

Agenda for 2025 Information Day & AGM.

Saturday 24th May 2025

At Monash University - Clayton, Room 121 – Learning Teaching Building (Bldg 92). 19 Ancora Imparo Way.

Free parking nearby.

A map will be supplied to all intending participants.

Phone 0418 987 452 (Ian Davidson)

9.30 am. Registration (Tea/coffee available)

9.45 am. Welcome from FVFS president (Henry Screen)

9.50 am. Society Presentations. (Convened by Geoff Holmes).

We have special reports from three selected film societies.

A. Opening with a presentation from our newest film society, **Ocean Grove Film Society**, to tell us about their launch. (15 mins)

B. Williamstown Film Society (Members since 1955) will then tell us about their society and how they have been re-invigorated in recent times. (15 mins)

C. Anglesea Film Society started in 2021 and now have over 270 members. What are they doing right? (15 mins)

Followed by an open group discussion on what has been presented.

10.50 am. Tea/coffee and snack break

11.10 am. Short Film 1

11.20 am Society Snapshots (Convened by Suzanne Nunn)

Film societies are often in competition with cinemas, streaming services and home cinemas. What does your film society do to differentiate it from this competition, yet meet its obligation of “supporting film as an art form”?

One person from each film society will be asked to take three minutes to describe their own film society and highlight how it is different and any special features or issues being faced.

12.20 am. Lunch. Free to all who have booked. Includes sandwiches, mini baguettes, fruit and drinks.

1.20 pm Short Film 2

1.30 pm AGM (estimated 45 mins)
See AGM agenda on a separate sheet.

2.15 pm. Programming workshop. (Convened by Ian Davidson)
After a brief introduction, participants will break into groups of up to 8 and each group will be asked to choose a program of 10 films from a given list of 30 films.

2.45 pm. Afternoon tea/coffee.

3. 05 pm Group discussion on the results of the programming workshop. The focus will be on the methods adopted and the reasons for selection rather than the titles themselves!

3.15 pm. Q&A Panel (Convened by Henry Screen)
This is your opportunity to explore any question that has arisen during the day or ask any “difficult” questions that may be of concern to any society, including hard to find movie rights, taxation, legal issues etc.

4.20 pm. Short film 3

4.30 pm. Information Day Close

6.00 Dinner at Notting Hill Pub (The Steakhouse) 260 Ferntree Gully Rd at 6.00 pm. You must have pre-booked for dinner. (Drinks will be available before that in the Taproom)

NOTES:

1. Do you have any DVDs that will not play? Bring them along and we can check them out and possibly give them a good clean and polish.
2. Do not add your old DVDs to land fill. Bring them along to the Info Day and donate them to other attending societies, Alternatively, Ian Davidson is happy to advertise them on the internet so they find a good home.
3. Another option is for you to sell or just lend your screened DVDs to other societies by listing them in our “General DVD library and Sales” page on the FVFS website. More on this at the Info Day and in future ReelNews.