



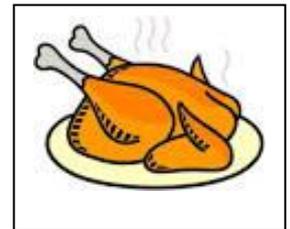
AMMPT WESTERN REGION (INC.)

SIGHT AND SOUND UPDATE

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ANNUAL DINNER

It is not often that we get a chance to share our experiences in the cinema industry, meet old friends or acquaintances and celebrate the past. This is especially so since our major dinner is a bi-ennial event. These events become extra special especially as we get that little bit older. The second AMMPT Western Region Annual Dinner will be held on Wednesday November 21st. Organisers Roy Mudge and John Fuhrmann have arranged for a catered event with choices within the various dinner courses. Alcohol and soft drinks will be available for purchase from the bar. Remember the Dinner commences earlier at 6.30pm and not the usual time for our normal Wednesday evening presentations at the Fred Bell Hall. The cost is \$30 per head and payments should be received on or before the AGM on Wednesday October 17th. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or direct debit as outlined in the brochure accompanying this newsletter. We will also be conducting a monster raffle.



CLASSICS OF THE SILVER SCREEN AUGUST 27th – 10.00am GRAND CYGNET THEATRE PRESTON STREET, COMO.

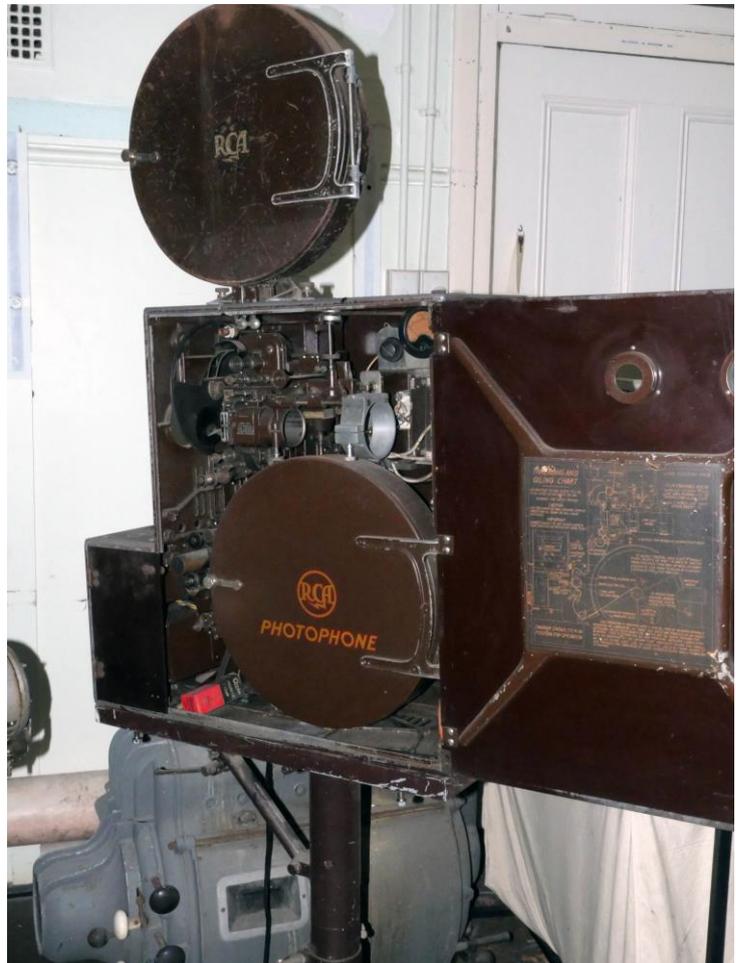
The next Classics of the Silver Screen will be the 1955 20th Century Fox romantic drama film **LOVE IS A MANY SPLENDORED THING**. Starring William Holden and Jennifer Jones the film tells the story of a married, but separated, American reporter who falls in love with a Eurasian doctor originally from China only to encounter prejudice from her family and from Hong Kong society. The sentimental and upbeat song "Love is a Many-Splendored Thing" was one of the first songs written for a movie to become no.1 in the charts in the same year. The film is based on a 1952 book written by John Patrick.

DONATION TO THE CITY OF SUBIACO

The Regal Theatre located in Subiaco and now operated by the Regal Theatre Foundation (formerly the Baker Theatre Trust) has grown to be an iconic part of the Western Australian entertainment industry. The theatre's most well-known owner was Paddy Baker who besides operating the Regal was a familiar figure in country towns with his touring circuit.

A 1939 film distributors magazine shows his circuit towns included Corrigin, Quairading, Kondinin, Kulin, Naremben, Kununoppin, Koorda, Bencubbin, Wyalkatchem, Brooktown (in Brookton), Dumbleyung, Yealering and Tammin. To deliver this service Paddy used a RCA 35mm portable projector of 1930s vintage.

When the Regal changed to a live theatre the Baker Theatre trust donated five of these machines to AMMPT along with the main Regal theatre projectors. Of the five portables received one has previously been restored and given back to the Regal for display. In keeping with our policy of promoting cinema history and heritage the opportunity recently emerged for AMMPT to donate one of these machines to the City of Subiaco museum. The offer was readily accepted with appropriate recognition being given.



Opposite - see one of the remaining RCA 35mm projectors in the AMMPT Museum

IN FOCUS PRESENTATION – WEDNESDAY 15th AUGUST 2018 7.30pm

The next free “In Focus” presentation for members and other interested persons will be from John Paskulich (Secretary of the WA Historic Telecommunications Society). John will present a talk and display titled "Australian Telephones 1877 - 2017". Drinks and nibbles provided from 7.00pm. Why not introduce your friends to AMMPT by inviting them to this occasion? Venue – Fred Bell Hall in Fred Bell Parade, St. James.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

AMMPT Western Region Membership renewal invoices for the 2018 / 2019 financial year have been sent out by the secretary. Membership is \$25 per person. As part of AMMPT’S reciprocal marketing arrangement a double complimentary concert ticket will have been received with your renewed membership to a Karrinyup Wurlitzer organ concert. The next show on Sunday August 12th at 2pm is titled “Celebrating 60 Years of Television”. Organist David Johnston from Melbourne advised “the show will include your old favourites plus memories of early Perth television, Graham Kennedy, Ernie Sigley, The Muppet Show, Dad’s Army, Disneyland plus new (and hopefully not too incriminating!) clips from the past”.