



# e-Bulletin

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Hello Oral History Queensland members. Here is your fourth e-Bulletin for 2021. We're having our second Peer Support meeting via Zoom on 22 May 2021. See item **7.** below for more information.

If you have any information to share in our e-Bulletin please email me at [mulligan53@iinet.net.au](mailto: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 that is judged to be inappropriate. Please visit our web site: [www.ohq.org.au](http://www.ohq.org.au) and "**Like**" our Facebook page. We try to put some interesting information related to oral history on our Facebook page as well as on our Blog, including posts related to COVID-19. Feel free to add a comment. All feedback is very welcome.

**Suzanne Mulligan**

## **1. 2020 Oral History Award finalists – Oral History Victoria**

"See presentations by the three finalists of the 2020 Oral History Award, which is part of the Victorian Community History Awards and jointly sponsored by Oral History Victoria (OHV), the Royal Historical Society and Public Records Office Victoria. The finalists made the presentations on 29 October 2020 in an event staged online with OHV's Annual General Meeting. The three award finalists were: Cockatoo: Voices from the Past – Dot Griffin, Jan Shaw, Ruth South and Arthur Wintle, Cockatoo History and Heritage Group; Memories of the Women's Royal Australian Air Force 1951-1977 – Jessica Ferrari, Memento Media; Out of the Madhouse: From Asylums to Caring Community?, Arcadia, Australian Scholarly Publishing, 2020 – Sandy Jeffs and Margaret Leggatt. In their presentations the finalists provided overviews of their projects and told of the challenges and joys of conducting oral history."

The winners are announced at the end of the [video](#).

## 2. Oral History Australia Awards

Nominations and applications for Oral History Australia's three biennial awards - the Hazel de Berg Award for Excellence in Oral History, the OHA Book Award and the OHA Media Award - are now open. Find out more at: <https://oralhistoryaustralia.org.au/2021-awards-now-open/>. The closing date is **1 August 2021**. Winners will be announced at the 2021 Biennial Conference in Launceston, Tasmania in October.

## 3. Free Media Conversion Station

Digital Project Officer Brian Wickhem's email says:

"I'm the project head for a new service at Brisbane Libraries that may interest your group and members.

Brisbane Libraries have recently added a media conversion station to our list of free services. This station is a computer and equipment that can easily digitise old analogue media, including:

- photographs, slides, and film negatives (to image file)
- VHS tapes (to video file/.mp4)
- audio cassette tapes (to audio file/.mp3)
- floppy disks (transfer files from floppy disk to USB)

The station is set up at the Carindale Library (Carindale Shopping Centre) and is now available to the public. I've attached a [fact sheet](#) with more details that you can share with your members, and additionally we can offer these options:

- We can invite your group to the Carindale Library for a 1-hour information session and demonstration of the equipment.
- Your members (or anyone in the public) are free to contact the Carindale Library (3407 1490) and book a self-service session to begin their own digitisation project.
- We can provide additional information if you'd kindly be willing to cross-promote this service within your network.

Please contact me if any of the above options are of interest, and please note that this service, like everything at the library, is completely free and open to the public. We are excited to provide another service to support the community and Brisbane history.

We look forward to speaking with you further and supporting you. Many thanks in advance for your consideration.

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#### **4. Succession Planning**

The FAHS Succession Planning Guide is designed to assist historical societies and heritage groups to survive and thrive into the future. In light of the key challenges faced by historical societies around management of collections, effective knowledge transfer and the complexities of running a small business the FAHS has developed a framework that provides sustainability. Planning for succession is a critical component of this sustainability framework.

<https://www.history.org.au/succession-planning/>

#### **5. Password Reset for Trove Accounts**

Trove accounts - reset your password after 15 April, 2021. What's happening? Trove is moving all user accounts to a new login system on Thursday, 15 April, 2021. This move will not change how you search, browse or use Trove, or any part of Trove's design. You'll need to reset your password the next time you log in.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/password-reset-trove-accounts>

#### **6. 'Storytelling and Oral History' Online Conference**

Oral History Network Ireland is holding an online conference on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021. In light of the current COVID-19 pandemic and present travel restrictions, the OHNI Steering Committee has decided to carry out this year's conference in an online format. Further details regarding papers and registration will be released shortly. We wish to thank everyone involved in the conference for their patience and support during these challenging times.

<https://oralhistorynetworkireland.ie/2021-conference>

#### **7. Oral History Peer Support Meeting**

You are invited to join other OHQ members to discuss your current or proposed projects. This Zoom session is an opportunity to share what you are doing and to discuss with other oral history practitioners the challenges involved. Often this leads to fresh ideas and practical suggestions to consider. If you have different issues in relation to your oral history practice that you would like to discuss, let us know. Email [info@ohq.org.au](mailto:info@ohq.org.au) with your RSVP and specific issues/topics you wish to discuss.

Time: **May 22, 2021** 10:00 AM Brisbane

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86380621509?pwd=V0d4VG9CdFpHTmRLWGNDDeDNkQmlsQT09>

Meeting ID: 863 8062 1509

Passcode: 141010

#### **8. General Meeting – Save the Date**

Oral History Queensland plan to have a General Meeting at 10.00 am on Saturday 29 May 2021. Members will receive more details closer to the time.

## **9. The Women of Stephens Local History Conference 2021**

Annerley Stephens History Group Inc. is excited to present this conference on Saturday 16 October 2021 at Mary Mac Community Centre, 616 Ipswich Road, Annerley. See [flyer](#).  
<https://annerleystephenshistory.org>

## **10. AFFHO Congress, Norfolk Island**

Join us **in person** at Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations Congress 2021 on Norfolk Island 1-5 August 2021. To view the program - click [here](#).  
Click [here for information](#) on travel packages: flights, accommodation and hire car.

## **11. Commemorate ANZAC Day**

Anzac Day commemorations have been an important part of Australia's history since parades first began in 1916. There are a number of ways to commemorate, honouring those who served and are serving, at home and in person in 2021. Find out more [here](#).

## **12. Virtual War Memorial Australia**

Read story here -

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2021-04-23/world-war-i-saviour-familys-revelation-ahead-of-anzac-day/100087568>

## **13. Brisbane Heritage Trails**

Brisbane's historic built environment - from the grand buildings of the Brisbane Central Business District to shops, schools, churches, factories and dwellings in our suburban neighbourhoods - make up a rich cultural landscape and help define the character of our city. Find out more [here](#).

## **14. Basics Workshop, Brisbane**

Public historian, researcher, writer and OHQ member Professor Helen Klæbe facilitated a full day Oral History Basics workshop at the Ashgrove Library this month. The 10 participants represented a diverse array of interests and professions—including Aboriginal history, Libraries, Museums, and research. Helen introduced the key objectives, philosophies and skills of oral history, with particular attention to how to scope a project for manageability, and maximum impact and success. Participants had the opportunity to workshop their project ideas with Helen and the group and took many new insights and resources away at the end of the day. On behalf of Oral History Queensland, a warm thank you to Helen for sharing her wealth of knowledge and experience with workshop participants and OHQ members old and new.

## **15. Unfinished Business: Australian Historical Association (AHA) 2021 Conference**

29 November - 2 December, UNSW, State Library of NSW

The AHA invites papers exploring the unfinished business of history. Proposal submissions are now open for individual papers, panel sessions and roundtable discussions that explore

conference themes. Submissions due by **31 May 2021**. Full [CFP found here](#).

## **16. Oral History Archives from the Australian War Memorial**

The Australian War Memorial holds a rich collection of interviews with people who served in the Australian military forces. Using speech-to-text software, the AWM is using AMPLIFY to create machine generated transcripts of oral history interviews edited by volunteers. You can also contribute to checking this work. Find out more [here](#).

*“But it was all so far away now, as if it had been a story she’d read in a book, the words floating on the page, not close enough to hold on to and remember clearly.” *The Land Girls* by Victoria Purman.*