

Port Arthur Talks

Private Robert McNally's secret journal of 1820s Van Diemen's Land presented by Prof. Pam Sharpe

Very occasionally a historian strikes 'archive gold'. For Pam Sharpe this was discovering the diary/memoir of Private Robert McNally in the National Library of Ireland. Private McNally, 40th Regiment of Foot, served in Van Diemen's Land during the mid-1820s. Prof. Sharpe will discuss the surprise discovery of this damaged and rare anonymous journal providing an insight into Van Diemen's Land in the years leading up to the Black War.

Pam Sharpe was the first female Professor in History at the University of Tasmania and the first woman nominated to the Australian Academy of the Humanities from Tasmania. A graduate of Edinburgh and Cambridge Universities, she is an expert in British social and economic history who has expanded her interests to Van Diemen's Land.

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7 August 2019 at 5.00 p.m.

**Junior Medical Officer's Conference Room,
(the building behind the house)
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