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Have you attended one of our Special Interest Group Meetings? A wonderful way to meet with fellow members researching the same region as yourself.

At 10.00 am on Saturday 8 October the Irish SIG will meet in the library. If you have a brick wall in your Irish ancestry do come along. You will be made very welcome.

In November the DNA, Scottish, English West, Welsh and Central European SIG will meet. Check the [website](#) for times and dates.

If you have an interest in writing the Family History Writing Group will meet on Saturday 19 November. Experienced or a beginner, this group will welcome you.

Calendar

- 03 Oct - Queen's Birthday - CLOSED
 - 03 Oct - Management Committee Meeting
 - 07 Oct - [Family Tree Maker User Group](#)
 - 08 Oct - [Irish Interest Group](#)
 - 10 Oct - Visit to Caloundra Family History Research (details below)
 - 14 Oct - [Fridays@QFHS - Bus trip to State Archives](#)
 - 15 Oct - [New Members Welcome and Orientation](#)
 - 15 Oct - [The Master Genealogist User Group](#)
 - 19 Oct - [Members' Meeting - Presentation of Pre-Sep Certificates and A Community second to none - Becoming Queensland 1842-1859. Guest Speaker Dr Jennifer Harrison](#)
 - 21 Oct - [Trout Game](#)
 - 29 Oct - [Family Tree Maker User Group](#)
 - 05 Nov - [DNA Interest Group](#)
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Library Keys

Over the years many volunteers have continued to serve the Society in different ways and often in many different capacities. In the process they have been provided with keys for their areas of responsibility, including more than 100 “master” keys which open most doors. If you have ceased to be an LA or curtailed your activities but still hold keys, would you please return them to the Secretary by placing them in his pigeon hole at the library with a note who they are from, or mail them to PO Box 171, Indooroopilly 4068. This includes not only door keys, but keys to filing cabinets, or other restricted access areas. Thank you for your co-operation. Secretary.

With technology forging ahead at record speed we need your help to keep your society equal with like-minded societies, if not ahead of the rest.



We need people with an interest in any of the following areas:

- Project management
- Web site design and development
- Software development
- Hardware virtualisation
- Database management
- Machine (PC) setup and management
- Network skills

If you can assist please email our [Technical Advisory Group](#).

Happenings

Invitation to visit Caloundra Family History Research Library

For several years, members of Caloundra FHR have made an annual day trip to QFHS. A very pleasant and educational few hours was had by all.

A reciprocal visit has been arranged for Monday 10 October. The intention is that we arrive in Caloundra by 9.30am travelling by shared vehicles. CFHR have arranged with the *Friends of Caloundra Lighthouses* for a special tour of this historical landmark. Paul Seto will also do a presentation at the library. Obviously, this outing is only suited to those who live in Brisbane. If you would enjoy this mix of history and social please email [Secretary](#) to discuss arrangements.

A Community second to none: Becoming Queensland 1842-1859

On Wednesday, 19 October at 7.30 pm our monthly meeting guest speaker Dr

Jennifer Harrison will present: ***A Community second to none: Becoming Queensland 1842-1859.*** Pre-Separation Certificates will be presented to those who have authenticated their descent from one or more ancestors prior to 1859.

Between February 1842 and December 1859 the area which would be declared Queensland was part of the colony of New South Wales. The relationship between this northern district and Sydney administrators was not always happy or easily understood. The emerging northern region needed support to expand while southern officials only observed constant demands for increasing sums of money and diversion of experienced personnel. During these years the local population grew from a few hundred free settlers to over 12,000 by the time Governor George Bowen declared Queensland was a self-governing colony, with responsible government. This presentation will look at the growth and development within the district during Pre-Separation years.

Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars

Topographic and cadastral maps of Queensland

Presenter: Bill Kitson



Bill Kitson will present a session on topographic and cadastral maps of Queensland. Divided into two parts, his talk will cover Topographic Mapping in Queensland 1839 to 1970 and Cadastral Mapping in Queensland 1839 to 1970. Topographical maps indicate land contours, rivers, land forms, etc. and cadastral maps show extent, value, and ownership of land. Bill Kitson a highly respected spatial historian and is one of Queensland's best known surveyors. Bill became interested in researching the lives and work of the men that mapped Queensland following a 1974 Survey Office investigation of the surviving markers along the Queensland State borders. In 1980, he was appointed as curator of the then newly established Lands, Mapping, and Surveying Museum. Register online Bill continues to share the history of mapping and surveying in Queensland. His passion for preserving surveying heritage and his generosity in sharing his knowledge of the spatial industry is unsurpassed.

When: 11 November 2016

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre, 58 Bellevue Avenue, Gaythorne

Cost: \$11 members and \$15 non-members

[Register online](#)



QFHS Trout Game

Allow yourself the privilege of having a fun day in family history and play the Trout Game! The game simulates researching an English family (the Trout family) using eleven types of records. The aim is to see if you can get back to the 1500s. Use the game to see how good a researcher you are using basic research techniques and find out why you may have brick-walls in your research. The Trout Game will be played on Friday, 21 October 2016 from 10am to 4pm at the QFHS Library. Cost is \$5.00 which includes morning and afternoon tea (BYO lunch). To make your booking, contact Game Master Ann Swain via [email](#) or telephone (07) 3352 5537. Numbers are limited and bookings are essential.



Finding your family: a beginners course in research

Presenters: QFHS tutors

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 15 people.

The cost includes:

- The book, *Where do I start?: a brief guide to researching your family in Australia and New Zealand* by Shauna Hicks (rrp\$19).
- For non-members, complimentary use of the QFHS Library and Resource Centre for the term of the course.

When: 13 February 2017

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre

Cost: \$50 members and \$75 non-members

[Register online](#)



Buddy Program

Thanks to your generous offer of assistance we now have fifteen new members matched to a Buddy. This is a great result but we still need more Buddies. Can you help?

Buddies are experienced QFHS members who will assist new members by meeting

at an agreed time to provide one-on-one guidance, encouragement, and sharing of experience. The arrangement is available for between three and six months. A great way for more experienced members to give back to the society.

If you would like to be a Buddy please [email](#) Co-coordinator. More information on the program can be found [here](#)



QFHS Lending Library

The QFHS Lending Library now has in excess of two hundred books and slowly growing. Publications in the Lending Library are mostly duplicates of our research library and have been donated to the Society by fellow members. i.e. Log of Logs (all 3 volumes), The Petrie Family: Building Colonial Brisbane.

All titles available to borrow are listed in v-Library [here](#). Click on **Library Catalogue** and select **Lending Library** from the **Location** drop down menu. A full list of titles available will be shown. Two books can be borrowed for two weeks. Check it out when you next visit the library.

Perhaps you have some good research books gathering dust that you no longer need and would like to donate to the lending library. Simply drop them in to the library during opening hours.

Web Wanderings

Voices of the First World War

There are precious few British families that made it through the Great War unscathed - it was a time of terror, of trauma, and of tragedy. But whilst there are no longer any living veterans of the first great conflict of modern times, their voices live on, in recordings held by the BBC and by the Imperial War Museum - which you can hear in a series of radio programmes broadcast over the past two years but available online [here](#)

England's Immigrants

The [England's Immigrants 1330-1550](#) website is a database containing over 64,000 names of people known to have migrated to England between 1330 and 1550. The site contains a search facility as well as the ability to browse the names and refine by date, nationality, origin and more. Database entries include details of the original document from where the information was taken. Additional information on the site is aimed at teachers but which may also be of interest to genealogists include podcasts on the period covered by the database and links to further reading.

Talking Scot

This is a meeting place for people with an interest in Scottish genealogy, history and

culture. Includes a forum, gallery to share images and documents, and links for Scottish research. Go [here](#)

IGRS updates its online Irish Genealogist Database

The Irish Genealogist (TIG) has been published since 1937 and comprises thousands of articles relating to Irish genealogy, noting details on family histories, pedigrees, leases, memorial inscriptions, deeds, newspaper extracts and transcripts of parish registers, voters lists, census substitutes, wills, letters, family bibles, rentals and militia and army rolls.

A free online Names Index to TIG, comprising over a quarter of a million names, is available. This database of names links researchers directly to articles from TIG matching their search criteria. Volume 11 covering the years from 1998 to 2005 has now been released.

Searching the database is completely free and any references to articles in volume 10 are also free. However, access to articles appearing in volume 11 is restricted to IGRS members only. This links to the [TIG database](#)

Irish Birth, Marriage, and Death Records are now online

The historic records of Births over 100 years ago, Marriages over 75 years ago and Deaths over 50 years ago of the General Register Office (GRO), are now available to view [here](#) following their launch at 5:30 pm on Thursday 8th September 2016. The records are available [here](#)

Scandinavian Genealogy

Find out how to trace Scandinavian ancestors, and try a DNA test that may show thousands of relations [here](#)

Guild of One-Name Studies is now available at FamilySearch.org

The Guild's collections will now be searchable [here](#) The study of one's last name (or surname) involves researching all known occurrences of that particular surname in all identifiable resources worldwide, as opposed to researching only the ancestors or descendants of a person. These rich compiled studies can assist a family history researcher to see the geographical distribution of surnames in their tree over centuries, which can help in reconstructing family lines bearing variants of those names. A common hope of customers who use surname studies is to identify the actual geographic locale of origin of a family surname. More information about the guild can be found [here](#) where researchers can also register their own surnames.

Findmypast grants free access to entire Australian collection to celebrate the release of new passenger lists

Released in partnership with FamilySearch and Public Record Office Victoria (PROV), the 3.3 million records consist of Victoria Coastal Passenger Lists spanning 1852 to 1924 and can only be found [here](#).

Libraries and Archives Canada adds more than 333,000 files to its World War I Soldiers Database

There are now 333,687 of 640,000 files available online in our Soldiers of the First World War: 1914–1918 database. New files will be added every two weeks with the completion of the digitisation scheduled to be completed by the end of 2018. You can learn more [here](#)

New from FindMyPast

Available via subscription, or free at the QFHS library.

[British Army Casualty Lists 1939-1945 Image Browse](#)

[United States, Transatlantic Migration](#)

[United States, Early American Families](#)

[United States, Early American Vital Records](#)

[United States, Connecticut Town Vitals, The Barbour Collection](#)

[New Zealand Birth Index](#)

[New Zealand Marriage Index](#)

[New Zealand Death Index](#)

[British Newspapers](#)

[Britain, Enemy Aliens and Internees, First and Second World Wars](#)

[Britain, Enemy Aliens and Internees, First and Second World Wars – Browse](#)

[Britain, Children's Employment Commission Part 2, 1842](#)

[Merchant Navy Crew lists 1857-1922](#)

[City Of London, Gunmakers' Company Freedoms and Admissions, 1656-1936](#)

[Greater London Burial Index](#)

[London Post Office Directories 1842, 1851 and 1861, Browse](#)

[London, Docklands and East End Baptisms, 1558-1933](#)

[Westminster burials](#)

[Westminster, Poor Law and Parish Administration](#)

[Thames & Medway Baptisms](#)

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[Cheshire Vital Records Browse 1500-1991](#)

[Lincolnshire Banns](#)

[Lincolnshire Baptisms](#)

[Lincolnshire Burials](#)

[Lincolnshire Marriages](#)

[Lincolnshire Parish Register Browse](#)

[Ireland, Catholic Qualification & Convert Rolls 1701-1845](#)

[Ireland, Children's Employment Commission Part 2, 1842](#)

[Ireland Merchant Navy Crew Lists 1863-1921](#)

[Ireland, Original Will Registers 1858-1920](#)

[Ireland Valuation Office Books](#)

[Victoria Coastal Passenger Lists 1852-1924](#)

[United States Marriages](#)

[PERSI Monthly Update](#)

[The Shipwrecked Passenger Book: Sailing Westbound from Europe for the Americas 1817-1875](#)

[Britain, School and University Register Books](#)

[United States, Family Histories](#)

[United States, State & Local Histories](#)

[The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record](#)

[The New York Researcher](#)

New from FamilySearch

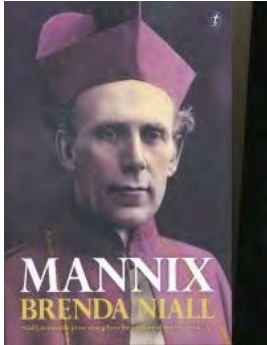
[Australia Tasmania Civil Registration 1803-1933](#)

[Australia Queensland Maryborough Public Records 1847-1989](#)

[Australia Tasmania Civil Registration of Births 1899-1912](#)

[Australia Cemetery Inscriptions 1802-2005](#)

Book Review



Mannix, a biography by Brenda Niall.

Some of us may remember a time when Australian society was split on religious grounds. A family could be rent apart if a Protestant youngster chose to marry one of the Roman Catholic faith. Today it seems like some fairy story of the past and yet we know it not to be. Brenda Niall's biography of Archbishop Daniel Mannix will bring much of this sectarianism to life but there is much more to be gleaned from this work.

Daniel Mannix was born in Ireland in 1864 and died in 1963 in Melbourne. It can, therefore, be appreciated that he lived through tumultuous times firstly in his native Ireland and then through two world wars in this country. Mannix arrived in Melbourne in 1913 having served as president of St Patrick's College Maynooth - the national seminary of Ireland from 1903 to 1912. Ms Niall paints a picture of an urbane and complex man. Not one to eschew politics or social issues he threw himself into the life of his new country. Never far from controversy his earliest political encounter was with the fiery Billy Hughes and the conscription issue. Although on the other side of the world he was outspoken on Irish civil war issues. His name was again prominent with that of Bob Santamaria and the politics of The Split. And so one could go on. If your family lived through this period this work should provide an excellent background should any be involved in religious issues of that period. Published by Text Publishing 2015. 439 pages, indexed and sourced. Shelved at C6 MAN 1 in the QFHS library.

Review courtesy of Pam Masel.

General items of interest

Dalby Family History Society Inc. Book: *They Once Walked Here*

This book contains a compilation of stories from 59 contributors, who pay tribute to their ancestors who have been laid to rest in the Dalby Monumental Cemetery. History from the early 1800's to nearly the present day has been related by the many stories. Business people to station workers are included in the history. There are 178 pages to the book which includes an index and a brief history of the cemetery.

They Once Walked Here is now available for \$35.00 plus postage \$13.00 if required. The postage package [one address] can hold three copies of the book if more than one copy is required. Direct payment is available if contact is first made

to receive the Society's bank details via [email](#)

The Family History Photo Archive

This is an easy-to-search A-Z library, for managing and sharing old photographs. We aim to achieve the largest easily accessible history photo library online. We regularly add new photos, and links to websites and collections from all over the world. The archive carries no advertising or sponsorship, therefore we run and manage the archive with the small membership fee of just U.S. \$3.00 per year, giving you full use of the archive. Check it out [here](#)

Trivia

Woman loses brother but finds sister

This is an interesting story of Vanda James from East Anglia, who spent many years wondering what had happened to the baby boy she remembered from her childhood. You can read how Vanda never found her long-lost brother - but half a century later, found a new sister [here](#)

World's first baby born with DNA from three people

Scientists say the first baby has been born from a controversial new technique that combines DNA from three people — the mother, the father and an egg donor. The goal was to prevent the child from inheriting a fatal genetic disease from his mother, who had previously lost two children to the illness. Read more [here](#)

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The more we receive, the more frequently we can produce a Newsletter. If your submission does not appear in this issue, we will try to include it in a future edition.

Please note that reference to any product does not imply endorsement. Members are cautioned to evaluate products prior to purchase.

Pauline Macfarlane

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