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We are getting close to the end of the year with only one Fridays@QFHS session, Research in New South Wales, to present for you. I am sure a great number of our ancestors did arrive in New South Wales before making their way to Queensland and Susie der Kinderen will be happy to discuss your family member with you. Do come along on 10 November.The Fridays@QFHS program for the first half of 2018 is now available on the website for you to browse. Lots of interesting sessions.

The Volunteers Morning Tea will be held on Monday 26 November. If you have not yet let the committee know if you will be attending please do so as soon as possible.

## Calendar

- 03 Nov Family Tree Maker User Group
- 04 Nov QFHS Pre-Separation Group
- 04 Nov <u>DNA Interest Group</u>
- 06 Nov <u>Education Department and School Records for family history</u> research. - <u>Moreton Public Library</u>, <u>Albany Creek</u>
- 06 Nov Management Committee Meeting
- 10 Nov <u>Education Department and School Records for family history</u> research. <u>Moreton Public Library</u>, <u>North Lakes</u>
- 10 Nov Fridays@QFHS Research in New South Wales
- 11 Nov Scottish Interest Group
- 15 Nov <u>Education Department and School Records for family history</u> research. Moreton Public Library, Arana Hills
- 15 Nov <u>Members' Meeting Presentation of QFHS Services to Family History Award</u>
- 17 Nov <u>Education Department and School Records for family history</u> research. - <u>Moreton Public Library, Caboolture</u>
- 17 Nov New Members' Welcome and Orientation

- 18 Nov Family History Writing Group
- 18 Nov The Master Genealogist User Group
- 19 Nov Welsh Interest Group
- 21 Nov <u>Education Department and School Records for family history</u> research. - Moreton Public Library, Bribie Island
- 22 Nov <u>Education Department and School Records for family history</u> research. - <u>Moreton Public Library, Redcliffe</u>
- 23 Nov English West Country Group
- 25 Nov Central European Interest Group
- 27 Nov Volunteers Morning Tea
- 01 Dec Family Tree Maker User Group
- 02 Dec DNA Interest Group

# Happenings

## DNA - would you like to know more?

Did you read about DNA testing in QWeekend on Saturday 21 October? Would you like to talk with people who have actually done the sorts of things it covers and which you are interested in?

At the DNA Special Interest Group meeting on 4 November, 1:30pm -3:30pm, Ann Swain will present "A review of DNA testing services", with lots of opportunities for discussion.

The Group will also meet on 2 December for a Question and Answer session, which should be of particular interest to those who are starting out.



#### **GAGHA Biannual Conference**

Next year, the German-Australian Genealogy & History Alliance (GAGHA) will be holding its first biannual conference in Adelaide – GAGHACon 2018: Australisches Deutschtum. The conference is planned for 17-19 August at Union House, University of Adelaide, Victoria Drive, Adelaide. This will provide an opportunity for those of us who are interested in German-Australian research to get together and network and learn.

It is planned to stream the sessions so that members who cannot get to Adelaide can watch the presentations locally. We are planning to have a hub in Brisbane (or maybe two hubs) to give local access to the presentations. Registrations will open in February 2018. Follow the link from the GAGHA website

Do you have a presentation or a story that is interesting and would be of use to others? There is a call for papers which may be Presentations (45-50 minutes), Lightning Talks (10-20 minutes) or Workshops (hands-on sessions of 2-6 hours). Proposals are due 31 December 2017. See the link from the GAGHA website here



#### **Members' Meeting**

Do join us for the final meeting of the year.

There will be a short meeting followed by the presentation of the *QFHS Award for Services to Family History* for 2017.

A festive supper will follow. Please bring a plate.

When: 15 November at 7.30pm.

# Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars

# Research in New South Wales Register online

Presenter: Susan der Kinderen



If you are researching family in New South Wales, then this session will detail the records and sources available in this state. The first European settlers arrived in NSW in 1788. At this time, the colony of NSW occupied almost half of the Australian continent. Gradually, other colonies were established, and the area governed by Register Online NSW changed until it assumed it current boundaries in 1911, after the creation of the ACT.

Learn what records are available in New South Wales and how to access them.

When: 10 November 2017

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre Cost: \$11 members and \$15 non-members

**Register online** 



Presenter/s: 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: Commence 12 February 2018

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre Cost: \$50 members and \$75 non-members

For more information go here

**Register online** 

#### Social media and researching your family

Presenter: Charlotte Sale



Social media has become increasingly popular. Many of us spend time on sites such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and others, chatting with friends and family, sharing information, learning skills, and extending our knowledge.

Come and learn more about the great opportunities to extend your family history research using social media tools. Find out why we should use them, explore how to use them, and learn about their advantages and disadvantages.

You just might find that these relatively new tools can help you break down that brick wall you have been working on for a while.

Note: This is a Saturday event.

When: 3 February, 2018

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre Cost: \$11 members and \$15 non-members

# **Register online**



### Scandinavian and ancient genealogy

Presenter: Steinar Johansen

If you have family history research interests in the Scandinavian counties, this session is for you.

Steinar Johansen will present a session on these topics.

- How to start your research.
- How do you continue your research; what are the choices?
- The difference between researching in each Scandinavian country.
- The advantage of DNA testing.
- Ancient Genealogy: The advantage of Icelandic family trees.

When: 9 February 2018

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre Cost: \$11 members and \$15 non-members

Register online

### Researching land records in Queensland

Presenter/s: Kaye Nardella

**Kaye Nadella** has worked part-time as an archivist with the John Oxley Library and part time with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines. She took up a full-time position with this department in 2004 and she was appointed senior curator of the Museum of Lands, Mapping, and Surveying in 2007.



**Understanding land ownership in Queensland.** This session describes key components of land ownership including administrative areas, property description,

and tenure. Kaye will provide guidance on where to look for information on land ownership including maps, survey plans, and land records.

Online resources to assist with historical land research. Kaye will describe a number of departmental online resources including Open Data, Qlmagery, QTopo, Queensland Globe and GSQ publications that can help with historical land research. With regard to Open Data and historical maps, details will be provided about the different types of maps, the types of information they can hold, and how to locate them.

**Historical land research in action.** Kaye will give examples that capture the whole researching land ownership in Queensland process bringing together the material referred to in the first two sessions.

When: 3 March 2018

Where: Queensland Baptists Conference Centre Cost: \$20 members and \$30 non-members

**Register online** 



# Beginners' guide to researching family history in India

Presenter: Dette Glenday

Dette will cover topics including:

- · British rule,
- · military records,
- churches,
- · civilian occupations, and
- different nationalities.

She will explore various websites including findmypast, Ancestry, FIBIS, and FamilySearch, and show examples of births/baptisms, marriages, and death records.

When: 9 March 2018

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre Cost: \$11 members and \$15 non-members

**Register online** 

# Web Wanderings

South Australia Almanacs and Directories: search Directories online 1864-1899
Post Office directories and almanacs are a valuable source of information for family historians. Check it out here

## **New FamilySearch Records**

Australia, Victoria, Outward Passenger Lists, 1852-1924

#### 11 Million British Army Records Free Online

You may also find a photograph, or if you find a family member and have a photograph you can add it to the collection. Go <u>here</u>

#### Historic maps of England and Wales project complete

For the past three years the National Library of Scotland has been scanning nearly 90,000 historic Ordnance Survey maps of England and Wales covering 1841 to 1952 in order to make them available for free to users all over the world. Some of the maps are very detailed - 6 inches to the mile, or even 25 inches to the mile. You can view the maps and print extracts if you follow this <u>link</u>

# Millions of Records from Churches in Derbyshire Have Now Been Added to Ancestry

The website has added a searchable database of 2,331,253 parish records dating from 1538 to 1812, held by Derbyshire Record Office. The records are accompanied by digitised images of the original registers.

Ancestry has also added sets of later Derbyshire parish records, including 1,949,884 baptisms (1813-1916), 1,491,634 banns and marriages (1754-1932) and 631,828 deaths and burials (1813-1991). Available for free at the QFHS library, or via subscription here

#### FamilySearch adds Dorset records

FamilySearch has expanded its collection of Dorset parish records, dating from 1538 to 1936. The new additions consist of 241,846 birth, marriage and death records, of which 1,600 are accompanied by images of the original registers. The records are also available on Ancestry. Search <a href="here">here</a>

### **Scottish Indexes**

The aim of this website is to help you trace your Scottish family tree and find out more about the lives of your ancestors by helping you access historic documents that are here in Scotland. Check it out <a href="here">here</a> in Scotland. Check it out <a href="here">here</a>.

#### IGRS adds 5,000 Irish records

The Irish Genealogical Research Society (IGRS) has added a further 5,000 records to its early birth, marriage and death indexes. The indexes now hold 24,500 birth records, 83,600 marriages and 16,800 deaths, bringing the total number of names to 259,500. IGRS draws much of its data from obscure sources which aren't otherwise available. For example, some of the new names come from the 1903 book Memoirs of the Fultons of Lisburn. Non-IGRS members can search the marriage index for free and do a surname-only search of the birth and death indexes, showing how many records match their surname. Enjoy searching here

## **Genealogy in Malta**

Lots of information <u>here</u> if you have a Maltese connection. This self-help public group specialises in Maltese, and by extension Mediterranean genealogy. Go <u>here</u>

# General items of interest

#### Free Webinar from Findmypast

If you are new to Findmypast you might find this 54 minute video from YouTube helpful. The video was streamed 11 October 2017. UK experts run you through the best ways to effectively search Findmypast to get the best results. Findmypast is available free to members in the library.



Treasures in the QFHS CD Collection

Huguenot records

Huguenots, French Protestants who were compelled to escape France, particularly in the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> centuries, settled in various Protestant countries in Europe, as well as in the British Isles; being protestant controlled, Ireland, was also one of these countries, eventhough it was predominantly Catholic. As a side note, the term *refugee* arose from the French *réfugié*, which referred specifically to those Protestants who fled France following the revocation of the Edict of Nantes in 1685 by Louis XIV.

The history of the Huguenots should be of interest, not only to those with Huguenot heritage, but also to those who have a general interest in the contribution of immigrants to various European countries, as well as to the United States, South Africa, and Australia, for example. In Australia, two people with Huguenot heritage are Roy Cazaly (1893-1963) of "up there" fame, and Richard Champion de Crespigny, who was the pilot who guided the crippled QANTAS A380 to a safe landing in Singapore in 2010.

To aid your Huguenot research, the following records are available on the QFHS Library and Resource Centre's computer network:

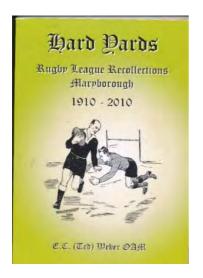
- 1. The Huguenots: Their settlements, churches, and industries, in England and Ireland. Although this book was written by Samuel Smiles in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century, with the 6<sup>th</sup> edition published in 1889, it provides a very readable, but detailed, account of the significant effects the Huguenot émigrés had on both these countries, as well as on France due to its loss of a considerable part of its skilled workforce.
- Registers of the French Church at Dover, Kent (1888). This book provides
  the details of baptisms, marriages, and burials from the 1640s into the 1760s.
  Entries are predominantly in French, but by block copying and dropping the
  text into a web-based translator the essential details can be easily
  determined.
- 3. Transcript of the Registers of the Protestant Church at Guisnes (Northern France) for 1668 to 1685 (1891). Also in French, but with a detailed index of places referred to, as well as people's surnames.
- Registers of the Protestant Church at Le Mans during the period 1650 to 1685 (1961). Although this book also presents the church registers (in French), it includes details of particular Le Mans families – including Ribot, Pouset, and Pilleau (in English).
- 5. Register of the Walloon Church of Cadzand in Holland 1685-1724 (1934). This book lists baptisms and marriages (in French), as well as a detailed index of refugees and their origins in France.
- Huguenot Times the newsletter of the Huguenot Society of Australia.
   Issues from 18 Nov 2011 are available via the computers in the Computer Room.

When in the library, each of these documents can be accessed via the Library Catalogue, or from the Computer Menus.

# **Book Reviews**

The QFHS Lending Library borrowing time has been extended to *4 books for 4 weeks*. Do take advantage of having a few books on hand to while away the hours over the upcoming Christmas break.

To get you started here are a couple of reviews for you.



How often when trying to breathe life into a family story do you wish for a photo? 'Uncle Bob' wasn't at all famous so your chances are just about nil unless..... If he played Rugby League in the Maryborough (Queensland) area you may find him in one of the many footy photos which appear in Edward (Ted) Weber's *Hard Yards*.

Not only are these clear they are also named. Gold to the family historian.

Ted Weber has been involved in just about every aspect of Rugby League. This is evident in this monumental work in which he covers so much more than the visuals. The first committee was formed in Maryborough in 1909 and from there Ted Weber tracks all aspects of the game in ten yearly blocks. We have not only the players with team names and results but the administrative aspects which come with working with clubs.

Although this book of 156 pages focuses on Maryborough it would be a delight for any rugby league die hard. Those who work with clubs will no doubt empathise with those who guided Maryborough in its ups and downs.

*Hard Yards. Rugby League Recollections Maryborough 1910 - 2010*First published 2010 Sourced. QFHS Lending Library H4/650 75 1

Review courtesy of Pam Masel.

### THE LAST WORD - TWO CENTURIES OF AUSTRALIAN EPITAPHS

By Lionel Gilbert

Not a book that you can take to bed with you, not because of its title but because it must weigh a kilo and is guite large and thick.

However, the contents more than make up for these minor negatives.

If you enjoy wandering around cemeteries, this book is for you. The author has gathered hundreds of unique gems of epitaphs from hilarious to downright sad, from political to bushrangers, from poets to painters and from every religion and ethnic

background. After all these are from Australian cemeteries.

There is every chance you may pick up an ancestor. There is an index of family names, plus an index of burial locations.

He has grouped them into chapters covering such subjects including tragedy, heroism, religious, gold field deaths, shipwrecks, executions, mothers, families, and plain characters of the bush.

Guaranteed to make you laugh and cry.

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# Trivia

#### **Popular Baby Names**

Olivia has replaced Amelia as the most popular baby girls' name in England and Wales, while Muhammad has entered the top 10 most popular boys' names. Harper has seen the biggest rise in popularity for girls while Jaxon is growing among boys. Read more here

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Pauline Macfarlane

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