

INFOCUS PRESENTATION – JUNE

Member Richard Rennie used his public presentations skills and science teacher background to present the background of little-known WA inventor John Bell. His daughter Jackie O'Connor was also in the audience. John Bell had a creative mind and amongst his many inventions was an early form of Television. Richard detailed his many achievements and demonstrated on replica equipment his early television experiments.



Jackie O'Connor attended the Infocus presentation about her father – Presenter Richard Rennie in the background.

DONATIONS

Our vision is unlimited, but our funding is not. Your support is vital to ensure we can continue to develop the Sunset cinema and TV museum as well as mount public displays at venues such as Wireless Hill. Our efforts allow people a glimpse back though time into the jazzy carefree nights of the golden age of cinema and the wonder of television. Donate via cheque or contact the Treasurer for payment options. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible. The legal arm of Pictures in Motion (AMMPT Western Region (Inc.)) has a tax deductible fund registered with the Australian Tax Office. An official tax-deductable receipt will be issued with all donations. Donations can be included with your membership or at any time throughout the year.

CROSS PROMOTION

The association has again teamed up with Stirling Theatre Organ Production (S.T.O.P.) to advertise their activities. Members who have renewed their membership for 2019/2020 will have received details of how to activate their complimentary double pass to a Karrinyup organ show. Recently Graham Kahn, Graeme Lacey and Gerry Voutsinas (Snr. and Jr.) were seen at the sold-out S.T.O.P. silent film nostalgia Sunday afternoon. The films screened were "Big Business" starring Laurel and Hardy and "Seven Chances" starring Buster Keaton. Good use of the double pass.



CLASSICS OF THE SILVER SCREEN
JULY 22ND – 10.00am
GRAND CYGNET CINEMA
PRESTON STREET COMO

“Picnic” is the 1955 Columbia pictures romantic comedy-drama from William Inge’s Pulitzer Prize winning play of the same name. It stars William Holden, Kim Novak and Rosalind Russell. The film dramatises 24 hours in the life of a small Kansas town in the mid-20th century. The plot revolves around the Labour Day Holiday. It is the story of an outsider whose appearance disrupts and rearranges the lives of those with whom he comes into contact. The film was nominated for 6 Academy Awards including Best Picture. The film grossed \$6.3m in the USA and Canada.

2020 FILMS

Film organiser Roy Mudge is currently considering a possible schedule of films for screening at the Cygnet next year. It has become apparent that musicals are popular with audiences however Roy, as always, is seeking a balanced programme. One certainty is the theatre will be more comfortable in the future since new air conditioning was installed in June.

TELEVISION AT SUNSET MUSEUM

Our new Windows 10 desktop computer and photo printer is gradually being set up at Sunset and will shortly be fully operational with the necessary digitizing software and HDD archiving storage.

Blackmagic Design - an Australian Electronics manufacturer in Melbourne (a great supporter of our organization) has generously donated a high powered capture device that will enable us to capture and digitize old photos, slides, old videotapes and other media in high quality for our archives.

Ross McDonald, John Quicke and Harry Smith are currently working on setting up and testing some old studio video cameras, vision and sound equipment in readiness for our TV News day at Wireless Hill on August 25th. Member Trevor Kelly has negotiated with Melville Council and Wireless Hill Museum to set up a promotional day for Pictures in Motion that involves students reading news clips to camera and being judged and awarded prizes by various personalities, including ex ABC presenter David Hawkes.