

# **26th History Seminar**

**23 November 2024, Realm Hotel, Canberra**

## **PROGRAM**

### **SESSION 1. CHAIR — DAVID FAHEY**

- 0900 Welcome and introduction by our President, David Fahey
- 0910 Invited Speaker, Val Dempsey. Nursing in the pages of St John history.
- 0940 The Service Medal of the Order of St John and the Award for Conspicuous/Devoted Service. Todd Skilton
- 1000 Dr Katie Ardill-Brice. A trailblazer for Australian St John women. Ian Howie-Willis
- 1020 A formidable man. The life of John William Springthorpe. Allan Mawdsley
- 1040 Morning tea (please resume seats promptly afterwards)

### **SESSION 2. CHAIR — MATTHEW GLOZIER**

- 1110 A history of mechanical CPR devices. David Fahey
- 1130 Who remembers when the tourniquet became a villain? Finlay Macneil
- 1140 Seldom on the shelf. The Priory Librarians of St John Ambulance Australia, 1941–2024. John Pearn and Ian Howie-Willis
- 1200 Publications launch: (introduced by David Fahey)
- *A Formidable Man*. Allan Mawdsley—launched by John Pearn
  - *Symbols of Hope*. Matthew Glozier—launched by Ian Howie-Willis
  - *Order from Chaos: A century of the St John Ambulance Service in Western Australia 1918–2018*. AJ Ahern, IL Kaye-Eddie, E Khangure and HF Ozer—launched by Ian Howie-Willis
  - *St John History, Volume 21*. John Pearn, Matthew Glozier and Ian Howie-Willis—launched by Matthew Glozier
- 1220 Luncheon (please resume seats promptly afterwards)

### **SESSION 3. CHAIR — IAN HOWIE-WILLIS**

- 1310 The effects of the English Reformation on the Knights of St John and Europe. Bruce Caslake
- 1330 Chivalry of ‘the Other’. Elizabeth Ellis
- 1350 Dame Nellie Melba, Sir Neville Howse, and Sir Isaac Isaacs. Early Australian celebrity members of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem. Matthew Glozier
- 1410 The Royal Flying Doctor Service. Trevor Mayhew
- 1430 Q&A
- 1445 Close
- 1500 Special session. St John Ambulance—Understanding the bigger picture.