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Have you booked for our first seminar for the year?

Shauna Hicks and Janice Cooper will share with you the many gems and lesser known resources that are available for your Australian family history research. See below for booking details.

If you are researching Scottish families, Genealogical Society of Queensland (GSQ) is presenting a session at their library and resource centre and the presenter will be Graeme Mackenzie, a Scottish historian and professional genealogist. Booking details are below.

In addition, this issue has all the usual treats for a good read including the many thousands of updates that are happening monthly from subscription websites. Happy searching!!

Calendar

- 01 Mar 2019 - [Family Tree Maker User Group](#)
- 02 Mar 2019 - [Seminar - Taking your Australian research further](#)
- 04 Mar 2019 - Management Committee Meeting
[DNA Interest Group](#)
- 08 Mar 2019 - [Fridays@QFHS - The British Newspaper Archive](#)
- 09 Mar 2019 - [Scottish Interest Group](#)
[Queensland Pre-Separation Group](#)
- 11 Mar 2019 - Finding Your Family: a beginners course in research
- 15 Mar 2019 - [New members' Welcome and Orientation](#)
- 16 Mar 2019 - [Family History Writing Group](#)
[The Master Genealogist User Group](#)
- 17 Mar 2019 - [Welsh Interest Group](#)
- 18 Mar 2019 - Finding Your Family: a beginners course in research
- 20 Mar 2019 - [Members' Meeting - Guest Speaker Jeff O'Mara, RSHQ](#)
- 22 Mar 2019 - [Library Assistants' Team Meeting](#)
- 23 Mar 2019 - [Central European Interest Group](#)
- 28 Mar 2019 - [English West Country Group](#)

Outside speaking events by Chris Schuetz on behalf of QFHS

“DNA for Family History”

Ipswich Central Library: Wednesday 6 March 6pm -7.30 pm

Springfield Central Library: Thursday 14 March 6.00pm -7.30 pm

Happenings



Members' Meeting for March

Commences at 1pm Wednesday 20th March at QFHS Resource and Library Centre.

Jeff O'Mara will speak about the exhibit currently at the Royal Historical Society of Queensland, and tell the story of three shipwrecks off the Queensland coast: SS Yongala, Cambus Wallace and The Fiery Star. Besides stories of extreme tragedy and bravery, he will bring everyday objects of living on a ship.

Do you have a background in marketing?

Do you know somebody who has marketing expertise?



We are in need of a volunteer to assist in the marketing of our publications.

We desperately need to promote our unique QFHS publications to a wider audience. Perhaps you have a family member, or you know a person who works in that field, who might be interested in doing some volunteer work. Have a chat with them.

We would love to hear from you.

For more information email the [QFHS Secretary](#).

Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars

Taking your Australian research further



Presenter/s: Shauna Hicks and Janice Cooper

Are you thinking of coming to this very informative seminar? Time is running out to book tickets and the link below will take you to Eventbrite to book and pay for your ticket.

Shauna Hicks is a Fellow of the Queensland Family History Society. She was awarded a Distinguished Achievement Award from the Australian Society of Archivists and in 2009 she received the Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations award for Meritorious Services to Family History. She has been tracing her own family history since 1977. Shauna will discuss lesser known, as well as more easily accessible resources, for Australian family history research. She will include examples from across all Australian states.

Janice Cooper is an experienced family historian with a primary interest in researching her Australian ancestry since the first family members arrived in 1791. With an academic background in Australian history, she is interested in placing families in the contexts of time and place. Her publications include local history books and articles, as well as a One-Pace Study website.

Shauna Hicks

Session 1: What's in the archives for Australian family history that you don't know about?

Session 2: What other resources are you not using for your Australian family history research? Shauna will discuss lesser known, as well as more easily accessible resources, for Australian Family History research. She will include examples from across all Australian states.

Janice Cooper

Session 3: How can you place your families in their local communities and historic times? Janice will outline how she extends knowledge of her Australian ancestors by learning more about the communities and times in which they lived.

When: Saturday 2 March, 2019 - 9am - 12.30pm

Where: Queensland Baptist Conference Centre, 53 Prospect Road, Gaythorne

Cost: \$25 (QFHS and GSQ) and \$40 non-members (including morning tea)

[Register Online](#)



Presenter: Sue Reid

You can access the British Newspaper Archive at the QFHS Library and Resource Centre. This session will show how to use this valuable resource for research in the United Kingdom with particular emphasis on using the BNA at the library.

Newspapers can enrich family history in countless ways. You may be able to find birth, engagement, marriage, and death notices for family members, including overseas events. This can help identify family relationships and ensure that you are searching the correct person. You can find records of court cases, sporting events, community activities and much more.

When: 8 March 2019

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre

Time: 10.00 to 11.30

Limit: 25

Note: only a few places left

Register Online

Scottish - Special Interest Group

This month's meeting will be a great chance for anyone wanting to start or re-start their Scottish research this year. We'll be going over the basic resources and seeing what is available now and where - beginning with Births, Marriages and Deaths.

Includes some new tips for old hands. All Welcome

When: 9 March 2019

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre

Time: 10am - 12 noon



New Member's Welcome and Orientation

Are you a new member or is it a while since you have



been to the Library and Resource Centre? Sessions are designed to assist you to understand the extensive facilities and resources available.

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. Bookings are essential. For bookings or queries, email [here](#).

Next Session: Friday 15 March 2019



Scottish Seminar presented by Genealogical Society of Queensland Inc.

Presenter: Graham Mackenzie MA

Come along and hear Graeme discuss the sources for genealogical research in Scotland, showing how they are used, with particular reference to families of Highland descent and issues regarding the use of Gaelic names.

Graeme Mackenzie is Chairman of the Association of Highland Clans & Societies (of Scotland) and Seanachaidh (historian & genealogist) for Clans MacKenzie and MacMillan. He's a trained historian, with a Masters Degree from the University of Cambridge, and has been a professional genealogist specialising in the Highland clans and families of Scotland for the last 25 years.

When: Sunday 17 March 2019

Where: GSQ 25 Stackpole Stret, Wishart

Time: 3pm to 4.15pm

**Cost: \$20 non members
\$15 GSQ and QFHS members**

Note: QFHS members please note your membership number in the comments field of the booking form.

To access the booking form go [here](#).

Which DNA test is right for you?

Presenter: Chris Schuetz

How can DNA help you find family? Are you planning to submit a DNA sample for testing to assist in your research? This session is a primer for those intending to take DNA testing, whatever their



interest.

**PLEASE NOTE: This session is the first of two.
In the second session in July, we will look at the
results received.**

When: Friday 12 April 2019
Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre
Time: 10am to 11.30am
Limit: 15

[Register Online](#)

Booking details for the second session:

What does my DNA test tell me

Attendees from the 12 April session only.

This session allows people to discuss their test results from the April session. Also to find out what the results mean and what you should do next.

When: Friday 12 July 2019
Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre
Time: 10am to 1130
Limit: 15 attendees from the April DNA session only

[Register Online](#)

Contribute to Wikipedia: what and how

Presenter: Dr Kerry Raymond

Learn what local and family history information can be added to Wikipedia, and learn how to add the information to Wikipedia. This is a hands-on computer course.



Participants should have basic computer skills e.g. using a web browser, copy-and-paste, basic word processing such as Microsoft word.

The presenter, Dr. Kerry Raymond, is a local and family historian, and is the first Wikipedian-in-Residence at the State Library of Queensland.

Where: Queensland Family History and Resource Centre

When: Friday 31 May 2019

Time: 10am to 12noon

Bookings: *Book early as participants are limited to 8*

[Register Online](#)

QFHS Buddy Program

Are you a member? Experienced members are waiting to assist you to get started on your family history journey.

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.

If you would like to be a Buddy, or are a new member and would like to have a QFHS Buddy to assist you, email the Coordinator [here](#).



Have you checked the latest information on our Facebook & You Tube sites - click on the links below to see what's new & interesting.





FAMILY & LOCAL HISTORY CONFERENCE & FAIR
24 – 26 May 2019

The Waves in Time Family & Local History Conference & Fair is being held on the 24 – 26 May 2019 at VENUE 114 (formerly known as Lake Kawana Community Centre) located at Bokarina on the beautiful Sunshine Coast.

The three day event will begin on Friday with a full morning of free public talks on family history themes of interest to researchers from beginners to more experienced. The afternoon program will comprise three workshops.

Saturday will begin with a keynote speaker followed by a full day of talks by local and interstate presenters on various aspects of family history research. A parallel stream of talks on local Queensland history will also be presented. Sunday will begin with a keynote speaker and be followed by three presentations in the two streams (family and local history). The conference will finish about midday.

The free family history fair will continue throughout the weekend. Bookings are essential for all paid sessions over the three days.

To view the full program of events - go [here](#).

To register for sessions, early bird and payment options - go [here](#).

Members' Noticeboard



Library Assistants' Team Meeting

When: 9.30am - 12.30pm 22 March

A relaxing morning to meet with fellow library assistants over morning tea and be updated with what's new in the library at the same time.

Web Wanderings



Be sure to checkout the latest brand new records from findmypast - especially if you are researching Catholic records in the Archdiocese of New York - the second largest archdiocese in the United States.

- New York Roman Catholic Parish Baptisms - [here](#)
- New York Roman Catholic Parish Marriages - [here](#)
- New York Roman Catholic Parish Congregational Records- [here](#)

Watch the YouTube presentation of "Unlocking Roman Catholic Records" - click [here](#) to view this informative session.

- New York Passenger Lists & Arrivals - [here](#)
- Unites States Directories & Almanacs - [here](#)
- United States Marriages covering 46 states from16th century - [here](#)
- Arkansas First Draft Registration Card 1940-1945 - [here](#)

United Kingdom

- Lincolnshire Registers and Records - [here](#)
- Lancashire Wills & Probates 1457-1858 - [here](#)
- Yorkshire Baptisms - [here](#)
- Yorkshire Banns - [here](#)
- Yorkshire Marriages - [here](#)
- Yorkshire Burials - [here](#)
- British & Irish Newspapers - [here](#)
- UK WWII Alien Internees 1939-1945 - [here](#)
- London, England, Poor Law Hospital Admissions and Discharges, 1842-1918 - [here](#)
- England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1858-1995 - [here](#)
- Gloucestershire, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1813 - [here](#)
- **Updated** - The Proceedings of the Old Bailey 1674-1913 - go [here](#)
- 1939 Register update - [here](#)

Newspapers

- Buckinghamshire Examiner, various years from 1889 - [here](#)
- East Kent Gazette, various years from 1857 - [here](#)

Scotland

- Scotland, Newspaper Death Reports - [here](#)
- Scotland, Antenuptial Relationship Index 1661-1780 - [here](#)
- Renfrewshire, Paisley Poll Tax, 1695 - [here](#)
- Edinburgh Field Officers from Almanacs 1758-1800 - [here](#)
- Irregular & Cross-Border Marriage Index - [here](#)

Mexico

- Mexico Baptism Index 1560-1950 - [here](#)
- Mexico Marriage Index 1570-1950 - [here](#)
- Mexico Death Index 1680-1940 - [here](#)

Barbados

Check [here](#) for new records of the Eastern Caribbean Island of Barbados.

General items of interest



Federation of Family History Societies

Keeping up with Manorial Documents

Manorial documents are a valuable resource for those interested in family and local history.

The National Archives is setting up a Manorial Documents Research mailing list for everyone who would like to receive updates about:

- Research projects dealing with manorial documents
- Events related to manorial documents
- Progress in revising the Manorial Documents

Register - go [here](#)



The AFFHO Australasian Congress takes place every 3 years and is usually a 4 day event promoting family, local and social history with international and national guest speakers with an exhibition, trading tables, and social events. If Queensland does not host the 2021 Congress, it is very likely there may not be another Congress to enjoy. The last Congress was held in Sydney in 2018.

If you are

- interested in finding out more
- interested in joining an experienced team
- interested in working towards a single event
- have some ideas about setting the scene for a Queensland Congress

Then please come along to an Expression of Interest meeting chaired by History Queensland that will be held at QFHS Library and Resource Centre, at 1.00pm on Sunday, 3 March 2019.

For more information email Secretary [here](#)



The Royal Historical Society of Queensland

We'll Show the World: Expo 88?

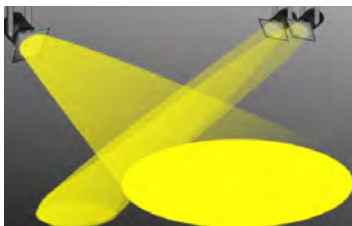
Presenter: Jackie Ryan

We'll Show the World explores the shifting social and political environment of Expo 88, shaped as much by Queensland's controversial premier Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen as it was by those who reacted against him. It shows how something initially greeted with outrage, scepticism, and indifference came to mean so much to so many, how a state better known for eliciting insults enchanted much of the nation, and how, to Brisbane, Expo was personal.

Date And Time: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 12:30pm - 1:30pm
Location: The Commissariat Store Museum, 115 William Street, Brisbane

Bookings at Eventbrite for this *free* session - go [here](#).

The Society maintains an active program of events to promote Queensland history. These include regular lunch time talks, themed RGSQ@home day, seminars and other events throughout the year. For full details go [here](#).



Spotlight on Family Gatherings

Spreadborough Family Reunion

When & Where: Warwick, on 13th and 14th April 2019

Any descendants of William Spreadborough and his first wife Jane nee Walter and descendants of William and his second wife Mary nee Knight - are invited to attend.

Surnames of interest: Bowles; Glasby; Grayson; Keable; Knight; Lamb; Moss; Peters; Spreadborough

William and Mary Spreadborough arrived in Sydney on board the sailing ship 'Canton' on 12th June 1848. They made their way to the Darling Downs via Spicers Gap and resided on Talgai Station and Canning Downs Station before purchasing 5 blocks of land on the southern outskirts of Warwick, in the 1850s land sales.

Lexene Spreadborough is organising the reunion and anyone interested in the reunion or who would like further information should contact Lexene:

0427 311498 or email: finsburypark@bordnet.com.au

“Descendants’ Day at Dalwood”

ADVANCE NOTICE:-

George and Margaret Wyndham arrived in Sydney on 26th December 1827.

They purchased 2080 acres (842 hectares) on the banks of the Hunter River near Branxton on 15th January 1828, which they renamed Dalwood. The first grapevines were planted at Dalwood 1st September 1830. Dalwood is now the oldest continuous commercial vineyard in Australia.

The Bureau of Meteorology considers the Dalwood Rainfall records as the oldest accurate rainfall records in Australia.

With the help of labour provided by a mix of convicts, free immigrants, Indigenous people, German vine-dressers, and colonial born employees, George Wyndham developed successful cattle, sheep, horse and vineyard enterprises at Dalwood, Mahngarinda, Colly Blu, Bukkulla, Nullamanna, and Keelgyrah.

Dalwood House, built with convict labour, was the first building built in the Greek style in Australia. The purpose of the function is to bring together the descendants of anyone who worked on one of the Wyndham properties at any time between 1828 and 1900. The [names of over 150 convicts](#) have been identified so far.

INVITATION

The Dalwood Restoration Association, whose members include both Wyndham and convict descendants, cordially invites the descendants of the convicts, Indigenous people, German vine-dressers, free immigrants, and colonial born employees who worked at any of the above properties before 1900, to join with Wyndham descendants for lunch at Dalwood Cellars on Saturday 7th September 2019 at 1.00 pm. Cost approximately \$ 50 per person. (This will also mark the 189th anniversary of the planting of the first vines at Dalwood).

Expressions of interest and for further information: secretary@dalwood.org.au

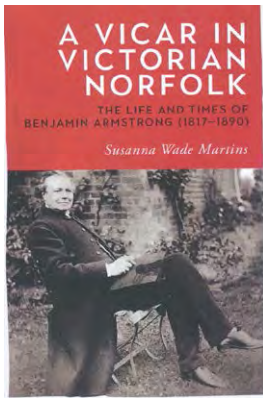
Book Review

Are you an avid reader of social, historical, genealogical or other books that would be of interest to our members?

If so, we would welcome short submissions of book reviews for consideration for publication. The monthly publication of Snippets relies on the efforts of many - not the least of which are our book reviewers.

Enjoy this month's review supplied by Pam Masel.

When the Reverend Benjamin Armstrong sat at the desk of his fenland parish of Crowle in Norfolk in 1842 could he have dreamt that this was to be a daily practice till 1887? He was joining a tradition of clergy diarists. As Ms Martins points out church history to this point was presented top down. It was also a time of some turbulence for the Anglican church with supporters of high or low church



practices and also various interpretations of the Bible. It was the vicar's role to shape the worship.

The clergy formed an important strand of society in Victorian England. Often the local vicar played an important role in the life of the village and surrounding countryside. Armstrong's diaries reveal, in his words, his participation and leadership in a variety of activities. We hear it as he lived it and Ms Martins had a fund of information to draw on – eleven volumes of it.

Although he was deeply committed to church work he was also strongly aware of his family duties and he often felt the conflict. He would spend an hour after dinner story telling to his "darlings" and wondered if he should not spend more time with them. In today's busy world there seems to be a lesson here. The education of his children was of considerable concern to him but so also was his role at the local school. He was not only involved in curriculum development but also in the day to day running of the school checking log books, testing and encouraging attendance. *A Vicar in Victorian Norfolk* is a very detailed work but not "top down". We can feel the life of the village very much as he felt it.

It is sourced and indexed. In its 303 pages there are many well produced photographs.

The Boydell Press, 2018

Acknowledgements

We would like to thank all those who have taken time out to send items of interest to our "Snippets" mailbox at - snippets@qfhs.org.au

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.

Editor Wendy Couper

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