



The Royal Australian Historical Society (RAHS) in conjunction with Museums of History NSW present

2026 Western Sydney Seminar

Exploring Land Records and Local Government

Friday 9th October 2026 – 10:00 am to 3:30 pm

at

**Western Sydney Records Centre
161 O'Connell Street, Kingswood NSW 2747**

RAHS Research Skills Seminar – supported by Create NSW

The RAHS and Museums of History NSW present a full-day seminar on exploring place and local history using land and local government records in the State Archives Collection.

Participants will learn about:

- Local Government Records
- Valuation Records
- Maps and Crown Plans
- Land Tenure Records

Cost including morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea:

\$30 RAHS and Affiliated Society members | \$35 non-members

Bookings essential in advance for catering purposes

Bookings must close Tuesday, 6 October at 10:00 am

For more information and online bookings:

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RAHS Western Sydney Seminar – Program

Session A: Morning

Time	Details
9:45 am	Registrations
10:00 am	Acknowledgement of Country Welcome and Introduction to Seminar
10:05 am	Speaker: Christine Yeats, RAHS Senior Vice President The Local Story: Digging into Local Council Records
10:50 am	Morning tea
11:10 am	Speaker: Carol Liston AO, RAHS President Learn how valuation records can be used for historical land research and uncovering previous owners and occupiers.
12:00 pm	Lunch

Session B: Afternoon

Time	Details
1:00 pm	Speaker: Christine Yeats, RAHS Senior Vice President Unlocking the Story of Land Tenure in New South Wales
1:50 pm	Afternoon tea
2:10 pm	Speaker: Carol Liston AO, RAHS President Discover how crown plans and town and parish maps can shed light on local history and assist in family genealogy.
3:00 pm	Questions
3:10 pm	Seminar Close
3:20 pm	Optional behind-the-scenes guided tour of Western Sydney Records Centre.

About the RAHS Regional Seminar Program supported by Create NSW

The program aims to promote the study, writing and dissemination of Australian history. It aims to develop historical expertise in the community that will support history and heritage projects. To learn more about online and regional seminars, grants, RAHS membership and how we can support your history projects, see our website www.rahs.org.au or contact us on (02) 9247 8001.