WEDNESDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2015

9-9:30 AM  WELCOME AND REGISTRATIONS (EF)

9:30-11  SESSION 1A (LR)
Culture and Memory
Chair: Bobbie Oliver

Mark Gregory
Songs and Poems of the Australian Anti-Conscription Movement

Phil Roberts
Ballarat’s Avenue of Honour

Jefferson Lee
From Gallipoli to Iraq – the anti war peace poems of the late Denis Kevans (1939-2005)

SESSION 1B (SR)
War’s beginning
Chair: David Palmer

Douglas Newton
At Daggers Drawn: The International Women’s Movement and the Struggle to Avert War, July-August 1914

Graham Willett
Australian Opposition to the outbreak of the Great War

Andrew Bonnell
Social Democratic anti-war protest in Berlin, July 1914

11-11:30  MORNING TEA (EF)

11:30-1 PM  SESSION 2A (LR)
Women’s Peace Movements (I)
Chair: Judy Smart

Ellen Warne
“To voice the longing of the peoples for disarmament, tranquillity and peace”: Women’s transnational organisations negotiate for peace in the 1930s.

Margaret Sampson
‘So this is how the wealthy used to live, now it is the workers:’ Materialism and mobility in the travel diary of an Australian Communist delegate to the WIDF World Congress of Women ‘For peace’ Copenhagen, June 1953

Heather Goodall & Develeena Ghosh
Women, Workers and Peace: India-Australia, 1946-86

SESSION 2B (SR)
Protestants and Peace
Chair: Sigrid McCausland

Kim Thoday
“A harder thing than dying”: Peace Activism and the Protestant Left in Australia During the Early Cold War

Graeme Phillips

Bobbie Oliver
The Peacemaker’s Role in the Anti-Vietnam War Movement

1-2  LUNCH (EF)
SESSION 3A (LR)
Views from the Inside
Chair: Lisa Milner

Des Files
Che Guevara and the Dandenongs: a view on the anti-conscription/anti-Vietnam years

Val Noone
The Vietnam peace movement made a difference

David Faber
Today We Own the Streets: the Adelaide NoWar protests against the 2003 war on Iraq

SESSION 3B (SR)
Labour Struggles
Chair: Ray Markey

Warwick Eather and Drew Cottle
“A curse to the landowner, but a blessing to the poor man”: The rabbit industry in south-east Australia, 1870-1970

Cathy Brigden & Bernard Mees
Before industry super: trade union campaigning and superannuation

Ruth Barton
Deindustrialisation, Memory and Struggle at the APPM

3:30-4
AFTERNOON TEA (EF)

4-5
Keynote Address (JCR)
Chair: Frank Bongiorno

Marilyn Lake
Equality or Militarism: The Conflict of Founding Narratives

5-6
WELCOME DRINKS (JCR)
THURSDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2015

9:30 AM  WELCOME AND DAY REGISTRATIONS (EF)

9:30-11  SESSION 4A (LR)
Cold War Shadows
Chair: Kerry Taylor

Lachlan Clohesy
"Security and Justice": H.V. Evatt’s Foreign Policy and the Beginning of the Cold War

Doris LeRoy
Worker for peace from behind the Iron Curtain

Simone Battiston
The controversial deportation case of Ignazio Salemi (1976-1977): The National Archives of Australia files

SESSION 4B (SR)
Literature and the Left
Chair: Andrew Bonnell

Greg Kealey
“Citizen” Grove, Oliver the Spy, and The Great Bustard: Spies in *The Making of the English Working Class*

Andrew Milner & Verity Burgmann
Tomorrow and Tomorrow When The War Ended

SESSION 4C (JCR)
Conscription & WWI
Chair: Liam Byrne

Scott Stephenson
Conscription and the First World War: Power within the Australian Workers Union

Nathan Wise
“I voted NO”: The soldiers’ vote in the Australian conscription plebiscites of the First World War.

Greg Kealey
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SESSION 5A (LR)
Militarism, desertion and POWs
Chair: Sarah Gregson

Shane Cahill
From Shanghai to Sydney – resisting and accommodating Japanese militarism 1932-3

Verity Archer
Anti Welfare, Pro-Australia: neoliberalism and Australian national character in the 1970s

SESSION 5B (SR)
Neoliberalism & Political Futures
Chair: Alison Barnes

Elizabeth Humphrys
The Accord after Thirty Years: Corporatism in the Neoliberal Era

SESSION 5C (JCR)
The politics of memory and of forgetting
Chair: Carolyn Rasmussen

Carolyn Holbrook
Protest or Propaganda? Psychology and Australian Memory of the Great War

Steven R. Welch
"I didn't want to be a soldier anymore": German Deserters in World War II

Chris McConville
Anzac: Memory and Forgetting in Local Landscapes

David Palmer
Allied POWs in Nagasaki: The Unresolved Issue of Mitsubishi’s Wartime Slave Labour

Frank Bongiorno
Peace, Anzac and Australia's 1980s

SESSION 5D (JCR)

Chloe Ward
Keeping in step’: The Left Book Club in Britain and Australia

Peter Love
Anstey’s War

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**AFTERNOON TEA (EF)**

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**Keynote Address (JCR)**
*Chair: Phillip Deery*

**Bruce Scates**
The first casualty of war: contesting the Anzac centenary

6-7
**PRE-DINNER DRINKS (EF)**

7-11
**CONFERENCE DINNER (JCR)**
**JUNIOR COMMON ROOM**
*MC: Peter Love*

*Music by the Victorian Trade Union Choir*

Awarding of Prizes (Ferguson Prize, Gollan Prize and the Labour History Prize) by Nikki Balnave and the Hon. Laurie Ferguson, MHR.
Fighting Against War: Peace Activism in the Twentieth Century, 14th Biennial Labour History Conference

FRIDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2015

9:30-10AM  WELCOME AND DAY REGISTRATIONS (EF)

10-11  Keynote Address (JCR)
Chair: Chris McConville

Verity Burgmann
Syndicalist and Socialist Anti-Militarism 1911–18: How the Radical Flank Helped Defeat Conscription

11-11:30  MORNING TEA (EF)

11:30-1 PM  SESSION 7A (LR)
The Press
Chair: Nick Dyrenfurth

Rhys Cooper
Heroes of the Fireplace: Conscientious Objectors in Australian Newspapers during World War I

Anne Beggs-Sunter
Ballarat’s Crusading Evening Echo; fighting militarism in World War One

Jackie Dickenson
Advertising and Progressive Media, 1910-1935

SESSION 7B (SR)
The ‘Race’ Card
Chair: Carolyn Holbrook

Phil Griffiths
White Australia: Did the working class benefit?

Karen Agutter
“Italians Deported – Australians Next”

Sarah Gregson
Racism in the trenches: the experiences of Portuguese soldiers in World War One

SESSION 7C (JCR)
Policing the Labour Movement
Chair: Andrew Moore

David Baker
Police v workers: a two-way “war”?

Phillip Deery & Lisa Milner
‘Insidious Propaganda’: the New Theatre and State Repression

Kerry Taylor
The Hidden Labour History of Spooks: reflections from across the Tasman

1-2  LUNCH (EF)

ASSLH FEDERAL EXECUTIVE MEETING (SR)

2-3:30  SESSION 8A (LR)
Union and Labour Campaigns
Chair: Peter Love

Sam Oldham
Refusing the Sack: Rank-and-File Resistance to Retrenchments in Australia in the 1970s

SESSION 8B (SR)
Women Activists in the First World War
Chair: Judy Smart

Wendy Dick
Mobilising morale: some responses of Ellen Mulcahy and the North & West Melbourne community to WWI

SESSION 8C (JCR)
Political campaigns and Imperial legacies
Chair: Robert Bollard

Tom O’Lincoln
The Neighbour from Hell: Rethinking Foreign Policy
Fighting Against War: Peace Activism in the Twentieth Century, 14th Biennial Labour History Conference

Ray Markey
Recommencing the Forward March of Labour

Carolyn Rasmussen
Falling in and out of love: Doris Hordern, Maurice Blackburn and the Women’s Political Association, 1911-15

Toby Boraman
 Strikes against war, the nuclear threat and other ‘political’ strikes in New Zealand from the late 1960s to mid-1980s

Nikola Balnave & Alison Barnes
Back to Grass Roots: Peak Councils and Community Campaigning

Jenny Debney
Venereal Disease in WW1

Andrew Gunstone
A History of Stolen Wages Practices at Lake Tyers, Victoria

3:30-4
AFTERNOON TEA (EF)
Those going on the Cemetery Walking Tour with Peter Love & Albert Littler should meet here at 4 pm.

4-5:30
SESSION 9A (LR)
Women’s Peace Movements (II)
Chair: Heather Goodall

SESSION 9B (SR)
Socialism and Incrementalism
Chair: Geoff Robinson

SESSION 9C (JCR)
Against the Bomb
Chair: Douglas Newton

Geraldine Robertson
First World War Women Working for Peace in Melbourne 1914-1919

Rhianne Grieve
Conceptions of Sociability in Early British socialist thought; Charles Hall’s Effects of Civilisation on the People in European States

Alex Chorowicz
Labour Victories: A comparison of labour campaigns in 1945 in Britain and 1946 in Australia

Lorel Thomas
Women Leaders of the Landmine Campaign

Cassandra Devine & Frank Bongiorno
Australian Fabianism and the Incrementalist Approach to Reform: Some Historical Reflections

Nic Maclellan
Grappling with the Bomb: Opposition to Pacific nuclear testing in the 1950s

Jonathan Strauss
"A revolt against all the forces of darkness"? The 1980s Nuclear Disarmament Movement

Michael Hamel-Green
The role of the Australian and New Zealand peace and anti-nuclear movements in advocating and fostering the negotiation of the 1985 South Pacific Nuclear Free Zone (SPNFZ)(Rarotonga Treaty).

5:30-6:30
CONFERENCE CLOSE (EF)