



NEWSLETTER NO. 34 JANUARY, 2016

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR MEMBERS!

This a shorter-than-usual newsletter intended to alert you all to some wonderful Friends' events coming up!

Helen Morse

In

Conversation

**Thursday 18th February
5.30-7.30**



Helen Morse is one of Australia's leading film and stage actresses, first known for her award-winning roles in the resurgence of the Australian film industry in the 70/80's - *Picnic At Hanging Rock, Caddie, A Town Like Alice* and more recently in Fred Schepisi's *Eye of the Storm*. Her recent TV work includes *The Mystery of a Hansom Cab* and *The Doctor Blake Mysteries*.

Although well known to audiences throughout Australia for decades of outstanding work in the theatre, tonight Helen will be in conversation with local film historian, theatre owner and producer Andrew Pike, and re-visiting her screen work through chat and clips.

***Join us for refreshments at 5.30 for 6.00, National Film and Sound Archive
ARC Theatre , McCoy Circuit, ACTON. Ph 6248 2000***

Bookings essential: www.trybooking.com/KBCW

Friends \$5, others \$10.

Also in February - Wednesday 24th @ 10.00 am

JP McGowan: Hollywood's first Australian

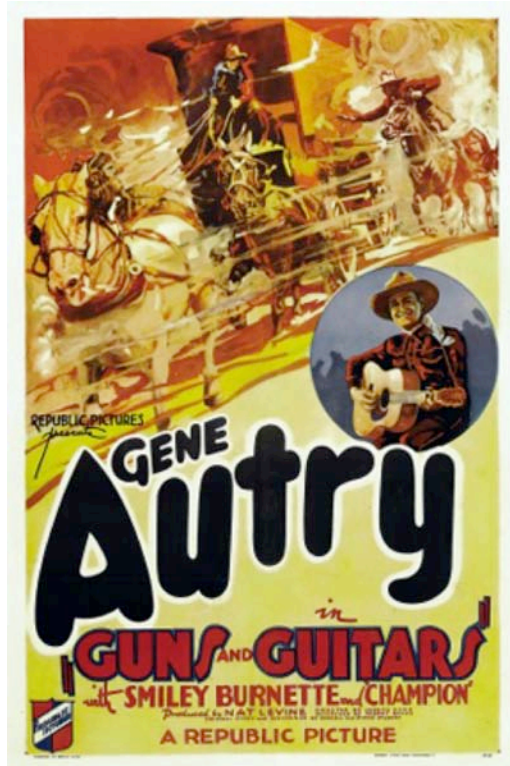
Australian film historian (and the first director of the Sydney Film Festival) David Donaldson, talks about the career of JP McGowan, the trailblazing Australian actor and filmmaker who was a pioneer in Hollywood, laying the path for the likes of Errol Flynn, Chips Rafferty, Peter Finch.

South Australian born, McGowan fought in the Boer War and came home via America – but never made it past Hollywood where he enjoyed a career that survived the transition from silent to talkies, and directed over 200 films, giving John Wayne one of his first starring roles.

***This is a FREE event at the ARC Cinema.
Book online TRYBOOKING.COM/JJE1***

**Followed at 11.00 am by
*GUNS AND GUITARS (1936) in which
McGowan plays the bad guy to Gene
Autry, who is framed for murder.
After clearing his good name, Autry
is elected sheriff to hunt down the
villain.***

**Book online: TRYBOOKING.COM/JJE1
ARC Cinema \$10/\$8**



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Friends' Committee 2016

At the AGM, held on November 30th at the NFSA, the following members were elected to the Committee and have taken up the following roles:

President – Ray Edmondson

Vice-President – Chris Harrison

Secretary and Public Officer – Sue Terry

Treasurer – Chris Emery

Committee members- David Kilby, Michael Pejovic, Lindy Ross

November's Friday with Friends event – Newsreel cameraman Richard Keys



In November, our final Friends' event of the year was a trip back to the days of the moviehouse newsreels, and those daring young man who scrambled to film, edit and deliver the footage to the film companies and, later, the TV stations. Richard Keys gave us a fascinating and humorous insight into those times.

Like to help out in the NFSA Library? If you are in Canberra on a Wednesday afternoon between 2.30 and 4.30pm, come in and say hello. And, if you'd like to join the volunteers, please contact us at archivefriends@gmail.com

MORE INFORMATION SNIPPETS

It's worth regularly checking the Friends' website and Facebook page to keep up with what's happening. These will soon be complemented by a new Friends' membership brochure, and a leaflet setting out a potted history of the NFSA



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Friends of the National Film and Sound Archive

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<http://www.nfsa.gov.au/community/newsletters/>

The 2016 Friends of the NFSA Committee:

President: Ray Edmondson, Vice President: Chris Harrison, Secretary: Sue Terry, Treasurer: Chris Emery, Committee: David Kilby, Lindy Ross, Michael Pejovic, Public Officer: Sue Terry, Newsletter Editor - Lindy Ross

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