



Friends of  
Donnelly Village Inc

Happy New Year!

*2019 was another busy year for the Friends and we look forward to a fabulous 2020!*

***Thanks to everyone who has supported us over the year with their gifts of time, serving as a committee member, organizational skills, support and contributions to our museum collection and events. Without you all, our work could not happen.***

***We look forward to seeing you at the AGM on 12 January 2020 —details below.***

**Our AGM will take place on:**

**Sunday 12 January 2020, 10.15 am – 11.15am  
and Annual Project Planning Meeting 11.30am-12.30pm**

**The Kimberley Room, State Library, Perth Cultural Centre**

**and everyone is welcome to attend. Please RSVP**

***All positions are open for nomination on the day from financial members***

**The AGM will be followed by the Committee's Annual Project Planning Meeting**

**If you wish to nominate an item for discussion on the AGM Agenda, please advise Sally on chair@friendsofdonnelly.org.au or call 0434350183 by 6 January 2020**

***Membership forms are available on request and you can now pay for multiple years.***

***Successful launch of the Heritage Sign Trail at Donnelly River Village!***

On a very hot afternoon, 16 November 2019, we welcomed Members and friends to the launch of the Heritage Signage Trail by Cr Tony Dean, Shire President of Nannup. The Hon Nola Marino, our local Federal Government Member for Forrest, also came along and we appreciate the interest and support from all our representatives, local, state and federal throughout the year.

Tony Dean regaled us with stories of accompanying his father to collect fruit crates from the Mill during fruit picking season. It seems that many people have some story to tell of a connection to our special place.

Thanks to Lotterywest for \$35,000 funding; Wheatley Village Pty Ltd for their donation of \$4500 and for allowing us to erect signs in the village; Shire of Nannup for contributing \$500 towards the cost of printing the brochures and, to Ric Cairns of Brandino and Mark Simmonds of Signs and Lines who did such a great job in designing, fabricating and installing the signs for us. Tony Paulin was our FODV Project Manager – thanks Tony! Great feedback has been received so far from visitors and village guests!



From left to right: Tony Paulin, FODV Signage Project Manager, Ric Cairns, Brandino— Designer and Cr Tony Dean, Shire President, Shire of Nannup

FODV have submitted nominations for Heritage Awards for community groups – finalists will be announced in February 2020. Thanks Cindy and Mike!

Jacqui Perry has continued with her exploration for all things Donnelly at the Battye Library and adding stories to our growing collection from ex-residents and other sources – thanks Jacqui for a huge effort.

More news after the AGM!

Best wishes

*Sally, Cindy, Tony, Mike, Jacqui P, Jacqui D, Tom and Trish FODV Committee 2019*

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