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Catie Gilchrist – Before the Sheriff: The Provost Marshal in the Colony of New South Wales

James Lesh – Establishing Australia's 'Heritage Mafia'

Ben Woods – SDN Children's Services 1905-2022

Gretta Logue – Tunnels, Torpedoes and Tags: Sydney's Hyde Park Air Raid Shelter

Peter Hobbins – Severe Turbulence: Unravelling the Botany Bay Airliner Crash of 1961

Maie Barrow – Estonian Archives in Australia



2022 CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT

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

Gary Luke – Australian Jewish Historical Society

Gary has been a member since 1993 and served on the Committee from 2008 to 2015. He continues to dedicate many hours of voluntary work contributing to the ongoing historical research, record management, conservation and maintenance of heritage-significant Jewish cemeteries throughout NSW. His ongoing work as a member of the National Trust Cemeteries Committee, a member of the Maitland Jewish Cemetery Friends Group, a Trustee of the Goulburn Jewish Cemetery and his regular volunteer work at the Rookwood Necropolis Jewish Cemetery has made an outstanding and invaluable contribution. Gary also undertakes research and contributes his knowledge of Jewish family history records for the society.

Allan Douch – Bermagui Historical Society

Under Allan's leadership as President since 2016, and with the ongoing support of the Bermagui residents, the society has increased its collections of photographs, oral histories and local historical information. The society now holds more than 10,000 digitised images within its collection. Allan is a regular event speaker and museum volunteer and was instrumental in setting up and maintaining the society's website. He and his wife Wendy, the society's Secretary, work as a team in their various activities supporting the society. Allan's recent compilation and publication is the 'Bushfires 2019/2020 timeline impact on Bermagui and its surrounds'. The society acknowledges and appreciates Allan for his continuous and dedicated service to the history of Bermagui.

Robyne Ridge – Blue Mountains Historical Society

Robyne joined in 2013 and has taken on the roles of Publicity Officer, Management Committee member and Vice President. She is currently Senior Vice President, Catering Co-ordinator and Research Co-ordinator. In her role as Publicity Officer, Robyne is responsible for promoting the society through print and social media. She prepares a monthly historical article for the *Blue Mountains Gazette* on a topic of local interest and prepares publicity for the Monthly Talks. As Research Co-ordinator, Robyne has written several publications for the society and has undertaken research for the Blue Mountains City Council, the *Blue Mountains Gazette* and the public.

Dorothy Warwick – Friends of Linnwood

Dorothy has performed a significant role in researching historical aspects of the Cumberland Local Government Area (formerly City of Holroyd Council) and had a major role in leading the Save Linnwood Hall Action Group in 2001. She has worked tirelessly for the historic estate for twenty years as President and committee member. Dorothy assisted in establishing Holroyd Local History Research, which has published seven books. Her contributions to local history are often sought after. She is a guest speaker at various community organisations. The Friends acknowledge and appreciate her dedication, leadership and endurance for the Linnwood estate and the local history community.

Robert Nash – Huguenot Society of Australia

The society recognises Robert's achievements in Huguenot studies nationally and internationally. Robert is an accomplished researcher, speaker, author and recognised foremost expert on Huguenot studies in Australia. Robert regularly gives talks on the Huguenots and the contributions their descendants made to Australia. As an author and editor, Robert has several publications and articles to his credit on the Huguenots, their descendants and genealogy for Australians. Robert also maintains the society's library and assists members in undertaking Huguenot family history research. In recognition of his wider research work, Robert was made a Life Fellow of the Huguenot Society of Great Britain and Ireland.

Karen Eldridge – Lake Macquarie Family History Group

On becoming a member in 2002, Karen became enthusiastically involved with the project to transcribe and publish the Registers of St. Matthew's Church of England, Windsor. Over the years, she has held Treasurer and Membership Secretary positions and on the Publications Committee. Karen has represented the Group at many Family History Fairs, is a volunteer researcher at the Lake Macquarie City Library and is a leader and contributor to the Ryerson Index. Karen has also been instrumental in fundraising, face-to-face training and research programs and, with the advent of Zoom, online training and general research. A member who has gone above and beyond, her contribution and dedication to the Group's longevity is second to none.

Arthur Radford – Lake Macquarie Family History Group

Arthur joined the Lake Macquarie Family History Group in its inaugural year, 1999, where he became involved with many of the Group's activities, including Family History Fairs. Arthur was elected to the position of Vice President in 2001 and again in 2022-23, and to the role of President in 2016-18. When the Public Officer position became vacant in 2001, Arthur stepped up and has held this position to the present, diligently keeping the Group informed of changes and depositing information as required to the Department of Fair Trading. Arthur has carried out duties on the Group's Committee and the Publications Committee, as well as fundraising and assisting others with his knowledge of records and research.

Wendy Simes – Moruya and District Historical Society

Wendy has been an active member as Librarian, Journal Editor, website manager and executive committee member. Especially significant has been her work in supporting the society's core aim of communicating and preserving the local history of Moruya and its surrounding district for the wider community. Wendy has coordinated, written and prepared publications, established a specialised local history and genealogy research service, and introduced and maintained systematic cataloguing of the society's collections. Wendy, with her team of volunteers, has made an extraordinary contribution by building and maintaining a cultural resource that preserves the history of this district and its community for future generations.

Jenny Bryant – Shoalhaven Historical Society

Jenny has contributed significantly to the running of the Shoalhaven Historical Society. She has been a committee member for ten years and has undertaken bookkeeping duties as Acting Treasurer and Treasurer. She is a willing worker, attending the Nowra Museum every Tuesday, where she takes on many roles. Besides welcoming and guiding visitors, she keeps a vigilant eye on book stocks and sales. Jenny is also passionate about the appearance and cleanliness of the museum and ensures that the museum looks its best.

Brian Forrester – Shoalhaven Historical Society

Brian has been a member of the Shoalhaven Historical Society for twenty years and has served on its committee for sixteen years. He is passionate about volunteering and has for many years maintained the lawns and grounds of the Nowra Museum. Brian is devoted to undertaking duties at the museum and will volunteer for any stray shift available. During our recovery from Covid lockdowns, Brian has taken it

upon himself to open the museum on Sundays whenever possible, even though this is no longer a published opening slot. His dedication to the promotion of the society and his encyclopaedic knowledge of the personalities and commerce of Nowra over eighty years are invaluable.

Barbara Hinnrichsen – Shoalhaven Historical Society

As a member of the society for over thirty years, Barbara has served on its committee for sixteen years, stepping down last year. Barbara's input into meetings was always highly valued, and her extensive knowledge of Nowra's past residents is a valuable tool in preserving the history of the Shoalhaven. Barbara attends the Nowra Museum every Tuesday, welcomes visitors and meticulously seeks relevant local history articles in the local papers, which she places in our files for future researchers. She works quietly and efficiently and is an asset to the society and the museum.

Cathy Jones – Strathfield-Homebush District Historical Society

Cathy is the Secretary, editor and primary writer of the newsletter and Public Officer. Along with developing the society's website, Cathy developed and maintains the Strathfield Heritage website which provides information on the history and heritage of the district. She has written publications and articles on the Strathfield district, conducts walking and bus tours, and has been a presenter and speaker. Cathy has collaborated on recent exhibitions and public talks, all featuring original research, images and objects. She has been Chair of Strathfield Council's Heritage Committee and was a member of the National Trust Historic Houses Committee. She has worked consistently for twenty years to research, educate and promote community interest and local history and heritage.

Daphne Salt – Wauchope District Historical Society

The society acknowledges Daphne's longstanding commitment, involvement and contributions since joining in 2014. She has researched local subjects and conducted interviews for oral histories. Having written and published several local history publications and articles, she has worked in consultation with historians and provided information and photographs from her collections to illustrate their works. Her research and work with the society archives, files and photograph collections have allowed her to prepare comprehensive presentations, exhibits and maps of the Hastings Valley, Wauchope, and the Oxley 1818 expedition. Daphne's passion and enthusiasm have enabled her to tackle any challenge and embrace this region by delving into its history.

