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Invites you to hear

Peter Collins CGMM

Speak about

An Anzac Day Precinct in Brisbane: If not now, when?

**Brisbane's Role in the Founding of the ANZAC Day
Commemorations**

A Brisbane born, former newspaper journalist for some 40 years, Peter Collins CGMM, leads the Stone of Remembrance Centenary Committee and curates content for the **Canon Garland Memorial**, community, as well as for The National Australia Remembers Freedom Wall, White Ensign Online and social media for Sandgate Sub-section of the National Association of Australia (as an honorary member). A former Secretary of the Canon Garland Memorial Society Incorporated. Collins agitated for, helped design, promoted and sought funding for "Canon Garland Memorial-ANZAC Day Origins" in Kangaroo Point Cliffs Park, in 2016. In February 2020 Collins e-Petitioned Brisbane City Council to agree to creating **The National Defence Chaplains' Memorial Grove** in Toowong's Anzac Park. After it is officially unveiled and dedicated later this year it will become Australia's first civic memorial commemorating the gallantry, devotion to duty and sacrifice of padres who go in harm's way alongside the men and women of the Australian Defence Force - then, now and in the future. Visitors to the Grove will be able to gaze down on "Canon Garland Overpass" (officially named on 9 October 2019) and across to Toowong's Cemetery's "Canon Garland Place" (officially named on 5 November 2015). The naming of these landmarks reflects a steadily growing awareness about the life and works of a Great Queenslander. First AIF Chaplain Lieutenant-Colonel and Reverend Canon David John Garland OBE (1864-1939), the "Architect of ANZAC Day".

Peter will touch on his vision for an "Anzac Day Precinct" in Brisbane – the city that gave ANZAC Day to the world – and draw our attention to an unheralded centenary of national significance just over the horizon.

Come along and listen to Peter speak about Brisbane's role in the ANZAC Day commemoration.

Where? Kingsbury Room
Queen Alexandra Home Community Centre
347 Old Cleveland Rd. Coorparoo
When? Saturday 5 August 2023 at 2.00 pm

Non-members are welcome, but why not join our group? A small donation to offset hiring charges would be appreciated. Contact President Ron Baker OAM 0412 944 095 Vice President Richard Jeffreys OAM 0411 511 369 Mail: Hon. Secretary. PO Box 263 Coorparoo Q 4151



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JULY 2023 NEWSLETTER

At the June meeting Betty Lee gave a very interesting account of Commander Eric Feldt and his coast-watchers during World War II. It was the information provided by these brave coast-watchers to the allied troops that enabled them to repel the Japanese invasion and turn the tide of the war. Thanks to the assistance of a sound expert the problem with the microphone has been solved. However, the speaker held the handheld microphone too close to her mouth or turned away from the microphone to explain something on the screen. In future we will insist that the speaker wear a headset microphone.

At our August meeting we had hoped to have a speaker speak on the 150th anniversary of St. Mary's Anglican Church at Kangaroo Point. Unfortunately, the church administration has been unable to provide us with a speaker. Fortunately, the committee has been able to find an alternative speaker. Peter Collins CGMM has agreed at very short notice to speak about Brisbane's Role in Anzac Day commemoration at our August meeting. Peter is Secretary of the Canon Garland Memorial and had been recommended to us as a possible speaker. Cannon David John Garland developed appropriate services for ANZAC Day, the format for which still exists today.

The October bus tour of the Hamilton/Ascot area has been planned and the coach booked. Afternoon Tea will be had at the Hamilton Hotel. Apart from cafes along Racecourse Road there are very few cafes along the route. The Hamilton Hotel provides adequate parking for the coach and is located conveniently along the route. Booking sheets will be available at the August meeting.

Planning for the Women of Coorparoo and Districts Seminar on 2 September is almost finalised and the speakers confirmed. A caterer has been engaged for the event and exact numbers are required well prior to the day so that they can cater accordingly. A booking sheet will be available at the August meeting.

If you have been near the Greenslopes Private Hospital recently you can't help noticing that the former Greenslopes Red Cross building has been demolished. This building could easily have been saved and used as an auxiliary building for the hospital, as it was used during the war years and later where the hospital was a rehabilitation hospital. The building was roofed with deep-six corrugated asbestos cement and was sheeted with asbestos cement. Care was taken in removing the asbestos cement so the same care

could have been taken in removing the roof sheeting and covering the wall sheeting. Alas it is now only a memory.

The Member for Greenslopes, Joe Kelly MP has called on our group for nominations for Australian of the Year. All it takes is one nomination to recognise the significant achievements and contributions of extraordinary Australians who are making a positive contribution within their community and across the nation.

The Queensland recipients will be nominated for the 2024 Australian of the Year Awards.

Nominations can be made across four categories:

Australian of the Year – celebrating the achievements and contributions of eminent Australians who are role models for us all

Senior Australian of the Year – recognising those Australians aged 65 and over who continue to achieve and make a difference.

Young Australian of the Year – celebrating inspiring individuals aged between 16 to 30 who have accomplished great things in all walks of life.

Australia's Local Hero – acknowledging individuals making a difference in their local community.

Further information can be obtained from Joe Kelly's office.

The Annerley-Stephens History Group Inc. is conducting a Memories of Stephens conference on 21 October at our Lady's College, Chester Road Annerley. This all-day conference costs \$40.00 to attend and includes morning tea and lunch. Twelve distinguished speakers have been engaged to present papers. A copy of the Notice of the meeting and the programme is attached to this Newsletter.

The Coorparoo School of Arts and Memorial Hall Association Inc. is proposing to conduct a Trivia Night at the hall on 28 October 2023 and our group has been requested to form a table or two. Last year all tables were booked and all participants had a great night and tested their knowledge (or lack of it) in a fun filled night. Further details and cost will be available shortly.

Continuing our articles on Coorparoo identities, in this Newsletter we feature James Hipwood.

JAMES HIPWOOD

James Hipwood was born in Sydney on 2 December 1842, the son of William Hooper Hipwood and Mary Ann (nee Hayes), He was educated to age 13 at St. Andrew's School. After leaving school he worked as a brass-founder and coppersmith for P.N. Russell and Company, iron-founders and shipbuilders. He later became a foreman.

He married Mary Ann McCreedy at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney on 22 September 1864. James and Mary had three daughters born in Sydney, Mary Ann, born 1865, Rebecca Elizabeth, born 1867 and Martha Jane, born 1869. Martha married prominent Brisbane architect Henry Wallace Atkinson.

James and his family moved to Brisbane in 1870 and he joined Joseph William Sutton in the firm Hipwood and Sutton, located in Eagle Street. This partnership was dissolved

in 1877 and James and his brother George Samuel Hipwood formed the business Hipwood Brothers in Edward Street.

James Hipwood lived at the top of Shakespeare Street Coorparoo in a residence called Surry Hill. When the house was removed the land was subdivided and offered for sale in 1924 as the Surry Hill Estate (The Gem of Coorparoo) with 101 allotments.

The Hipwoods had another nine children in Brisbane, Sarah Ann, born 1871, Eva, born 1873, Georgie Ada, born 1875 (married William Lahey Nicklin), Maggie May, born 1878, Zillah, born 1880, Beatrice Maud, born 1882, James Joseph, born 1884, Vera Constance, born 1886 and Arthur William born 1889 but died the same year.

In 1884 James Hipwood was elected as an alderman in the Brisbane Municipal Council and served until 1897. During his tenure he served on numerous Committees including Finance, Health, Legislative, Works, Town Hall, Street Lighting and Parks. He served as Mayor from 1886-87.

He was also a member of the Coorparoo Shire Council from 1888 to 1891 and was its President in 1890.

In addition to his municipal duties, he was one of the founders of the Queensland Trustees Limited and the South Brisbane Milling Company. He was also involved in the formation of the Queensland Mutual Insurance Company and the Queensland Deposit Bank. He was a director of the Queensland Brewery Company (eventually merged into Carlton & United Breweries).

James died on 22 January 1926 at Wynnum where he had been staying with relatives. He was buried at the Balmoral Cemetery with his wife who pre-deceased him.

Lord Mayor Alderman William Jolly paid a tribute to James Hipwood when he said, "He was one of the old School and I regret his passing away. We of today are deeply indebted to men of his kind for having laid the foundations of civic life on sound and honourable lines. Perhaps the finest to his life was the splendid family he left behind."

ANNERLEY-STEPHENS HISTORY GROUP Inc

Memories of Stephens

21 October 2023

A history conference is being held on Saturday 21 October 2023 at Our Lady's College, 15 Chester Road, Annerley, 4103.

The venue is not the hall on Ipswich Road that we have used in the past. Please drive down Chester Road and turn right into the carpark and follow the signs to the hall located on the eastern side of the school campus.

Papers will be presented on the history of the Stephens Shire, including local railway and tram history, the Stephens Scout Group, Chinese in Stephens, the cemetery, Tennyson, Yeronga Aboriginal history, the Congregational church, the Wilderness and Tarragindi, the eminent Dr Winterbottom and WWII war heroes.

Twelve distinguished speakers have been engaged to present papers.

Registration begins at 8.30am and the conference commences at 9am.

Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided.

It will be a great day and you are all welcome to attend.

An invitation is extended to guests to bring and display any memorabilia and photographs.



RSVP: Please contact:

Convener: Stephen Sheaffe: 0417 770 176: ssheaffe@qldbar.asn.au

President: Jeff Brunne: 0410

551 354 Secretary: Denis Peel:

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Attendance:

Cost \$40pp for morning tea and lunch. Presenters will be given a discount of \$20.00 for the lunch.

Name (s) of person (s) attending:

Address: email:

Phone number

Payment: Deposit into the Annerley-Stephens Bank account, Westpac, BSB 034-033: ACC 30-9907 (insert name on the deposit slip), alternatively send a cheque to the ASHG addressed to Stephen Sheaffe, 19 Ponsonby Street, Annerley, 4103.

Programme

8.30: Registration

9.00: Welcome by the ASHG President (3 minutes)

Acknowledgment to country (5 minutes) - school students

Session One: (1.5 hrs) 9.10am-10.40:

Chair: Stephen Sheaffe AM

1. 9.10: Dr Ruth Kerr and Greg Hallam: *Railways on the Southside: The South Brisbane Railway of the 1880s and early 20th century.*
2. 9.40: Dr Michael Macklin: *Indigenous Yeronga 1822.*
3. 10.10: Don Marshall: *Stephens Boy Scout Group 1917-2003.*

Morning Tea: 10.40-11.00am:

Session Two: (1.5 hrs) 11.00am-12.30pm:

Chair: Councillor Nicole Johnston

4. 11.00: Georgina Dove: *The Wilderness and Tarragindi House.*
5. 11.30: Ronda Dove: *The Congregational Church, Cracknell Road.*
6. 12.00: Jeanette Wiley: *Softstone to Tennyson.*

Lunch: 12.30 pm-1.00

Session Three: (1.5 hrs) 1.00pm-2.30:

Chair: Bec Langdon

7. 1.00pm: Professor John Pearn: *Dr Lindsay Page Winterbottom (1887-1960).*
8. 1.30pm: Diana Hacker: *The Forgotten, Brave Boys.*
9. 2.00pm: Dr Janis Hanley and Jan Richardson: *Chinese in Stephens.*

Afternoon Tea: 2.30-3.00pm

Session Four (1.5 hrs) 3.00pm-4.30:

Chair: Councillor Krista Adams, Deputy Mayor

10. 3.00pm: Dr Bill Metcalf: *Toohey Forest Park and Stephen Sheaffe, Bones in the Park.*
11. 3.30pm: Tracey Oliveri and Chris Dawson: *South Brisbane Cemetery.*
12. 4.00pm: Glen and Gail Dyer: *World War II Tram Disaster.*

Close and Thankyou: ASHG President