

DIGITAL HISTORIES RESEARCH SEMINAR

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**The Australian Paralympic History Project – Online, Open Access,
Crowdsourced and, Yes, There’s Also a Book**
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Members of the Australian Paralympic Team, led by Team official Kevin Betts, march in the Opening Ceremony of the 1960 Rome Paralympic Games.

The Australian Paralympic history project is a collaboration between Paralympics Australia, the University of Queensland, a number of national memory institutions, members of the Paralympic “mob” and hundreds of volunteers. It started with the concept of a “wiki history” and has evolved to feature an extensive, open source knowledge base in Wikipedia and Wikimedia Commons and an online “e-history” that draws together its disparate elements to tell the story of the Paralympic movement in Australia. This talk will tell you how we started, how the project has developed and where it may be going in the future.