

Wolli Talks will be held at Canterbury and Earlwood Caring Association (CECAL)
15 Clarke Street, Earlwood.
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Wolli Talks 2013



A Bennelong bicentenary

Speaker Dr Peter Mitchell

Thursday 2 May 2013 7.30pm (doors open 7pm)

January this year marked the 200th anniversary of Woollarawarre Bennelong's death.

We all know the name, but how much do we really know about the man?

Was he just an argumentative drunkard or was there more to this Wangal Warrior?

He established a familial relationship with Governor Phillip, who took him to England, but did he meet the King?

An intriguing story with many players and later this year Ryde Council will be commemorating the man and helping to right a number of historical wrongs.

Dr Peter Mitchell taught environmental science and physical geography at Macquarie University and at the University of Canterbury (NZ). Since retirement he has been a consultant to local government and archaeologists working on Aboriginal sites across NSW.

As a member of Ryde Council's Heritage Advisory Committee he researched the location of Bennelong's grave site and believes it has been located in Putney.

Next talk

Fantastic Fungi Thursday 6 June 7pm



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