

THE WRITTEN AND SPOKEN WORD

The dismissal of Gough Whitlam and the 'Palace letters' (FREE)

Flemington and Kensington RSL,
25 Rankins Road, Kensington
• FRIDAY 19 OCTOBER 7:00PM

Presenter: academic, author and biographer Professor Jenny Hocking

What was the role of the Palace in Gough Whitlam's dismissal? Author of The Dismissal Dossier, Professor Hocking will focus on extensive new material that she found in Sir John Kerr's papers which she revealed in her biography of Gough Whitlam. Find out why Professor Hocking is currently taking the National Archives of Australia to court to release of the secret 'Palace letters' between the Queen and Kerr which are still embargoed by the Queen.

Speakers' Symposium – Sustainability: Creative Solutions (FREE)

Kensington Town Hall, 32 Bellair Street, Kensington
• SATURDAY 20 OCTOBER 1:30PM - 3:30PM

Presenters: Federal Member of Melbourne Adam Bandt MP, Jacqui van Heerden, Peter Cribb
Practical and creative solutions to living more sustainably. Find out how permaculture and Transition Town Movement are changing the world individual by individual. Learn about the program to salvage playgrounds and reinstall them in parks and schools throughout Sri Lanka. Look at displays on sustainability by MVCC and vegetawalls and the community compost hub established nearby.

Forum on Australian politics today (FREE)

Kensington Town Hall, 32 Bellair Street, Kensington
• SATURDAY 20 OCTOBER 4:00PM – 6:00PM

Presenters: academic, author and biographer Professor Jenny Hocking, writer, film director and producer Daryl Dellora, State Member for Essendon Danny Pearson MP, Federal Member for Melbourne Adam Bandt MP.
What could be more topical than a discussion on the challenges facing Australian politics today? Come along to hear the panel explore questions about twenty - first century political life.

Public conversation on writing about crime and the law (FREE)

Kensington Neighbourhood Centre, 18 Anthony Street
• FRIDAY 26 OCTOBER 7:30PM
• LIMITED NUMBERS

Presenters: Acclaimed novelist, short-story writer, screenwriter and journalist, Helen Garner and awardwinning journalist, author and academic, Associate Professor Margaret Simons with journalist, science writer and educator, Jo Chandler
A truly fascinating subject explored by celebrated local writers. Not to be missed.

Poetry Presentation: At the Intersection of Poetry and Mental Health (FREE)

Flemington and Kensington RSL, Rankins Road
• SATURDAY 27 OCTOBER 1:30PM

Presenters: Poets, philosophers and writers Dr Paul Fearn and Dr Desmonda Lawrence

This session will explore issues relating to mental health and writing. Paul Fearn has published two books on schizophrenia and his work gives a real insight into psychosis. Desma Lawrence is a published poet who has taught creative writing for mental health support.

Seven Great Literary Events

Presented by Wayward Books (ALL FREE)
Wayward Books, 172 Bellair St, Kensington

Opening hours:

WEDNESDAY TO FRIDAY 10:00AM – 6:00PM-ISH
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY 10:00AM – 4:00PM -ISH
CLOSED MONDAYS AND TUESDAYS

SATURDAY 13 OCTOBER 3:00PM / AT WAYWARD BOOKS

Godwin Bradbeer by Janet McKenzie - book launch
Godwin is a professional artist who won the Dobell prize. A local launch of the beautiful monograph, just published by Thames and Hudson. Godwin will be introduced by artist Honor Bradbeer.

FRIDAY 19 OCTOBER 6:30PM / AT WAYWARD BOOKS

Written in Stone by Philomena Manifold - book launch
Geologist, writer, photographer and illustrator, Philomena has created a beautiful, self-published book about rocks along the Great Ocean Road.

SATURDAY 20 OCTOBER 3:00PM / AT WAYWARD BOOKS

Graeme Kinross-Smith – meet writer, poet and photographer. Graeme will present a reading of poetry and fiction plus his revelations about the literary life.

SUNDAY 21 OCTOBER 2:00PM / AT WAYWARD BOOKS

Kevin Densley – a reading and discussion of his latest book of poems Orpheus in the Undershirt.

THURSDAY 25 OCTOBER 6:30PM / AT WAYWARD BOOKS

Wayward Zine launch – the zine has come out of an informal group that has been meeting at Wayward on Thursday nights. It is truly local, and has some poetry, some prose and a little illustration.

SATURDAY 27 OCTOBER 3:30PM / AT FLEM-KEN RSL

Upstairs, Flemington & Kensington RSL, 25 Rankins Road
So you want to publish – local writers Fi Hanafiah, Emma White, Liz Howes and Ariel de Ramos look at the challenges of getting published.

SUNDAY 28 OCTOBER 11:00AM / AT WAYWARD BOOKS

Bella the Bookworm – bring the children to hear children's story teller Arabella Watson reading delightful stories.

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