



May 2021 Newsletter

Next Meeting and Presentation

This coming Friday , 28th May at the Oatley RSL Auditorium commencing at 1010am. Come along and hear Cliff Crane tell us about the history and events at Simpson Reserve in Yarran Road. This reserve has a very interesting history so I hope to see as many members as possible come along to hear Cliff's presentation.

Plaques

Our plaques program is progressing well in cooperation with Georges River Council. We have three plaques of our design planned for Judd's Brickworks, Townson's Grant, and Simpson Reserve. Your Committee has approved the expenditure and all we need is agreement to start.

We have also recommended to GRC that they place their "Blue" plaques near the Oatley hotel celebrating John O'Grady. This plaque replaces one that was placed there years ago but stolen. If any member can identify where it was then could they let Rodger Robertson know. The other recommendation to GRC is for a plaque to be put outside Demerara in Wononora Parade. This was built in about 1888 by Myles McRae at 78 Woronora Parade and is still basically there making it the oldest house still standing in Oatley.

Julian Sheen recently represented the Society at the official opening of the "Searchlight" Blue Plaque in front of the shops in Baker street.

The Long Walk

Julian is in the process of planning a walk for us around the boundaries of the original James Oatley Grant. The walk will commence at 830am on Friday 24th September at Stevens Reserve on the corner of Gungah Bay Road and Oatley Park Avenue and conclude at the Oatley RSL for refreshments. As the entire walk will be quite long, there will be 3 convenient places along the route where people may join and leave the walk. More information will be included in the September Newsletter including the 3 places.

All will be welcome to join the walk including non-members.

2022 Oatley Calendar

OHHS is responsible for the 2022 Oatley Calendar and it should be ready for sale by October. The theme for the calendar and its monthly pages will be a history of Oatley as portrayed in Julian's book, "A Place Called Oatley".

July Meeting

Coffee and Chat 230pm Friday 30th July RSL Hall

Lawrie Yeomans President