

## The Henry Sutton Oration

Each year TelSoc hosts the Henry Sutton Oration in Melbourne to commemorate the distinguished but scarcely known Victorian scientist, engineer and inventor from Ballarat.

This year as Orator we have the Australian who played a critical role in bringing the Internet to Australia in the 1990s. While the Internet was still in its infancy in the US, he was able to complete the construction of a new and rapidly growing network within a few months; that network lives on in AARNet.

### Geoff Huston, Chief Scientist at APNIC

#### “The Rise and Fall of the Internet”

After thirty years the Internet is showing signs of strain. The engagement of computers with communications had been heralded with such promise, but it has turned sour. We’ve seen the Internet’s powers of disruption in retail, television and newspapers. Now it’s turning on itself with dark tales of election tampering, the destructive side of social media and an unhealthy preoccupation with cyber warfare. How did the Internet embark on such a self-destructive path?



Geoff Huston is a pioneer of the Internet in Australia, bringing the technology to Australia in 1989. He has been closely involved in the evolution of the technology of the Internet for many years, working for the Universities, then with Telstra and is currently the Chief Scientist at the Asia Pacific Network Information Centre.

Join TelSoc and Geoff for a buffet dinner on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at the Angliss Restaurant, 550 Lt Lonsdale Street, Melbourne.

We will also be joined live by TelSoc Members from around Australia.



HENRY SUTTON

**Henry Sutton** has an astounding list of accomplishments in many areas, which are all now detailed in his great-granddaughter’s book “Henry Sutton the Innovative Man”

**When:** Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June at 5:30 to 8:00pm including speech, dinner and drinks

**Where:** Angliss Restaurant, 550 Lt Lonsdale St, Melbourne

**Fee:** \$85 per person, \$70 for TelSoc financial members

**Registration:** <http://bit.ly/2V5V3pT>