

### 1st MAY - SANDRA ROSS - GARDEN TOURS OF THE WORLD



Sandra will take us on a journey to the most beautiful places in the world, through the gardens of Italy and Sicily, Europe, The Rose gardens of England and the Chelsea Flower Show and the Japan Spring flower Festivals.

The Ross Family are renown for their love of and life with the garden: "My dream in 1978 was to share the world's most beautiful gardens. Since then we have taken groups to more than 300 gardens on four continents."

### 8th MAY - TOM WARNE - WELL KNOWN MASTER STORY TELLER RETURNS!

Will it be the Hindenburg Disaster? Or The Hoodoo Ship? Or The Ill Fated Titanic? The Runaway? Come and hear this great raconteur tell us a story! He has 24 to tell!!!!

### 15th MAY- RAY CURRAN - DRAGON BOAT RACING

Ray Curran is walking proof that no matter how old you are there is no excuse for sitting on the couch all day feeling sorry for yourself, "people should get out there and do something!" The 62-year-old retired police officer from The Ponds has recently been selected in the Australian Aurora's Dragon Boat team to compete at the World Nations Dragon Boat Champion- ships to be held in Kunming, China in October.



# **SCORCHED EARTH**

22<sup>nd</sup> MAY - SUE ROSEN - RESEARCHER, HISTORIAN HERITAGE CONSULTANT AND AUTHOR OF SEVERAL BOOKS. Hidden for 75

years, the top secret government documents outlining preparations for the event of a Japanese invasion of Australia in 1942 have finally been discovered. They reveal an extraordinarily comprehensive plan to thwart Japanese troops and a population that would go to great lengths to avoid being enslaved. What was our escape plan if Sydney were attacked?





#### 31st MAY

### MORNING HIGH TEA AT OLIVER BROWN

Oliver Brown Chocolate and Coffee Café is situated out the front of Carlingford Court. Enjoy a drink - coffee, tea, hot chocolate of your choice and a very special High Tea taster of sweet and savoury delights.

10.00am \$22. Numbers limited. Book early.

## <u>29<sup>th</sup> MAY</u> – INTRODUCING STATE ARCHIVES – GAIL DAVIS - Senior Archivist Research and Publications, State Archives and Records Authority of New South Wales.

Holds over 80km of archives of the Colonial and State Governments of NSW. So come along and see how you can use and access these records for research on any particular interest or family or local history.

Gail will also showcase some of our treasures.





### 5<sup>th</sup> JUNE - BACKYARD WILDLIFE IN SYDNEY

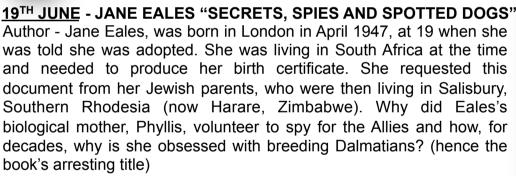
We often see all our beautiful fauna crossing through or hunting and grazing in our back yards. Or creating havoc!! Who looks out for them? Who can help you if you need it?



### 12th JUNE

PAUL STORM RETURNS TO FINISH HIS TALK ABOUT 4711!

Remember Paul from last term? He collects stamps and stories from our past! He is going to finish his story about the SMS Emden and 4711 Cologne! I know we will all really enjoy his great style again. He has promised to behave himself this time!





### 26TH JUNE - MUSIC, MADNESS & MOVIES MORNING

Our fun day for latest movies, music and fun from the internet!

### 3rd JULY - \$20 WINTER HIGH TEA - THE ICONIC FRANK IFIELD

"I Remember You" Who doesn't remember this great hit! Where were you in 1962 when it was



released? Did you know the support act for Frank's tour was The Beatles? "I feel I have been very fortunate in that I have always known what I wanted to do and just followed my heart. My passion to entertain was evident at a very early age. I was living in Dural, north of Sydney where, for my 11th birthday my parents gave me a ukulele and I quickly learned to make the chords fit any song. This experience whetted my appetite for what I instinctively knew was to be my calling. At Christmas 1949, my beloved Gran bought me a proper guitar and there was no stopping me now." Come along and meet Frank and hear all about his amazing career.

### Welcome Back Tuesday 24TH JULY