

Sydney Society for Scottish History

A "not for profit" cultural society

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VENUE

Our meetings are at my home starting at 7.30pm, 61 Greenwich Rd, Greenwich 2065. If you are coming by car there is usually plenty of parking space in Greenwich Rd and the side street, Oscar St. You may either turn into Greenwich Rd from the Pacific Highway at the top of Gore Hill and then go through the traffic lights at River Rd and then Oscar St is the second street on the right past the lights. My home is at the corner of Greenwich Rd and Oscar St. Alternatively, at Crows Nest turn south into Shirley Rd and at the lights turn west into River Rd and turn left at Greenwich Rd. If you are coming by ferry catch the ferry to Greenwich. My home is up Greenwich Rd to Oscar St, it is about a 25 minute walk up hill which on a good night is a pleasant walk. If coming by train leave the city and go to St Leonard's station which is a regular service. It is about a twenty minute walk from St Leonard's station. Leave the station going north (to the right) to the top of Gore Hill and turn left into Greenwich Rd. It is a gentle hill up to Gore Hill and a comfortable walk downwards from Pacific Highway to Oscar St. Coming by bus from the city, catch a bus at Wynyard (Carrington St) bus number 254 and get off at the top of Greenwich Rd and walk down hill. Jane Sheridan has discovered bus route 200 which goes from Bondi Junction to Chatswood passing the top end of Greenwich leaving a 15 minute walk down.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

At the last meeting, the annual general meeting, on the 17th of March the Society accepted that our subscriptions needed to be increased. The mail out subscription did not cover the postage and stationary. The email subscription did not allow for the admin costs and the subscriptions have not covered any secretarial assistance which Malcolm cannot afford to continue to pay. The subscriptions henceforth will be \$25 for mail subscription and \$20 for email subscriptions. If any member has financial difficulty in meeting the new subscriptions the committee can make allowances. Please be advised that subscription payments for 2011/12 and now due and payable.

SPECIAL GUEST FOR SCOTTISH WEEK

In the past the SAHC which runs Scottish week has included bringing a notable Scottish historian to come to Australia. Rising costs particularly the ball and the Hyde Park gathering have made it impossible to fund an historian as a special guest. This year this society itself is going to fund a Scottish historian for Scottish week. The expense will be met mainly from our monthly raffles. The guest for 2011 will be Alex Woolf of the University of St Andrews, a notable expert on Picts and Vikings in Scotland.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

19 May 2011

Speaker: Dr Mathew Glozier

Topic: The Scot's role in the plantation of Northern Ireland in the early Seventeenth century. Events which are still echoing to this day.

June 2011	Due to Sydney Scottish week in June there will be no separate History Night but there will be two main history events as part of Scottish week. Sydney Scottish week will begin with the Grand ball on Friday the 24th of June the anniversary of the battle of Bannorkburn. The official programme with the details of all events will be printed and available soon. The Booking form is annexed
Sunday 26 June	It is planned that the Scottish historian who is being brought to Australia by the society, Alex Woolf, of St Andrew's university, will make an afternoon presentation to members of the society at Malcolm's home, about medieval Scotland. More details to be advised
21 July 2011	Speaker: Professor Duncan Waterson Topic: The Scots at Gallipoli
18 August 2011	Speaker: Dr Lorna Barrow Topic: Scotland and Denmark; The Orkneys and Shetland Islands.
15 September 2011	Speaker: Malcolm D Broun Topic: Queen Anne Part II. – In January Malcolm ran out of time for his paper on Queen Anne. The topics still to be presented in part II; the finalisation of the Act of Union, problems following the passing of the act, the wine trade, the Episcopal church in Scotland, the court of appeal, the great increase in trade with England and the colonies including the slave trade, the attempted invasion of the old pretender with French troops in 1708, The treaty of Utrecht and the expulsion of the old pretender from France, The death of Queen Anne.
20 October 2011	Speaker: Sybil Jack Topic: The efforts by the Scottish Crown to control the legal system.
17 November 2011	Speaker: Carol Cusack Topic The sacred trees of Scotland
15 December 2011	Speaker and Topic to be advised
19 January 2012	Speaker and Topic to be advised
16 February 2012	Speaker: Simon Fraser Topic: The Episcopal Church in Scotland
15 March 2012	Speaker and Topic to be advised
19 April 2012	Speaker: Stephen Utick Topic: The tension between the Scottish and Irish O'Neills
19 July 2012	Speaker: Dr Janet Hadley Williams Topic: To be advised

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To raise funds to cover the visit of the Scottish Historian this year and in future years the society is offering for sale a complete set of the Journals not including the most recent one ie numbers 1 – 12 inclusive for \$30 plus \$5 postage.