## MAYLANDS HISTORICAL & PENINSULA ASSOCIATION INC.

**TELLING OUR STORIES SINCE 1992** 

The Old Police Station - 196 Guildford Road, Maylands

Our opening hours are:

Wednesdays – 9.30am to 3.30pm First Saturday in the month – 10am to 2pm September 2023



Our talk in August was given by John Viska, Chairman of the WA Branch of the Australian Garden History Society who was well-qualified and very knowledgeable about the many different gardens that have existed in and around Perth since Settlement. He entertained and informed the good-sized audience with his fascinating accounts - particularly when he went on to talk about some of the gardens that used to exist around Maylands. We all enjoyed hearing his description of the huge garden (and swimming pool!) at Killowen House - now part of the St John of God Hospital on Thirlmere Road - and the grounds that extended from the Gables (adjoining the Albany Bell factory) all the way down to the river. What a shame to have lost those great gardens! Quite a few of the audience took advantage of being able to buy a signed copy of the new book "Historic Gardens of Perth". We purchased a copy for the MHPA Library - so pop in and look through it if you are interested some of this history.

Over the last few weeks, we have received some fascinating original paintings created by local artists that had been owned by the City of Stirling, but which had been offered to us when no longer needed as part of their Art Collection. (Maylands was at one point included as part of that City before being transferred to the City of Bayswater.) We plan to arrange temporary displays of these pieces - which are predominantly of the Maylands Brickworks and Peninsula Farm - before finding them more permanent homes.

This month we also met with staff from the City of Bayswater Community Development team to explore ways in which we can learn more about the history of First Nations peoples in the Maylands area and how we can share this information in appropriate ways. Watch this space!

I hope that you will be able to come along to our talk in September when Phill Matson will tell the fascinating story of how the Mt Lawley subway came into existence to replace the old and dangerous Fenians Crossing... and how it has been changed, enlarged and modernised over the last 100+ years. He has some archive movie extracts showing a horse and cart going along Guildford Road, as well as illustrations of the trams that were an important way for Maylands to be connected with the rest of the City. Enjoy the talk!

Keith Cundale, President

## MONTHLY TALKS

Our talks are held in the Old Dining room of the Peninsula Hotel Railway Parade, Maylands

Free entry but please bring cash for the raffle

Doors open at 7.15pm. Meeting starts at 7.30pm

Next Meeting Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September

The Mount Lawley Subway – Maylands gets connected!

A talk given by Phill Matson from the Mount Lawley Society

## Extract from the West Australian Record – Dec 1925

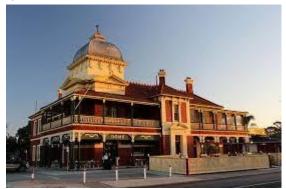
"The Notre Dame de Mission Sisters who have conducted the Maylands Convent School for the past 17 years have purchased, for 1900 pounds, the commodious eleven roomed brick house belonging to Dr McWhae, adjoining the new church, beside 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue bridge and hope to take up their residence early in the new year. The parishioners are pleased to have the Sisters in their midst and not to have to travel daily to/from Highgate."



We're also starting to prepare for our History and Heritage week in November with a draft timetable given below.

Saturday	4	Open Day at the Old Police Station	OPS	10.00 - 14.00
		Maylands Peninsula Walk	Meet at the Golf Club cafe	14.00
Sunday	5	Maylands Peninsula Walk	Meet at the Golf Club cafe	14.00
		Maylands Street Art Walk (TBC)	OPS	14.00
Tuesday		Lunchtime Talk: Changing Faces of Maylands	The Rise	13.00 - 14.30
Wednesday	8	Open Day at the Old Police Station	OPS	09.30 – 15.30
Thursday		Lunchtime Talk: Artistic Heritage of Maylands	The Rise	13.00 - 14.30
Friday		Members Evening event – Launch of the Brickworks Exhibition	OPS	18.00
Saturday		Open Day at the Old Police Station  Maylands Street Festival	OPS	10.00 - 15.00
		MHPA Stall	8 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	12.00 – 17.00
		Heritage Buildings Walks 1&2	OPS	13.00 and 15.00
Sunday	12	Maylands Street Art Walk (TBC)	OPS	10.30

The Peninsula Hotel (now Dome café and headquarters) is a very special Maylands heritage building. It is always a pleasure to hold our monthly historical talks in what was once the Peninsula Hotel dining room.



Doors open at 7.15 pm for a 7.30 pm start. Raffle tickets - \$2 each or 3 for \$5 - cash only. All welcome!

Public Talks and Open Days

September 2<sup>nd</sup> Old Police Station open 10am to 2pm

September 18<sup>th</sup> The Mount Lawley Subway: Maylands gets connected! – Phill Matson

October 7<sup>th</sup> Old Police Station open 10am to 2pm

October 16<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting with light supper

November 4<sup>th</sup> Old Police Station open 10am to 2pm History and Heritage Week starts

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November 7<sup>th</sup> Changing Faces of Maylands – talk at The Rise

November 9<sup>th</sup> The Artistic Heritage of Maylands – talk at The Rise

November 10<sup>th</sup> Members event – Opening of the Maylands Brickworks' display

November 11<sup>th</sup> Maylands Street Festival with many MHPA activities

November 20<sup>th</sup> Monthly talk – Conservation in Action – Richard Offen, President of the RWAHS

December 2<sup>nd</sup> Old Police Station open 10am to 2pm

December 18th End of year Party - Rifos at 6.30pm

Do you have an interest in history and a bit of spare time? You are very welcome to come and join our team of volunteers (we're a lovely bunch!) and help preserve our history for generations to come.

You can also become a member of Maylands Historical.

\$15pa, \$12pa for concessions or \$20 per couple.

Bank account details are:

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Donations are also very welcome!!

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