

WEDNESDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2015

9-9:30 AM **WELCOME AND REGISTRATIONS (EF)**

9:30-11 **SESSION 1A (LR)**
Culture and Memory
Chair: Bobbie Oliver

Mark Gregory
Songs and Poems of the Australian Anti-
Conscription Movement

Phil Roberts
Ballarat's Avenue of Honour

Jefferson Lee
From Gallipoli to Iraq – the anti war peace
poems of the late Denis Kevans (1939-2005)

SESSION 1B (SR)
War's beginning
Chair: David Palmer

Douglas Newton
At Daggers Drawn: The International Women's
Movement and the Struggle to Avert War, July-
August 1914

Graham Willett
Australian Opposition to the outbreak of the
Great War

Andrew Bonnell
Social Democratic anti-war protest in Berlin,
July 1914

11-11:30 **MORNING TEA (EF)**

11:30-1 PM **SESSION 2A (LR)**
Women's Peace Movements (I)
Chair: Judy Smart

Ellen Warne
"To voice the longing of the peoples for
disarmament, tranquillity and peace": Women's
transnational organisations negotiate for peace
in the 1930s.

Margaret Sampson
'So this is how the wealthy used to live, now it is
the workers:' Materialism and mobility in the
travel diary of an Australian Communist
delegate to the WIDF World Congress of
Women 'For peace' Copenhagen, June 1953

Heather Goodall & Devleena Ghosh
Women, Workers and Peace: India-Australia,
1946-86

SESSION 2B (SR)
Protestants and Peace
Chair: Sigrid McCausland

Kim Thoday
"A harder thing than dying": Peace Activism
and the Protestant Left in Australia During the
Early Cold War

Graeme Phillips
A Denial of the Judeo-Christian Tradition?
Norman Z. Alcock and the Canadian Peace
Research Institute, 1961-1975

Bobbie Oliver
*The Peacemaker's Role in the Anti-Vietnam
War Movement*

1-2 **LUNCH (EF)**

- 2-3:30 **SESSION 3A (LR)**
Views from the Inside
Chair: Lisa Milner
- Des Files**
Che Guevara and the Dandenongs: a view on the anti-conscription/ anti-Vietnam years
- Val Noone**
The Vietnam peace movement made a difference
- David Faber**
Today We Own the Streets: the Adelaide NoWar protests against the 2003 war on Iraq
- SESSION 3B (SR)**
Labour Struggles
Chair: Ray Markey
- Warwick Eather and Drew Cottle**
“A curse to the landowner, but a blessing to the poor man”: The rabbit industry in south-east Australia, 1870-1970
- Cathy Brigden & Bernard Mees**
Before industry super: trade union campaigning and superannuation
- Ruth Barton**
Deindustrialisation, Memory and Struggle at the APPM
- 3:30-4 **AFTERNOON TEA (EF)**
- 4-5 **Keynote Address (JCR)**
Chair: Frank Bongiorno
- Marilyn Lake**
Equality or Militarism: The Conflict of Founding Narratives
- 5-6 **WELCOME DRINKS (JCR)**

THURSDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2015

9-9:30 AM **WELCOME AND DAY REGISTRATIONS (EF)**

9:30-11

SESSION 4A (LR)
Cold War Shadows
Chair: Kerry Taylor

Lachlan Clohesy
"Security and Justice": H.V. Evatt's Foreign Policy and the Beginning of the Cold War

Doris LeRoy
Worker for peace from behind the Iron Curtain

Simone Battiston
The controversial deportation case of Ignazio Salemi (1976-1977): The National Archives of Australia files

SESSION 4B (SR)
Literature and the Left
Chair: Andrew Bonnell

Greg Kealey
"Citizen" Grove, Oliver the Spy, and The Great Bustard: Spies in *The Making of the English Working Class*

Andrew Milner & Verity Burgmann
Tomorrow and Tomorrow When The War Ended

Chloe Ward
Keeping in step': The Left Book Club in Britain and Australia

SESSION 4C (JCR)
Conscription & WWI
Chair: Liam Byrne

Scott Stephenson
Conscription and the First World War: Power within the Australian Workers Union

Nathan Wise
"I voted NO": The soldiers' vote in the Australian conscription plebiscites of the First World War.

Peter Love
Anstey's War

11-11:30 **MORNING TEA (EF)**

11:30-1 PM

SESSION 5A (LR)
Militarism, desertion and POWs
Chair: Sarah Gregson

Shane Cahill
From Shanghai to Sydney – resisting and accommodating Japanese militarism 1932-3

Steven R. Welch
"I didn't want to be a soldier anymore": German Deserters in World War II

David Palmer
Allied POWs in Nagasaki: The Unresolved Issue of Mitsubishi's Wartime Slave Labour

SESSION 5B (SR)
Neoliberalism & Political Futures
Chair: Alison Barnes

Verity Archer
Anti Welfare, Pro-Australia: neoliberalism and Australian national character in the 1970s

Elizabeth Humphrys
The Accord after Thirty Years: Corporatism in the Neoliberal Era

Geoff Robinson
Marxists in the age of Palmer: a genealogy of 'anti-politics'

SESSION 5C (JCR)
The politics of memory and of forgetting
Chair: Carolyn Rasmussen

Carolyn Holbrook
Protest or Propaganda? Psychology and Australian Memory of the Great War

Chris McConville
Anzac: Memory and Forgetting in Local Landscapes

Frank Bongiorno
Peace, Anzac and Australia's 1980s

- 1-2 **LUNCH (EF)**
LABOUR HISTORY EDITORIAL BOARD MEETING (SR)
- 2-3:30 **SESSION 6A (LR)**
Researching and publishing today: pitfalls & possibilities
Chair: Nikki Balnave
- Sigrid McCausland**
The traces of peace:
Documenting anti-war struggles
- John Shields**
On Editing *Labour History*:
reflections, regrets and
recommendations
- Jeff Sparrow**
History and journalism
- SESSION 6B (SR)**
Peace movements and Vietnam
Chair: Val Noone
- Greg Stevens**
Campaigning for peace in
Vietnam-the Adelaide
mobilization, 1967-1972
- Jennifer O’Dempsey**
Activism in Brisbane between
1966 and 1972 – Women’s
Struggle against War and
Conscription
- Nick Irving**
“Couldn’t we actually try and
do this in Australia?”:
Reading the Vietnam
Moratorium in its Global
Context
- SESSION 6C (JCR)**
Conscription and WWI (2)
Chair: Anne Beggs-Sunter
- Robert Bollard**
Economic conscription and
Irish discontent: the possible
resolution of a conundrum.
- Dianne Hall & Adrian Threlfall**
Fighting for loyalty?: Irishness
during the First World War in
Australia
- Liam Byrne**
The Young John Curtin and
James Scullin: Conscription,
the Split, and Labor’s Political
Culture
- 3:30-4 **AFTERNOON TEA (EF)**
- 4-5 **Keynote Address (JCR)**
Chair: Phillip Deery
- Bruce Scates**
The first casualty of war: contesting the Anzac centenary
- 6-7 **PRE-DINNER DRINKS (EF)**
- 7-11 **CONFERENCE DINNER (JCR)**
JUNIOR COMMON ROOM
MC: Peter Love
Music by the Victorian Trade Union Choir
Awarding of Prizes (Ferguson Prize, Gollan Prize and the Labour History Prize) by Nikki Balnave and the Hon. Laurie Ferguson, MHR.

FRIDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2015

9:30-10AM **WELCOME AND DAY REGISTRATIONS (EF)**

10-11 **Keynote Address (JCR)**
Chair: Chris McConville

Verity Burgmann

Syndicalist and Socialist Anti-Militarism 1911–18: How the Radical Flank Helped Defeat Conscription

11-11:30 **MORNING TEA (EF)**

11:30-1 PM **SESSION 7A (LR)**
The Press
Chair: Nick Dyrenfurth

Rhys Cooper
Heroes of the Fireplace:
Conscientious Objectors in
Australian Newspapers during
World War I

Anne Beggs-Sunter
Ballarat's Crusading *Evening
Echo*; fighting militarism in
World War One

Jackie Dickenson
Advertising and Progressive
Media, 1910-1935

SESSION 7B (SR)
The 'Race' Card
Chair: Carolyn Holbrook

Phil Griffiths
White Australia: Did the
working class benefit?

Karen Agutter
"Italians Deported –
Australians Next"

Sarah Gregson
Racism in the trenches: the
experiences of Portuguese
soldiers in World War One

SESSION 7C (JCR)
**Policing the Labour
Movement**
Chair: Andrew Moore

David Baker
Police v workers: a two-way
"war"?

Phillip Deery & Lisa Milner
'Insidious Propaganda': the
New Theatre and State
Repression

Kerry Taylor
The Hidden Labour History of
Spooks: reflections from across
the Tasman

1-2 **LUNCH (EF)**
ASSLH FEDERAL EXECUTIVE MEETING (SR)

2-3:30 **SESSION 8A (LR)**
**Union and Labour
Campaigns**
Chair: Peter Love

Sam Oldham
Refusing the Sack: Rank-and-
File Resistance to
Retrenchments in Australia in
the 1970s

SESSION 8B (SR)
**Women Activists in the First
World War**
Chair: Judy Smart

Wendy Dick
Mobilising morale: some
responses of Ellen Mulcahy and
the North & West Melbourne
community to WWI

SESSION 8C (JCR)
**Political campaigns and
Imperial legacies**
Chair: Robert Bollard

Tom O'Lincoln
The Neighbour from Hell:
Rethinking Foreign Policy

	Ray Markey Recommencing the Forward March of Labour	Carolyn Rasmussen Falling in and out of love: Doris Hordern, Maurice Blackburn and the Women's Political Association, 1911-15	Toby Boraman Strikes against war, the nuclear threat and other 'political' strikes in New Zealand from the late 1960s to mid-1980s
	Nikola Balnave & Alison Barnes Back to Grass Roots: Peak Councils and Community Campaigning	Jenny Debney Venereal Disease in WW1	Andrew Gunstone A History of Stolen Wages Practices at Lake Tyers, Victoria
3:30-4	AFTERNOON TEA (EF) <i>Those going on the Cemetery Walking Tour with Peter Love & Albert Littler should meet here at 4 pm.</i>		
4-5:30	SESSION 9A (LR) Women's Peace Movements (II) <i>Chair: Heather Goodall</i>	SESSION 9B (SR) Socialism and Incrementalism <i>Chair: Geoff Robinson</i>	SESSION 9C (JCR) Against the Bomb <i>Chair: Douglas Newton</i>
	Geraldine Robertson First World War Women Working for Peace in Melbourne 1914-1919	Rhianne Grieve Conceptions of Sociability in Early British socialist thought; Charles Hall's Effects of Civilisation on the People in European States	Nic Maclellan Grappling with the Bomb: Opposition to Pacific nuclear testing in the 1950s
	Kate Laing Women's Internationalism and the World Disarmament Campaign of the 1930s	Alex Chorowicz Labour Victories: A comparison of labour campaigns in 1945 in Britain and 1946 in Australia	Jonathan Strauss "A revolt against all the forces of darkness"? The 1980s Nuclear Disarmament Movement
	Lorel Thomas Women Leaders of the Landmine Campaign	Cassandra Devine & Frank Bongiorno Australian Fabianism and the Incrementalist Approach to Reform: Some Historical Reflections	Michael Hamel-Green The role of the Australian and New Zealand peace and anti- nuclear movements in advocating and fostering the negotiation of the 1985 South Pacific Nuclear Free Zone (SPNFZ)(Rarotonga Treaty).
5:30-6:30	CONFERENCE CLOSE (EF)		