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Hello Oral History Queensland members. Here is your ninth e-Bulletin for 2021. It's been another busy month as I caught up on the IOHA conference papers I missed while the conference was live in Singapore. Hope you're all well. Stay safe.

If you have any information to share in our e-Bulletin please email me 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 that is judged to be inappropriate. Please visit our web site: 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. Community benefit funding programs

The Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF) is Queensland's largest one-off community grants program and distributes approximately \$60 million each year to not-for-profit community groups. The GCBF allocates funding to these groups to help them provide services, leisure activities and opportunities for Queensland communities. Find out more [here](#).

2. Oral Historian position New South Wales

Are you an experienced oral historian? State Library of New South Wales would love to hear from you! We are now accepting applications from experienced oral historians to add to and enhance the Library's oral history collection. In particular we are looking for people who have recorded digital oral histories with and about:

 Culturally and linguistically diverse communities

 First Nations individuals and communities

 LGBTQI+ communities

 STEMM subjects

 Transport

 Disability

 Religion

More information and apply here: <http://ow.ly/TwHU50FPqWg>

Applications close **10 October 2021**.

3. Oral History Australia Biennial Conference postponed

We're disappointed to announce the OHA Biennial Conference scheduled for Launceston, Tasmania in October 2021 has been postponed to 2022, probably in October. Read more about this [here](#).

4. Volunteers: Recruitment & Retention

Brisbane's Living Heritage Network is pleased to offer its member organisations the opportunity to attend this BLHN-subsidized workshop on 21 October 2021.

In this workshop there will be a specific focus on the unique opportunities and challenges of volunteer engagement in museums and galleries. Mark Creyton, volunteer management consultant, will show you ways to explore opportunities for meaningful involvement for new volunteers and explore ways to create the right environment that strengthens the volunteer experience. Find out more [here](#).

5. Share your collection through Trove

With recent Commonwealth funding now allocated, National Library of Australia (NLA) and the Trove Collaborative Services team are inviting Australian galleries, archives, museums, and history societies to partner with Trove and contribute their collection records.

Organisations who sign up to the trial before 1 June 2022 will receive:

- automated 'direct to Trove' data loading, and
- updates on how their collections are being used.

Those joining the trial are under no obligation to continue with the Trove service once the trial is complete. Now is the time to take advantage of the opportunity to add collections without incurring setup costs. Uploading collection records and metadata has the potential to be viewed by more than 50,000 online visitors to Trove per day. Find out more [here](#).

6. The Value of Oral History

Oral History Australia has adopted a statement outlining the value of oral history. The Statement of Value is intended as an introduction to the many benefits of oral history, particularly for those considering developing their own oral history projects. You will find the Statement of Value on the OHQ page [About Oral History](#).

7. The Fickle Fortunes of a Mount Morgan Miner and His Family

Wednesday 13 October, 12.30pm – 1.30pm

The article 'Fortunato Stablum: the fortunes of an Italian mining labourer and the puzzles of oral history' by Lesley Synge was published in the *Queensland History Journal* in May 2021. An oral history interview conducted for the Australian Oral History 1938 Project with the subject's oldest daughter is the basis for the biography. In this presentation, the challenges of using oral history will be discussed and new information about Fortunato Stablum's life that has become available since publication will be shared. Booking and more information [here](#).

8. Voices of the Valley Project

The Voices of the Valley project enabled Gympie Regional Libraries to capture and make available a significant piece of Mary Valley history, an area that had little written history recorded, and very little oral history preserved. Twenty-one people contributed their personal stories and memories of life in the Mary Valley. You can watch these interviews hosted on the dedicated Voices of the Valley website [here](#). This project has been made possible thanks to a grant from the Queensland Government and the State Library of Queensland.

9. Migrant Voices – a reminder

Oral History Australia has announced a Call for Papers for a special issue of the OHA journal *Studies in Oral History* to be published in 2022. Alexandria Dellios and Maria Savvidis will jointly edit the issue (no. 44), which will focus on the theme 'Migrant voices: Community collaboration and telling migration histories'. For peer review, deadline is 1 November 2021. Find out more [here](#).

10. Australian Educational Podcast Conference 2021

Join us virtually on the 6th and 7th October 2021. Podcasting has created a new medium for eager audiences to find specialised content. Educational podcasting is a medium with many passionate content creators, who are using innovative methods to present complex topics in engaging ways. Alongside pedagogical considerations are more practical considerations; creating content in ways that is sustainable economically, alongside other work. Find out more and register [here](#).

11. Planning your digitisation project

This infosheet, produced by Victorian Collections, provides insight into the planning of time, skills, equipment and funding necessary to undertake a digitisation project. Resource updated 2021.

https://amagavic.org.au/assets/resources/10060/Planning_Your_Digitisation_Project.pdf

12. Make Videos with Oral Histories

Another of Sally Stephenson's workshops (Listening to the Past). This workshop shows you step-by-step how to create a video (or digital story) by combining interview audio and image files, using PowerPoint software. During the workshop, you will practise making a digital

video using files provided. You do not need to provide your own audio files or images. Find out more [here](#).

13. Tasmania Newsletter

For your interest and information, you may read the Tasmania Newsletter “Real to Reel” for August 2021 [here](#). Please note, this newsletter will be deleted on 14 October 2021.

14. A Continuous Thread

Last Saturday, 25 September, OHQ member Anne Monsour launched her project “A Continuous Thread: The Lebanese Presence in South Brisbane, Woolloongabba and West End” at the Queensland Multicultural Centre. The event was also via Zoom. The outcome of Anne’s project is an exhibition, book and [website](#). The book can be ordered on the website.

Anne will be delivering the Clem Lack Oration at the next The Royal Historical Society of Queensland annual general meeting on Thursday 18 November, 5.30pm – 7.30pm on the ground floor of the Commissariat Store Museum. To reach the quorum, they need at least 20 RHSQ financial members present. Booking and more information [here](#). Anne is currently President of the Australian Lebanese Historical Society and editor of the newsletter. She has a PhD from the University of Queensland and has for over two decades been researching, writing and speaking about the Lebanese in Australia, producing many articles and publications.

15. Introducing New OHQ Treasurer Helen Turner

Helen and husband Ian started researching their family history in December 2000. Helen joined the Queensland Family History Society and became very interested in their “German Group” where she met distant cousin Les Moreland. Then she met another “cousin” Elaine and assisted her with taking photographs of headstones in numerous cemeteries around South-East Queensland. Helen then joined the Logan River & District Family History Society as it was closer to where she lived. While there she attended a general meeting of History Queensland Inc. They were looking for a replacement for their Insurance Liaison Officer who was retiring. Helen held that volunteer position for about nine years. The LR&DFHS eventually moved into the Kingston Butter Factory sharing the space with Logan City Historical Museum Society Inc. Helen is a current member there and has served on a number of committees during her 21 years with them. She has served as Treasurer and Secretary at LCHMS Inc. Also as Insurance Liaison Officer and Treasurer at History Queensland Inc. Helen still enjoys researching her family history and we are pleased to now welcome her as Treasurer for OHQ.

*“Stories are a way to preserve one’s self. To be remembered. And to forget.”
The Invisible Life of Addie La Rue by V.E. Schwab.*