

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

*February 2019 Monthly Meeting*



*The Speaker on this occasion will be*

**Graeme Sims**

*His subject*

***Bernard O'Reilly and the Search  
for the last Stinson airliner***

In 1937 a Stinson airliner crashed into the rugged bushland of the Gold Coast Hinterland with seven people on board. It was on its regular run from Brisbane to Sydney when it disappeared barely half an hour into its flight.

It sparked a massive land and air search, but authorities relying on conflicting eye-witness accounts were looking 800 kilometres too far south.

The plane had crash landed among thick bushland in the Lamington National Park and the search team failed to find it.

After they gave up, local man Bernard O'Reilly took up the search.

Come along and hear this intriguing story.

**TIME and DATE: 7.30 pm Monday 18 February 2019**

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

**The lecture is free and will be followed by supper.**

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