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Hello Oral History Queensland members. Here is your second e-Bulletin for 2023. This year is flying by. We enjoyed our General Meeting this month, particularly the interesting presentation by members Pat Ryan and Pauline Peel as they told us about the Irish living on the Darling Downs since 19th century.

If you have any information to share in our e-Bulletin, particularly the project you're working on, 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 website: 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. Queensland Research Guides

State Library have launched six new <u>research guides</u> to assist the Queensland history research community to easily connect with and use our resources. See https://www.slq.qld.gov.au/blog/new-queensland-history-research-guides

2. Heritage Festival

The 2023 Australian Heritage Festival is set to return in April and May with the theme Shared Stories, allowing members of the community to access events and exhibitions, tell their stories and celebrate together, through talks, walks, tours bringing heritage to life.

As part of our mission to promote a variety of real-time or virtual events in cities, towns, for community groups, businesses, Councils, conservation groups, museums, galleries, libraries, churches, temples, mosques, retails centres, universities and schools through National Trust Queensland looks forward to assisting with support for your events. https://nationaltrustgld.org.au/what-we-do/heritage-festival

3. History Queensland Newsletter

Oral History Queensland is a member of History Queensland. Here is their latest newsletter:

"Hello everyone,

The HQ Newsletter is designed to be circulated electronically to all members of all the HQ Member Groups, not just the committees. We aim to provide topics of general interest to anyone interested in local or family history. Read it here."

4. Queensland Irish Association Book Launch

2023 is a very important year for the Queensland Irish Association as it marks the 125th Anniversary of its founding on 23 March 1898. To celebrate, the Lord Mayor of Brisbane is hosting a Civic Reception to mark the anniversary, which will be held at the Brisbane City Hall on Friday 3 March 2023. At the Civic Reception "A Hundred Thousand Welcomes: a History of the Queensland Irish Association" authored by the distinguished historians, Rodney Sullivan and Robin Sullivan will be launched. **Numbers are strictly limited to this** "invitation only" event. However, you may order your copy of the book by contacting Michele Bourke, Phone: 0438 763 439, Email: Sales@queenslandirish.com Paperback edition and Hardback edition (Limited Edition)

5. Oral History Basics Workshop – a reminder

Oral History Queensland is conducting a Brisbane based workshop for people interested in commencing an oral history project. The workshop will be held on 25th March 2023 commencing at 9.30 am. Led by OHQ President Elisabeth Gondwe, the workshop will introduce participants to project planning, ethics and permissions, techniques used in interviewing, recording, file management and transcription. If you are interested in developing an oral history project or wish to record your family or community stories, this workshop is a great way to start. We particularly encourage new members to attend. Find more information here.

6. Australian Museums and Galleries Association (AMaGA) 2023 National Conference – a reminder

Registration to attend this conference is now LIVE! Join AMaGA in Newcastle to explore how areas of discomfort are being identified, acknowledged and addressed by museums and galleries in local and global contexts. The conference will be held across Murrook Cultural Centre, Newcastle City Hall and Civic Theatre. Find out more here.

7. International Oral History Conference – a reminder

"In July 2023, the School of Social Sciences of the Getulio Vargas Foundation, the Center for Research and Documentation of Contemporary Brazilian History (FGV CPDOC), will host the International Oral History Association's 22nd Conference, with the general theme "Oral History in a Digital and Audiovisual World."" For more information click here.

9. Where Do You Think You Are?

On Saturday 18 February 2023, at the Brisbane Square Library, Oral History Queensland members, Pat Ryan and Pauline Peel delivered *Where Do You Think You Are?*, a case study of Irish settlement in Warwick, Queensland. Pat is a passionate collector of oral histories and has published accounts of Irish migration to Australia. Pauline is an independent scholar with a particular interest in family and local history.

Pat and Pauline explored historical memory and concepts of belonging and identity using oral and family history and archival material. Building on an oral history of an Irish family and historical research, Pat examined how 19th century Irish migrants came to establish deep roots in Warwick on the Darling Downs. Pauline developed the concept further through her Booth Campbell family history and research about Warwick's iconic St Patrick's Day Celebrations which for 100 years celebrated and remembered the links with Ireland.

"An object can hold on to memories and stories in a way that people, that generations, cannot." Peach Blossom Spring by Melissa Fu.