

NEWSLETTER March 2017

Welcome to all our new and returning members. The year started with our February screening of Sherpa. This beautifully shot yet disturbing film received the high Starbox score of 4.3 at both Warburton and Healesville. In this edition are details of our March and April screenings, information about membership, news from the Warburton Film Festival and several other items of interest. Click on any of the links below to go straight to the items that you wish to view first.

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March Screening

Bride Flight (Starts at 7.30pm)

Netherlands 2008 Drama 130 Min MA



Warburton: Tuesday 14 March 7.30pm Healesville: Tuesday 21 March 7.30pm A romantic drama that charts the lives of three women who emigrate to post –WW2 New Zealand as war brides. Directed by Ben Sombogaart.

1953, a flood adding to the aftermath of World War II swells the numbers of Dutch emigrants. On a KLM flight to New Zealand, part of a race from London, Frank, who lost his family and colonial estate in the Japanese occupation and Indonesian civil war of Independence, meets some virtual mail order brides. Ada van Holland becomes his lover before confessing she's already married by proxy to gloomy Calvinist Derk. Jewish concentration camp survivor Esther dodges her engagement for a fashion career and discretely has her boy Bobby adopted by infertile Marjorie, who did everything else right with husband Hans. Over the years, some of their paths cross again, all survivors meet at Frank's funeral. Written by KGF Vissers [IMDB]

You can watch a trailer and read critics reviews.

April Screening

Life is Beautiful

Warburton: Tuesday 11 April 7.30pm. Healesville: Tuesday 18 April 7.30pm

Starbox Ratings

Here are the results for our February screening of Sherpa. The combined rating for Warburton and Healesville was 4.3

Warburton:	Healesville:
5 stars: 22 votes	5 Stars: 31 votes
4 stars: 46 votes	4 Stars: 32 votes
3 stars: 3 votes	3 Stars: 7 votes
2 stars: 0 votes	2 Stars: 0 votes
1 star: 0 vote	1 Stars: 0 vote
Average = 4.3	Average = 4.3
Attendance = 93	Attendance = 102

Warburton Film Festival

Preparations are well underway for this year's Warburton Film Festival to be held on the weekend of 16-18 June. It is set to be an exciting weekend of great films, Look out for more information on the full program in the next newsletter and on our website.

The Show Us Your Shorts Film-makers' competition will be run again this year in conjunction with the festival. Entries are welcome from all budding film-makers. The main prize for Golden Shorts this year is \$1000. Let any enthusiastic young (or not so young) film-makers know.

Details are on our website.

DVD Library Information

The Film Society maintains a growing collection of films, mainly in DVD format, for use by members. Library collections of feature films previously screened by the Film Society are held separately at Healesville for loan to Healesville members and at Warburton for loan to Warburton members.

The film collection consists of feature films, most of which have been shown at monthly screenings, or at Film Festivals, or which have been donated.

Our catalogue of films available is on our website at http://www.yarrarangesfilmsociety.org.au/film-library.html

Please note that **only one copy** of each DVD or Blu-Ray disc is held at each of the two local libraries. We appreciate the item being returned promptly for the benefit of all members.

Feature films are available on loan for up to one month from the relevant custodian, currently Maree Jeffs (mareejeffs@bigpond.com) at Warburton and Jan Cranwell (jancranwell@bigpond.com) at Healesville. The collection is brought by each custodian to each monthly screening for loans and returns at Warburton and Healesville venues respectively; however other arrangements may be made directly with the relevant custodian. Each borrowed DVD must be returned no later than the next screening night or to the Arts Centre or The Memo.

Membership Information: Benefits, costs and methods of payment

Membership rates 2017

Annual Membership \$60 (full) \$55 (concession) \$30 (Youth under 25)

Full and concession memberships taken from May will be at a pro-rata rate. New members joining for the May screening will pay \$50 (full) and \$45 (concession) for the remaining 8 months. The cost will then drop by \$5 per month until the minimum 3 month membership period is reached in October. Youth pro rata rates commence in July.

	Full	Concession	Youth
May	\$50	\$45	\$30
June	\$45	\$40	\$30
July	\$40	\$35	\$25
August	\$35	\$30	\$20
Sept	\$30	\$25	\$15
Oct	\$25	\$20	\$10

Payment Methods

Come to the March film and join as a member. Invite your friends to join too. You can pay at this screening with cash or <u>use our new online booking system anytime</u>.

In 2017, Yarra Ranges Film Society will be adhering to a policy of members only to our monthly film screenings at both the Arts Centre, Warburton and the Memo, Healesville.

This is a requirement of the Federation of Victorian Film Societies, with which we are affiliated. Under the federation rules, we cannot accept single paid admissions to our screenings as this jeopardises our qualification for reduced film hire and screening charges from distributors. We must restrict our attendance at screenings to members, with the exception of the one free visitor guest pass issued to each member.

Your annual membership includes

Attendance at all 11 films (at either Warburton of Healesville)

Attendance at all other films shown at both venues for a discounted price

One free Visitor guest pass, for screenings February - November

Monthly newsletter

Supper after each monthly screening (\$2 donation)

Film Discussion group at supper

Christmas dinner at the December screening (nominal cover charge for participants)

Free loan of DVD's from the Film Society library

There is no early bird special offer in 2017 which was previously provided courtesy of Yarra Ranges Council, for those members joining in December or February. There will be no single monthly ticket sales available.

New memberships will be available throughout the year until the October screening with the annual cost decreasing progressively after 3 months.

2017 Film Program in Google Calendar

If you are a regular user Google calendar, you can add the Yarra Ranges Film Society Calendar to your electronic calendar, using the weblink below.

Here is the link to the Yarra Ranges Film Society Google Calendar: This link allows you to automatically add these events to your electronic calendar.

https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=lr0i4e8o1ja5m27aqfqetfbj4c%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=Australia/Sydney

The calendar is public so anyone can access it to read and add to their own electronic calendars.

The following link is for those who use or wish to subscribe to the calendar using the Calendar app on Mac OSX or Microsoft Outlook on Windows (providing the Outlook account is on a Microsoft Exchange server):

https://www.google.com/calendar/ical/lr0i4e8o1ja5m27aqfqetfbj4c%40group.calendar.google.com/private-75d2e18d926cb74b6e63d7b68e28176b/basic.ics

You can also find information about our programs, festivals, and much more at our website. We also have a Facebook page with lots of information on current and future events.

Our printed program brochure can also be picked up at The Arts Centre Warburton, The Memo Healesville, libraries and community hubs as well as many shops. Watch out for it if don't already have one

Australian Film Program

Information from Kate Kruize, Healesville Library

Just letting you all know, we will be recommencing our old Australian Film program this year, if you are interested in coming along.

Same rules apply as 2016 - \$10 covers entry to 3 films, and all starting at 10am in the Library.

Our Films for the first quarter will be:

Monday 20th March - The Man from Kangaroo (1920)

Monday 27th March - A Girl of the Bush (1921)

And (after a slight delay due to school and public holidays) **Monday April 24th - The Far Paradise (1928)**

We are also investigating the possibility of running a monthly film discussion group later in the year, if anyone is interested. We'd watch a film, and then have a discuss at the end. Yarra Junction Library have been running a program along these lines, with some success, but it would be quite separate from the old movie screenings, which will continue as they are.

But for those interested in film, it might be fun.

Kate Kruize Healesville Library

Images from Healesville Screening of Sherpa







Photos by Kate Baker