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Hello Oral History Queensland members, here is your 1st e-Bulletin for 2019. The new year has begun and we can look forward to our Conference in October. Get your presentation ideas in before **1 March 2019!**

Please send me any information you have to share in our e-Bulletin at mulligan53@iinet.net.au and use OHQ E-Bulletin in the subject line. If you have an event coming up, let me know as soon as you can to ensure it gets in the e-Bulletin in time. The editor reserves the right not to publish if any information is judged to be inappropriate. Please visit our web site: www.ohq.org.au and “**Like**” our **Facebook page**. It's good to see our Likes are growing, as we put some interesting information on there as well as on our Blog. So also check our Blog which is updated weekly with stories related to oral history. Feel free to add a comment. Any feedback is very welcome.

Suzanne Mulligan

1. Call for Presentations for Oral History Australia Conference, Brisbane, Australia 2019 – a reminder

A reminder our next biennial conference will be held at the State Library of Queensland in Brisbane from 10 to 13 October 2019 and proposals for presentations are now being accepted. See [Call for Presentations](#), due by **1 March 2019**.

2019 is our 40th anniversary year. Oral History Queensland and Oral History Australia are presenting the conference in partnership with the State Library of Queensland. The theme is “Intimate Stories, Challenging Histories”. For more information about the conference, click [here](#). Please use [this document](#) to “spread the word” about the conference to your networks. Thank you.

2. Oral History Peer Project Support

At our recent Planning Meeting we discussed a new initiative which may be of benefit for new and experienced oral history members wanting to come and discuss and explore projects they are working on or are considering. Experienced oral historian Anne Monsour has organised this first meeting. This will be a great opportunity to help members who need advice. Everyone is welcome to come along and share their experiences, something that

oral historians are very good at doing. So join us at the State Library, Room 2D on 2nd floor from 10.00 am to 12.00 pm on 16 March 2019.

3. City in Masks

The 'City in Masks' project documents Brisbane's dramatic exposure to the world's deadliest pandemic - the 'Spanish Flu' - in 1919, for a book to be published in the outbreak's centenary anniversary. This influenza epidemic was Australia's worst natural disaster, and led to severe and widespread disruption to everyday life for the entire population. Presented by the Royal Historical Society of Queensland. Find out more [here](#).

4. Securing Funding Workshop

Museum & Galleries Queensland event

When: 14 and 15 March 2019

Venue: The Workshops Rail Museum, Ipswich

More information will be available on the M&G QLD website and in eNews soon.

5. Queensland-Smithsonian Fellowships Program

Funds fellows from Queensland's research, education and cultural sectors to visit and complete a project at the Smithsonian Institution in the USA.

Closes: 25 February 2019

More information: advance.qld.gov.au

6. Memory Man

“Rob Mitchell has been performing storytelling and reminiscing shows at Sydney aged care facilities for more years than he can remember. Ten years ago Rob decided to reach out to new audiences and take his shows to rural locations throughout eastern Australia, as part of his annual leave.” See full story with link to Rob's website [here](#).

7. In Sunshine and Shadow

Member, Eve Wicks, has written a beautiful book about the Lithuanian people who settled in Brisbane. She used researched history, poetry, oral history, and photography for her book which is part of her studies. Read a review [here](#).

8. StoryCorps Interviews

You can subscribe and receive a weekly interview. This is the latest very interesting interview:

“On January 24, 1961, a U.S. B-52 bomber was flying over rural North Carolina when fuel started to leak, the plane snapped apart, and the two hydrogen bombs it was carrying fell into a tobacco field. If detonated, these 3.8-megaton weapons would have had an impact 250 times greater than the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima.”

Read more and watch the interview [here](#).

9 *Surviving Paradise*

Member, Pam Willis Burden, has released the last in her trilogy of books based on oral history recordings from the Douglas Shire in Far North Queensland. This one is entitled 'Surviving Paradise' and has 33 chapters with 39 interviewees. Read more about the book [here](#).

10. Tasmania Newsletter

For your information and interest, you may see the Tasmania newsletter, Real to Reel, December 2018 [here](#). Please note, this newsletter will be removed from our website on 14 February 2019.

"Memory, I was discovering, acts completely differently when you give it a little notice." He Said/She Said by Erin Kelly.