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From the Registrar - Gillian Colclough JP

Welcome to our first Journal for 2026. In this issue, we welcome our new members, with a focus on several who have kindly provided us with some profile details for you to get to know them more. Along with that, we have managed to persuade our Treasurer, Kiri Campbell JP, to tell us more about herself as well. While a very active JP in her community and other roles besides her Council work, Kiri is normally reticent. However, you as members see her name on many RAJWA communications and we felt that it was time to put her in the spotlight.

Like Kiri, most Justices of the Peace give their time to society with no expectation of long-term recognition. Some few may give such exceptional service as a JP and in other community, professional or political roles for which they are deservedly recognised for their contributions, but from what I have seen, most did not actively seek these higher profiles. This has long been the way of JPs, but as time goes by, despite prominence in their time, some such people and their achievements may be forgotten by future generations because that is the nature of the distance of time. Face to face stories and some memorabilia may include a story of an aunt or uncle or grand-parent who was a JP, but in many cases the direct evidence has faded. Because of those stories, however, we regularly receive enquiries from people who want to confirm that a particular person was a JP, and get details of their commission. As shown later in this journal, we have produced a record of Justices of the Peace commissioned in WA and placed it in our Member area for you. The present document covers the period from 1925-2025.

Submission to the Standing Committee on Public Administration – Inquiry into Justices of the Peace and Visiting Justices

You can read a summary of our submission further in this journal. We are not permitted to publish the full submission. The Australasian Council of Justices Associations (ACJA), of which we are a member, also made a submission to this enquiry, which we similarly cannot publish. The ACJA discussed their submission with RAJWA.

Commonwealth Statutory Declarations Act review 2026

RAJWA was also invited to make a submission to the above enquiry, which is being conducted by the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department and will be made public when the review is complete. The ACJA also made a submission to this enquiry.

Birthday greetings

I have now sent 245+ birthday emails to Members, and received lovely feedback. It has been an absolute pleasure to hear back from many members and consequently get to know some of you a little more. Thank you.

Our publications for you

The next publication will be a newsletter in late June or early July, to coincide with preparations for our AGM.

Certificates of Membership

We continue to send Certificates, which are being issued retrospectively. We have had a small number of queries about these, as there seems to have been a little confusion about our certificates and the formal Commission certificates issued by the Department of Justice. These are different. Our Certificates celebrate and recognise your RAJWA membership, but for the time-being do not show the date that you joined the Association, because our digital records do not show that date. The Certificates merely show the date that we printed them. Newer members will be issued certificates that show the date in which Council approved their RAJWA membership, as these dates are now included in each new member record.

Social function

We will be visiting the Old Courthouse Museum in May. Details on page

May you all have a safe and fulfilling Easter and school or university holiday break, and take special care when driving.
Gillian

Cover image provided by Dr Bruce Mullan JP.



1. Government House Reception on Wed 25.2.26, 5 to 6.30pm.

The Governor of Western Australia, His Excellency the Honourable Chris Dawson AC APM, invited representatives from all organisations for which he is the Patron, to a reception at Government House. He thanked the volunteers for their work and service they provide to the State.

Gillian (our Registrar) and I had the privilege of attending this and representing RAJWA. It was a great event and opportunity to meet other volunteers and discuss the role of JPs. We spoke with a couple of gentlemen who represented organisation which provide training opportunities, some of which might be useful and interesting to JPs and are under consideration. Members will be advised of the training once the details have been finalised.

2. Public Inquiry Submission on JPs and VJs.

An enormous amount of time and effort went into preparing our submission to the Public Inquiry on the JP and VJ roles. A lot of our information was taken from the survey we circulated to our members last year provided a lot of the information, which we included in our submission to the Public Inquiry into the role of JPs and VJs. Certain information had been revised. It involved several meetings, the first of which included country Branch Presidents. A huge thank to Councillor Dr Catharine Philips JP for leading this project, as well to everyone else who contributed in some way. Now we wait to see if and what changes might occur, either to the JP Act and/or JP training.

3. WA JP Forum

Representatives (including me as the Chairperson of the Forum) met with the new Mayor of Fremantle and the CEO on Wednesday 11th March 2026. It was primarily to confirm what we had discussed with the former Mayor and deal with any matters we might need to be addressed. The Fremantle Town Hall remains available for the national conference of the Australasian Council of Justices Association, which is planned to be held in October 2026. More details will be provided once they have become available.

Following that meeting, we visited the Old Fremantle Courthouse, which might be useful venue for the conference dinner. We have been advised that The Old Courthouse has been refurbished for these types of events, so, it will be interesting to inspect it. The next WA JP Forum meeting is scheduled for Saturday 21st March 2026 and is being held at the Italian Club in Fremantle.

4. RAJWA ID Cards.

Photographic ID cards remain available and can be ordered from the RAJWA office. Each card would have your photograph, name and JP number on it. It's important that the members of the public and other agencies can easily identify you as a JP.

5. Annual General Meeting

Members will be notified of the date and venue for the AGM once the Council has decided. There will also be an opportunity for country members to attend via Teams, the details of which will also be made known once all of the arrangements have been finalised.

6. Updating Your Details

Please remember to advise the Registrar of any changes to your telephone number, email or residential address, so that your records can be kept up to date.

7. New Members of RAJWA

We have adopted the practice of notifying the relevant RAJWA Branch of any new member who has joined RAJWA and lives within the boundaries of the Branch. We also advise the new member of the Branch contact details but encourage the Branch executive to contact the new member anyway. Please remember that for a JP to join a local Branch they are legally required to be a financial member of RAJWA.

8. Journals and Newsletters

Currently, three of each are now distributed to all financial and/or Life Members. We are hoping to increase the Journal to four as year, but we have yet to determine how that cost would be met.

Social function - afternoon tea at the Old Courthouse Law Museum, Perth



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On 18th May at 2pm, we will visit the oldest building in Perth: the Court House built in 1836. The Court House is managed by enthusiastic members of the Law Society, two of whom incidentally recently visited our Central Law Courts office and store-room to see some of our own historical artefacts and offered some preservation tips. (We may have another story on the potential outcome of that visit soon.)

From the museum [website](#), 'The 1836 building, located on Whadjuk Noongar Boodjar, is a clear manifestation of the doctrine of terra nullius upon which the colony was founded. It symbolises the imposition of the British legal system upon Aboriginal peoples who practiced, and continue to practice, their own established systems of law. Situated within the building that first amalgamated the colony's judicial system, the Old Court House Law Museum (the Museum) is uniquely positioned to interrogate Western Australia's legal and social history and to engage with the Western Australian legal profession and courts to reflect on the rule of law in Western Australia, past and present.'

Our visit will only be for our members, and will include an informative talk with the opportunity to look at the Collection . RAJWA will cover the entry fee, and provide afternoon tea. However, numbers are limited due to space constraints. Please feel welcome to register your interest at rajwa@rajwa.org.au. Places will go quickly!

New members

We are very pleased to welcome Peter Edward Fisher JP, Ashley Norton JP, Stanley Govindasamy JP, Mark Hampton JP, Dena Constantine JP, Denny Thevarakam JP, Harley Moore JP, Jordan Wright JP, Pat McMahan JP, Marion Kirby JP, Gavin Ellis JP and Mona Ghiasi JP to RAJWA.

Our latest membership application comes from Dr Bruce Mullan JP, whose photograph graces our front page, and who follows two generations of JPs in Western Australia.

Congratulations to each of you on your Commission and thank you for joining our Association.

Meet some of our members



Married 'lots of years': Blair Curtis and Kiri Campbell.



Kiri Campbell JP, RAJWA Treasurer

Kiri was born in New Zealand and moved to Australia in 1969 where she grew up in the small country towns of Kambalda and Norseman. Kiri says that:

'I am married with two children; our daughter is 28, our son is 20 and we have two granddaughters and a grandson. I have been a Justice of the Peace for the past 30 years and still thoroughly enjoy fulfilling this role for the people of our community.

After completing year 10, unfortunately I didn't have the opportunity to further my education so instead started working immediately at our local supermarket as a Shop Assistant full-time for several years. From there I have worked in the Mining industry as a Mill Operator, Australia Post as a Postal Clerk progressing my career up to being the Postal

Manager before becoming a business owner of a Licenced Post Office myself. After that venture I went on to becoming a Banking Consultant with ANZ for 13 years. Since semi-retiring and taking a step back from the workforce, my time consists of being with my family, JP duties and being a committee member with numerous associations.

At the age of 17, I became the treasurer for our local football team, by being given this responsibility at such a young age it gave me the passion to being an interactive member within my community. Over the years I have lived in numerous places which have allowed me to be a part of numerous committees.

Some of the positions I have held over the years are Treasurer for squash clubs, football club, mines & workers club, the President of a community day-care centre and Shire Councillor for the Dundas Shire.

I am currently a member of Pinjarra Rotary Club as well as the treasurer for RAJ Mandurah-Murray Branch and RAJWA.'

Mona Ghiasi JP

Commissioned in 2025, Mona now lives in Bicton. 'Originally from Iran', she says, 'I have proudly called Australia home for the past twenty years. Living in such a diverse country has given me a deep appreciation for community, fairness, and supporting others.

I spent close to a decade working in federal law enforcement, where I was involved in investigations that led to a number of successful matters before the Federal Court. It was challenging but rewarding work, and knowing that our efforts contributed to community safety always brought a strong sense of purpose.

Today I work in project delivery within the resources industry on a FIFO roster of four days on and three days off. While my professional role keeps me busy, serving the community has always remained important to me. During my time back in Perth, I do my best to make myself available to assist members of the public.

Becoming a Justice of the Peace allows me to continue contributing in a practical way and stay connected to the community I value so much.

Outside of work, I enjoy staying active and meeting people from many different backgrounds.'



George Buchan JP

My journey to becoming a Justice of the Peace began in a rather unexpected way. A neighbour of mine, who had served as a JP for many years, mentioned that she was approaching retirement from the role. During that conversation she suggested that I might consider applying - it was not something I had previously thought about, but the idea resonated with me almost immediately. Throughout my life I have tried to contribute to the community wherever I can. Much of this has been through volunteering, particularly in support of fundraising activities for charitable causes. I have always believed that strong communities are built by individuals who are willing to give some of their time and skills to help others.

I was recently honoured to be appointed Chairman of the Scottish Masonic Charitable Foundation - in that role I work with many dedicated volunteers who quietly support a wide range of charitable initiatives. The experience has reinforced my belief that service to the community can take many forms. Becoming a Justice of the Peace felt like a natural extension of that commitment - it provides another practical way to assist people in everyday matters, and to contribute to the smooth functioning of civic life.

Professionally, I was an industrial chemist and have spent most of my career in the international oil and gas industry. My work has taken me to live in ten different countries, providing the opportunity to work across a variety of cultures and communities, and those experiences have broadened my perspective and strengthened my appreciation for the importance of fairness, respect and public service in any society.

Now settled back in Western Australia, I feel a strong desire to give back to the community that I call home. Serving as a Justice of the Peace allows me to do this in a meaningful and practical way. Whether witnessing documents or assisting members of the public with official matters, the role may seem modest, but it plays an important part in supporting everyday civic processes.

For me, becoming a JP is simply another way of continuing a lifelong commitment to service - quietly helping where I can, and contributing to the wellbeing of the community.



George presenting \$35,000 to MND WA

Leah Wearne JP



Leah is a Warnman woman of the Martu Nation. Coming from a missionary family, she has travelled across Australia extensively and is attentive to the diversity within our communities.

Her interest in becoming a JP was sparked by a JP who had proposed the potential. Leah was involved in various community groups in the South West, and organised the Yes23 Referendum volunteers and events for Bunbury.

She works for Advocare, helping older people access aged care services and holistic care. She is a member of various advisory groups and local Boards.

Leah also has three school-aged children, one of whom is neurodivergent.

She is invested in serving as a trusted community JP in the Bunbury region.

Peter Fisher JP



I am a recently retired Air Force veteran of 22 years service, retiring at the rank of Warrant Officer including 5 deployments to the Middle East and Asia Pacific.

I am 57 years old and have a loving and supporting wife who has endured 34 years of marriage, which has meant following me around very state on postings and at times raising our 2 adult children on her own. A situation which I believe has made us a stronger family unit, although my kids may disagree at times!

My wife and I are originally from Perth and moved back in 2023 after discharge (I don't think we could have afforded it now!) My daughter lives in the UK and is practicing Physiotherapy, which she studied in QLD, and my son has followed in my footsteps albeit in the Army and resides in QLD.

Since retiring I have searched for meaningful activities to fill my days, but also wanting a strong sense of purpose which assists the community.

After needing some documents signed by a JP in 2023, and waiting in line for 90 minutes, I found it!! I thought there must be shortage which I could fulfil? I applied to become a JP in Sept 2024, completed my training in Jul 2025, and was sworn in on 10 Nov 25.

Since then, I have enjoyed interactions with members of my community and with other JPs to seek out opportunities where I can assist. I am currently attending to JP duties at home occasionally, and have reached out to assist at the Joondalup court, Joondalup Library and perhaps Warwick also.

I find the duties of a JP to be a crucial cog in the judicial system, maintaining accountability in the community and in the justice process. I hope to meet more JPs in the future and continue to offer a valuable service to the community.

Constantine Dena JP



Constantine 'felt called to become a JP as I wanted to do more for my community. As a Registered Nurse I was frequently asked to authorise documents by patients, I realised some of these were out of my scope and thus the journey began.

I love being of service to my community and the feeling that I am contributing in some small way to resolutions and closures. Mostly I'm found outdoors nurturing my mango tree, or in my small business, which I recently started after further post-graduate studies in aesthetics, improving confidence in people with facial acne and body scarring and providing IV iron nutrient infusions.

I have 2 adult sons who are currently studying at university, and I have a 12 year old Tibetan spaniel fur baby named Georgie. I am looking forward to meeting everyone in this association.'

Harley Moore JP

Harley was born in England, and spent his early years in the picturesque High Peak, Derbyshire in the East Midlands of England. He moved to Australia in 2001 as a small child with his parents and siblings, and continues that 'having received my Australian Citizenship, we moved back to England, having not settled in Australia as we had hoped.

Fast-forward to 2017. My partner and I decided to make the move and give Australia a try together. We haven't looked back, we moved over and embraced Australia and all it has to offer we built a house, started a family which is expanding, which is exciting.

I decided to become a Justice of the Peace because I want to give back to the community, become part of the community and use my new learned knowledge to help others.'



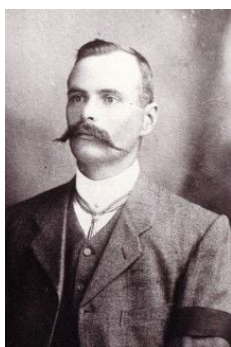
Dr Bruce Mullan JP

Bruce was raised on a wheat-sheep-pork family farm at Dudinin, east of Narrogin, Western Australia (WA). He graduated with a BSc (Agriculture) from the University of WA in 1978 and spent the next four years as a regional adviser with the WA Department of Agriculture. He then undertook a PhD in pig nutrition, again at the University of WA, before spending three years doing research in the United Kingdom and a further 3 years with the Victorian Institute of Animal Science. He re-joined the WA Department of Agriculture and Food in 1992 and became manager of the pig research group, spending several years working part-time consulting to the pork industry in Australia and overseas. In 2010 he was appointed Director of Livestock Research and Development with responsibility for the sheep, cattle, dairy and pork industries.

As Director, Bruce was Program Manager for the \$10M Royalties for Regions funded Sheep Industry Business Innovation program as well as chairing the Live Export Reference Group, a small group of producers and processors tasked with providing technical data to support the continuation of the live sheep export trade. He has provided objective data and opinion to several Agricultural Ministers and liaised with the Federal Department of Agriculture on livestock trade issues. In 2015 Bruce travelled with the then WA Minister for Agriculture, Hon Ken Baston, on a trade mission to the Middle East (Dubai, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and Egypt). Bruce is an author or co-author on more than 250 scientific publications and has adjunct appointments at the University of WA, Murdoch University and the University of Melbourne. In early 2021 Bruce stepped down from his position as a Director in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) as part of a succession plan and has since had a role to coordinate the DPIRD response to the live sheep export ban, COVID-19 and the preparedness of WA industry for the possible introduction of Foot and Mouth Disease. He retired from DPIRD in July 2024 and has re-started his consultancy business on a part-time basis in his transition to retirement.

Bruce is part of what might almost be called a JP dynasty. His father, Edward John (Jack) and grandfather (John Joseph) were JPs, as is his brother, Peter.

John Joseph Mullan first appears in Gazettes in 1912. A pioneer of the Dudinin area, he passed away at the age of 51 in 1929 after an accident on his farm. Edward John Mullan was commissioned in 1964, and his son Peter firstly in 1987 in an ex-officio appointment, and then with a permanent commission in 1993.



John J Mullan JP



Jack Mullan JP



Peter Mullan JP

A backward glance...

Building the list of JP commissions from Gazettes occasionally brought up unique or vaguely familiar names, some of which merited further exploration. We will show one or two in future Journals, but start with 'Old Bill' Mansbridge.



William Owen Mansbridge JP standing second from left.

William Mansbridge JP: from Trove, Thursday 11 April 1929. 1929 "OLD BILL", The Daily News (Perth, WA : 1882 - 1955), 11 April, p. 1. (HOME (FINAL) EDITION), viewed 02 Apr 2026, <http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article83387610>

'A SUCCESSFUL LEADER

William Owen Mansbridge, Colonel D.S.O., Resident Magistrate at Broome and officer in charge of operations in the Kimberleys in connection with the present search being prosecuted for Kingsford Smith and his companions of the Southern Cross, is an Englishman and was born in the old and picturesque city of Chester. He comes from a family of soldiers, and as a boy went to India, where his father, Major William Henry Mansbridge, was stationed for 12 years with his regiment... In 1890 he decided to come to Western Australia, and after a few months spent around the city he was attracted to the Kimberleys' by the discovery of gold in that portion of the State. Following a series of interesting experiences on this field he joined the tele-graph service of W.A., and a little later was transferred to the Mines Department. He remained in the Kimberleys for the next five years, and spent much of his time in studying the geology of the wide spaces of the Far North. In 1895 Colonel Mansbridge was transferred to the Eastern goldfields, being appointed Registrar at Lawlers, and he remained there for the next five years, during which time he acted as Warden and Resident Magistrate on several occasions. His next appointment was to a similar post at Hall's Creek in the Kimberley Division, and he was subsequently stationed at Mt. Magnet. We next hear of the young Englishman at Kanowna, where he was sent in 1905, and remained until the outbreak of war, when he was one of the first to enter Blackboy Hill camp. Over 30 years ago he was appointed a justice of the peace, and for many years was the youngest man in this country holding such a position.'

Born in 1872, William was in Cue in 1896, where he met hospital Matron Annie Jones, whose story parallels William's in adventure and is well worth reading. They were married in 1897, theirs being the first marriage at Lawlers. You can read more on them at <https://www.outbackfamilyhistoryblog.com/the-matron-and-the-major-nurse-annie-jones-2/>

From the blog listed above: 'Mansbridge was Colonial Secretary office keeper. In 1889 he was also the Assistant Postmaster at Halls Creek appointed in May 1891. He was then appointed postmaster in Jarrahdale in November 1895. He acted as clerk to the magistrate at Jarrahdale Mansbridge then went to the Murchison and a gold mining town called East Lawlers in February 1896. His role in East Lawler's was Mining Registrar and also Mining registrar in Mount Magnet. Other duties included the Stipendiary Magistrate, the Electoral Magistrate, the Returning officer, the Registry office... Other duties included the Stipendiary Magistrate, the Electoral Magistrate, Returning officer, the Registry office. On the 15th of January 1914, he went to Coolgardie with similar duties. He returned from Gallipoli in 1915 and was awarded the DSO. He was appointed the OIC of the RSL but never took up that appointment. On 16 May 1916, he went to Fremantle as the clerk of police local and licensing courts. On the 25th of November 1921, he went to Broome and was made the Resident. This Position was highly respected as it was the highest Government officer of the region. He retired about 1931.'

William was commissioned as a JP 'for the State of Western Australia' in 1942, meaning that his commission was permanent, and not changed by any relocations. He passed away in 1958 and is buried at Karrakatta.

Standing Committee on Public Administration – Inquiry into Justices of the Peace and Visiting Justices

RAJWA has formally lodged a submission with the Standing Committee on Public Administration in relation to its Inquiry into Justices of the Peace and Visiting Justices in Western Australia. The submission reflects direct input from practising JPs across metropolitan, regional and remote areas of the State. Contributions were sought through the monthly newsletter, direct member correspondence and structured engagement with Branch Presidents and the State Council. The matters raised therefore represent consistent themes emerging from lived experience across the cohort.

The submission addresses the integrity and sustainability of the JP framework. It identifies that while the legislative foundation of the office remains sound, there is an absence of structured oversight beyond appointment, limited collection of meaningful service data, and no systematic mechanism to address recurring operational barriers experienced in courts, custodial settings and community signing environments.

It highlights the gradual erosion of practical court-based functions, inconsistencies in institutional recognition of JP authority, and the absence of transparent processes supporting the Visiting Justice role in custodial settings. These issues affect not only morale and retention, but the system's capacity to deliver timely access to justice.

The submission also draws attention to volunteer sustainability. Commission numbers have declined relative to population growth, workload is increasingly concentrated among a smaller active cohort, and there is no structured visibility over availability or participation levels. Without deliberate intervention, these trends present risks to long-term viability.

Work health and safety governance is identified as a significant concern. JPs perform statutory duties across courts, prisons, police stations, libraries and private residences, yet there is no coordinated WHS framework, no official departmental identification, limited induction to operational environments, and no clear incident reporting pathway. These gaps place avoidable pressure on volunteers and contribute to attrition.

Training and capability assurance are similarly examined. While pre-appointment training is appropriate in principle, appointment timelines are frequently protracted, refresher training is inconsistently accessible, and there is no structured induction following commissioning. The absence of a continuous capability framework places reliance on individual initiative rather than system design.

The submission further addresses the absence of formal rewards and recognition. Unlike other Australian jurisdictions, Western Australia does not provide structured long-service recognition or service medals acknowledging sustained contribution to the administration of justice. Departmental reporting is limited largely to headline commission numbers rather than service delivery metrics. This lack of formal recognition diminishes institutional respect for a cohort that provides measurable economic and operational value.

By way of illustration, analysis of the Department of Justice's published witnessing centre roster demonstrates that fixed signing centre hours alone equate to approximately 24,984 volunteer service hours per annum, representing an in-kind contribution of approximately \$1.2 million annually using recognised volunteer valuation methodology. This figure does not include ad hoc witnessing, custodial functions, warrant approvals, home visits, preparatory time or travel, and therefore represents only a conservative baseline of the true contribution.

The submission concludes that strengthening administrative oversight, capability assurance, recognition frameworks, work health and safety protections and data visibility would materially improve sustainability and restore confidence in the long-term stewardship of the JP system.

Parliamentary Privilege and Publication

As the submission has been formally lodged with a parliamentary committee, it is protected by parliamentary privilege while it forms part of Committee proceedings. To preserve that protection, RAJWA cannot circulate the full submission independently at this time. Public distribution prior to formal authorisation for publication may risk compromising that privilege.

Once the Committee has convened and authorised publication of submissions, the document will be made publicly available on the Parliament of Western Australia website under the Standing Committee on Public Administration inquiry page. RAJWA will provide members with a direct link as soon as publication occurs.

The Association thanks members who contributed evidence and perspectives. The strength of the submission rests on your lived experience and collective commitment to the integrity of the office.

Further updates will be provided as the Inquiry progresses.

100 years of JPs commissioned in WA

We now have a record of over 100 years of JP appointments. We occasionally get enquiries from members of the public, and can now go straight to our data and provide them with information such as commission date and number so that they can find them promptly online. Some of you may never have seen your own commission in the Gazette, or be interested in seeing who else was appointed at that time. I have put all of this data into a word document that you can search and even print from, but because it is a large file, I have added it to our online Member area rather than attach it to an email.

Below is an excerpt from one year's records. The blue listings simply show the middle column in a page of our list. There was not enough room for margins without taking the font too small. The screenshot below consequently shows how the individual pages in our document look. 'Gaz' means Government Gazette number. To see Gazettes online, go to <https://www.legislation.wa.gov.au/legislation/statutes.nsf/gazettes.html>

'Ex officio' appointments are shown in italics from the years 1975 to 2005. These appointments were initially made to Road Board presidents, and eventually Shire and Council Presidents. Some people in your family may talk of someone being a JP, when in fact their appointment was only for the duration of their role. However, many of the people concerned later went on to gain full commissions through the normal process.

You may see the same names come up multiple times, particularly in the years up to 2006, when JPs were assigned to particular locations and then resigned their commission or had it removed when they left that area. Once resettled, they applied for a commission again.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.
Premier's Office,
Perth, 26th July, 1917.

HIS Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to accept the resignation of:—
P.O. 206/08.—George Alfred Bourn, Esquire, of Mad-dington, as a Justice of the Peace for the Perth Magisterial District.

And to cancel the appointment of:—
P.O. 356/11.—Peter McRostie, Esquire, as a Justice of the Peace for the Williams Magisterial District, owing to his having left the district.

Searching the gazettes can provide some challenges, as the format could change, complicated by departmental name changes. Some editions might list 'Justices of the Peace' in their index, while others did not. Some indexed appointments as 'Commission of the Peace'. Between 1909 and 1993, JPs might not be indexed, but the appointments be found on the page for 'Crown Law', which is the department that replaced the former Department of Attorney General. The Ministry of Justice emerged in 1993, and then became Department of Justice between 2001 and 2006. Another change took place in 2006, when the Department of Justice was abolished, and replaced by two departments: the Department of the Attorney General and the Department of Corrective Services. Finally, those departments were amalgamated again in 2017 to once again give us a Department of Justice. At our level, these changes along with formatting inconsistencies could mean that we may have missed some commissions embedded in the 6000 or so Gazettes checked, and apologise for any that we missed.

Given name/s 1933	Family name	Gaz	Robert Keith	Gardiner	29	George Henry	Monahan	7
Harry Cuthbert	Adams	6	Arthur Henry	Gillam	21	Harold Vincent	Mosedale	17
Herbert Wallace	Adams	57	Kenneth William	Gilmour	48	John Pierce	Northey	25
Robert	Anderson	24	Henry Murray	Good	9	Thomas Esperance Bransom	Orr	59
Edward Houghton	Angelo	7	Samuel Edward Byrne	Grimwood	17	John Henry	Page	59
Stanley Alan	Bailey	18	Basil John	Hallion	59	Ernest William	Parkes	7
Frances Athol	Bell	60	Michael	O'Halloran	43	Stanley Wesley	Perry	43
Alexander	Berkeley	60	Sidney Harold	Hayes	28	Ruby Elizabeth	Pratt	12
Hans Christian	Biltoft	54	George Sharp	Hendry	54	George Thomas	Preacher	10
Alfred Benjamin	Bond	11	Philip Charles	Herring	43	Howard Stirling	Raphael	50
John Frederick	Bowman	54	William Pitts	Hill	48	Thomas Henry	Reynolds	9
Jack Ambrose	Brotheridge	35	James Ethelbert	Hollands	44	Norman Wilfred	Reynolds	14
Frederick Charles Wrathal	Bull	29	Harold Athelstan Hereward	Iffla	36	Stephen Gregory	Rodgers	2
Duncan Macgregor	Campbell	31	Charles	James	25	Joseph William	Russell	25
Cyril Brooke	Carlin	28	David Richard	Jones	48	Albert Ernest	Sanderson	10
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