



The Order of Australia Association Limited, South Australia Branch

Patron: Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON MEETINGS

2026

Members of the Order of Australia – and other honours recipients – and their partners and friends are invited to share in the fostering of fellowship, in an informal setting.

The SA Branch of the Order of Australia Association hosts fellowship luncheon meetings each second month. The venue is the Naval, Military and Air Force Club at 111 Hutt Street in Adelaide.

We have an interesting range of speakers, who will not only share their story but are pleased to take questions from the floor to expand on the topic presented.

Lunch guests should arrive at 12 noon so that any necessary registration requirements may be complied with. A dress code applies at the NMAF Club: smart day wear for ladies, and long trousers and jacket for men. Lunch commences at 12.30, the guest speaker begins at 1.15, and the event will conclude by 2 pm. To RSVP please contact:

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2026 Luncheon Program

Thursday 26 February

Dawn Thorp AO

"It's in the Blood - the Stem Cell Story"

Thursday 30 April

Karen Hayes AM

"Finding my Life's Purpose"

Thursday 25 June

Frank O'Neill OAM

"Social/Affordable Housing and Overseas Education"

Thursday 27 August

Squadron Leader Mike Turton AM (ret'd)

"Israel and Gulf War I: our life before, during and after"

Thursday 29 October

Associate Professor John Svigos AM

"The first recorded successful caesarean section in the Southern Hemisphere with an intriguing twist"



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Past speakers

A record of the speakers who have supported our Fellowship luncheon meetings

Virtual meeting 30 April 2020, Jan Forrest OAM:
"Attracting Butterflies to your garden"

Virtual meeting 25 June 2020,
Major Paul Rosenzweig OAM JP (ret'd):
"Orders of the World"

27 August 2020: Pamela Rajkowski OAM:
*"Homes, Housing, Holidays and Philanthropy –
In the steps of Elder, Barr Smith and Waite"*

29 October 2020, Peter Routley OAM:
"World Vision, other NGOs and foreign aid"

25 February 2021, Dennis Meredith AM:
"Hockey and international experiences"

29 April 2021, Dr Robert Black AM RFD:
"John McCrae and the Great War Poets"

24 June 2021, Neil Andrew AO:
"Reform of water use in the Murray Darling Basin"

26 August 2021, Kathryn House AM:
*"Collective Giving & the changing face of philanthropy
in Australia"*

28 October 2021, John Phillips OAM:
"SA Waste Strategy 2022-25 – engaging the population"

24 February 2022, Dr Aileen Connon AM MD:
"The Life and Times of Robert Burns (1759-1796)"

28 April 2022, Greg Gordon OAM JP:
"My Journey into Gordon Ancestry"

30 June 2022, Associate Professor Tony Phillips AM:
*"Some common eye conditions, current modes of
treatment and memorable events from a medical career"*

25 August 2022, Trevor Powell OAM:
*"Shipping in South Australia, a contemporary overview
of the ports and shipping movements"*

27 October 2022, John Ford OAM:
*"The Journey to South Australia
and early Migrant Ships"*

23 February 2023, Elaine Attwood AM:
"From There to Here; a Consumer Advocate's Journey"

27 April 2023,
Lieutenant-Colonel David Brook OAM (ret'd):
"Why the Naval, Military and Air Force Club was formed in 1879"

29 June 2023, Don Clark OAM:
"My involvement with livestock in the Middle East"

31 August 2023, Mr Mark Bouchier OAM:
*"The Centenary of Legacy ANZAC Commemorative Tour,
April 2023"*

26 October 2023, David Linn OAM:
"Books for Lesotho – a Nation Building Project"

29 February 2024, Deborah De Williams AM:
*"Lessons from the Road, Life Lessons from Running
and Walking Around Australia"*

25 April 2024, Jenny Macintosh OAM:
"My time in the Outback"

27 June 2024, Wendy Chapman AM
"I'm just a simple country girl"

29 August 2024, Ann Ferguson OAM JP
"Changes in Mt Barker, Challenges and Opportunities"

Thursday 31 October 2024, Peter Dunn OAM
"A Life That Just Happened"

Thursday 27 February 2025
Reverend Brenton Daulby OAM JP
"The Australian Naval & Military Expeditionary Force, 1914"

Thursday 17 April 2025
Major Paul Rosenzweig OAM (ret'd)
"Anzackery – misinterpreting the Anzac legend"

Thursday 26 June 2025
Sue Chase AM
"Taking power beyond the Horizon"

Thursday 28 August 2025
Professor Jennifer McKay AM
"Elements of modern water and environmental law"

Thursday 30 October 2025
Gillian Rogers OAM
"The history and life of Jimmy Melrose"

Current as at 10 March 2026; subject to change