



THE CENTENARY OF ANZAC JEWISH PROGRAM

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CoAJP Update - August 2014 - by Peter Allen

Book on Australian Jewish Military History

We are delighted to announce that the Sydney Jewish Museum has received funding from the Federal Government Saluting Their Service Grant, sufficient to embark on this key project of the Centenary of Anzac Jewish Program. Noted author, Mark Dapin, signed the book contract with the SJM on 26th June 2014. Assisted by the Australian Jewish Historical Society, the Museum is aiming to publish the book in November, 2015.

(See associated article/link.)

Seeking items of historical interest and anecdotes

As part of the Centenary of Anzac Jewish Program and in particular the book, we are seeking items of historical interest and anecdotes, from Jewish ex-servicemen and women or their relatives.

(Link to ad.)

Anzac Centenary Local Grants

The Jewish Museum of Australia has advised that its CoAJP grant application to the Electorate of Melbourne Ports has been approved and that another 4 Victorian Electorate committees have recommended submissions to the DVA. Elsewhere across Australia, Electorate Committee recommendations to the DVA for the CoAJP are believed to be: NSW 4; WA 3; Qld 3; SA 2; Tas 1; and ACT 2. That amounts to 20 recommendations from a total of 30 submissions - a very encouraging outcome.

CoAJP Fundraising

The Funding and Action Sub-Committee are ramping up efforts to approach individuals, organisations and businesses to assist financially with the CoAJP Projects.

As this is a most worthy, once in a lifetime, Centenary occasion, we are anticipating that the community will give generously to the CoAJP.

(Link to NSW flyer and Qld flyer.)

Anzac Centenary Commemorative Service of the NSW Jewish Community

To be held on Sunday afternoon 3rd May 2015 at The Great Synagogue, Sydney, planning by a TGS, NSWJBD and NAJEX committee led by Garry Browne, is well advanced for this event.

It is anticipated that this prestigious service will be attended by the Governor-General and many of the most senior members of the Defence Forces, Government and the Jewish and wider community. Please keep this date free of other communal events, as we commemorate our fallen brethren of the Great War.

Jewish Museum of Australia Anzac Centenary Exhibition

This exhibition, from June 28th 2015 to January 17th 2016, will look at the Australian Jewish experience of WW1 by exploring the Australian context, the conflicts and the ultimate consequences of the War.

It will explore the context behind the Australian Jewish community's response to WW1, a context which in turn helps us to understand their aspirations for the new free nation of Australia. The exhibition will also be exploring how Australian Jews played key roles in the events of World War 1, how the war had a lasting and significant impact on Jewish communities (at home and abroad) and what the subsequent consequences of war had on the community here in Australia. Through this analysis, we will be revealing how the war helped to shape the community we have become.



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