

September/October 2020

Hello members,

Yes, it's that time of the year again when we hold our annual meeting. We have called for nominations to fill the positions of committee members who are retiring and by Thursday 1 October the nominations outlined on page 2 of this bulletin had been received. This year we are unable to hold a public gathering as is our usual procedure, so the meeting will be held by Zoom on Thursday 22 October at 2pm. Members intending to participate are requested to contact us via email no later than Monday 22 October. We will then send you the conference link and documents. We hope that this will give W&DHS members who live away from Warrnambool the opportunity to participate.

Interesting items continue to arrive by post and by email and we sometimes put these onto our Facebook page, thereby setting off nostalgic reverberations. From these and also the research enquiries which come in we can gain an insight to the relative importance particular people, places and events in Warrnambool in earlier eras. Judging by reactions to certain posts it is possible to conclude that the most memorable social institutions in mid-C20th century Warrnambool were the Palais and the Drive-Inn theatre, perhaps with the Koroit st pie-cart sneaking in to third place. Last month two members sent us a scanned copy of an invitation to the official opening of the Drive-Inn. The Palais slides featured in the recent *Warnimble* also came in a few weeks ago and in a separate donation we received some interior b&w large format photographs of Palais crowd scenes.



Note from the invitation to opening night, the features of this new style of entertainment were: *relax in comfort* (of your own car, presumably); *dress as you like*; *come and go as you please*; *smoke when you please*; *the kiddies playground and the snack bar*.

Were any of our members there on the night of Wednesday 19th December, 1956? You may have photographs or a story to tell about the Palais or the Drive-Inn or would like to write a restaurant review of the pie-cart or the Drive-Inn snack bar. Please send them in to us. We would love to add your stories to our files.

NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE 2020-2021

<u>Position</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Nominator</u>	<u>Secunder</u>
<u>PRESIDENT</u>	Janet Macdonald	Elizabeth O'Callaghan	Barbara McLeod
<u>COMMITTEE</u>	Barbara McLeod	Robin Gray	Janet Macdonald
	Mandy King	Janet Macdonald	Barbara McLeod
	Pat Varley	Janet Macdonald	Rosemary Isaac
	Marita Murphy	Barbara McLeod	Rosemary Isaac
<i>The newly elected committee join 2020-2021 members</i>	Joanne Laity	Glenys Phillpot	Rosemary Isaac

Membership renewals are continuing to come in, so thank you to new members and those who have paid over the past month. With the AGM coming up we are also reviewing our membership lists and note that there are some people who we have not heard from for well over a year. If you are one of those people, this may be the last time you will hear from us.

If you are unsure of your membership status, please email us or leave a phone message at HeritageWorks and we will check and let you know. Keeping track of various subscriptions and membership payment dates can be a hard thing to do, however for volunteer, not for profit organisations like ours members are our life blood.



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 Committee: Marita Murphy (Vice President). Barbara McLeod (Treasurer) Mandy King,
 Joanne Laity, Glenys Phillpot, Pat Varley and Eric van der Wal.
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