Learn the stories and the legends from the big names of the day, from players to coaches to commentators. As Australian society loosened its tie, footballers became 'pop stars' with names including coaches Tommy Hafey, David Parkin, Ron Barrassi, Norm and Len Smith; players like Bobby Skilton, Billy Goggin, Bruce Doull, Alex Jesaulenko, Peter McKenna, Peter Hudson, Malcolm Blight, Kevin Bartlett, Kevin Sheedy, Barry Cable, Leigh Matthews, Wayne Schimmelbusch, Michael Tuck, Doug Wade, Gary Dempsey, Polly Farmer and John Nicholls; media commentators ruled the airwaves including Jack Dyer, Ted Whitten and Harry Beitzel; and the clubs that dominated were inner-city suburban rivals Carlton, Hawthorn, North Melbourne, Collingwood, Melbourne, Essendon and Richmond. It was the glory days of Australia's national game and a nostalgic look at what is now known as the business of football.

### Storm cloud : Melbourne Storm's demise and resurrection / Paul Kennedy 2013

Melbourne Storm was created in 1998 and situated in the heartland of a rival football code, it won three NRL premierships from five Grand Finals in its first twelve seasons and produced the best players in the game. It was the envy of clubs everywhere. But in 2010 Storm's famed winning culture was exposed as a fraud. The club had cheated. The club had consistently rorted the NRL's salary cap. Justice seemed hard and fast. They were fined and stripped of their trophies. A few in club management were fired, some club directors left and player managers were given suspensions. That was it. Noone was charged. Storm played out that season with admirable resolve, despite playing for no reward. In the following two seasons Melbourne Storm fought back and in 2012 won the Grand Final. The rise, fall and rise of Melbourne Storm happened in a heartbeat, yet what actually took place? 'Storm cloud' answers the question as it reveals the hidden story, with much untold to be revealed.

## WANT MORE? SEE THE FULL LIST OF RECENT ADDITIONS:

*The monthly 'Recent Additions' list is automatically sent to all those who receive this newsletter by email. If you receive the newsletter by post and would like to have the Recent Additions posted to you, please let us know by phone 9510 3393 or by email library@pmi.net.au and we will add you to the mailing list. Otherwise, you can view the full list on our website at http://www.pmi.net.au/library_recent_additions.htm*

# HISTORIC 📝 HAPPENINGS

<u>Brighton Library</u>
2.30pm, Sun 27 October - Guest speaker - Ross McMullen, author of *Farewell dear people* and *Pompey Elliot*. Ross is the recipient of the Prime Minister's Literary Award for Australian History 2013. Free event, bookings essential. *Bookings: www.trybooking.com/62343*

<u>Cinema & Theatre Historical Society</u>
Open most Thursdays 10am-12 noon & 1pm-3pm. Right next door to the PMI Library, 140 High Street, Prahran. *Please phone Royce 9589 3448 or Gerry 0432 434 169 to confirm opening times before you visit.*

<u>Friends of Boroondara (Kew) Cemetery</u>
2pm, Sun 10 Nov - Tour - Ned Kelly
Cost: $15, Members - $8, Seniors - $10. Refreshments included. *Further information and bookings 9836 9117 or email info@fobk.org.*

<u>Friends of St Kilda Cemetery</u>
2pm, Sun 17 Nov - Tour - Architects, Builders and Engineers. Find out about some of the people who had a hand in creating Marvellous Melbourne and who were responsible for some of Victoria's most significant nineteenth and twentieth century buildings. Cost: $10, Members - $5. Meet at the main gate on Dandenong Road. *Further information and bookings 9531 6832 or www.trybooking.com/CVQ*

<u>Glen Eira Historical Society</u>
10am-4pm, Sun 27 Oct - Open Day - Our display will feature Glen Eira's role in the First World War and selected items from the Second World War including photos, documents memorabilia and more. All welcome. *965 Glen Huntly Road, Caulfield South.*

<u>Museum Victoria</u>
10am-12pm, daily - walk - 'Melbourne's Golden Mile'. Walk 'marvellous Melbourne and experience how the discovery of gold shaped the city.  Discover the surprising characters behind Melbourne's growth from Prima Donnas and prime ministers to bushrangers and architects.Mon-Fri: Immigration Museum to Town Hall ; Sat-Sun Town Hall to Melbourne Museum. All tours depart from Federation Square. $20 ($15 concession and Museum Victoria members) includes guide book. *Bookings 9928 0096 or 1300 780 045 or at Best of Souvenirs, Federation Square.*

<u>Port Melbourne Historical & Preservation Society</u>
7.30pm - Mon 28 Oct - Guest speaker - Dr Sue Hughes from the National Trust on the Cultural Heritage of 19th century newspapers on the goldfields. Port Melbourne Town Hall, Council Chamber, 333 Bay Street, Port Melbourne. *Further information and bookings phone 9646 9360 or email pmhps@hotmail.com*

<u>Public Record Office</u>
1pm-2pm, Wed 6 Nov - Free information session - 'Introduction to Family History Research'. This introductory information session will take you through who we are and what we do at Public Record Office Victoria. You will also learn how you can access our ever-evolving collection of records through our online catalogue for your family history research.We will get you started on researching our collection, taking a look at basic researching of will and probate records, shipping lists and inquests requests. Basic computer skills are required.

1pm-2pm, Thu 21 Nov - Free information session - 'Reading 19th Century Handwriting'. Are you baffled by the handwriting on 19th century documents? Is that a J or an F? An S or a D? Stop tearing your hair out in frustration; we're here to help. Come along to our information session and we'll show you how to interpret the handwriting of our forebears.

1pm-2pm, Fri 6 Dec - Free information session - This session is an introductory session to get you started on researching our collection, taking a look at simple and advanced searching methods, searching within a series, searching our online indexes, the basics of ordering records and what you can view online. We will also take you through who we are and what we do at Public Record Office Victoria with an overall focus on how you can access our ever-evolving collection of records through our online catalogue. Basic computer skills are required.

*Victorian Archives Centre, 99 Sheil St, North Melbourne. Further information and bookings, visit http://prov.vic.gov.au/whats-on/events-calendar. Sessions are preceeded by a tour of the archives which may be booked separately.*

## <u>Victorian History Week</u>

20-27 October - For a full list of all the activities going on during Victorian History Week visit http://www.historyweek.org.au/. History Week is an initiative of the Royal Historical Society of Victoria and is supported by the Vera Moore Foundation.


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