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Hello Oral History Queensland members. Here is your seventh e-Bulletin for 2022. I hope you're all well. Don't forget to register for the OHA National Conference. I'm looking forward to travelling to Tasmania and seeing delegates not seen since the Brisbane conference in 2019.

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 Air Museum

New OHQ member the Queensland Air Museum is a people's museum, which aims to contribute to 'the preservation of Australia's aviation heritage'. This includes salvaging and restoring significant civil and military aircraft, of which they have almost 100 - 87 on display, and many aero-engines. They also maintain the largest RAAF library collection in the southern hemisphere, not to mention thousands of items such as uniforms, photographs, paintings, maps, etc.

Assistant Marketing Manager Garry Hills says, "What we don't have is a formal project to preserve the personal testimonies of Australian aviators and air crew and those who have built, maintained and serviced aircraft. We do, however, have dozens of volunteers and members with aviation backgrounds whose stories are slowly being lost as they age and reach the end of life. Our hope is to formally interview, record, transcribe, catalogue and

store their recollections and testimonies in our library and to make the recordings accessible on-line to the public.”

Have a look at their website <https://qam.com.au> OHQ looks forward to helping the Queensland Air Museum achieve their goals with this project.

2. Queensland Family History Society Open Day

August is Family History Month and Queensland Family History Society will conduct its annual Open Day on Saturday 6 August 2022 from 10am to 3pm at its premises at 58 Bellevue Avenue, Gaythorne.

QFHS has resources to support family history research throughout Queensland, Australia & the world. It also provides specialist assistance with family history research for those with Irish, English, Welsh, Scottish, Central European, Colonial India & the Far East ancestors, as well three different Family History Software support groups & a DNA interest group - so we have something for everyone. All our Special Interest Groups conduct their meetings on zoom & everyone is welcome to attend to sample what QFHS has to offer.

An online program for those who cannot attend on 6 August is currently in development - details of which will be on their website qfhs.org.au by the end of July.

3. Listen to Darlinghurst

In this series of richly produced audio stories, Darlinghurst’s vibrant social history is brought to life. The stories feature contemporary voices and voices from the past: workers and activists, bohemians and street people, artists and custodians, entrepreneurs and flaneurs. <https://yirranma-place.webflow.io/on-display/welcome-to-darlinghurst/listening-to-darlinghurst>

4. Nominations for the 2022 GAMAA

The Gallery and Museum Achievement Awards (GAMAA) are presented by Museums & Galleries Queensland to honour the achievements of individuals and organisations in striving towards excellence.

Nominations for the 2022 GAMAA close at 5:00 pm on Wednesday, 17 August 2022. <https://magsq.com.au/gallery-and-museum-achievement-awards/>

5. 2022 Small Museums Conference

Registration is now open for the 2022 Small Museums Conference at the Redland Museum. This year’s theme is ‘making my museum memorable’. The conference is an opportunity to network, communicate, have free and frank debate, as well as gain practical skills and information. In addressing this year’s theme, the conference will explore how to make your museum unique in order to attract visitors, community involvement, funding, sponsorship and research opportunities. The conference will be held from 7 – 9 October 2022. <https://www.redlandmuseum.org.au/about-us/golden-jubilee/making-my-museum-memorable/>

6. Genealogical Society of Queensland Annual Seminar

The Genealogical Society of Queensland (GSQ) is holding their annual seminar on Saturday 24 September 2022 at 9:15am AEST. Further information on this exciting day with six great presenters plus a combined Q&A can be found on the [attached brochure](#) which you are welcome to distribute. Please note that bookings can only be made on the GSQ webpage: <https://www.gsq.org.au/event/life-in-victorian-britain-seminar/>

7. News from History Queensland

Oral History Queensland is a member of History Queensland. Secretary Valerie Thornton says:

“Hello Members,

It is time for some reminders and information sharing!

- Registration is now open for the **4th Queensland Conference, Sands of Time**, hosted by History Redcliffe. The conference will be held 21-24 October at Redcliffe and will be an exciting weekend of excellent speakers, great exhibitions and a great way to network with like-minded people as we enjoy this hobby we all share. Early Bird registration closes on 2 Sept. For further information about the program and to book, go to <https://sandsoftime.org.au/>
- Bookings are also being taken for the **Exhibitors' Hall**. If you are interested in promoting your society at the conference, put in an Expression of Interest and make plans to have a table - <https://sandsoftime.org.au/exhibitors/>
- The 2022 NSW-ACT Associations Annual Conference **Riding the Waves of History** will be held online 16-17 September. This is an excellent conference you can enjoy from home. [Attached is a flyer](#) about the event – further details are at: <https://ridingthewavesofhistory.com.au/>
- The **Biographical Database of Australia** is looking for data to add to their collection. See [attached letter](#) for more information. If you are interested in participating, please contact BDA direct.
- [Attached is information](#) on free online class on **Digital Marketing** which may be of interest to some member societies.

Could you please forward this email to all your members? There is information of interest to individual members as well as societies.

Web: www.historyqueensland.org.au”

8. OHQ Annual General Meeting and General Meeting, 20 August 2022

We plan to have the OHQ AGM at 10.00 am on 20 August 2022. That will be immediately followed by our General Meeting. At this stage, we're hoping for a face-to-face meeting together with a Zoom meeting. Or may be only a Zoom meeting. We will let you know early August. Please consider joining our committee. We are in need of a Secretary. Please send an email to info@ohq.org.au for more information.

9 *Conversation Hour*

Geraldine Fela, who recently passed her Monash PhD, co-hosted a one-hour ABC radio Melbourne *Conversation Hour* program on Wednesday 20 July about the significant work of Australian nurses during the HIV/AIDs epidemic from 1983-1996. You can hear the radio documentary at <https://www.abc.net.au/melbourne/programs/theconversationhour/the-conversation-hour/13972184>

10. Introduction to Oral History

National Library of Australia video: [Introduction to Oral History](#) with Mark Piva and Shirleene Robinson. If you don't yet know much about the NLA Oral History collection, this is a useful introduction.

11. The Difference Between Hearing and Listening

“Active listening requires curiosity, motivation, purpose, and effort. The active listener attempts to internalize and understand what they are hearing to connect with the other person and participate in a meaningful conversation. In other words, active listening is the way you want to listen if you want to understand or if you are looking to solve a problem with another individual.” This is a reminder about how we need to conduct our oral history interviews. Read the full article [here](#).

12. OHA National Conference, Tasmania, October 2022

Registration is now open for the 2022 OHA Biennial Conference in Launceston, Tasmania. Register and see the latest draft program (June 2022) [here](#). Early bird ends **15 August 2022**.

13. #1Lib1Ref Wikipedia campaign

During the [2022 #1Lib1Ref campaign](#) Wikipedia author Kerry Raymond and a team of librarians and officers from State Library of Queensland added a significant amount of new content to articles relating to Queensland. Over two weeks in May – June, 137 articles were edited, 296 references added, and more than 147,000 views recorded linking to the new content.

State Library joins the campaign each year to strengthen Queensland content on Wikipedia. Various blog articles published on the John Oxley Library blog from September 2021 – June 2022 were added including the HRH Queen Elizabeth's II visits to Queensland between 1954 and 1970 in the year of her platinum jubilee, digital stories highlighting the James C. Sourris artist collection, State Library's Indigenous language resources and new inductees named in the Queensland Business Leaders Hall of Fame.

In the short time we have been tracking usage of State Library's contributions to Wikipedia, the number of views measure in the millions. By the end of this #1Lib1Ref campaign, 57.6 million views were registered. We encourage more Queensland public libraries to join the campaign each year, and feature Queensland content to the world.

Troy Keith, State Library of Queensland

14. Seven million reasons to Trove

[Trove](#) is calling for volunteers to open the books on Australia's history by text correcting historical newspapers, magazines, newsletters, books, and almanacs. John Warren, one of Trove's early adopters of text correcting, is one of 68,000 plus volunteers who contribute their personal time to correcting Optical Character Recognition (OCR) text, adding tags and notes, creating lists and more to improve a reader's experience and searches in Trove. [Find out how you can contribute](#) and be a member of the Trove community.

Stephanie Morris, National Library of Australia

15. Local and Family History Conference

[History Redcliffe](#) in conjunction with [History Queensland Inc.](#) looks forward to hosting this year's Sands of Time biennial state conference for Queensland's Local and Family History delegates and enthusiasts. The conference begins 21 – 23 October at Redcliffe Leagues Club, home to the [Redcliffe Dolphins](#) Rugby League team. The three-day conference includes speakers Jennifer Harrison, Shauna Hicks and Michelle Patient, numerous workshops, a trade show, and a formal networking dinner. Early bird registration is open if you are keen to attend. Visit the [conference website](#) for more details and the latest information.

Helen Cossins, Moreton Bay Regional Council

16. Women at War

During World War II many Queensland women "did their bit" for the war effort on the home front and overseas. Some had completely new jobs created to directly help with the war effort. Others took up positions to fill a labour shortage due to the absence of men who were away fighting in the war. The four women featured [here](#) represent a small number of those who were eager and willing to contribute to the Queensland response and war effort.

Suzanne Mulligan

17. Louie B. Nunn Center for Oral History

"The Louie B. Nunn Center for Oral History is internationally recognized for its work in collecting and preserving oral histories. With over 17,000 oral history interviews, our collections span an incredible breadth of topics and provide an invaluable resource to researchers across Kentucky and around the world." If you haven't already, check out the website [here](#).

"There are some things one remembers even though they may never have happened." — Harold Pinter, Old Times [from GoodReads Quotes]