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Do you have any Scottish ancestors? Don't miss the Researching your Scottish ancestors seminar this coming Saturday at Queensland Baptist's Conference Centre. Bookings close at 5pm on Friday afternoon. More information below.

Planning is well under way for our Annual Open Day on 13 August. If you have friends who have shown an interest in researching their family history, invite them to come along. The joining fee will be waived for new members on the day. There will also be many QFHS experts to get them started.

# Calendar

- 01 July Family Tree Maker User Group
- 02 July Seminar: Researching your Scottish ancestors
- 02 July DNA Interest Group
- 04 July Management Committee Meeting
- 04 July Beginners Course Week 2
- 08 July Fridays@QFHS Searching and indexing introduction
- 09 July Scottish Interest Group
- 11 July Beginners Course Week 3
- 15 July New Members' Welcome and Orientation
- 16 July Family History Writing Group
- 16 July The Master Genealogist User Group
- 16 July Tartan Day (see below)
- 17 July Welsh Interest Group
- 18 July Beginners Course Week 4
- 20 July <u>Members' Meeting Brick Walls</u>
- 23 July Central European Interest Group
- 25 July Beginners Course Week 5

28 July - English West Country Group

- 01 Aug National Family History Month commences
- 01 Aug Caloundra Family History Group visit
- 01 Aug Management Committee Meeting
- 01 Aug Beginners Course Week 6



If you were a member prior to 1 April 2016, your membership is due for renewal.

**Renewal online now** 

## Happenings

#### Tartan Day

After Culloden, in 1745, the English brought harsh reprisals against Highlanders and banned the wearing of tartan on pain of transportation for 7 years. Eventually the act was repealed, and as this happened in July, we remember it at this time of year.

Come to King George Square to celebrate all things Scottish on **Saturday 16th July from 9am to 4pm**. Info <u>here</u> or at <u>Facebook</u>

QFHS will have a stand to advise people about finding their Scottish ancestors. There will be pipe bands, Scottish dancers and singers as well.



Check out the website for What's On in Queensland in August

#### **Brick Walls**

Members' Meeting, Wednesday, 20 July 2016, 1pm



It is too late to submit your Brick Wall for this session but do come along to the Members' Meeting to hear how the Research Team have assisted fellow members.



# Open Day 13 August from 10am to 3pm

# Shake your family tree and watch the nuts fall -Remember, it's the nuts that make the tree worth shaking!

All of our QFHS experts will be on hand to answer your questions. Special discounts for those who join on the day. Come along and bring a friend, or two.

#### We have the resources to help you crack the nut

Download a flyer here

# Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars



#### **Researching your Scottish ancestors**

**Presenters:** Rosemary Kopittke, Professor Eric Richards and Margaret McLaren

 If you have any Scottish forebears you cannot afford to miss this seminar. Our speakers are all recognised Australia wide as experts in their field and this is the first time that some topics have been presented in Brisbane

**Rosemary Kopittke** currently works as an editor of the Unlock the Past series of guidebooks. She is a Life Member of the Queensland Family History Society and has been active in a variety of roles since joining the Management Committee in 1986.

**Eric Richards**, Emeritus Professor of History at Flinders University in Adelaide, has extensively researched and written on the Scottish highland clearances.

**Margaret McLaren** has been a member of the Genealogical Society of Victoria's Scottish Ancestry Group and the Committee for several years, being Secretary, Thistle mailing and currently Chairperson. She was a speaker at the Third Australian Scottish Genealogy Conference. Register online Topics will include: ScotlandsPeople, The Highland Clearances and Life in Scottish Tenements 1750-1850, tenants, lodgers and factors.

More information here

When: 2 July 2016

**Where:** Queensland Baptist Conference Centre, 53 Prospect Road, Gaythorne **Cost:** \$15 members and \$20 non-members

#### **Register online**



#### Searching and indexing—introduction

Presenters: John Perryn and Geoff Morgan

Learn about the concepts of files, tools, and indexes. Useful, for example, in finding lost files on your computer; differentiating between keyword, faceted, and field searches; face/image searches; PDF searches; Boolean searches, wildcards, etc. Examples would be from QFHSdatasearch, Picassa, the QFHS PDF collections, and the internet.

When: 8 July 2016Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre, 58 Bellevue Avenue, GaythorneCost: \$11 members and \$15 non-members

**Register online** 

#### Researching your Chinese ancestry



Presenter: Dr Kevin Rains

Kevin will present a brief overview of the history of Chinese immigration to Queensland. He will follow this with a review of the historical and archaeological sources available for researching Chinese ancestry.

#### Please note: This is a **Saturday** session

When: 6 August 2016Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre, 58 Bellevue Avenue, GaythorneCost: \$11 members and \$15 non-members

**Register online** 

#### The deep web—advanced searching

Presenters: John Perryn and Geoff Morgan



Investigate alternative ways of searching the Internet using aggregate search services, internal searches on specific sites, and so on. Perhaps you have something to contribute.

Please note: this session is for those with experience in using Internet search techniques.

When: 12 August 2016Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre, 58 Bellevue Avenue, GaythorneCost: \$11 members and \$15 non-members

**Register online** 



#### Preserving your family history

**Presenters:** Tony Biggar, Helen Browne, and Christine Ianna

**Tony Biggar:** Legal Practitioner, Director of Big Law Pty. Ltd. at Strathpine. Tony has worked for 30 years as a lawyer, both in the country and in the city.

**Helen Browne:** Solicitor employed by Tony at Big Law Pty. Ltd. She is a dedicated wills and estates lawyer.

#### Estate planning in relation to family history

Tony and Helen will cover some of the areas you may need to consider when making your will, and discuss what may happen to your research when you die.

They will discuss the issues that may arise for you in the way you gift your research and some of the issues which may arise for your executors and trustees when dealing with the research you have bequeathed to an individual or organisation.

There will be time after each session for a short question time.

#### Disclaimer

Individual assets and wills advice cannot be provided on the day. This will require an appointment with a lawyer for unique advice relevant to your assets and testamentary wishes.

**Christine lanna:** Christine has worked in the Museum and Materials Conservation profession in Queensland for more than thirty years. She has held varied positions including Scientist (Materials Conservation) at the Queensland Museum; Manager, Preservation Services, Queensland State Archives; Manager, Publications Reformatting and Coordinator, Reformatting at the State Library of Queensland. Christine is an active member of the Australian Society of Archivists (Qld Branch) and a Professional Member of the Australian Institute for the Conservation of Material Inc (AICCM), the peak body for Conservators in Australia.

#### Caring for and preserving your family history memorabilia.

Christine's presentation will cover caring for and conserving paper records, photographs, historic books, and textiles. She will provide tips and tricks for preservation, cover the causes of deterioration, and provide practical ways to preserve memorabilia.

**Register online** 

#### TheGenealogist: what's the difference

Presenter: Rosemary Kopittke



TheGenealogist offers records not available on other subscription websites and has some interesting search options that can help break down brick walls. Come and learn what records TheGenealogist has and how to best utilise its unique searches and other features.

Please note: this is an afternoon session.

When: 9 September 2016 - 1.00pm to 2.30pmWhere: QFHS Library and Resource Centre, 58 Bellevue Avenue, GaythorneCost: \$11 members and \$15 non-members

**Register online** 



**Bus trip to Queensland State Archives** 

Presenters: QSA staff

Join us for a visit and behind-the scenes tour of the Queensland State Archives. We will travel by bus from the Library and Resource Centre. Our 20 seater bus will leave the QFHS Library and Resource Centre promptly at 10.00 am for the trip to

Runcorn. You will need to be at the Library and Resource Centre by 9.45 am. You will have some free time at the Archives before the Archivists take us on a behind-the-scenes tour. After the tour, you will have more time in the Reading Room for your own research. In the afternoon, the bus will leave QSA at approximately 2.15 pm to be back at the QFHS Library and Resource Centre at approximately 3.15 pm.

Note: Booking for this trip will close on Friday 16 September 2016, to enable QSA to make arrangments for staff to guide the tour. Filling fast so book early to avoid disappointment. Limited to 20 persons.

More information here

When: 14 October 2016 - (10am to 3pm)Where: QSA, 435 Compton Road, RuncornCost: \$20 members and \$25 non-members

**Register online** 

#### Topographic and cadastral maps of Queensland

Presenter: Bill Kitson



Part 1 - Topographic Mapping in Queensland 1839 to 1970

Part 2 - Cadastral Mapping in Queensland 1839 to 1970

When: 11 November 2016Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre, 58 Bellevue Avenue, GaythorneCost: \$11 members and \$15 non-members

Register online

# Treasures from the QFHS CD collection

If we are to gain a deeper understanding of various families and individuals of interest to us as Family Historians, then we are interested in embedding their lives within the localities and times in which they lived. The QFHS Library & Resource Centre has many resources in various forms to assist us with that intent.

A search of v-Library will reveal many CDs focussed on particular places of interest – for example, on Warwick & the Darling Downs to the early 1920s (Hall, n.d.), the Moreton Bay Settlement to 1859 (Craig, 1925), The Gladstone Colony (Hogan, 1898). Many early accounts, such as Hall's, do not contain indexes to aid our research. However, a personal history such as his is more likely to include mention of people other than the most influential in the district.

These accounts may also reveal such curiosities as that of the first Church of England clergyman on the Darling Downs, the Reverend Glennie – he and horses did not make for happy relationships, so he regularly walked from Drayton to Warwick, conducting church services on the way. He also walked from Warwick to Brisbane for the enthronement of the first Bishop of Brisbane, Edward Tufnell, in 1860.

If one is interested in the early history of Brisbane, a CD that presents aerial photos of selected parts of the city (c1936) may be of interest. Should your ancestors have resided in the Landsborough Shire between 1912 and 1941, then you may find reference to them in lists of payments and receipts, or of rates levied.

By using the name of the locality of interest as a Keyword for a <u>v-Library search</u>, you may well identify resources that will assist in fleshing out the lives of your 'persons of interest'. This you can do at home (from the QFHS website) so that you come prepared with a list of CDs and other resources to focus your research during your next visit to the library.

Geoff Morgan

# Members' Noticeboard

#### Enoggera and Districts History Society Inc. Open Day

You are invited to attend the above society's annual Open Day on Saturday, 16 July between 9.30am-4pm in the Enoggera Memorial Hall, Wardell Street, Enoggera. The central theme will be World War I - the year 1916.

Content will also include Mitchelton State School and Returned Services League, and a literary theme with anniversaries of Shakespeare, Kipling and Agatha Christie.

QFHS will have a table so go along and have a chat about your family history.

#### **Toowong History Group**

On Wednesday, 20 July guest speaker Philip Castle will tell us about the WWI nurses who helped the ANZACS during the Gallipoli campaign. They worked under terrible conditions at the 'Hospital from Hell', on the nearby island of Lemnos to try and save so many of the men who had been wounded.

Toowong History Group meets on the third Wednesday of the month from 7pm-9pm. Meetings are held in the Toowong Community centre in Josling Street off Burns Road. No fees or membership are required- everyone is welcome. Tea and coffee is served after the meeting. For more information on Toowong History Group, go <u>here</u>.

#### Wynnum Manly Historical Society

Free talks are available each month as follows.

28 July 10am Kate Harbison Digitising photographs
25 August 10am Elizabeth Gondwe The Wynnum-Stradbroke Connection
29 September 10am Greg Cope Australian women in wartime
The talks are held at Wynnum Library History Room, 66 Bay Terrace, Wynnum. For
more details, contact Kate Harbison - Local History Librarian on (07) 3403 2199 or
email

#### QWHA History Symposium Sunday 28th August 2016

The Queensland Women's Historical Association is conducting a History Symposium 'A Woman's Influence in Queensland' from 9am on Sunday, 28 August at Miegunyah House Museum, 35 Jordan Terrace, Bowen Hills, Qld. The following speakers will present a variety of topics.

- • Judith Bandit: The QRWN Story
- • Diane Byrne: Mary Maguire, Personality and Actress
- • Janeth Deen: Torn Between Two Cultures and Two Religions
- • Diana Hacker: A Dream Come True Martha Young OBE
- • Dr Katie McConnel: The First of Governor's Wives, Lady Lamington
- • Dr Michael Marendy: Under 1st Class Management
- • Dr Kerry Raymond: Writing Women's History for Wikipedia
- • The Braille Writers Association: Cameos

Morning and afternoon tea and lunch will be provided. Seminar fee is \$50, with early bird fee of \$45 available when payment is made before 30 July. For more details, and to register, contact History Symposium Co-ordinator Diana Hacker on (07) 3254 2979 or email

# Web Wanderings

#### Royal Navy First World War Lives at Sea

The United Kingdom National Archives - together with the National Maritime Museum and the Crew List Index Project team - have launched a brand-new web resource: Royal Navy First World War Lives at Sea.

Lives at Sea aims to capture personal and service details for every Royal Navy officer and rating who served in the First World War, and is an excellent resource to use alongside our Royal Navy collections. To learn more, go to: <u>here</u>

#### Royal Voluntary Service to Place World War II Diaries Online

The Hidden Histories of A Million Wartime Women project has now been funded by the public by means of a KickStarter campaign. The on-line campaign that will allow 28,000 pages of wartime diaries written by female volunteers to be freely available on the web. You can read more in an article <u>here</u>

# National Library of Scotland Adds Almost 400 Digitised Books relating to the Histories of Scottish Families

The National Library of Scotland has recently digitised a selection of almost 400 printed items relating to the histories of Scottish families. To learn more, go here

You can read them all in the National Library of Scotland's Digital Gallery here

RootsIreland.ie New 1 day (24 hours) Subscription now available

A 1 day subscription that runs over a continuous 24 hour period is now available for this website. The price is £8.00. If you decide to upgrade to a 1, 6 or 12 month subscription within 30 days of purchase, the price you paid for your 1 day subscription will be deducted from the cost of your new subscription. For more details, go here

#### Enumeration District Maps for United States 1950 Census are Going Online

The public will not be able to view the 1950 US Census until 2022 but about 8,000 Enumeration District Maps are being placed online now by the United States National Archives and Records Administration. The new additions include all county maps and any map that includes five or more enumeration districts. You can learn more here

#### Findmypast

Available via subscription or free at the QFHS library.

#### Queensland deaths 1829-1964

South Australia Rate Books British Newspaper Roundup Britain, Knights of the Realm & Commonwealth index **British Royal Navy & Royal Marines service and pension records browse** Devon, Plymouth Prison Records 1832-1919 Surrey Marriages Warwickshire, Birmingham, St Martin in the Bull Ring Parish Registers Warwickshire Burials Yorkshire West Riding Marriages **Ireland Surnames & Family Histories** Ireland Dog Licence Registers Irish Petty Sessions Court Registers 1828-1912 Ireland Poor Law Reports

#### Ancestry.com

Available via subscription or free at the QFHS library. <u>100 Million Dutch Records</u>

# General items of interest

#### 2016 Victorian Community History Awards

These Awards celebrate the people involved in community history projects who are dedicated to telling local stories which help all Victorians to better understand their past. Entries close 2pm Friday 29 July 2016. To learn more, and download an entry form, go <u>here</u>

Australians have been called upon to donate their DNA and help establish the country's first historical DNA database, providing researchers with a crucial tool for solving wartime mysteries – some which date back 100 years. To be managed by the Centre for Ancient DNA at Adelaide University, the database will provide scientists and historians with a snapshot of the genetic makeup of the Australian population in the early 1900s. Learn more here

#### Eneclann is Now Called the Irish Family History Centre

The Irish genealogy service known as Eneclann is being re-branded to the Irish Family History Centre. Read more <u>here</u>

#### Who Will Handle your Facebook Page After You Are Gone?

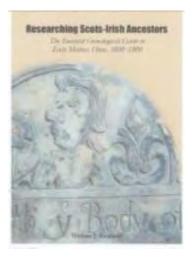
The answer is "nobody" unless you take action in advance to designate a digital heir of your Facebook account, someone who can speak for you when you are no longer able to speak for yourself. Read more <u>here</u>

**Note:** QFHS will hold a Seminar on Saturday, 3 September 2016, on this topic. More information on the QFHS website

#### King Henry I May Be Buried Under a Parking Lot

King Richard III's body was discovered buried under a parking lot. The same fate may await the bones of King Henry I. Technicians are using ground-penetrating radar at the site of a former abbey in Reading, England, as part of a survey they hope will reveal the burial place of King Henry I. You can read more in an article <u>here</u>

### **Book Review**



Roulston, W. Researching Scottish-Irish Ancestors:

The Essential Genealogical Guide to Early Modern Ulster. Whether your ancestors are of English, Scottish or Gaelic Irish origin this book should be of enormous value to those researching in this area. First published in 2005 that this book is now in its 6th printing would suggest that it is a valued resource for the period 1600 to 1800.

Dr Roulston sets out his guide in clear terms. In 262 pages he outlines records which are of research value, and where to locate them. The sources are from Antrim, Armagh, Cavan, Derry, Donegal, Down, Fermanagh, Monaghan and Tyrone. He also provides guidance in how to extract information from a variety of sources. Published by the Ulster Historical Foundation. Review courtesy of Pam Masel.

# Acknowledgements

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Pauline Macfarlane

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