

HCV E-news - 24 December 2019

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Dear colleague --

Season's greetings and office closure

The Chair, Professor Graeme Davison AO, together with the Board and staff of the HCV, thank you for participating in our work during 2019 and wish you and your families a happy and joyous festive season.

The HCV office will be closed from today and will reopen on 13 January. Urgent emails will receive replies during this time.

Best wishes to all our readers for a restful holiday and for a safe and happy start to the new year!



Caravan Camp at Marysville, Christmas 1919.

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HTAV HISTORICAL FICTION COMPETITION – CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2019 WINNERS

On 18 October, the History Teachers' Association of Victoria announced the winners and runners-up in their Historical Fiction Competition for school students.

The HCV is pleased to sponsor the Year 9 / 10 section of the competition. HCV Board members Tim Hogan and Bronwyn Cook were the judges for this section.

The [HTAV website](#) now provides photos, plus links to the award-winning stories:

Winner: Tessa Quinlan, Victory Lutheran College, [A Field of Thunder](#)

Runner-up: Mingqiu Dai, The Mac.Robertson Girls' High School, [Daybreak](#)

The HCV congratulates both Tessa and Mingqui, and commends their stories for your holiday reading.

VICTORIAN ARCHIVES CENTRE - READING ROOM CHANGES IN 2020

From its re-opening on 2 January 2020 (after the holiday closure), the Victorian Archives Centre will provide *one delivery of records to the reading room each day*.

What does this mean for researchers?

- Orders must be in by 8 am in order for you to view those records at 10.30 am in the reading room (there will no longer be an afternoon delivery of records).

- There will be no delivery on Saturdays, so users wishing to view records on a Saturday will need to pre-order their records by 8 am Friday.

Note, you will still be able to order 8 records per day and view up to 24 in one day provided that the final 8 records are ordered by 8 am the day they are required in the Reading Room (ie. you can order 8 records multiple days in a row and then come into the Reading Room and view them on the one day).

Reading Room open days and hours are not changing: Monday to Friday and the second and last Saturday of every month, 10 am to 4.30 pm.

Click [HERE](#) for further information.

Reminders

VICTORIAN LOCAL HISTORY GRANTS PROGRAM, 2019-2020 – APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON 8 JANUARY 2020

The Victorian Government recognises that local and community history is an important part of Victoria's memory. The Local History Grants Program encourages and fosters community activities that preserve, record and share the local, social and community history of Victoria and Victorians.

The 2019-2020 round of Local History Grants is now open to applications, closing midnight 8 January 2020. For application details, click [HERE](#).

AUSTRALIAN HERITAGE FESTIVAL 2020 – REGISTRATIONS FOR THE PRINTED PROGRAM CLOSE ON 10 JANUARY 2020

Australia's biggest and most diverse heritage festival is expanding again in 2020. The theme, *Our heritage for the future*, aims to foster an understanding of our shared cultural heritage, but also serves as a reminder that heritage must be celebrated in the present to ensure its preservation into the future.

[Register your event online before Friday 11 January 2020](#) to ensure its inclusion in the printed program. (Later registrations can be included in the online calendar of events.)

The Festival begins on 18 April, the International Day for Monuments and Sites, and will draw to a close on 19 May 2020.

Please share this information with your friends and networks.

Kind regards,

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