



# In Touch

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## Echuca Historical Society Inc. Newsletter

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### PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION

The Shrine Trustees are proud to announce that the Indigenous Australians at war: from the Boer War to the present touring exhibition opens at the Echuca Moama Uniting Church Hall, Hare Street, Echuca.

The exhibition will be formally launched by Campaspe Shire Mayor Kevin Simpson at 6.00 pm on Friday 30 March. The touring exhibition is hosted by Echuca Historical Society and **Open Daily 11am – 3pm from Saturday 31 March to Friday 27 April 2012, late opening Wednesdays 5pm - 7pm.**

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders stories presented in this exhibition are drawn from all over Australia. Aboriginal men and women have combined modern military and uniquely indigenous skills in the service of their country. The exhibition covers their contributions to wartime activities and peace keeping forces

EHS is staffing this exhibition with assistance of community groups. If you have a spare hour or two to assist, Dot would love to hear from you.

### **Museum Accreditation**

**Dec 8<sup>th</sup> we started the process to address the criteria for Museum Accreditation. Our next meeting will be held Monday 19th March to address the outcome of the December meeting.**

**The accreditation project is a 3 year program. All members with an interest in the future of the society are invited to participate.**

**If you wish to be involved please ring Dot on 5482 4914**

### **ATHOL DEAN**

We sadly advise the passing on 5 March 2012 of our esteemed member *Athol Dean*.  
Athol will be greatly missed.  
Our thoughts are with Dorothy and her family

### **AROUND THE PREMISES**

EHS fantastic scanning group are presently working on the 1950-60's negatives.

### **So far the 'girls' have scanned 72413 negatives**

38161 negatives have been edited  
21000 identified.

New member, *Valerie* is fully engrossed in the EHS filing system. *Carol S* is typing the Alexander files, so methodically indexed by Aileen over the past several years. The data will be loaded onto the database for easy reference.

Volunteer and now new member *Tracey* is typing the index for Galleries of Pink Galahs, when entered into the database; the information will be of great value to researchers.

Murray Shire documents are slowly being filed and indexed ready for database entry.

As always the indexing persons are still slaving away, we are now doing the 1900's, only another 100 years to go.

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