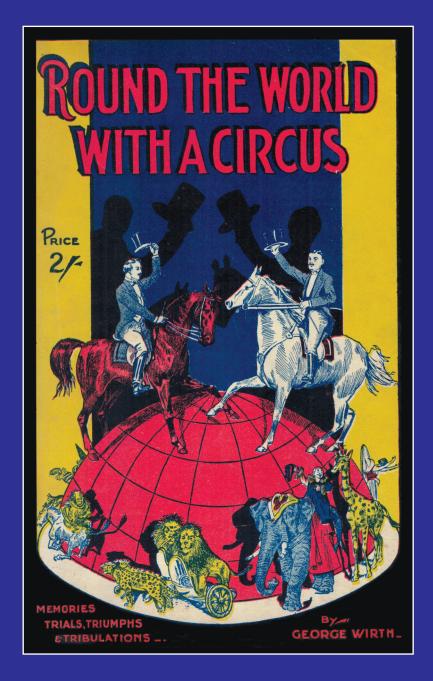
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Martin Gibbs – Finding Convicts and Convict Sites: A Job For Professionals, Community, Or Both? Landscapes of Production and Punishment: Convict Labour and Industry on the Tasman Peninsula 1830–77

Graham Shirley – Home Talent: Australia's Itinerant Filmmakers

Mark St Leon - The Sawdust Trail

Cathy Perkins - Wildest Piece of Humanity

2019 Cultural Grants Recipients

2019 RAHS Conference in Tamworth, NSW

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The 2019 conference, Illuminating the Past, was a wonderful opportunity for delegates from twenty-eight historical societies, as well as individual RAHS members and friends, to learn how they can illuminate the past of their local communities.

Tamworth Historical Society hosted the Friday preconference drinks at Calala Cottage, an award-winning museum. Delegates reconnected with friends and learnt about the historical significance of the cottage and its collections.

Local Kamilaroi man Len Waters gave the Welcome to Country, focusing on the impact of the drought on the area and the importance of respecting the environment. This was followed by two days of presentations that included: convict history; the development of Tamworth into the leading city in the New England North West region; managing collections; online resources for history research and volunteer projects; travelling entertainers; Australia's itinerant filmmakers; and the change electricity had on domestic life. The

conference also featured tours, certificate awards and raffles. A full program is available on the RAHS website.

The RAHS would like to thank everyone who contributed to the success of this year's conference, including the Tamworth Historical Society, the RAHS affiliated societies, as well as the speakers and delegates. Planning is underway for the 2020 conference. The venue and theme will be announced in upcoming magazines and the RAHS e-newsletter.

2019 Certificates of Achievements

These awards honour the contributions made by members of RAHS affiliated societies to local and community history.

Elspeth Bradbury - Lake Macquarie Family History Group (LMFHG)

For her commitment and outstanding voluntary service to the Group since she joined as a foundation member in 1999. Elspeth has served in Executive, General Committee and Sub-Committee member roles as Hon.



RAHS President Christine Yeats with recipients of the 2019 Certificates of Achievement. From Left to Right: Elspeth Bradbury (Lake Macquarie Family History Group), Scott MacArthur (Marrickville Heritage Society), Unita Fleischer (Lake Macquarie Family History Group) and RAHS President Christine Yeats.

Secretary, Hon. Assistant Secretary, Newsletter & Journal editor and Programme officer. LMFHG recognise her longstanding involvement through the years in special interest groups, as a library volunteer and a LMFHG representative.

Unita Fleischer – Lake Macquarie Family History Group

For her continuous and dedicated voluntary service to the Group since she joined as a foundation member in 1999. Unita has served in Executive, General Committee and Sub-Committee member roles as Hon. Secretary, Membership Secretary, Newsletter editor and Purchasing Committee. LMFHG recognise her many years of involvement and commitment in the Scottish and other special interest groups, as a library volunteer and a LMFHG representative.

Scott MacArthur – Marrickville Heritage Society (MHS)

For his longstanding commitment and outstanding service to the MHS since first joining in 1998. Currently in his seventh year as President of the MHS, Scott has been Chair of the Heritage Watch



RAHS Volunteer Elizabeth Heffernan



RAHS Volunteer Christina King

Committee liaising with local and state government on heritage and conservation issues over a period of sixteen years. His work with heritage and volunteering over the years has been acknowledged with awards from the Heritage Council of NSW and Marrickville Council; these awards recognise Scott's dedication to heritage conservation, promotion and advocacy in local and state communities. Scott became a Life Member of the MHS in 2016.

2019 RAHS Certificates of Appreciation

These awards honour the contribution made by RAHS volunteers.

Elizabeth Heffernan

Liz is a regular contributor to the RAHS website, including writing the very popular blog series for 2019 Women's History Month and 2019 Library Information Week. Liz also provides support to RAHS staff on digital media initiatives.

Christina King

Christina has been involved in the RAHS as copyeditor for History magazine and as a book note writer. Her experience as a history teacher and freelance feature writer has been invaluable in providing popular content for the RAHS blog and social media channels.

