



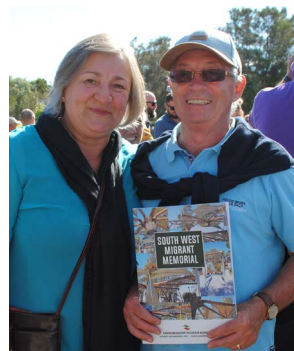
News Update

JANUARY 2019

Opening Day Gala Event

On Saturday 24th November, the opening of the memorial sculpture was an outstanding success. Well in excess of 2000 people were in attendance over the afternoon. There has been excellent feedback regarding many aspects of the day and the memorial itself. Thank you to everyone who had a hand in making the afternoon run so smoothly and successfully.

The completion of the project was assisted by the co-operation of the City of Bunbury who helped with last minute landscaping to ensure the site was ready for the opening afternoon. Flags were provided by the Bunbury Multicultural Society which were great decorations, adding a festive flavour to the area. The stalls were well patronised and the stage performances were very well received. The commemorative souvenir booklet was a hit with about 1100 sold on the day. There are still some available from Charlie's office, or the Visitor Centre at the City of Bunbury.



Plaques: Stage Two

There are plans for a second stage of the memorial to accommodate the names of people who didn't make it into the first round. This is expected to get underway sometime in mid 2019. We plan to increase the number of standard and premium plaques by up to 50%. We will notify you when this occurs, so you can pass the word around to friends who missed out on the first stage. In the meantime, people can register their interest through email or the application forms on our website.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST for SW Migrant Experience Book Project

After the success of the Memorial project, and the great interest shown in the commemorative booklet, we are looking at producing a book to celebrate the culture of migrant families across the South West. The basis of the book will be contributions of recipes or family traditions and the personal stories associated with them. The idea is to express the migrant experience in photos and short anecdotes in a high quality glossy coffee table book. At this stage we are looking for expressions of interest for this project to determine its scope and viability.

Please email Penelope on penelope.martella@gmail.com or contact 0409378509 to register your interest in contributing.

THE COMMITTEE AND MANAGEMENT WISH EVERYONE THE BEST FOR A HAPPY AND SAFE YEAR IN 2019



THANK YOU TO FRANCO SMARGIASSI FOR THESE PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN ON THE DAY



