



GOONDEEN

UNDERSTANDING AUSTRALIA

In Aboriginal terminology, Goondeens are men and women respected for their wisdom and experience. Last year, three Queensland Goondeens from very different backgrounds shared their stories for a ground-breaking social history that challenges our established views and asks probing, sometimes uncomfortable questions about what type of country Australia is today, who Australians are as a people, and where we are heading.

Drawing on the book, international management consultant, Bill Synnot, will use the fun format of a quiz (with prizes!) to engage participants in discussion and launch the concept of the 'Goondeen Moment'. He will be joined on the evening by one of the three featured Goondeens, Indigenous Elder and author, Dr Albert Holt. He will also screen short videos to showcase Uncle Albert and his two fellow Goondeens, Everal Compton and Henry Palaszczuk.

Date: Thursday, 23 May
Time: 5.30 pm to 8.00 pm
Venue: Music Room
Building 5 next to Visitors' Car park
Presenters: Bill Synnot & Dr Albert Holt

Goondeen has been praised by educators for its unique juxtaposition of Indigenous and non-Indigenous perspectives, and, just a year after its launch by Queensland Premier (and daughter of Goondeen, Henry Palaszczuk), has already been translated into Mandarin. Copies will be available for purchase on the evening at a special price of \$20.00. Copies of Uncle Albert's two books will also be on sale.

This free event is the fourth in the 2019 series of evenings at the Village organised by Building 5 resident, Dr Ortrun Zuber-Skerritt AO. Residents are invited to join academics and others involved in action learning and action research (ALAR) to share conversation about the provocative ideas prompted by the Goondeens' different experiences of the same 20th and 21st century events.

ALL ARE WELCOME BUT SPACES ARE LIMITED

For planning and catering purposes, RSVPs are essential. Please email Judith Anderson (Judith4802@gmail.com) **no later than Sunday, May 19.** Canapes and drinks will be served.