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**Dr. Peter Orlovich  
Archivist Kogarah Council**

OATLEY HERITAGE GROUP

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Dr. PETER ORLOVICH, Archivist, Kogarah Council.

SPEAKER:

Mr. Peter Orlovich has spent a number of years as Archivist at Kogarah Council setting up ~~setting~~ files in order from 1886 to 1945. He found that there was much to do as the files had not been put in order for many years.

When Mr Evans was Town Clerk, he sent files to Mitchell Library dating up to 1914. But these were sent back later when the State Records Act came into force, Councils were to maintain their own records, and make them accessible to the public. There is a 30 year limit on all records.

In later years, the records have been housed at Government Records Archives, O'Connell St. St Marys. Kogarah Archives are available to the people of Kogarah Council area.

Peter finished his talk telling the members about E.J.Brady many years ago complaining to the Town Clerk about the many rates he had to pay on his mother's estates: "You appear to have a two gun drop on me. The question is whether it is better to walk the streets of Melbourne, unarmed, at night, alone or own property in a Sydney suburb in broad daylight."

VOTE OF THANKS: Cliff Crane gave Peter Orlovich a vote of thanks saying it was a privilege to have him come to our meeting and give such an interesting talk. Carried with acclamation.

CLOSING:

GLENN STEVENS Secretary ..... President

(Extract from secretary's notes.)