



# AIPIO NSW Event

## ***Book Launch: Australia's First Spies***

**Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

### Event Program

Event Commences 4:30pm

Event Concludes 7:00pm

Drinks and food provided

Copies of the book will be on sale at the launch for \$34 each.

### Cost

Free of charge

### Venue

MGSM Executive Hotel

Macquarie University Campus

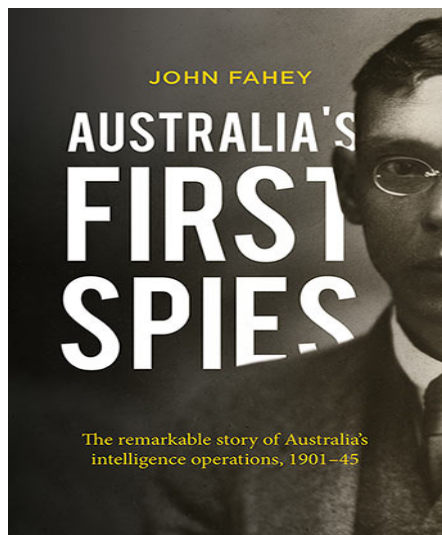
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### RSVP Essential

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This book is the first systematic account of Australian intelligence operations in the early 20th century, offering fascinating new insights into Australian politics and international relations. It tells the stories of dedicated patriots who undertook dangerous operations to protect their new nation, despite a lack of training and support. It shows how the early adoption of advanced radio technology by Australia contributed to the war effort in Europe. It also exposes the bureaucratic mismanagement in World War II that cost many lives, and the leaks that compromised Australia's standing with its wartime allies so badly that Australia was nearly expelled from the Anglo-Saxon intelligence network. *Australia's First Spies* shows Australia always has been a far savvier operator in international affairs than much of the historical record suggests, as it offers a glimpse into the secret history of the nation.



The author, Dr John Fahey, is an experienced intelligence officer who has combed the archives to compile the first account of Australia's intelligence operations in the years from Federation to the end of World War II. During his intelligence career, John worked at the Defence Signals Directorate (1988-1996) and served in a number of regimental and intelligence postings during his service in the British and Australian armies between 1975 and 2014. He is currently an Honorary Fellow of the Department of Security Studies and Criminology at Macquarie University, and managing director of Cynergex Group, a medical education and services company.

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