

April 2021 Newsletter

## AGM and Presentation

The AGM of OHHS was held on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February and was followed by a presentation by Julian Sheen of part 2 of hid book "A Place Called Oatley".

A list of the 2021 Executive and Committee of OHHS can be found at the end of this Newsletter. Welcome to our two new Committee members Angie Sheinwald and Weimin Weng. Two of our long serving and stalwart members Cliff Crane and Bill Wright did not seek re-election to the Committee and I want to express my sincere thanks on behalf of all members to Cliff and Bill for all the work and effort they have contributed over many years to the Society, Cliff has held many positions over the years and we all owe him a great deal for his contribution to the success of the Society. In particular, without his determination and work over many drafts, the new Constitution which was accepted in 2020 would not have been completed. Bill was Secretary for several years and his work for the Society cannot be understated, THANK YOU CLIFF AND BILL!

Julian's presentation of Part 2 was interesting, informative and erudite. Copies of the book are still available. Thank you Julian.

## Coffee and Chat meeting.

The next Coffee and Chat meeting will be held in the RSL Sub Branch Hall on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April, commencing at **230pm**! Note the time change. The theme for the afternoon will be State and Federal MPs that have lived in Oatley. We know of at least 4- Jim Bradfield, Garry Punch, Frank Walker and Guy Yeomans. We hope you will all come along and contribute your anecdotes of any of these four. And we may have overlooked others? Refreshments will be available at the conclusion of the "Chat"

## Lions Market Day.

The Lions Club of Oatley is holding a "Market Day" in the grounds of the Oatley Uniting Church – corner Frederick and Letitia Streets on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April from 0830- 230pm. OHHS will have a stall with copies of our book and old calendars and real estate maps for sale.

## **Plaques**

A successful meeting was held with Georges River Mayor Kevin Greene and subsequently with Council officers to discuss OHHS future plaques program. The next plaque is hoped to be installed at Simpson Reserve. Thanks in particular to Kim Wagstaff for the time and effort he has put in to bring this project in Simpson Reserve to a successful outcome. The GRC has also installed one of its Blue Plaques in front of the shops at the corner of Lansdowne Parade and Baker street to commemorate the wartime "Searchlight" which was located in that vicinity. It is worth a look. Coffee and Chat 230pm Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April RSL Hall

Next Presentation Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 1010am RSL Auditorium

Lawrie Yeomans.

Executive and Committee 2021

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