# SWAM GUILDFORM

### Swan Guildford Historical Society (Inc.) founded 1962

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# NEWSLETTER JANUARY – FEBRUARY 2021

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy New Year to all and welcome to the 2021 newsletter and the Presidents Corner. Last Year was a challenge to say the least and a big thankyou to all the supporters of the SGHS. You may have noticed the newsletter has changed and I hope you enjoy it.

Something that I have learnt in my time at the SGHS is that one of the reasons Guildford is a special place is that it is an excellent example of a highly intact nineteenth-century town with the buildings from at least five key eras in the State's history. These eras are the Colony era 1829-1860, Convict era 1860 - 1880, Gold Boom era 1880-1900, Federation era 1900 - 1915 and Inter-War era 1916-1945. If you own a house from these eras, it plays its part in making Guildford a special place in Western Australia and Australian History.

We say farewell and thankyou to Jean True, however not goodbye. Jean has always been a great support and great counsel to myself in regard to all SGHS matters. Thankyou Jean.

Andrew Minogue, SGHS President.

# MONDAY NIGHT MEETINGS ARE BACK!

Good news. Our first general meeting with a guest speaker in 2021 will be held on Monday, 8th February 2021. 7 PM for a 7.30 PM start. The Guest speaker is Bevan Carter, who will talk about his research and published work in a talk entitled "Early Contact with the Swan Valley Aborigines".

Venue: Mechanics Institute, Meadow Street Guildford.

Entry: Gold coin donation is appreciated.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this is a registered event. Please contact the President on mobile 0408 433 298 to register.

#### JEAN TRUE RETIRES



In December 2020, we said farewell to Jean True, a long serving volunteer at the Society. For many years Jean has managed our images (photographs) collection by cataloguing and adding descriptions of precious images of family groups, objects, and events around Guildford. She trained many volunteers in data entry, and could always be relied on to answer questions by other volunteers. Over the years, Jean also served on many committees as Treasurer for the Society, keeping the books in meticulous order, and overseeing the annual audit.

A Society stalwart, Jean was always there to coordinate events such as the morning tea following the ANZAC Day service at Stirling Square. During the event, Jean poured tea for guests, then worked with her team to pack everything up for relocation to our headquarters. A mammoth organisational task.

Jean recently announced her retirement from volunteering, and so sadly it is time to say farewell (but not goodbye), and a big thank you for her mighty effort for the Society. To help her celebrate, a morning tea was held on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2020 where friends formally thanked her and wished her well for her next adventure. Jean, you will be missed. We are grateful for the work you have done on behalf of the Society over many years.

#### **CHRISTMAS PARTY 2020**

On 6th December members of the Swan Guildford Historical Society gathered at the Town Hall, Guildford for our annual Christmas party. We dined on fine food, sipped a wine or two, and sang and danced to some excellent music. Patron, Michelle Roberts was a special guest on the night. Photos show President Andrew Minogue, Michelle Roberts, and Past President Celia Miller. In the second photo, Michelle is with Society volunteer Rebekah.





Andrew, Michelle and Celia

Michelle and Rebekah

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#### **MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE DUE**

Membership fees are due on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021. The renewal form with instructions is attached for your convenience.

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