

## January 2006

### Happy New Year from the Friends Committee!

This year promises to be another active one for the Friends, following on from our busy program last year. We are delighted to welcome several new Committee members who I know will bring useful perspectives to our planning. The 2006 Committee comprises Penny Ramsay (Deputy Chair), Dr Geoffrey Burkhardt, Creg Cornwell, John Graham, Matthew Harrison, Jeffie Kaine, Joan Kennedy, Karen Rush, John Thompson, and Gabrielle Tramby as well as Jan Fullerton, Jasmine Cameron and Helen Kon who represent the Library. Joan has kindly taken on the responsibility of editing the newsletter and I encourage you to send her news or comments which you think would be of general interest.

The Committee is always keen to hear your suggestions for events to support the Library in its vital work and to encourage interaction amongst Friends, so do contact us via the Friends Office if you have any ideas ([friends@nla.gov.au](mailto:friends@nla.gov.au) or ph: 02 6262 1551).

Terry Birtles  
Chair

### New Members Evening

Did you join the Friends of the NLA in 2005? Would you like to come along and meet some other new Friends and go on a sneaky behind-the-scenes tour with our irrepressible Events and Education Manager, Heidi Pritchard? Well come along to our New Members Evening. We'll have light refreshments and some live music too. 5:30pm, Tuesday, 24 January. Library Foyer. Bookings essential ph: 02 6262 1698.

### Batting with Bradman

Don't forget, tell your cricket-crazy friends about *Batting with Bradman*.....at 3pm on Sunday, 29 January, Alan Davison, Bob Simpson and friends will discuss the legend of Bradman and how cricket has changed over the years. Tickets \$20 Friends, \$25 non-members. Bookings are essential ph: 02 6262 1271 or email [rsvp@nla.gov.au](mailto:rsvp@nla.gov.au).

### Amazing Women

The Australian Women's Weekly's Deborah Thomas interviews high profile women including SBS Television's Mary Kostakidis, champion surfer Layne Beachley and domestic doyenne Margaret Fulton. A party with a difference; amazing women, cool cocktails and a private viewing of National Treasures. Ticket price: \$30 Friends & Concession, \$35 non-members. Refreshments included. Pre-purchased tickets essential ph: 02 6262 1271.

### Special Offer from *The Forrest Inn and Apartments*

If you don't live in the ACT, but would like to spend some time in Canberra over Summer and see the National Treasures exhibition, why not stay at the Forrest Inn? The special package of \$70pp twin share includes breakfast. The Forrest Inn is right in the heart of inner South

Canberra - close to the National Library as well as the restaurant precinct of Manuka. See enclosed insert for details or call the Forrest Inn on 1800 676 372.

### Movie Madness – bring the kids!

These school holidays the Library is showing some classic Australian films. Screenings start at 11am and entry is by gold coin donation. Bookings not required.

**Storm Boy:** Thursday 19 January 2006 (11am)

**Blue Fin:** Tuesday 24 January 2006 (11am)

**The Fourth Wish:** Wednesday 18 and Wednesday 25 January 2006 (11am)

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### Coming Events January 2006

The full programme for January can be consulted in the What's On section of the National Library's Web site at <http://www.nla.gov.au/apps/events/>.

**Friends' Events: Bookings essential. Call 02) 6262 1698 or email [hpearson@nla.gov.au](mailto:hpearson@nla.gov.au)**

New Members Evening. Tuesday 24 January, 5:30-7:30pm foyer	See old friends and meet new ones at this annual gathering. Join on the night.
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#### NLA talks and events

Movie Madness Thurs 19 January, 11am-12:30pm, theatre	<i>Storm Boy</i> , film screening (gold coin donation)
Movie Madness Tues 24 January, 11am-1pm, theatre	<i>Blue Fin</i> , film screening (gold coin donation)
Movie Madness Wed 18 & Wed 25 January, 11am- 12:30pm, theatre	<i>The Fourth Wish</i> , film screening (gold coin donation)
<i>Harp Treasures from the Australian Youth Orchestra</i> , Foyer Thurs 19 Jan, 5:30-6:30pm <b>FREE</b>	Featuring some of Australia's finest young harpists, the 2006 <i>National Music Camp Harp Ensemble</i> presents a free one-hour concert.
<i>Australia on the Map: 1606 and All That</i> Thurs, 26 Jan, 11:30am-12:30pm Conference Room <b>FREE</b> (no bookings required)	Explore with Allen Mawer, four hundred years after Captain Cook arrived on Australia's southeast coast with a chart that showed him three-quarters of the Australian coastline, how explorer's maps gradually introduced Australia to the rest of the world.
Behind the Scenes Tour Thurs, 26 Jan, 12noon-12:30pm & 1pm 1:30pm Meet in foyer <b>FREE</b>	
<i>Corsali to Chamberlain – An Insider's View of National Treasures</i> Thurs, 26 Jan, 2:00-3:00pm Theatre. Bookings essential: 02 6262 1271 <b>FREE</b>	Curator Margaret Dent's public lecture on the National Treasures exhibition. Hear the stories behind some of the incredible items on display. You'll also have an opportunity to ask questions.
<i>Batting with Bradman</i> Sun, 29 Jan, 3:00-4:00pm	Join cricketing luminaries from across the ages. Alan Davidson, Bob Simpson and friends discuss the legend of Bradman and



Theatre, \$20 Friends, \$25 non-members. To book: 02 6262 1271

how the game has changed over the years.



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