

# National Trust

## eNews

*The National Trust of Australia (NT) is a community based, not for profit heritage charity dedicated to promoting and conserving the heritage of the Northern Territory.*



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## “My Culture, My Story”

**ALICE SPRINGS REGION:**

Friday 13 - Monday 23

**DARWIN REGION:**

Monday 16 - Sunday 29

**Event & Bookings Information:** [www.nationaltrust.org.au/ahf](http://www.nationaltrust.org.au/ahf)

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## Director's update - Cyclone Marcus

On Saturday 17th March, Cyclone Marcus hit Darwin and the surrounding areas.

The National Trust has the care of five buildings in the Darwin Region - the four at Myilly Point and Roadmaster's House, at 1 McMinn Street. Luckily, Roadmaster's House didn't suffer a single leaf out of place, seemingly protected from the winds by its position.

But Myilly Point, like all over Darwin, lost many trees. Fences will need to be replaced, and two trees came down on or very near to houses, although luckily with seemingly only superficial damage.

Since then, volunteers have been working extremely hard in very uncomfortable weather to saw the trees and clear away the debris. Any list of those we would like to thank is going to be incomplete but particular mention should go to Trevor Horman, John Marrington, Eddie and Janet Webber, Anna Harris, and Shaun Wilton of Wilton Homes & Constructions who, have all gone above and beyond in cleaning up the precinct.

Here are some photos were taken on the day of the cyclone. Thanks to our volunteers, most of all of the trees in these photos have been cleared away already, although there are still more little jobs to do.



PATRON		MEMBERSHIP 2018	
Her Honour the Honourable Vicki O'Halloran AM Administrator of the Northern Territory		1 year	3 years
PRESIDENT Mr. Trevor Horman AM	Individual	\$65.00	\$176.00
	Household	\$95.00	\$257.00
VICE PRESIDENT Vacant	Senior	\$60.00	\$162.00
	Senior Household	\$85.00	\$230.00
TREASURER Mr. Colin Beard	Concession	\$45.00	\$122.00
	Concession Household	\$75.00	\$203.00
BRANCH COUNCILLORS		<i>The National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) is a community organisation, which seeks to conserve the Territory's heritage.</i>	
GULF - Ms. Janet Leather			
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McDOUALL STUART - Mr. Phil Walcott			
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Dr. William Low			
Mrs. Claire Kilgariff			





We would like to thank Earl James & Associates for their most valuable support of the National Trust with a generous donation of \$6000 to the Roadmaster's House Museum.

## Darwin Bombing Survivor Visits Roadmasters House

Roadmasters House had a distinguished visitor recently when WWII veteran Basil Stahl visited the Museum. Basil was visiting Darwin from Yandina in Queensland to attend the Bombing of Darwin commemoration in February. He is now one of the few living veterans to have experienced the bombing on 19th February 1942.

Basil was serving with the Army Survey Corps at Larrakeyah Barracks when the base was bombed and strafed by Japanese aircraft. He survived by taking cover in a slit trench. Soon after the attack, he took the photograph below of three of his colleagues standing in a nearby bomb crater. Note that the soldiers are equipped with weapons and webbing in anticipation of a follow-up ground invasion.



Basil took quite a few photos of bomb-damaged Darwin although it was against Army regulations at the time. These are now held in the Basil Stahl Collection at the NT Library.

Soon after the bombing, Basil's unit carried out survey and mapping work in the Top End to support the military build-up and to provide for the defence of the area. He has a great memory of events long ago so was able to recount many of his WWII experiences.

His survey work took him across the Top End from the Victoria River in the west to the Roper in the east. Most of his time was spent in isolated areas as a member of a small survey party. Tucker was mostly bully beef and dog biscuits, but the occasional barramundi, bush turkey or scrub bullock made a welcome change when available.

Water could not be carried in sufficient quantities to meet all needs so supplies had to be replenished along the way. Water holes were often befouled by dead animals which necessitated treatment with purifying tablets. It was soon discovered that the resulting foul taste could be rendered bearable with the addition of a teaspoon of Sal-Vital.

Maintaining good health under the harsh conditions was an issue. Prickly heat and infected insect bites were a constant problem. Cuts and abrasions developed into tropical ulcers unless quickly treated. Dengue fever and the skin condition impetigo were prevalent.

Some of the maps produced by the unit, the equipment used, and photographs of the unit at work are on display in Roadmasters House.

The photograph on the left below shows Basil in early 1942, then aged 19, with his theodolite on the unsealed North-South Road (now the Stuart Highway) whilst carrying out surveys to locate sites for airstrips and military camps along the so-called Line of Communication. The photograph on the right shows Basil, now aged 95, taken at Roadmasters House during his visit in February with a theodolite of the era taken from the museum collection.



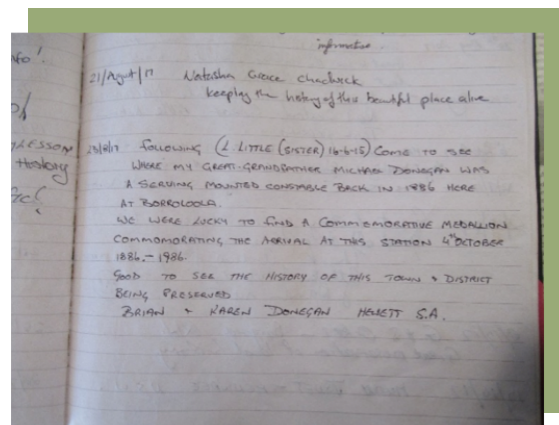
Basil was based in the Top End until late 1943 when his unit was sent to New Guinea and then on the Dutch East Indies to produce maps and terrain models for planning and executing some of the final campaigns of the war.

Basil intends to keep on attending the annual Bombing of Darwin commemorations for as long as possible. After all, he has only missed a couple since the 50th anniversary was held 26 years ago. We look forward to his return next year and hear more of his WWII experiences.



## Gulf Branch News

The 2017 Wet season build up was and has been a little more oppressive than usual for Borroloola with consecutive days in the 40 degrees range with humidity in the high 90's, unfortunately even though the McArthur river came up and over the new Bridge again, and the condition of the October Creek bridge is very poor and a number of washouts causing issues with getting in and out of Borroloola this hasn't been either a very wet or very cool wet season with little relief in spite of all the talk of Cyclones!



Glen has kept the Old Police Station open throughout the Wet season...Including the windows doing the day, to assist with keeping the mould down! And enticing any visitors to pop in.

Museum Visitation is down to a trickle with just local school students, new teachers and government workers coming in to have a look. As the fishing season starts the Tourists and visitors will start to appear! Our sincere gratitude to caretaker Glen for Maintaining the Old Borroloola Police Station grounds and Buildings over the wet season and entertaining and educating our visitors about the amazing history of the Gulf Region.

Cairns Industries are still upgrading the understorey of the old welfare building, with the new Kitchen and Bathroom it has dragged on for a considerable length of time, unfortunately, the work is still a work in progress with walls are up and cladded but a number of outstanding jobs to complete the project.

Work continues on repairs and maintenance to the ancillary buildings these being the meat house and washhouse, Eddie is hoping to complete the project in early April with hopefully, cooler weather!

We also give thanks to local Treasurer Sue for keeping the money turning over! Gulf Branch Trust Members for their support and look forward to all contributions especial all the Tall Tales! To be added to Book 3 throughout the 2018 year!

A special Thanks to MAWA for offering the use of their new ride on lawn mower to maintain the Old Police Station grounds after all of Glens valiant in replacing cutting decks etc! The old mower is not in a very healthy spot!



The Branch is looking forward to Our 2018 Open Day when we can finally give a Name to the new Gallery Space and Display a number of recently donated Artworks from Helen Coffey the previous Owner of the Stockyard Gallery at Mataranka.

What has been found under the Floorboards, over the years!

## Katherine Branch News

Katherine branch has hosted our first function for 2018. This was a Baby Shower for a local Mother-to-Be. The ladies enjoyed morning tea in the shady O'Keeffe garden and children were able to play safely in the pavilion and around the yard. Some of the guests were recent arrivals to Katherine and expressed their delight at the surroundings and the suitability of the property for such functions.

On Saturday 24th March at 9 AM we will have an Easter themed art, craft and fun event for young children. This was very popular last year so we are hoping that once again there will be a great roll up. Morning teas and plants will also be on sale.

Heritage events are being planned and once again we are looking forward to travelling to the local historical spots around Katherine in restored vehicles from the Katherine Motor Vehicle Enthusiasts' Club.

As yet work has not commenced on the restorations of the back area of O'Keeffe House. It is therefore doubtful that it will be completed in time for our usual opening of the house at the beginning of May as items usually stored in that area have to be stored within the main area of the house.







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“My Culture,  
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*Celebrating the diversity of cultures that have shaped our shared heritage.*

The 2018 Festival will be an opportunity for the Central Australian community to reflect on the places where we live, the work we do, our travel experiences and why these are special whilst celebrating our many diverse and distinctive cultures. It will also be an opportunity for our many diverse and distinctive cultures to share their stories and celebrate traditions, including story-telling, music, food, dance and traditional games and crafts. The celebration of our diversity reflects Central Australia as a special and unique community and pride in our diverse heritage.

## Alice Springs Regional Events:

**Friday 13 April - #liveALICE StoryWall Digital Storytelling Project - David Nixon**

**Time: 9am-5pm**

What makes Alice Springs special and unique? What lessons from the past must we heed so that we can move forward together? What gives you a sense of belonging? Bring your thoughts on these topics (and any objects that are relevant) and share them with filmmaker David Nixon in a rolling workshop of one-on-one interviews. Drop in between 9am-12noon or book a time between 1-4pm by telephone 0409029801

**Venue: RedHOT Arts, 67 Bath Street (cnr Bath St & Stott Tce)**

**Saturday 14 April - Ted Egan: Two Crucial Events in Our History, 100 Years Ago**

**Time: 10:00 AM to 11.30 AM**

**Venue: Hartley Street School Museum**

**12-2.30pm: Heritage Bus Tour of Historical Sites in Alice Springs:**

Stuart Traynor and Alex Nelson will take you on a tour of some sites of significance around Alice Springs and describe the characters associated with them. Board the bus at the south-eastern corner of the Alice Springs Town Council carpark.

**Limit of 24 persons. Cost: \$10 per ticket (to offset bus hire).**

*Tickets available in advance at Hartley Street School Museum – Monday to Friday between 10.30am-2.30pm, until all sold.*



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**Sunday 15 April - Her Story: Women on Wikipedia Edit-a-thon: "Women have made the Territory what it is."**

**Time: 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

Women have made the Territory what it is today, yet their contribution is almost invisible on Wikipedia. So let's do something about it! Join us at this special workshop to create new Wikipedia pages about significant local women. No experience required, just bring a laptop if you've got one and learn how to edit Wikipedia! Morning tea provided. Free Event, Please register at [womenonwikipedia.evenbrite.com.au](http://womenonwikipedia.evenbrite.com.au)

**Venue: National Pioneer Women's Hall of Fame at the Old Alice Springs Gaol, 2 Stuart Terrace**

### **FESTIVAL OPENING -**

**Welcome to Country:** Dr Pat Miller AO Traditional Owner – Mparntwe (Alice Springs)

**Welcome to Heritage Festival 2018:** Dr Bill Low, Chairman, National Trust McDouall Stuart Branch Alice Springs

*Doreen Braitting Memorial Lecture presented by Dale McIver, Director & Events Guru*

**Time: 3:00 PM to 4.30 PM**

"My Culture, My Story – Growing Up and Living in Alice Springs". Dale is a born and raised and very proud Alice Springs local. Her life has been varied and full of adventure. Living in the Alice, Dale has had a life of wonderful opportunity coupled with what she refers to as "grabbing the bull by the horns and thinking outside the square". The Culture of Living in Alice Springs and the Territory has a uniqueness that is embraced and welcomed by us all. Listen to some unique insights from a born and raised local on the Culture of our Special part of Australia.

**Venue: Andy McNeil Room Alice Springs Town Council**

### **Monday 16 April - Welcome to the Old Lutheran Church**

*A gem in our own backyard. Celebrating the 80th Anniversary of the Lutheran Church Mission Block and Heritage listed Old Lutheran Church.*

**Time: 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM**

#### **FREE EVENT**

See the historic photos and samples of 1930-60s Hermannsburg crafts and industries. Help with names for the large collection of 1960-70s Children's Cottage photo. . .and more. Tell us if you have lived in one of the Gap Cottages.

. Contact: 89550158.

**Venue: Old Lutheran Church, Cnr Gap Road & Strehlow Street.**







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## **Hartley Street School – Past Student Talk**

**Time: 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM**

Former students of Hartley Street School will share stories of their time as students of the School from the period 1940s-1960s. Check the notice at Hartley Street School Museum for information on speakers for the day.

**Venue: Hartley Street School Museum**

## **Twilight History Walk: Who lived in Hartley Street?**

**Time: 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM**

**FREE EVENT**

A walk with Stuart Traynor and Alex Nelson along the top end of Hartley Street looking at what was there in the past: Sergeant Stott's Police Station, D.D. Smith's house, Jack & Catherine Smith's Butcher Shop, Turner House, George & Ida Glass' place, the site of the original Bungalow, the palace in the Alice, and the house built for Vic and Kath Carrington.

**Venue: Meet at D.D. Smith Park.**

## **Tuesday 17 April - ABC Radio – History Mystery Breakfast with Stewart Brash & Stuart Traynor: "Glimpses into Local History".**

**Time: 6:00 A, to 7:45 AM**

Tune in to 783AM ABC Alice Springs and join Brashy for breakfast. It will be a broadcast from a mystery outside venue and Brashy and Stuart will give you clues about where they are. Find them and a bacon and egg breakfast will be waiting for you.

## **Lunchtime Talk – Celia Otley on My Culture, My Story**

**TIME: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM**

**FREE EVENT**

Celia is the winner of the 2018 Centralian Citizen of the Year.

**Venue: Alice Springs Public Library**

## **Talk – “Rural and Remote Care Providers – Breaking Through 2018”**

**Time: 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM**

Stewart Ridgway describes his role in Central Tanami NT as a paramedic and talks about paramedic services provided out and external relied upon, as well as the most important changes to paramedics across Australasia – 2018 and 2019. His talk also includes discussion on remote and private practice compared with state ambulance services and also his rural background and family support leading to his current role.

**Venue: Adelaide House**





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## **Wednesday 18 April - Tour of Monuments Walk**

**Time: 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM**

**FREE EVENT**

To coincide with International Day for Monuments and Sites (World Heritage Day), Alex Nelson will start the tour at the old Wilkinson Memorial (and the site of the Alice Springs Centenary Fountain), then moving on to the stone monument next to the old entrance to Anzac Oval and the High School, pointing out the direction of monuments to D.D. Smith and John McDouall Stuart down Hartley Street, Anzac Hill and finally the John Ross Memorial /Pioneers Memorial.

**Venue: Meet at Anzac Hill carpark**

## **Voices from the past: Significant Trees of the CBD**

**Time: 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM**

Walking tour about 2kms. Candice Appleby from Land for Wildlife will lead a loop tour of the significant trees in the CBD including the Date Palm on the corner of Bath Street, two trees in the Mall, Hartley Street School, Town Council Lawns and Gregory Terrace. View the trees and learn why they were registered and the categories in which people can list additional trees.

**Venue: Alice Springs CBD (Meet at Hartley Street School)**

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## **Alice Springs Trivia Night at Monte's Bar & Restaurant hosted by Alice Springs Public Library.**

**Time: 7:00 PM to LATE**

Come along to test your knowledge of all things relating to Alice Springs history.

**Venue: Monte's Bar & Restaurant, Todd Street**







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### Thursday 19 April - Northern Territory Archives Service Tour

Time: 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

FREE EVENT

Delving into the NT Archives. Maximum of 8 people. Bookings only. Please contact Elisabeth Marnie on 89515669.

Venue: Minerals House, Ground Floor, 58 Hartley Street

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### Send a Morse Telegram in Heritage Week

Time: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Volunteers from the Morsecodian Fraternity will be sending Telegraph messages to and from Alice Springs. Send a telegram for a gold coin donation to family and friends. Daily from 20-29 April. Coming Event: Celebrate the Telegraph Station Open Day and Markets 20 May from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM

Venue: Old Alice Springs Telegraph Station Post office.





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### Blasts from the past!

**Time: 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM**

A night of scene readings from plays from Totem's theatrical past! No sets! No costumes! Familiar faces! Come and join us as we bare our past scenes on our heritage stage for your enjoyment. These plays make up part of the fabric of the stories that belong to Alice Springs. As part of the 2018 heritage festival, we take a trip down memory lane and delve into some of the plays that have shaped our long history in Alice Springs.

**Venue: Totem Theatre.**

### Saturday 21 April - Gem Tree Museum Bus Tour (all day): Opening of the Old Mt Riddock Homestead Mini Museum

**Time: 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM**

Board the bus at the south-eastern corner of the Alice Springs Town Council carpark. (You may take your own car and follow the bus.) Bus tickets to be purchased in advance - \$20 per person (to offset bus hire) from Hartley Street School, open Monday to Friday 10.30am-2.30pm. Entry to Gem Tree is Free. For more information, contact Carmel at Gem Tree on 89569855 (b/h) or 89569287 (a/h).

**Venue: Gem Tree, Plenty Highway, via Alice Springs**

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**Venue: Old Alice Springs Telegraph Station, Post office.**

**Story Wall: short films followed by "Bitter Springs"** starring Tommy Trinder & Chips Rafferty

**Time: 7:00 PM to LATE**

A classic adventure story from the Australian Outback. Dinner is available for purchase from 6:00 PM.

**Venue: Flynn Church Lawns, Todd Mall**







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### Sunday 22 April - Bond Springs Station Tour

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Come with us to visit Bond Springs Station which was first settled in the 1870s. This visit offers the opportunity to explore some of the old buildings, learn about the station from the displays in the History Room, the early family home, the old schoolroom and the blacksmith shop.

This year we present a new display showcasing the stories of early women involved in the Royal Flying Doctor Service Auxiliary and the Country Women's Association Air Branches, and the Isolated Children's Parents' Association.

Morning Team provided for a gold coin donation.

Board the bus at 9.30am at the south-eastern corner of the Alice Springs Town Council carpark. (You may take your own car and follow the bus.)

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For information, call Jan on 0419818107.

**Venue: Bond Springs Station**

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**Coming Event:** Celebrate the Telegraph Station Open Day and Markets 20 May

**Time:** 9.30 AM to 1:00 PM

**Venue:** Old Alice Springs Telegraph Station, Post Office.

### Talk about the Robert Czako Mural - Jose Petrick

**Time:** 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM

**Venue:** St Mary's Chapel, St Mary's Precinct, Stuart Highway





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## Darwin Regional Events:

### Monday 16 April 2018 Cemetery Ghost Walk

Time: 7:00 PM for 7:30 PM start

Cost: \$10.00 per person

There is no better way to learn about some of Darwin's colourful citizens of yesteryear than a visit to the 1873 Cemetery on Goyder Road on a dark night. You will be escorted by ghosts of the past in this popular Festival event.

Venue: Goyder's Cemetery, Goyder Road

### Tuesday 17 April 2018 Palmerston Rail Trail Walk

Time: 5:00 PM for 5:30 PM start and finish by 6:30 PM

Cost: \$10.00 per person

Strolling along the route of the original Palmerston to Pine Creek Railway, we will learn about its survey in 1884 and engineering design as we pass through cuttings (where pick marks from 1887 can still be seen) and cross the wrought iron bridge across Mitchell's Creek at 15 Mile Post. Transport back to the start point will be provided at the end of the walk.

Venue: Tulagi Road behind Finlay's Joint

### Wednesday 18 April 2018 Barbara James Memorial Lecture

Time: 5:00 PM for 5:30 PM start, 1 hour duration.

FREE EVENT

Honouring the memory of historian Barbara James, this annual oration by an eminent Territorian will echo the theme of "My Culture, My Story".

Venue: NT Library, Parliament House

### Thursday 19 April 2018 History and Heritage Tour & Barbecue

Time: 5:00 PM for 5:15 PM start.

Cost: \$20.00 per person

Beginning at the historic 1934 QANTAS Hangar at Parap, this guided tour will visit some rarely visited sites in and around Darwin. At other sites, we will learn something different from the "traditional" story of the place. Barbecue will be provided at the end of the tour with an opportunity to explore the amazing collection of cars, trucks, steam engines, trains and mechanical memorabilia from the past.

Venue: 1934 QANTAS Hangar, McDonald Street, Parap





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## Friday 20 April - The Heritage Debate

Time: 6:30 PM for 7:00 PM start. Cost: \$10.00 per person

This year's Heritage Debate at the Museum & Art Gallery NT auditorium takes a light-hearted look at the question "Let's heritage list the NT News". Moderator Professor Clare Martin. Come and hear prominent Territorians debate the pros and cons.

Venue: Museum & Art Gallery NT Auditorium

## Saturday 21 April and Wednesday 25 April - The Genealogical Society NT Open Days

Time: 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM FREE EVENT

The Society will hold 2 Open Days during the Festival and they will be there to answer any questions as well as look at their records and display material.

Venue: 84 Smith Street

## Saturday 21 April - Humpty Doo Rice Project

Time: 9:00 AM Cost: \$10.00 per person

Guided Self-Drive Historical Tour.

Did Humpty Rice project really fail because of the magpie geese? Learn about how the project started and ended. Discover the remains of the infrastructure built for it. Visit Fogg Dam and Windows on the Wetlands to see how the land is used now.

Venue: Meet at Darwin end of Coolalinga Service Road (All Tools)

## Myilly Point Heritage Precinct Open House Day

Time: Gates Open 4:00 PM and Close 6:00 PM Cost: \$10.00 per person

In 1938 a precinct of better quality houses was constructed at Myilly Point for senior public servants such as the Magistrate, the Auditor, Director of Public Works and the Mines Dept. It quickly became known as "Silver Tail Circuit". This is your once-a-year chance to visit each of the four remaining houses in the Myilly Point Heritage Precinct, explore the tropical architecture of the era and wander through the extensive gardens.

Venue: Entry at Burnett House, Myilly Point

## Sunday 22 April - Visit Channel Island Leprosarium Site

Time: 9:00 AM on site Cost: \$5.00 per person

This rare opportunity to take a walk with your guide Michael Wells and learn some of the history of the area. Sturdy footwear is essential. Rendezvous on Channel Island side of the bridge. As numbers are strictly limited bookings are essential.

Venue: Channel Island





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## Swing Dance NT Social Dance

Time: 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM

**FREE EVENT** - gold coin donation appreciated.

Join Swing Dance NT for an afternoon of dancing! Come along and join in or just watch! Beginners lesson - no partner or experience required.

**Venue:** STAHL Garden, Myilly Point Heritage Precinct

## Monday 23 April - Visit the Star Village (*home of the Star Picture Theatre*)

Time: 4:30 PM, approx. 45-minute duration

Cost: \$5.00 per person

Tom Harris will give an overview of the history of the Star Picture Theatre.

**Venue:** Meet at entrance, Star Village, 32 The Mall

## Tuesday 24 April - Roadmaster's House Open Day

Time: 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Cost: Gold coin donation appreciated

Come and visit one of the latest National Trust initiatives in the Northern Territory. The historic Roadmaster's House is one of the last iconic fully-louvred houses and has strong ties to the original Railway into Darwin. It also houses a Museum displaying the History of Darwin through Mapping, as well as 19th and early 20th century maps, plans and surveying equipment.

**Venue:** Roadmaster's House Museum, 1 McMinn Street

## Film Evening at Roadmasters House

Time: 7:00 PM

Cost: \$5.00 per person

Screening of the 1923 Buster Keaton classic movie "The General".

**Venue:** Roadmasters House Museum, 1 McMinn Street

## Wednesday 25 April - Guided Walk of 16 Mile World War II Site

Time: 5:00 PM, 1-hour duration.

Cost: \$5.00 per person

With your knowledgeable guide Michael Wells, walk through the remnants of this strategically important WWII Military Base. Meet at the carpark, end of Mackillop Court, Johnston.

**Venue:** Lambrick Avenue, Palmerston



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## Guided Tour of Old Palmerston Cemetery

Time: 5:00 PM start, 6:30 PM finish

Cost: \$10.00 per person

Venue: CNR of Gardens Road & Ping Quee

## Friday 27 April - Heritage Quiz Night at Burnett House

Time: 6:00 PM

Cost: \$10.00 per person (Nibbles provided. Paid Bar)

Well read, good memory, sports fan, music lover, world wise or lucky guesser? Try your hand and knowledge at the Heritage Trivia Night at Burnett House. Hosted by a quizmaster, topics will include; Aussie sports, wartime, early TV shows, song lines, Darwin heritage and around Darwin. Teams are limited to a maximum of 6 per table. (Teams may be reallocated on the night depending on numbers).

Venue: Burnett House, Myilly Point Heritage Precinct

## Saturday 28 April - Goyder's Towns Car Rally

Time: 12:30 PM for 1:00 PM start, finish at 6:30 PM

Cost: \$10.00 per person

Join this self-drive Car Rally departing from Burnett House, to visit the Goyder Town of Daly via Fred's Pass Road and Aulds Lagoon, and other points of interest. Bring GPS and good eyes.

Venue: Burnett House, Myilly Point Heritage Precinct

## Afternoon Tea at Burnett House

Time: 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Cost: \$10.00 per person, *BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL*

Enjoy a relaxed afternoon in the delightful garden of Burnett House sipping on tea or coffee and feasting on homemade scones or tasty cakes.

Venue: Burnett House, Myilly Point Heritage Precinct

## Sunday 29 April - Open Cockpit Day

Time: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Cost: Adults \$15.00, Family \$35.00, Concession \$10.00, Child \$7.00, Children under 5 FREE

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