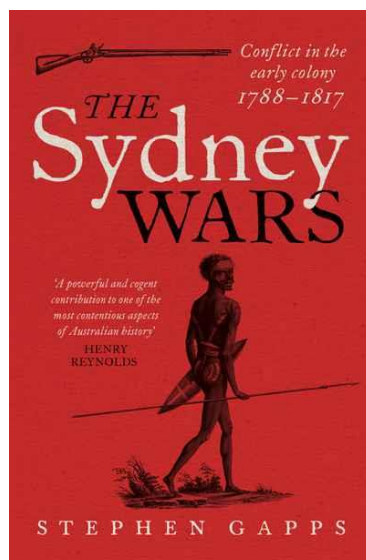


**Parramatta and District Historical Society
announces the Speaker for the**

May 2019 Monthly Meeting



The Speaker on this occasion will be

Stephen Gapps

His subject

The Sydney Wars

Set in the first years of colonial Sydney, the talk relates the history of military engagements between Europeans and Aboriginal Australians. It gives a detailed account of the warfare that occurred across the Sydney region from the arrival of a British expedition in 1788 to the last recorded conflict in the area in 1817. It shows that white settlers lived in fear, while Indigenous people fought back as their land and resources were taken away. This violent conflict formed part of a long period of colonial strategic efforts to secure the Sydney basin and, in time, the rest of the continent.

Come along and hear this intriguing story.

TIME and DATE: 7.30 pm Monday 20 May 2019

**VENUE: Burnside Gardens Community Centre
3 Blackwood Place, Oatlands**

The lecture is free and will be followed by supper.

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