

Victorian Community History Awards 2022

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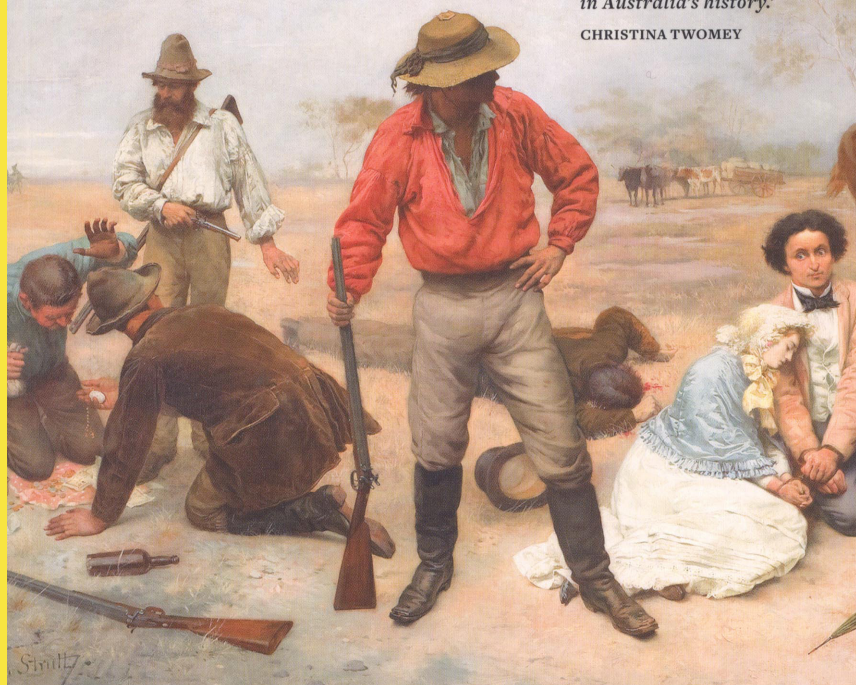
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THE REPRESSED HISTORY
OF COLONIAL VICTORIA

JANET MCCALMAN

*'McCalman is the great
chronicler of poverty,
class, sex and alcohol
in Australia's history.'*

CHRISTINA TWOMEY



Victorian Premier's History Award

This award recognises the most outstanding community history project in any category.

This lively history corrects misconceptions that there was little convict presence in early colonial Victoria. Janet McCalman recovers the lives of 200 convicts transported to Van Diemen's Land between 1820 and 1851 who were brought across Bass Strait to the newer colonial settlement of Port Phillip (Victoria). She documents the enduring effects of their impoverished circumstances, of their conviction in Britain and Ireland, and of their transportation to Van Diemen's Land. She evaluates their impact on Victorian society.

Telling poignant and personal stories with wit and irony, *Vandemonians* is more than a collective biography. Faced with the difficulty of tracing, through scant records, the lives of hundreds of individuals transported to Van Diemen's Land, McCalman turned to prosopography, a research strategy focussing on the common characteristics of the group of people as a means of explicating the relationships and activities in the subjects' lives.

The book is also a fine product of the time and effort volunteered by an indefatigable group of family historians (named in the Acknowledgements) who compiled the dataset drawn on by the talented author.

This year's Victorian Premier's History Award winner shows how the research and the writing of history, and not just its reading in armchairs and libraries, can be a collective enterprise.

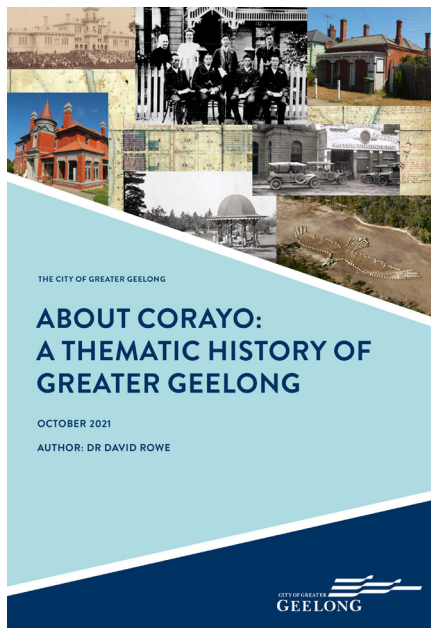
Vandemonians:
The Repressed History of Colonial Victoria

Janet McCalman
Melbourne University Publishing, 2021

Judges' Special Prize

The judges can award a special prize for any outstanding entry outside of established categories.

Corayo is a municipal thematic history prepared for the City of Greater Geelong to better understand the history and heritage of the city and its wider municipal area. A thematic history is a standard tool used in heritage assessment at the local government level. While *About Corayo* follows the standard 'thematic' structure, it is also a work of significant detail not typically seen in local government heritage studies. It is based on detailed historical research and wide consultation with community members and organisations. *About Corayo* includes a rich archive of historical maps and images, which are integrated throughout. It also recognises and integrates the history and heritage of the Wadawurrung people, the Traditional Owners of the area. While such a rich and detailed work is beyond the resources of many municipalities, clear benefits arise from its meticulous research, from its comprehensive rather than diluted explanations of the various historical developments, and from its well-grounded contextual understanding of those developments. This outstanding work sets a new bar for municipal thematic histories in Victoria.



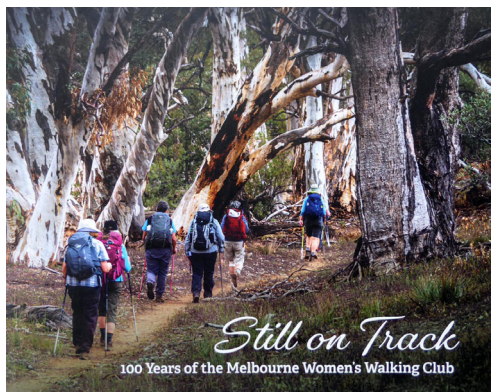
About Corayo:
A History of Greater Geelong

Dr David Rowe
City of Greater Geelong, 2021

Collaborative Community History Award

This award recognises the best collaborative community work which involves significant contributions from several individuals or groups.

Still on Track: 100 Years of the Melbourne Women's Walking Club is an engaging read. Well-presented, blending stories from the past and present of the club, *Still on Track* traces landmarks in the club's history and explores what the club has meant to members over the decades. It is inclusive of many voices and, while charting a long history, explores the relevance of the club to its members today. Many collaborators have combined to produce this exemplary people-centred and participatory history which shows the social significance of the club.



Still on Track:

100 Years of the Melbourne Women's Walking Club

Melbourne Women's Walking Club, 2022

Commendation

Wangaratta Festival of Jazz and Blues: 30 Years

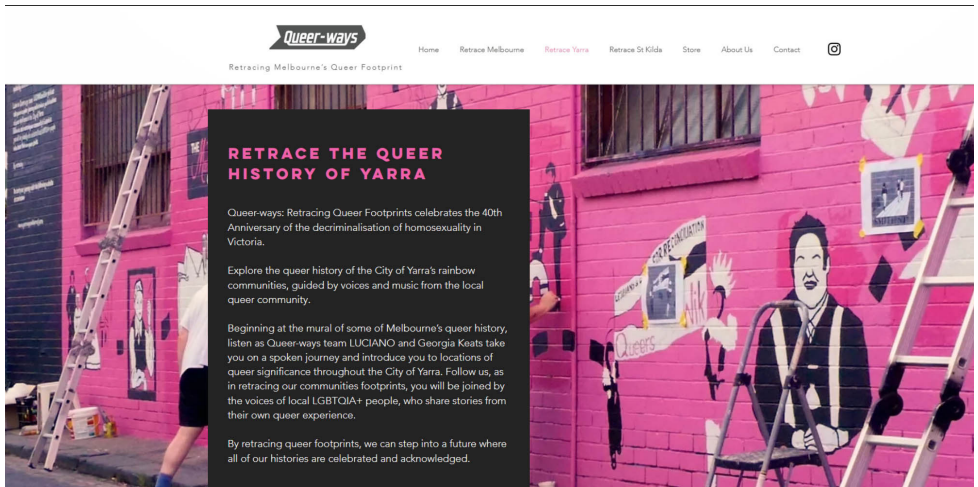
Adrian Jackson

Melbourne Books, 2022

Local History Project Award

This award recognises activities that enhance access and awareness of records of significance to local communities.

Queer-ways combines heritage and story-telling in self-guided walks that capture hidden history in the City of Yarra. Discussing tangible and intangible heritage, the project illuminates and contests mainstream narratives. *Queer-ways* charts milestone locations in the history of the city's LGBTQI+ community, acknowledging that this history is a long one. The project is comprehensive and attractively packaged, with excellent design and navigation, and with a range of voices included. The facility for the general public to add further suggestions of sites of significance makes the project inclusive to all and allows participation and pathways to more knowledge.



Queer-ways

Luciano and Georgia Keats
Supported by Australian Queer Archives, 2021

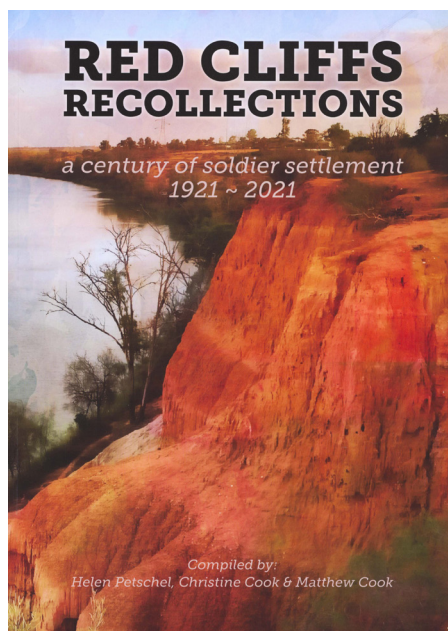
Commendation

The Toolangi and Castella History Project
The Toolangi-Castella Local History Group, 2022

Small Organisation History Project Award

This award recognises activities that enhance awareness of records of significance by a small group or historical society.

Much work has gone into producing this history of a small, but important, part of the state and how its land and its people were shaped by the Soldier Settlement Scheme. Many aspects of the soldier-settler experience, the changing landscape, and the development of a community over time are represented (although more thoughtful awareness of First Peoples of the area could have been encouraged). A wide range of sources – pictorial, oral and written – frame an absorbing story; this is a considerable achievement for a small organisation.



***Red Cliffs Recollections:
A Century of Soldier Settlement
1921–2021***

Helen Petschel, Christine Cook
and Matthew Cook
Red Cliffs Historical Society, 2022

Commendation

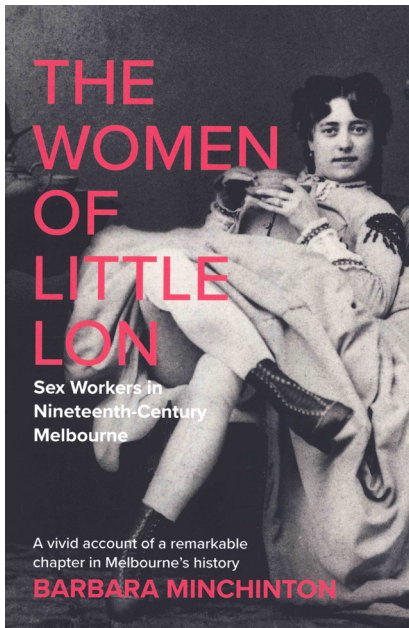
***Early Days:
Greensborough and St Helena, Volume 1,
Greensborough 1837–1860 and St Helena
1840–1900***

Greensborough Historical Society, 2021

History Publication Award

This award recognises the best publication or e-book on Victorian history.

Drawing on history, archaeology and geography, this history brings to life the once notorious neighbourhood of 'Little Lon' in Melbourne's Hoddle Grid. The tenor of the homes, streets and *cul-de-sac*, the tempo of residents' jobs and lives, and the characters of the sex workers re-emerge through the skilled work of Barbara Minchinton. We learn how these women lived, how they were perceived by others, and why most had fallen on hard times. The superb detail of Minchinton's research, so lightly worn, so delightfully deployed, restores respect and agency to the sex workers and madams that her sources routinely shunned and described. Minchinton has mastered how to read 'between the lines'.



The Women of Little Lon

Barbara Minchinton
Black Inc, 2021

Commendations

***Across Bass Strait:
Inter-Colonial Trade in Meat and Livestock***
Jane L. Lennon
Anchor Books, 2021

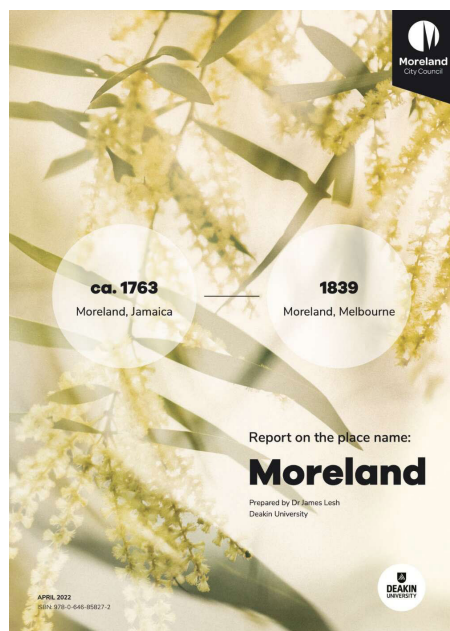
***Charles Strong's Australian Church:
Christian Social Activism 1885–1917***
Marion Maddox
Melbourne University Publishing, 2021

***The Architecture of Devotion:
James Goold and His Legacies in Colonial
Melbourne***
Jaynie Anderson, Max Vodola and Shane Carmody
Melbourne University Publishing, 2021

Small History Publication Award

This award recognises the best small-sized publication, PDF or e-book which features Victorian local, cultural or social history.

This six-week project is an exemplary response to an unusual local government brief. By attending explicitly to the evidence, both local and international, and by clearly addressing the requirements of the brief, James Lesh retrieves forgotten pasts and overlooked conceptions underpinning claims about 'heritage'. This report is a model of 'applied history'. Lesh reveals heritage in all its complexity. By recovering, without condescension, forgotten contexts for a past naming decision, Lesh has re-enabled a community to make its own decision.



Report on the Place Name: Moreland

Dr James Lesh
Moreland City Council, 2022

Commendations

His Walking Feet

Jill Giese
Meanjin, 2022

Revealing Stories:

The Hidden History of the Performing Arts Scene in Brunswick and Coburg

Janine Barrand and Dianna Wells, 2021

Digital Storytelling Award

This award recognises the best digital presentation of history.

2021 marked 150 years since the Shire of Melton was first established in 1871. Way Back When consulting historians and the City of Melton worked together with web designer Dimity Mapstone to create an online exhibition exploring the area's rich history and the thriving community that exists today. This entry embodies the idea of 'Victorian Community History' by using digital technology in an accessible manner to share the heritage of the Shire of Melton. The information was comprehensive, user friendly, and included a range of digitised primary sources including photographs, maps, museum artefacts, ephemera, and historical and contemporary artworks. The researchers have worked successfully with local historical societies and council collections to select and interpret items. An empowering narrative addresses Indigenous histories and contributions, past and present. This project helps members of the Melton community engage with their local natural and built heritage.



City of Melton 150th Anniversary Online Exhibition

Way Back When

City of Melton, heritage.melton.vic.gov.au, 2022

Commendation

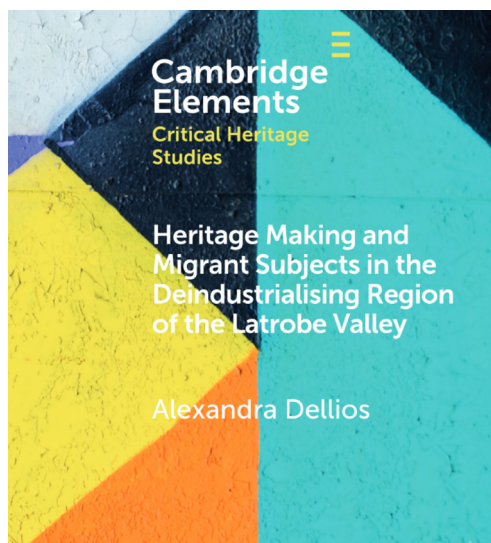
The Miles Lewis Heritage Building Materials Collection

Architecture, Building and Planning Library, University of Melbourne and Restore Conservation Services, with 3D scanning by SI Projects, 2022

Community Diversity Award

This award recognises the publication or project which best reflects diversity and inclusion and tells the history of cultural diversity in Victoria.

This fine case study reflects how migrant groups recover their histories of immigration and settlement. Alexandra Dellios examines the community of Morwell in the Latrobe Valley, where local industry has experienced significant change. Dellios demonstrates how a focus on re-constructing personal and familial experiences of migrant labour helps us understand community heritage and industrial history. Dellios focuses on the Gippsland Immigration Park, her example of local migrant involvement in community. Dellios widens our views of multiculturalism. The book uses pictures, text and statuary at the Immigration Park to structure its themes. Dellios then decodes the locating of the park and the aims of the overseeing committee. Each picture, text and statue is charted alongside immigration experiences of individuals and families in the Gippsland area. This e-book is an exemplary analysis of cultural, social, historical and political themes relating to cultural diversity.



Heritage Making and Migrant Subjects in the Deindustrialising Region of the Latrobe Valley

Alexandra Dellios

Cambridge University Press, 2022

Commendations

A History of Trans Health Care in Australia

AusPATH and Noah Riseman

AusPATH, 2022

A Sort of History of Me, My Family and a Cow Named Gina

Sebastian J. 'Sam' Gatto

Wonthaggi and District Historical Society, 2022

William Cooper:

An Aboriginal Life Story

Bain Attwood

Melbourne University Publishing, 2021

Oral History Award

This award recognises the best oral history presentation in any format that uses first person interviews with individuals with unique life experiences and memories. Presented in collaboration with Oral History Victoria.

Prima Donna Podcast brings to life the personal histories and creative work of Australian elder women artists. Each beautifully produced podcast focuses on one woman's artistic life story, using extended extracts from oral history interviews with the artist overlaid with an evocative original soundtrack produced by Nat Grant. We learn what brought each woman to art, the twists and turns of her creative endeavour, the challenges of being an artist and a woman, and why art matters, for them and for all of us. There are now six seasons of *Prima Donna Podcast*, each featuring three women artists. Together these sonic portraits illuminate the extraordinary but often neglected lives and works of women artists.

Prima Donna Podcast



Prima Donna Podcast

Nat Grant

www.primadonnapodcast.com, 2022

Commendations

Flemington Kensington (Flem-Ken) Community Legal Centre Storytelling Project

History at Work and Malcolm McKinnon
Flemington and Kensington Community Legal Centre, 2022

The Benalla Experiment

Lyn Gallacher and Richard Girvan
The History Listen, ABC RN, 2022

Women's History Month:

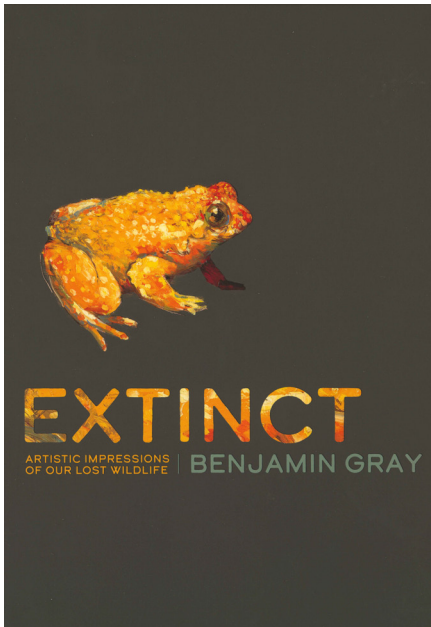
A Series of Interviews

Alexandra Pierce, 2022

History Interpretation Award

This award recognises the most outstanding local history project presented in a unique format.

This beautifully produced and professional work of natural history offers a fresh approach to historical interpretation. By combining art with natural history, *Extinct* illustrates, in an accessible way, how human activity on our continent has impacted other species. This thought-provoking book interprets the wonder of the natural world beautifully through works of art by many artists in a wide range of media.



Extinct:

Artistic Impressions of Our Lost Wildlife

Benjamin Gray
CSIRO Publishing, 2021

Commendation

Truth, Beauty and Utility:

The Arts and Crafts Movement in Heidelberg

Heidelberg Historical Society, 2022

History Article Award

This award recognises the best article featuring Victorian history published in a journal.

McCrorry takes the reader on a deeply researched and well-documented journey through fragmentary archival sources to illuminate the policing of gender conformity in the first half of the twentieth century. This is a thoughtful and well written piece, recognising the need to carefully consider past language and context in the use of police records. A model for researchers (professional, family or otherwise), McCrorry shows ways to understand archives and histories of individuals and communities previously overlooked and under-researched. Well-chosen case studies, interesting in themselves, reveal the community more generally, and the ways in which the study of the past enriches our understanding of the present.



Policing Gender Nonconformity in Victoria, 1900–1940

Adrien McCrorry
Provenance, 2021

Commendations

Aboriginal Fire-Management Practices in Colonial Victoria

Fred Cahir, Ian D. Clark, Dan Tout, Benjamin Wilkie and Jihad Clark
Aboriginal History, 2022

'Loyally Made for Loyal Australians': Industrial Heritage, Modernity and Nationalism at Australian Knitting Mills, Richmond, 1910–55

Chris McConville
Victorian Historical Journal, 2022

Thank you

Listed are the 2022 Victorian Community History Awards entrants who have not already appeared in previous pages of this book. Thank you for your continued contribution to capturing, preserving and sharing our State's memory.

Dr Susie Allanson with Lizzie O'Shea

**Empowering Women:
From Murder & Misogyny to High Court Victory**

Geoff Allemann and Michael Purden
Lost Bendigo and District Facebook Page

Ambulance Victoria and author Mairi Barton
**Mobile Intensive Care Ambulance:
The First 150 Years**

Nick Anchen
Victorian Railways - The Spirit of Blue and Gold

Anglesea and District War Memorial Committee
**Anglesea and District War Memorial and Know Our
Names Exhibition 2022**

Robyn Annear
Adrift in Melbourne

Apollo Bay & District Historical Society Ltd
History in a Suitcase

Arapiles Historical Society - produced by
Keith Lockwood and community
Natimuk Reflections' Pictorial Publication

Geoff Arnott - Croydon Historical Society
**WW2 Veterans from Croydon and District;
Saluting their Service**

Associated Catholic Colleges
Interactive history of the Associated Catholic Colleges

John Barry
**Whatever of Glory:
Those of Benalla & District Who Gave Their Lives in
the Great War**

Professor Joan Beaumont
Australia's Great Depression

Benalla Family Research Group
**2022 National Heritage Festival - Benalla Family
Research Group Collaboration**

Leigh Blackburn / Gregory C. Eccleston
**Stokes:
A Proud Heritage, 140 Years in Australian
Manufacturing Industry**

Box Hill Historical Society Inc.
When Lady Godiva came to Box Hill

Martin Bradon
Sunshine Porcelain Potteries - A Short History

Paul Burke
The Enterprising Thomas Fitzsimmons of Woodend

Fred Cahir, Dan Tout, Helen Thompson, Angela Neyland,
Craig Briody, and Andrew MacLeod
Aboriginal Heroes of Fire, Food, and Flood

Joel Carnegie + Tom Molyneux (The Space Company)
Stardust + The Mission (Double Bill)

Chewton Domain Society
**Mount Alexander Mountain of Gold 1851-1861:
The Gold Rush Generation and the New Society**

Eileen Clark, Jennifer Munday, Alison Watts
**Cricket and the Beechworth Asylum, 1910-1915:
A Collective Biography**

Dr Ian Clark
**An Ethnohistory of the Djargurdwurrung People of
Camperdown**

Dr Ian Clark
Alexander Lee Paul ALP Cameron 1845-1908

Dr Ian Clark
Daniel Bunce 1812-1872

Dr Ian Clark
James Dawson 1806-1900

Dr Ian Clark
James Kirby 1828-1904

Dr Ian Clark
John Wood Beilby 1818-1903

Dr Ian Clark
**Medical Officers and Dispensers in the Port Phillip
Aboriginal Protectorate 1841-1849**

Dr Ian Clark
Peter Beveridge 1829-1885

Dr Ian Clark
Searching for Allan Torney - the Snowy River Bandit

Dr Ian Clark
William Lockhart Morton 1820-1898

Maree Coote
Daughters of Melbourne

Cretan Federation of Australia
The History of the Cretans of Victoria

Linda Cuttriss and Eric Bird
500 Million Years on Phillip Island

Alan Doyle
LASSETER A gold legend begins in Colac The Colac Years 1890 to 1896

Audrey Dodson, Berwick - Pakenham Historical Society Inc.
Pakenham Then and Now

John Stuart Drury
Two French Sisters in Australia 1881–1922: Berthe Mouchette and Marie Lion, Artists and Teachers

East Gippsland Family History Group Inc. with Omeo Historical Society Inc.
Digitisation of the Omeo Justice collection: a joint collaboration of the East Gippsland Family History Group Inc. and Omeo Historical Society Inc.

Erik Eklund, Antoinette Holm, Keir Reeve
Industrial Heritage Agents, Actors and Outcomes: Regional Case Studies from Broken Hill and the Latrobe Valley

Sam Elkin
Best Day, Worst Day Podcast

Jon Faine
Apollo and Thelma: A True Tall Tale

Football Victoria Hall of Fame Project Team: Nick Hatzoglou - Head of Diversity and Inclusion, Mandy McCarter - Head of Marketing, Tony Persoglia - History and Heritage Coordinator, Jason Kendirian - Video Producer, Peter Papoulias - Media & Communications Manager
Football Victoria 2021 Hall of Fame Film Series

Friends of Flagstaff Hill Inc
The "NEVA" Exhibition

Catherine Gay
Matters of life and death: girls' voice in nineteenth-century coronial inquest files

Ashley T Goad
Markwell and the Goad Family History

Ashley Goldberg
Abomination

Scott Hamilton and Stuart Kells
Sold Down the River

Andrew Huang
To the Ends of the Earth. From Melbourne to Shanghai, and from Molong to Calgary: The Story of Australian Pentecostal Jessie Wong

Phil Hutton
Go Hunters - A Centenary History of Glenhuntly Athletic Club: 1921–2021

Naomi Irvin, Liv Lorkin, Integra
Three Thousand, Eight Hundred and one Trees (and each one has a name)

Ivanhoe Reading Circle
Celebrating Reading in the Community - Reflecting on 100 years

Andrew Kelly illustrated by Dean A. Jones
The Accidental Penguin Hotel

Andrew J. Kilsby
The Big Garage

Carolyn Landon
Of Friends and Gardens

Latin Stories Australia
Nuestras Voces / Our Voices

Ciana Lineage (aka Ciana Scarff)
A Scene of Former Triumph: A History of the First Buildings of Sydney Street, Kilmore, Victoria

Chris Macheras
Old Vintage Melbourne

Mr Neil MacLean
Defying the Odds - 150 years of The Hamilton and Alexandra College

Robert Marshall
Panton Hill Diary - Volume Two

Robert Marshall
Panton Hill Diary - Volume Three

Laura Jovic Mayday Hills Research Group:
Jennifer Munday, Alison Watts, Eileen Clark,
Timothy Crutchett, Patrick McKenzie
Mayday Hills and Beechworth Cemetery Virtual Tours

Catherine McLister and Jem Olsen
In Solidarity

Ken McKimmie, Larina Strauch,
Members of Kyneton Historical Society
Kyneton from Past to Present

Melbourne's Living Museum of the West -
Peter Haffenden
**Saving the Nation:
Ordnance Factory Heritage Panels**

Midwifery History Group, Australian College of Midwives
AUSTRALIAN MIDWIFERY HISTORY

Minyip & District Historical Society Inc
Minyip...Towards 150

Mary Moore
A Century of Teacher Exchanges – Victoria, Australia

Sally Moore, St Kilda Historical Society
Unplugged in St Kilda

Mount Evelyn RSL sub-branch
**HOMEFRONT:
The Impact of World War One on the Shire of Lillydale**

Jary Nemo and Lucinda Horrocks,
Wind & Sky Productions
Acts of Heroism

Northlands Collective Mob, Aboriginal History Archive,
Moondani Balluk Indigenous Academic Unit, Victoria
University, Museums Victoria
**Fight for Survival:
Cultural Resistance – Reasonable Rational
Responsible – The story of Northland Secondary
College**

Numurkah Rotary Club, Numurkah RSL
and Numurkah & District Historical Society
**Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the commencement
of the Murray Valley Irrigation District and Soldier
Settlement Scheme**

Roslyn Otzen
**To Begin the World Anew:
How Particular Nobodies Made Australia**

Pat Patt
Making a Difference

Ray Peace
Murders and Mystery in Ferntree Gully Shire

Port Fairy Historical Society
Gentlemen, Ghosts & Grand Designs

Jim Poulter
Simon Wonga - His Life Journey

Reminiscence Therapy Project - Zeva Mirankar
Moments in Time

Goce Risteski and Rob Hess
**'Uncovering Intersections of Race, Gender and Sport:
Alf Egan and the Carlton Women's Football Team, 1933'**

Suzanne Robinson
**'Music and Modernity in the Colonial City:
A Biography of Melbourne's Marshall-Hall Orchestra
(1892–1912)'**

Geoffrey A Sandy
**Conscientious Non-Compliers:
The Vietnam War Years Victorian Historical Journal**

Dr Monika Schott
The Faraway Land of the House and Two Cows

Scout Heritage Victoria
Scouts and the Melbourne 1956 Olympic Games

Brenda Smith
Remembering Well 2020–2021

Duncan Smith & Nicole Godwin
illustrated by Jandamarra Cadd
We Are Australians

Kasey Skye Smith
A pair of the Past

Peter Spark
**Clunes Cemetery Victoria Headstone Register
1861–2021 Methodist Section Volume 4**

Dr Margaret Taft / Monash University Publishing
**Leo and Mina Fink:
For the Greater Good**

Deborah Tout-Smith, Eleanor Whitworth and
Margaret Anderson (editors); published by
Museums Victoria
**Museums, Collections and Communities:
Reflections on the Life of Martin Hallett**

Mr Clayton Tremlett

***IMMORTALS A Portrait study of Digger Memorials
in the State of Victoria***

Trove with Financial Assistance Organised by
Wodonga Historical Society and Albury & District
Historical Society

Read all about the Border District on Trove

James Twycross

Footprints in History

Mark Valentine St Leon

***The Legend of The Golden Horseshoes of Beechworth
The Evidence Considered Victorian Historical Journal***

Nicola Vaughan

50 Sites of Significance

Craig Watson

***Cool Change - The History of Venus Bay
and the Surf Life Saving Club***

Way Back When Consulting Historians
and Sovereign Hill Museums Association

Courage & Resilience:

The Pioneer Women of Ballarat Montage

Wedge-Tail Pictures

The Lake of Scars (a Wedge-Tail Pictures documentary)

Compiled by Bernadette Wells Published
by the Merbein District Historical Society

A Collection of Early Merbein Houses & Their Residents

Allan Willingham

***His Talent is Undeniable' Benjamin Brain (1816-77):
The Tragic Life of Australia's Forgotten Architectural
Sculptor and Carver Victorian Historical Journal***

Yarra Ranges Heritage Network auspiced by
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by the Yarra Ranges Regional Museum

Power and the People 150 years of Local Government

This Victorian Community History Awards are held in celebration of activities undertaken to explore and preserve the State's history. The range of award categories acknowledge that history can be told in many and varied formats with the aim of reaching and enriching all Victorians.

The Victorian Community History Awards are presented by Public Record Office Victoria in partnership with the Royal Historical Society of Victoria, and supported by the Victorian Government through the Community Support Fund.

The 2022 Awards were announced at the Arts Centre Melbourne on the 21st of October.

Start planning your project for 2023 and uncover your local history today.

Public Record Office Victoria

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Victorian Archives Centre
99 Shiel Street North Melbourne
10am-4.30pm Monday to Friday
(and the second and last Saturday of the month)

Ballarat Archives Centre
Eureka Centre, 102 Stawell Street South, Ballarat Central
10am-4.30pm Monday to Thursday

Royal Historical Society of Victoria

historyvictoria.org.au

239 A'Beckett Street Melbourne
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The USA's Willye Brown White (548) celebrates after receiving silver in Women's long jump, Melbourne Olympics, 1956.
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