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Dear Members and Friends,

As I was writing this newsletter, 25°C was forecast for Sydney. In fact it reached 28° at Olympic Park! I was hoping this would signal a change in the air but today (Sunday) is back to being cold!

### History Week Talk

Brad Powe will be presenting CHAA's History Week talk on Saturday September 5th at 2.30 pm in the Mitchell Theatre, Sydney Mechanics School of Arts. His talk is titled *Dreadnought Dreaming: Buying Battleships by Public Subscription* and includes the Chinese Australian contribution, in 1908, to the navy of China. For more information, check the flyer included with this newsletter.

### AGM

CHAA's Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday October 15th. More details will follow.

### Membership Renewals

If you haven't renewed your membership, you only have until September 30th to do so. You'll find a renewal form with this newsletter. If you joined during the current calendar year, your renewal will not be due until 2016.

### Chinese New Year

Congratulations to CHAA member Claudia Chan Shaw who is the new Festival Curator for 2016. I know that Claudia will do a wonderful job.

No doubt by now you have heard that there will be no twilight parade for 2016 due to the work for the light rail that will be going on in George Street. A lantern parade, featuring the animals of the Chinese zodiac, has been announced as a replacement for the twilight parade.

CHAA is in the process of planning our Chinese New Year events. Once details are finalised they will be advertised.

### Fallen Heroes

On July 7th a number of CHAA members attended the screening of this very important documentary about World War II in China. It was a fascinating and informative look at a WWII theatre of war that has often been overlooked and misunderstood. Congratulations to CHAA member James Yu for his organisation of this event.

## End of World War II

2015 marks the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II. On August 15th, a ceremony was held at the Cenotaph in Martin Place to mark this occasion. Tom Cheong, the president of the Australian Chinese Ex-Services National Reunion, laid a wreath at the Cenotaph on behalf of the Catalina Squadrons.

## Third China Australia Literary Forum

The *Third China Australia Literary Forum*, hosted by The Writing and Society Research Centre, University of Western Sydney, and the China Cultural Centre in Sydney will be held on 29 August. Further details are available at

[http://uws.edu.au/writing\\_and\\_society/events/china\\_australia\\_literary\\_forum\\_2015](http://uws.edu.au/writing_and_society/events/china_australia_literary_forum_2015)

The China Australia Literary Forum (CALF) is a unique biennial program, providing a rare and exciting opportunity for leading contemporary authors from the two countries to meet, exchange ideas and experiences, and to develop a deeper understanding of our respective literary worlds.

All Chinese Heritage Association members are welcome to attend the forum on Saturday 29 August at the Parramatta Campus of University of Western Sydney. You will have received information in relation to this in a separate email from me.

## Art Exhibition

Gabby Malpas, a New Zealander of Chinese descent, is holding her second art exhibition, titled *Leaping Rabbit, Hidden Butterfly* at The Living Mall, Central Park, 28 Broadway, Chippendale, to September 6th.



## Chinese Women's Association

The CWA will be holding a Thermomix demonstration on September 12th. Anita Munoz will be preparing three courses for attendees to sample. Cost is \$5.

On October 10th Mrs Jo Lo from the Weavers and Spinners Guild will be showing examples of these traditional crafts. For bookings for either or both these events, ring Marie Chan on 9665 0499.

The CWA is holding a BUS TRIP to the Blue Mountains on Saturday 17th October 2015. This trip features a History tour of the recently refurbished Hydro Majestic Hotel, a visit to the Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, lunch at Katoomba's Canton Palace Chinese Restaurant and a visit to the Norman Lindsay Gallery and Gardens. Cost is \$88.00, which includes coach fees, lunch and entrance fees to the tour and centres. Bookings for this trip close on October 12th.

## "Hong Kong in Miniature" Exhibition

The Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office will be presenting the "Hong Kong in Miniature" Exhibition, an exhibition showcasing miniature models of Hong Kong, at Westfield Sydney, Ground Floor, from September 14th-20th. In contrast to the common image of Hong Kong as a modern and cosmopolitan city, the exhibition will showcase the lifestyle and culture of the city, including old buildings and shops, and traditional festivals.

## **The Legend of Mulan**

The Hong Kong Dance Company will be presenting this ballet for four performances only, including the Australian premiere, on September 17th-19th at the Concourse Theatre in Chatswood. For bookings, go to <http://legendofmulan.com.au/>.

## **North Head Quarantine Station**

The Chinese Australian Historical Society will be holding a visit to the Quarantine Station on Saturday November 21st, starting at 2 pm at the Quarantine Station. Dr Peter Hobbins will guide visitors, with the help of his colleagues, through the history of the Quarantine Station in which early Chinese migrants played a significant role.

An additional visit has been organised to the Third Cemetery, developed in 1881 to receive those afflicted with smallpox. Names like *Ah Hon* and *Kee Moon* may stir feelings or memories.

For further details or to book, contact Anna Lee at [annalee@workready.com.au](mailto:annalee@workready.com.au) or on 9549 8436 (W) or 0412 334 398.

That's all for now.

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