



Bio – JIM HAYNES OAM

The son of British migrants, Jim attended Sydney Boys' High and Sydney Teachers' College, taught in schools and universities in NSW and Britain, has two masters' degrees in literature, from New England University and the University of Wales in the UK, and is the author of 26 books. His 2016 publication, *Australia's Best Unknown Stories*, made the top10 best-seller list for publishers Allen & Unwin.

A professional entertainer since 1988, Jim has written many songs, recorded for Festival, Sony, EMI and ABC, had a national hit with 'Don't Call Wagga Wagga Wagga' and is the Australiana expert on **2GB**. He was awarded the **Order of Australia Medal** in the Australia Day Honour's List in 2016, 'for service to the performing arts as an entertainer, author, broadcaster and historian'.

Jim's 45-minute presentations designed for Probus and Seniors clubs include several topics but the best, for first time audiences, is:

- Australia's Most Unbelievable True Stories.

Jim's requirements are simple:

- The ability to present a visual power point display.
- An expenses/preparation/fuel fee of \$50 within Sydney area.
(Negotiable outside Sydney)
- The opportunity to sell books after the meeting.

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