



## Snippets, Vol 21, No 4

### From the President's Desk

#### **Our Library**

Our QFHS library is open again and we are encouraging members to come into the library to read, research and meet old friends. We had to close the library for the latest COVID 3 day lockdown but we can now relax our restrictions and open the print library, cemetery room and maps. So please come in. We look forward to welcoming you back.

We have modified the library hours and these new opening times are on our QFHS website. They are front and centre on the home page. Check these and the calendar to see what events are organised.

Many of our members are in the at risk group, so we will continue to be vigilant. We are required to adhere to our COVID-19 safety instructions, in particular maintaining 1.5m social spacing. If you want to check the requirements for attending the library please see the QFHS website [here](#).

Back in March 2020 when COVID 19 first appeared we had to introduce access restrictions. In the intervening period our members have become well versed in searching our on-line resources both our QFHS records and datasets and our QFHS library subscription sites. We want to continue to grow the amount of research material available on line and also bring more life back into the library.

#### **Amalgamation Proposal**

Thanks to the over 70 members who attended our first information session on

possible amalgamation with the Genealogical Society of Queensland. We've prepared a summary of the discussions and issues raised which can be accessed [here](#) when you log in to the QFHS website. Additional information sessions will be held over coming months and we encourage you to attend and submit any questions that you have about the proposal.

### **Positions Vacant**

QFHS is searching for volunteers to fill these key positions and more. Our Strategic Plan identified that our membership is declining and aging. This is important as we are volunteer driven and our volunteers provide the services that all members enjoy. If you can help or you know someone who can. Please contact me [president@qfhs.org.au](mailto:president@qfhs.org.au) and we can discuss.

- 1 Minute secretary
- 2 Members meeting co-ordinator
- 3 Publicity Officer
- 4 Building officer
- 5 Secretary assistant.

### **Great pay and conditions !!**

We are also short of Library Assistants for three shifts (see the Help Wanted notice below for more detail). If you can help please contact the roster coordinator Dette Glenday via the [secretary](#).

### **Upcoming Events**

Our regular members' meeting is on as usual, with Ann Swain filling us in on how to take advantage of a neglected resource - ***the Australian Joint Copying Project***. See below for more information and to register.

If you missed the summer offering of ***Finding your Family - a beginners course in research***, we are pleased to announce a repeat of this 6 week program, commencing 12 July 2021. Be quick to register as the number of participants is limited.

It's wonderful to welcome you back to personal engagement at QFHS Library and Resource centre and we thank all members for their patience and continuing support. As always happy researching.

**Chris Gibbs**  
**QFHS President**

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## Share your memories and discover ways to commemorate this Anzac Day

Anzac Day traditions and rituals have been a cherished feature of Queensland commemorations since its earliest days. It's also a time to remember family members who served their country and to reflect on their part in our history.

The State Library of Queensland has included a number of novel options for engaging in the Anzac Day commemorations including ways to participate from home. Perhaps you would be interested in searching their collection of historic photographs or listening to some of their Anzac Stories. See their website [here](#) for details.

You can also find more information on Anzac Day memorial activities through:

Queensland Government website [here](#)

RSL Queensland [here](#)



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## Calendar

### April 2021

21 Apr - [Members' Meeting - The Australian Joint Copying Project: a neglected resource with guest speaker Ann Swain](#)

23 Apr - [Fridays@QFHS -- Editing and indexing your family history book](#)

25 Apr - [Genealogical Society of Queensland: DNA Special Interest Group](#)

26 Apr - [Anzac Day Public Holiday - Library Closed](#)

30 Apr - [Fridays@QFHS -- Crafting genealogical proof](#)

May 2021

- 01 May - [Family Tree Maker User Group](#)
- 01 May - [DNA Interest Group](#)
- 02 May - [Genealogical Society of Queensland: Scottish Special Interest Group](#)
- 03 May - [Closed - Labour Day](#)
- 08 May - [Scottish Interest Group](#)
- 09 May - [GSQ : Family Tree Maker Special Interest Group](#)
- 09 May - [Genealogical Society of Queensland: Legacy Special Interest Group](#)
- 12 May - [Management Committee Meeting](#)
- 14 May - [Fridays@QFHS - Convicts at Moreton Bay: Beyond the Chronological Register of Prisoners. With guest speaker Jan Richardson](#)
- 15 May - [Family History Writing Group](#)
- 15 May - [The Master Genealogist User Group](#)
- 16 May - [Genealogical Society of Queensland: DNA Special Interest Group](#)
- 16 May - [Welsh Interest Group](#)
- 16 May - [Genealogical Society of Queensland: Scandinavian Special Interest Group](#)
- 19 May - [Members' Meeting - Brisbane Burns: How the great fires of 1864 shaped a city and its people. With Guest speaker Sharyn Merkley](#)
- 21 May - [New Members' Welcome and Orientation](#)
- 22 May - [Central European Group](#)
- 22 May - [You are invited to a DNA Open Day](#)
- 23 May - [QFHS Trout Game](#)
- 23 May - [Volunteer Week- BBQ at QFHS](#)
- 24 May - [Queensland Pre-Separation Group](#)
- 27 May - [English West Country Group](#)
- 28 May - [Fridays@QFHS - Bringing your ancestors to life: triumphs and trials of publishing a family history.](#)
- 29 May - [Queensland's online family history resources](#)
- 30 May - [Genealogical Society of Queensland: German Special Interest Group](#)

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## Happenings



### What's happening with Amalgamation ?

#### Members Information Sessions

When: Early May

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre and online via ZOOM

All members are welcome to attend.

The next information session about possible amalgamation with GSQ will be two

sessions, one in-room and one on Zoom, in early May, with exactly the same information at each. Invitations with details of how to register will be sent shortly.

We invite members to present cases for or against amalgamation. If you plan on doing so, please ensure that your case is provided in written form by emailing it to [ourfuture@qfhs.org.au](mailto:ourfuture@qfhs.org.au) no later than **5.00 pm on Sunday 2 May**. You will then be given the opportunity of presenting it during both meetings.

Thanks to everyone who came along to the first information session. You can find more information, including some of the questions and answers from that session, [here](#) and more is still to come.

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## **Members' Meeting. The Australian Joint Copying Project.**

**When: Wednesday 21 April 7.30 - 9.30pm**

**Where: Online via Zoom**

**Speaker: Ann Swain**



The **Australian Joint Copying Project** is the culmination of the filming between 1948 and 1997 of Public Record Office documents (including Home Office, Colonial Office and War Office documents and other material from early Australian settlement) and items held in UK, Australian and other libraries.

Ann Swain's talk summarises the AJCP coverage and illustrates its use with two examples from Australia's convict era.

Her talk is especially timely as over the last three years the National Library of Australia has digitised its full collection of films and the documents can now be viewed online from home.

**Register Online Now**

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## DNA Open Day

When : Saturday 22 May 12.00 noon to 4.00 pm

Where: QFHS Resource Centre

Don't miss our first Open Day event of the year.

Please come along and ask your questions in relation to DNA. Our friendly team will help solve your riddles. Bring a relative or friend.

Further information will be released soon so keep an eye on the QFHS website for updates.

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## Fridays@QFHS

Our range of talks for 2021 will offer great information and insights from our experienced speakers. **All talks are currently being offered online.** Register early to ensure your spot.

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### Editing and Indexing Your Family History Book

**Presenter: Jennie Spears**

**When: Friday 23 April 2021 10.00 - 11.30 am**



Are you writing up your family history? Whether you plan on publishing your material online, as an e-book or fully printed hard copy, you will eventually need to edit and index your work.

With over 25 years' experience in the publishing industry, Jennie will show you what professional editors do and how you can edit your family history like a professional, as well as providing tips on indexing your family history.

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## **Crafting genealogical proof**

**Presenter: Cyndi Ingle**

**When: Friday, 30 April 2021 10.00 - 11.30 am**

**Limit: 25**

An introduction to 'the what', 'the why', and 'the how' of writing a genealogical proof statement, summary, or argument.

Cyndi will show you how to take your research and deductions from documents (and your brain) and put it together on paper for future generations and researchers.

The session will be run on Zoom.

Our speaker: Cyndi Ingle, a genealogist for more than 40 years, is the creator of CyndisList.com and the author of numerous articles and three books. Cyndi is an expert in using technology for genealogy, research in the United States, and organizational methodology.

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## **Convicts at Moreton Bay: Beyond the Chronological Register of Prisoners**

**Presenter: Jan Richardson**

**When: Friday 14 May 10.00 - 11.30 am**



Regardless of whether your convict ancestor's stay at Moreton Bay was short or long, how can you find information about why they went there, what happened to them at Moreton Bay, and what effect it had on the rest of their lives?

Beyond the Moreton Bay Chronological Register of Prisoners, records you may not have consulted include the Book of Public Labour, the Book of Trials, convict hospital registers, and the correspondence of the Moreton Bay commandants.

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## **Bringing your ancestors to life: triumphs and trials of publishing a family history**

**Presenters:** Clem Ditton, Dr Geoff Morgan,  
Ludij Peden, Sue Reid

**When:** Friday 28 May 10.00 - 12.00

**Limit:** 25

Have you ever wanted to write a family history book? Maybe you are in the process of writing.

In preparing a book for physical publication or publishing online, authors need to make many decisions: what family or families to include, about privacy, what size book, online or in hardback to name a few. Authors also find they need to seek a great deal of help and advice.

Join a panel of four recently published authors to hear of their experience, their triumphs, and how they tackled the difficulties.

Your questions welcome.

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## **Researching your relatives in Western Australia**

**Presenter:** Neil Bradley

**When:** Friday 11 June 10.00-11.30  
am

**Limit** 25



Neil's presentation highlights the key websites to use to discover information about your Western Australian ancestors and relatives with some hints as to how to get the most from each site.



He will also cover other key sources of information in WA including what is available at Family History Western Australia (FHWA) and on the FHWA website.

[Register Online Now](#)



## **Where's Wallace ? Finding lost places in Queensland.**

**Presenter: Dr Kerry Raymond**

**When: Friday 18 June 10.00 - 11.30 am**

**Limit: 25**

When we research our family history, we often encounter place names that we cannot find on a modern map.

Many places in Queensland have changed names over the years, or just disappeared off the map completely, making it a challenge to know if where our family was.

In this talk, Kerry will present the techniques and resources she uses to locate lost places in Queensland.

[Register Online Now](#)

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## **Researching in Victoria: tips, tricks, and good advice**

**Presenter: Susie Zada**

**When: Friday 9 July 10.00 - 11.30 am**

**Where: Online**

**Limit: 25**



There are, of course, similarities between researching in different States and Territories in Australia but there are also many differences and unique resources. This presentation will look at a wide range of resources in a number of archives with extra emphasis on those available online.

Susie will address research of pre-European inhabitants, early settlement inhabitants, as well as those in the District of Port Phillip and the Colony of Victoria – pre and post Federation. With more than 35 years' experience in Family History and Local History research in Victoria, Susie will cover many topics and point you in the right direction for your research.

[Register Online Now](#)



## **AFFHO Congress 1- 5 August 2021**

**AFFHO has announced the full program for the 2021 Norfolk Island Congress (1-5 August). You can see details on the Congress [website](#).**

There is an excellent mix of Norfolk Island genealogy and history, DNA, Australasian and English information, from a wide variety of speakers who will appear in person. You will also have time to explore this world class island, visit key venues and learn about its unique history. This is an opportunity to travel 'overseas' safely, while staying in Australia (for New Zealanders, it will be overseas within the Aus/NZ bubble.)

### **Congress Registration**

You can register [here](#) for the Congress. The registration should be made through this website, and is tentative and not confirmed until payment is received.

[Accommodation and Travel packages](#) can be booked through the Norfolk Island Travel Centre.

Please book early to ensure your travel needs can be met. Refunds will be available less a small admin fee. Travel insurance is recommended.

For those still thinking about coming, there are limited places available (200 max), and there are limited flight options available from Sydney, Brisbane and New Zealand. Currently, sufficient flight places are reserved by the Norfolk Island Travel Agency, but these will be released soon.

**If you plan to attend and, should QFHS decide to have a table at the event, would you be able to assist? If so please email the Vice-President at [vice-president@qfhs.org.au](mailto:vice-president@qfhs.org.au) to discuss further.**



The Digitisation Team have uploaded a further 14,207 names to the QFHS Books – Names Accumulation Index. This makes a total of 37,389 names to research. These names have been extracted from QFHS Family History Book Award and most are early Queensland families or ancestors of those individuals.

This index is a work in progress so do check on a regular basis for updates.

<https://www.qfhs.org.au/online-access/booksnameindex/>

Are you exploring all possible options for searching QFHS Online Access? Did you know QFHS has a YouTube account?

The QFHS Technical Advisory Group have been busy and now provide you with two new YouTube videos to assist you get the most from your research online. That brings the total of QFHS videos to six. The first four videos instruct you in the basic use of QFHSdatasearch, whereas the latest two videos are specific to getting the most from your Online Access searching. There are many of us who regard ourselves as visual learners. YouTube is ideal for that purpose.

YouTube can be accessed by clicking on YouTube that can be found on the footer of the QFHS website or the following [URL](#).

When in the QFHS Library and Resource Centre what is learned from the QFHS videos can be applied when searching any QFHS produced CD on the computer network, from the Search by Categories menu.

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## **[Collection of Searchable Books](#)**

Our QFHS Print Library contains some absolute treasures that we believe could assist you researching your own family. As you know, books in the print library have been for research purposes only, not for borrowing. We are making it easier for you. Some books are being re-catalogued and will be available from the QFHS Lending Library.

The books in this collection are ones considered of interest to those researching or

writing about their families. The copyright holder for each has provided QFHS with the authority to make them publicly available on the QFHS website. This collection will be expanded as appropriate documents come to hand. Most titles are available to the general public but you will need to login to view others.

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## Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars



### Queensland's online family history resources

**Presenter:** Dr Kerry Raymond

**When:** Saturday 29 May 10.00 - 11.30 am

**Limit:** 25

Although Australia has been a federation of states since 1901, most aspects of people's lives are documented at the state level, leading to different family history resources being available in each state.

Dr Kerry Raymond is a Queenslander from a multi-generational Queensland family, so she has extensive experience in Queensland family history research.

She will present an array of Internet-accessible resources, covering the lives of Queenslanders from the cradle to the grave, that will shine the light onto your Queensland relatives, even in a COVID lock-down.

[Register Online Now](#)

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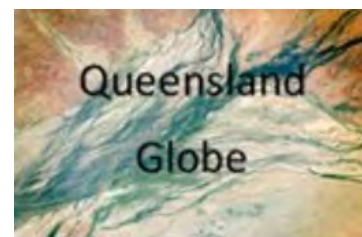
### Queensland Globe: get hands-on with Queensland geography

**Presenter:** Kerry Raymond

**When:** Sunday, 6 June 2021 - 10.00 am - 12.30 pm (with a short tea-break)

**Delivered on-line**

**Limit:** 4



Queensland Globe is an interactive mapping website providing access to the spatial information held by the Queensland Government. It is a powerful tool with an extensive array of information that can be overlaid on the maps, but it can be

overwhelming for the beginner.

This hands-on session will be aimed at beginners including: navigating around the Globe, searching for locations by a range of methods, obtaining information about a particular place, and working with the hundreds of built-in data layers (some of which will be included in the presentation).

Some of the limitations of the Qld Globe will also be discussed. Note that Queensland Globe primarily deals with current information rather than historical information.

[Register Online Now](#)



## **Finding your family: a beginners course in research**

**When:** Commencing 12 July 2021 - weekly for 6 weeks 10.30 am - 12.00pm

**Where:** The course will be delivered online

**Limit:** 10 enrolments

**Cost:** \$60.00 members \$90.00 non-members

This six week course will be very comprehensive for someone wanting to start researching their family history, but unsure of the process. Content will include home sources, organisation, BDM certificates, archives, libraries, newspapers, overseas research, and much more. Registrations will be limited to 10 people.

[Register Online Now](#)

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## **Members' Noticeboard**



## Volunteer Week - BBQ at QFHS

When: Sunday 23 May 11.00 am - 2.00 pm

You are invited to join us for a BBQ as a thank you for the wonderful work you undertake on behalf of the Society.

More information coming soon.



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## Invitation to attend GSQ SIG meetings.

QFHS and GSQ have agreed to extend a welcome to each other's members at either Society's Special Interest Group meetings. We ask that members contact the convenor of a group a week or so before a meeting they intend to attend, to let them know they'll be coming and confirm date, time etc and register for the Zoom link if online.

GSQ (Genealogical Society of Queensland) SIG meetings have now been added to the QFHS website calendar with convenor contact details.



## New Members' Welcome and Orientation

Are you a new member?

Is it a while since you have been to the Library and Resource Centre?

QFHS conducts monthly welcome and orientation sessions for Society members. We invite you to attend a New Members' Welcome and Orientation session when you join the Society or at any time you would like a refresher.

Sessions are designed to assist you to understand the extensive facilities and resources available. We encourage you to attend a session so you can appreciate the scope of our holdings and how they may assist in your research.

New Members' Welcome and Orientation sessions are held on a Friday or a Saturday morning in alternate months and last about 3 hours per session.

**Upcoming dates include:** 21 May, 19 June

These sessions are currently being **held on-line and bookings are essential**. For bookings or queries email [welcome@qfhs.org.au](mailto:welcome@qfhs.org.au).



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## Library and Resource Centre Opening Hours

Don't forget our Library and Resource Centre is now open. Whilst we have worked hard to make many datasets and websites available online, there are still many other resources which can only be accessed by visiting the Centre.

Come on in and re-acquaint yourself with some of our treasures. Our Library Assistants are on hand to help you with any research questions or to guide you in accessing specific materials.

### Visiting Hours

Please note that there will be a slight change to visiting hours on Saturdays and Sundays (see list below). The new visiting hours will be introduced **from Saturday 10th April**.

Monday (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> of month)	6.00 pm – 9.00 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday	10.00 am - 3.00 pm

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10.00 am – 3.00 pm</b>
<b>Sunday (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> of month)</b>	<b>12.00 pm – 3.00 pm</b>
<b>Sunday (4<sup>th</sup> &amp; 5<sup>th</sup> of month)</b>	<b>12.00 pm – 3.00 pm</b>

Further information about visiting arrangements will continue to be updated on the QFHS website and via Snippets throughout the year.

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## **Registering for Zoom presentations**

Just a friendly reminder that your email address is vital when you register for a Zoom presentation. Please double check that you have entered a correct and current email address.

We have had a couple of instances recently where people have missed sessions because they gave the incorrect email address. For instance, instead of an email address <name>@[gmail.com](mailto:example@gmail.com), they have put <name>@[gmail.com.au](mailto:example@gmail.com.au).

Often we need to change the Zoom link at the last minute, especially with free events, and if you do not supply a valid email address, you will miss out on any last minute notifications.

Immediately after registering for an event on Eventbrite, you should receive a confirmation email. If you do not receive this confirmation, it may be that the email address you gave was not valid. In fact, you should receive three emails generated by Eventbrite: one immediately after you register, a second two days before the event, and a third shortly before the event begins. If you are not receiving these notifications, email [marketing@qfhs.org.au](mailto:marketing@qfhs.org.au) so we can check.

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## VOLUNTEERING

Have you considered volunteering? No better way to get more from your membership. Whatever your skills you would be most welcome. We have a wide range of needs from desk work to communications to errands to housekeeping.

The largest category of volunteers is, of course, our Library Assistants (LAs) who keep our Library and Resource Centre functioning smoothly and provide essential support to members. Now the Centre is coming back to life, we have some LA vacancies, specifically on Saturdays and Thursdays.

**One day per month, 10am to 3pm Saturday, 10am to 3pm Thursday.**

For more information about the volunteering program or to register an interest, please contact the Secretary. She would be pleased to tell you more.

([secretary@qfhs.org.au](mailto:secretary@qfhs.org.au) or (07) 3856 2724)

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## Web Wanderings

Subscription sites are still offered at-home through the QFHS website. If you have any problem accessing them please email [secretary@qfhs.org.au](mailto:secretary@qfhs.org.au)



### Recently Added and Updated Collections

Ancestry are constantly adding new and updating existing collections. Recent additions cover records from a number of US counties and records from the Danish West Indies.

To explore new and existing collections log in to QFHS website and go to On-line Access . Select Ancestry and wait to be logged in. Once on the Ancestry Home page look at the Quick Links at the bottom of the page and click on [Recently Added/Updated Collections](#). This will take you to a searchable listing of all record collections showing what's new and what's been updated.



## [Australia, Military Commemorative Rolls & Rolls Of Honour](#)

Did your Australian ancestors or relatives lose their lives while part of the military? Discover the details of their service and death, covering all of the major conflicts of Australian history.

## [Kent parish records](#)

**Unlock family milestones with new additions from six parishes.**

The churches covered in this latest tranche of new baptism, marriage and burial records are:

- Halling, St John the Baptist
- Hoo St Werburgh
- Horton Kirby, St Mary
- Luddesdown, Leywood School
- Luddesdown, SS Peter & Paul
- Milton-next-Gravesend, Christchurch

## [Newspapers](#)

**The following new papers have been recently added. A further 24 have been expanded.**

- Bee-Hive covering 1862-1875 and 1877-1878
- Birmingham Suburban Times covering 1888 and 1897
- Coalville Times covering 1893-1895, 1898 and 1900-1914
- Flintshire Observer covering 1898 and 1900-1903
- Illustrated Sporting News and Theatrical and Musical Review covering 1862, 1865-1867 and 1869-1870
- Kilmarnock Standard covering 1892
- Llanelly and County Guardian and South Wales Advertiser covering 1869-1908
- North West Evening Mail covering 1911
- Teignmouth Post and Gazette covering 1886-1888, 1890-1893, 1895, 1899 and 1901-1904

To search login to QFHS Website and select [Online Access](#).

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## New Release

### The 1939 Register with SmartSearch

*The Genealogist* has released the 1939 Register transcript, adding search tools and SmartSearch technology. This offers a hugely flexible way to look for your ancestors at the start of the Second World War.

The search options include the ability to find your ancestor in 1939 by using keywords, such as the individual's occupation or their date of birth. You can also search for an address and then jump straight to the household.

Why not try it out? Login to QFHS website and select Online Access and then log in to The Genealogist. Click through to the [1939 Register for England and Wales](#)

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## Virtual Tours



### Explore History from home

If, like me, you love to combine your research with visits to places and spaces, it's been a frustrating year for us. Fortunately many public and private institutions have come to our rescue with a marvellous array of virtual tours. You can visit international heritage sites, magnificent museums, historic Australian locations, cemeteries and more. Over the coming months we'll be highlighting some of these exciting virtual tours to keep you inspired and curious.

If you have found a virtual tour that might be of interest to other QFHS members do let us know about it . Just send an email with tour details or website and perhaps a brief review to [snippets@qfhs.org.au](mailto:snippets@qfhs.org.au).

Thank you for sharing.

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## 'Areas of Interest' Map Guide - South Brisbane Cemetery

Not quite a tour but this very useful on-line guide developed by the Friends of South Brisbane Cemetery Society provides a wonderful tool to remotely explore some sections of this heritage listed cemetery. It would also prove very helpful if you're planning a visit, providing information on a number of noteworthy graves including map locations, photographs and interesting historical details about those in each featured site. Visit the Society website [here](#) to see the full list of historic graves. They also offer a number of guided tours for both day and night explorers.

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**New online sites and collections** are popping up all the time and all over the world. Here are a few recent finds that might spark your interest.



### Creating Connections Webinar Series

IrelandXO members all over the world have been learning more through this series of 5 Creating Connections webinars. If you have missed them you can catch up through the website playlist [here](#).



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## Online Journals

**The following electronic journals have been recently added to our collection.**

Electronic journals received for week ending 9 April 2021

- Ances Tree Vol 34 1 2021
- Cheshire Ancestor Vol 51 3 2021

- Coontin Kin No 117 2021
- Cronicl Powys 112 2020
- Dumfries Galloway FHS NL99 2021
- East Ayrshire FHS Journal 48 2021
- Founders 52 2 2021
- GSQ Generation Vol 43 No 3 2020
- GSQ Generation Vol 43 No 4 2020
- GSQ Generation Vol 44 No 1 2020
- GSQ Generation Vol 44 No 2 2020
- GSQ Generation Vol 44 No 3 2021
- Lithgow District FHS Vol 35 3 2021
- Nottinghamshire FHS Journal Vol 16 10 2021
- Progenitor Vol 40 1 2021
- Relatively Speaking Vol 40 1 2021
- Suffolk Roots 46 3 2020

You can access the full list of online journals by going to the QFHS Website and clicking on the Resources tab. From the drop down list click on electronic journals.

**Note: you need to be logged in to the QFHS Website to access these resources.**

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## General items of interest



**Re-opening update: reading room bookings live from Monday 19 April**

Good news for those who hope to visit the National Archives to conduct their family history research.

The National Archives of Australia have announced that their reading rooms will re-open from **Tuesday 27 April**.

Restrictions will apply to the number of visitors so seat reservations and advance document ordering will remain in place. NAA have released a new service: 'book a visit to view our documents' which will be live from noon (BST) on **Monday 19 April**.

To find out more about how to make a booking and other NAA services and resources see their website [here](#). You can also subscribe to their e-newsletter for the latest updates.

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## Special Interest Groups (SIGs)



Check the Calendar on QFHS website for upcoming SIG meetings. At this stage meetings are still being conducted online and registration is required. If you are still unsure about ZOOM and using it please do contact your [Convenor](#) for assistance.

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### Learn How to Trace Your Family History - Scottish Indexes Conference- 22 May 2021



The 10th free conference in this series will be held on 22 May 2021 on Zoom and Facebook.

To learn more about the Scottish Indexes and the conference visit the website [here](#).

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### Book Review

Is there a book that has delivered an important breakthrough in your family history research or perhaps one that has provided fresh insights and directions? Why not write up a short review that we can share with other members?



Contact [snippets@qfhs.org.au](mailto:snippets@qfhs.org.au) to discuss your review.

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