

# MEDIA RELEASE

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## World War 1 Author Talk at Mascot Library

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History buffs are in for a treat on Thursday 25 October 2018 when Australian author Roland Perry visits the Mascot Library and George Hanna Memorial Museum to share his thoughts about the great battles and men of WW1.

Roland Perry, who has had 30 books published across a range of genres, is best known for his works relating to Australia and its role in the two World Wars. He is the only author to have produced books on the major battles of the Great War (1914-1918): Monash (Western Front) and The Australian Light Horse (Eastern Front).

Roland Perry has been invited by the Botany Historical Trust to share his stories and research, as part of their Armistice commemorations acknowledging the Centenary of the end of World War 1 on November 11 this year.

President of the Botany Historical Trust, Anne Slattery said their Members were very eager to meet with Roland Perry and learn more about Australia's great military leaders of I World War I, Sir John Monash and Sir Harry Chauvel. The renowned author will also talk about Stan Savige, *Anzac Sniper*, Australia's most remarkable soldier in both World Wars and the founder of Legacy.

"It's a real coup and a privilege for Professor Perry to give this author talk," Ms Slattery said "particularly as the Australian Light Horse is one of his specialities and the BHT will be unveiling a plaque to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Beersheba at 1pm on Saturday 3 November at the Memorial in Light Horse Reserve, Eastlakes."

The Light Horse Battalion assembled, trained and left for World War I from Rosebery Racecourse, which was located in Eastlakes. A Memorial marks the site.

Members of the public are welcome to join BHT Members for Roland Perry's talk. Anyone interested should contact Heather on 9562 1818 or email [heather.kaulima@bayside.nsw.gov.au](mailto:heather.kaulima@bayside.nsw.gov.au) to register their interest.

**Author Talk:** Roland Perry  
**Date:** Thursday 25 October 2018  
**Where:** Mascot Library and George Hanna Memorial Museum  
2 Hatfield Street, Mascot 2020  
**Time:** 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start

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**For more information:**

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