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Another big issue for you to read this month including a couple of interesting "day outs".

One is our annual bus trip to the State Archives and the other is to the Toowoomba and Darling Downs Family History Society. Both are in October but if you are considering going to either please book early to reserve your seat.

To coincide with National History Month, we will be throwing our doors open to the public on Saturday 24 August from 10am to 3pm. This is the one day of the year our members can show and demonstrate our resources.

All are welcome and bring a friend to help spread the message of who and what we are.

Calendar

[01 Aug 2019 - National Family History Month Commences](#)

[02 Aug 2019 - Family Tree Maker User Group](#)

[03 Aug 2019 - DNA Interest Group](#)

[05 Aug 2019 - Finding Your Family: a beginners course in research](#)

[09 Aug 2019 - Fridays@QFHS - Research in Cornwall](#)

[10 Aug 2019 - Irish Interest Group](#)

[11 Aug 2019 - Colonial India and the Far East Interest Group](#)

[12 Aug 2019 - Caloundra Family History Group visit](#)

[Finding Your Family: a beginners course in research](#)

[14 Aug 2019 - Unlock the Past - DNA down under with Blaine Bettinger](#)

[17 Aug 2019 - New Members' Welcome and Orientation](#)

[The Master Genealogist User Group](#)

[19 Aug 2019 - Finding Your Family: a beginners course in research](#)

[21 Aug 2019 - Members' Meeting - Guest speaker Caylie Jeffrey](#)

[24 Aug 2019 - QFHS Open Day - theme 'Family Traditions'](#)

[30 Aug 2019 - Library Assistants' Team Meeting](#)

[31 Aug 2019 - Family Tree Maker User Group](#)

National Family History Month concludes

Happenings



**GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF
QUEENSLAND (GSQ)**

invites you to

OPEN DAY

we're part of



Celebrating Family History Month

SATURDAY, 3 AUGUST
10.00am - 2.00pm
25 Stackpole Street, WISHART, 4122
FREE



Members' Meeting for August

Date: Wednesday 21 August 2019

Time: 7.30pm to 9.30pm

All Welcome

Guest Speaker: Caylie Jeffery

Author of the book 'Under the Lino'

The Under the Lino Project is a Brisbane-based community research project revolving around three 1940/50s bankbooks and money that Brisbane writer, Caylie Jeffery, found underneath the lino flooring of her 1912 Queenslander in Milton. After sharing her discovery on Facebook's Old Brisbane Album, a comprehensive search for the owners of the documents ensued and as a result, hundreds of amateur detectives have unearthed local mysteries and stories that have turned Brisbane into a fascinating library of underground stories!

NEWS: Under the Lino Project wins prestigious Queensland History Award

The State Library of Queensland's 2019 Memory Awards Ceremony, the John Oxley Library Community History Award was awarded to Caylie Jeffery in recognition of the project *Under the Lino* for its innovating engagement in the documenting and sharing of Queensland's cultural heritage.

New Members' 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 17 August from 10am to 1pm

August is National Family History Month

OPEN DAY@QFHS

‘family traditions’

During August let's celebrate our families past and present

Come along, bring a friend and join us for a cuppa



Have a chat about how to connect with your family history

No matter where they came from

Check out our resources and special interest groups

See you on Saturday 24 August 2019 from 10.00 to 3.00 pm.

58 Bellevue Avenue, Gaythorne

www.qfhs.org.au



Bus Trip to Toowoomba

Do you have an interest in the Toowoomba Darling Downs region of Queensland? QFHS and GSQ will join together to visit the Toowoomba and Darling Downs Family History Society where you will be able to research and talk with local experts.

After leaving the library we will visit the historical Toowoomba Railway Station for a guided tour by Queensland Rail Historian, Greg Hallam. The tour will include inspection of the Great War Honour Board, Second World War public air raid shelter and the Inbound Restaurant (former Railway Refreshment Rooms). A day for research and social interaction is planned. Morning tea and lunch included.

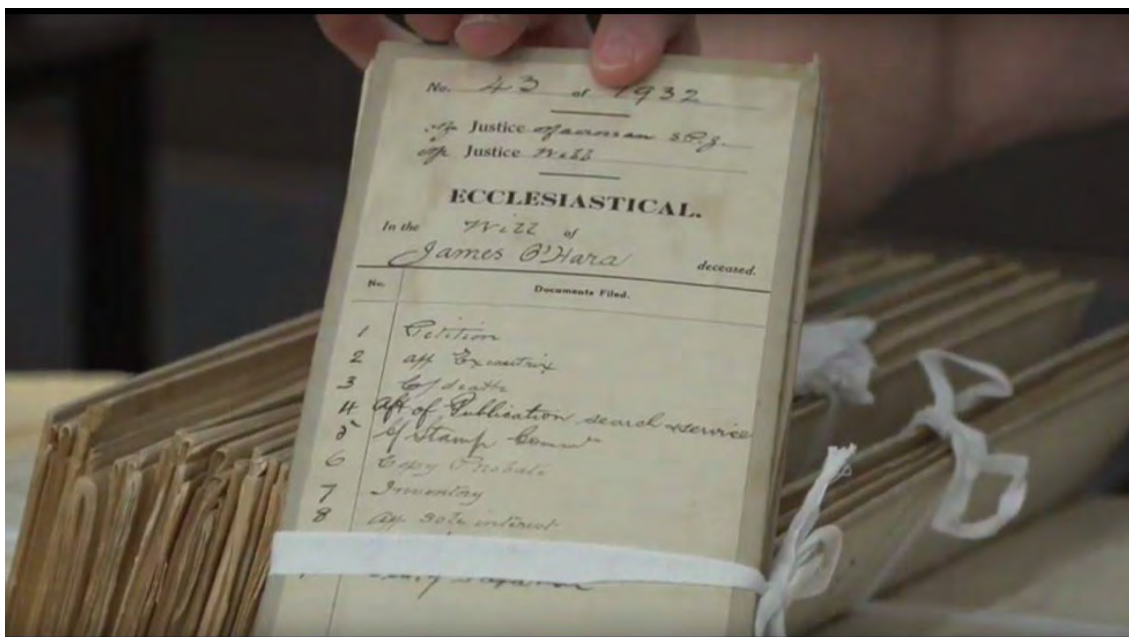
When: Tuesday, 8 October

Leave Gaythorne 8.00am. Pick up Ipswich Road (exact location to be arranged) 8.45am.

Return: Gaythorne approx 4.00pm

Cost: \$50 (Includes morning tea and lunch)

Note: Registrations close 6.00pm 27 September 2019. Numbers are limited so do book early.



QSA holds many records that can support and add colour to your Queensland family history research. This webinar is an introductory guide to uncovering some of these records and will offer hints and research tips.

Click on the image above to view the 35 minute webinar.

Bus trip to Queensland State Archives

Presenter: 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, leaving the QFHS Library and Resource Centre promptly at 9.00 am for the trip to Runcorn. You will need to be at the QFHS Library and Resource Centre by 8.45 am.



We will have some free time at the Archives before the Archivists take us on a behind-the-scenes tour. **Please note:**

- The behind-the-scenes tour will take about one (1) hour. During this time participants will be required to be on their feet and often in confined spaces.
- You will need to take your own lunch and other snacks.
- We will contact participants prior to the event to make arrangements for Readers' Tickets.

After the tour, we will have more time in the Reading Room for your own research. In the afternoon, the bus will leave QSA at approximately 2.45 pm to be back at the QFHS Library and Resource Centre at approximately 3.15 pm.

Closing date:

Bookings for this trip will close on **Friday 11 October 2019**, to enable QSA to make arrangements for staff to guide the tour.

When: Friday 25 October, 2019

Cost: Members \$20.00, non-members \$25.00

Limit: 20

[Register Online](#)

Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars



Research in Cornwall

Presenter: Chris Schuetz

Cornish Jacks and Jennies, anyone?

Cornish research has some particular challenges but also many advantages - once you know where to look. Find out at this session.

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre
When: Friday 9 August 2019
Time: 10am - 1130am
Cost: \$11 members \$15 non-members

Register Online



A DNA themed roadshow to six Australian cities, culminating in a major 3-day conference in Sydney is being held in August 2019.

There are topics at all levels, ranging from beginner to expert. Each city will have an exhibition of product and service suppliers, societies, DNA interest groups and organisations. This is a world class conference and roadshow. Choose from 40 topics in three streams in Sydney over three days. The other five cities offer 10 topics each in two streams over a full day. Check out the website [here](#). Each city has a booking form for your convenience, including provision to book your own city plus Sydney as a value package at \$30 off the price of booking the two cities separately. View the booking details for Brisbane [here](#).

Alan Phillips and the Unlock the Past team

Researching, filing, and organising family history

Presenters:-

Pauline Cass, Janice Cooper, Doug Moss, Dr Keith Treschman

Four experienced family historians will share their expertise of their research methods. They will also explain how they file and store family history information.



QFHS has received many requests for information and help on getting some order into family history research and records: how to research in a methodical manner, how to file information efficiently, and how to store the information so it can be retrieved easily. Join our experts to see how they achieve this.

When: Friday 13 September 2019
Time: 10am - 1130
Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre
Cost: Members \$11 Non-Members \$15
Limit: 25

Register Online



Using digitised maps to enhance research

Presenters: Map Team

This workshop will show you how to find and use Queensland Parish maps and other information on the web, relate Topographic and Cadastral data to research and search for place names. There will be a short question time at the end.

When: Friday 11 Oct 2019

Time: 10am - 12 noon

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre

Cost: Members \$11 Non-Members \$15

Limit: 9

Please book early due to limited numbers

[Register Online](#)

Have you looked at Facebook and YouTube recently? Click on either icon to directly link you to the page.





Is your membership due for renewal?

The majority of QFHS memberships with our Society expire on 30 June annually. QFHS membership is extraordinarily good value for the family history enthusiast. A visit to the library will allow you free access to Ancestry, Findmypast, The Genealogist, British Newspapers and more, together with our extensive CD network, exceptional microfiche collection, and our unique print library. The monthly Snippets and quarterly Queensland Family Historian plus discounted price to all exciting seminars and workshops offered is a great way to keep up to date with the latest in family history research.

To complement home access to subscription website MyHeritage we have recently commenced uploading Online Data for members to access from home. This includes Cemetery Transcripts (pdf format), Presentation handouts from recent education sessions, Presentation notes from Irish Group meetings, and Minutes from Family Tree Maker meetings back to 2017. This is a work in progress and more data will be uploaded in the near future.

To renew, just click on the button below and select one of the on-line payment options, or pay at the Library.

If any of your contact details have changed recently please email membership@qfhs.org.au so we can update our records.

Regards

Leanne Donovan
Membership Secretary

Renew Membership Now

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



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](#).



Toowong and District Historical Society Inc.

A STROLL THROUGH TIME

Sherwood Road Walk

4 August 2019

Join the Toowong and District Historical Society in a walk down Sherwood Road.

It takes us to historic properties past and present, including stately homes 'Endrim', 'Warrawee' and 'Dovercourt'; Nurse Abbot's nursing home; and the property where there was once a blacksmith's forge where the Condamine Bell was made.

The walk departs from the Toowong Senior Citizens' Hall at 9 Maryvale Street and moves along Jephson Street, then up Sherwood Road, down Dean Street and returns along Woodstock Road and Maryvale Street. Join us at the hall afterwards for a cuppa and photo display.

The walk requires moderate fitness and lasts 1½-2 hours. Please bring hat, sun screen, water and walking shoes.

Numbers are limited, so please email tdhsoc@gmail.com or phone or text 0401 190 092 to confirm your place.



THEN

AND

NOW

Sign on at:

9 Maryvale Street Toowong Senior Citizens' Hall

9.00a.m. for a 9.30a.m. departure

Image left: Courtesy Bev Michels, Toowong Senior Citizens Association; Image right: Courtesy Google Street View

Leigh Chamberlain, Secretary,
PO Box 187 Toowong BC,
Tel: 0401 180 092 E: tdhsoc@gmail.com

It's in the DNA

Celebrate Seniors Week!
Join Ann Swain from Queensland Family History Society Inc. as she takes you through the basics of where you come from.



- Find out how DNA testing can extend your family history.
- Learn how to decipher the test results and jargon.
- Discover the three main types of genetic genealogy DNA tests.

Morning or afternoon tea provided by Community Planning and Development.

Funded by the Queensland Government and supported by COTA Queensland.

Check [here](#) for timetable & registration details.

Web Wanderings



United States of America

- British Officers Serving in Early America 1614-1787 - [here](#)
- Pennsylvania Immigrants, 1727-1776 - [here](#)
- Pennsylvania Oath of Allegiance - [here](#)

Britain

- British Army Records & Regimental Histories - [here](#)
- British & Irish Newspaper Update - [here](#)
- Obscure old English census occupations - [here](#)
- British & Irish Roots Collection - [here](#)
- Yorkshire Memorial Inscriptions - [here](#)
- Middlesex Baptisms - [here](#)
- Huddersfield Baptisms 1559-1962 - [here](#)
- Essex Baptism index 1538-1920 - [here](#)
- Essex Marriage & Banns Index 1537-1935 - [here](#)
- Essex Burial Index 1530-1994 - [here](#)
- Derbyshire Births & Baptisms - [here](#)

Scotland

- Highland Poor Law, 1845-1929 - [here](#)
- Highlands and Islands Assisted Immigration, 1852-1857 - [here](#)
- Orkney, 1821 South Ronaldsay & Burray Census - [here](#)

Belgium

- Deaths & Burials 1564-1900 - [here](#)
- Marriages 1563-1890 - [here](#)

Austria

- Births & Baptisms, 1651-1940 - [here](#)
- Marriages, 1722-1898 - [here](#)
- Burials, 1768-1918 - [here](#)

Czech Republic

- Births and Baptisms 1637-1889 - [here](#)
- Marriages 1654-1889 - [here](#)

Finland

- Baptism Index 1657-1890 - [here](#)
- Burials 1725-1909 - [here](#)
- Marriages 1682-1892 - [here](#)

Luxembourg

- Births and Baptisms, 1662-1840 - [here](#)
- Marriage Index, 1700-1810 - [here](#)
- Death and Burial Index, 1702-1798- [here](#)

Historical Newspapers Hot off the Press

- Witness (Edinburgh) - [here](#)
- Forward (Glasgow) - [here](#)
- Clarion (London) - [here](#)
- Calcutta Gazette, 1784-1815 - [here](#)
- Labour Leader (London) - [here](#)

Billion Graves Cemetery Indexes

New additions to Billion Graves Indexes are:-

- United States Billion Graves Cemetery Index - [here](#)
- Canada Billion Graves Cemetery Index - [here](#)
- England Billion Graves Cemetery Index - [here](#)
- Ireland Billion Graves Cemetery Index - [here](#)
- Scotland Billion Graves Cemetery Index - [here](#)
- Wales Billion Graves Cemetery Index - [here](#)
- Australia Billion Graves Cemetery Index - [here](#)
- New Zealand Billion Graves Cemetery Index - [here](#)

The History of Long Haul Travel from Britain & Ireland

Passenger Lists Leaving UK 1890-1960 consists of more than 24 million transcripts and images of original documents held at the National Archives covering long-haul voyages to destinations outside Britain and Europe.

While countries such as Australia, Canada, India, New Zealand, South Africa and USA feature strongly, all continents are covered including passengers on ships sailing to all parts of Asia, the Caribbean, South America, West Africa, and even to remote oceanic destinations such as South Georgia Island. Search for your relatives [here](#).

A Handy Guide to DNA Terms You Need to Understand

What exactly is DNA and which buzzwords do you need to become familiar with when interpreting your results? Learn more [here](#).

Australia

Queensland

- Updated list of photographs Queensland Schools on Flickr QSA - [here](#)

South Australia

- Alphabetical Indexes and Special Lists of South Australian State Government Archival Records - [here](#)

Google Maps for the dead: Sydney's Rookwood Cemetery launched GPS project in Australian first

Sydney's Rookwood Cemetery, known as the oldest, largest and most multicultural working cemetery in Australia, has introduced a system allowing you to Google Map yourself to a grave, or view a headstone and its monumentation in real-time. Read more about it [here](#).



Petty's Down Survey of Ireland 1654

The Down Survey of Ireland, conducted by Sir William Petty (1623-1687) was the first British imperial survey of an entire conquered nation and the first survey of land on a national scale anywhere in the world. Explore the Down Survey Maps and search for landowners in 17th century Ireland [here](#).



DVA Nominal Rolls - World War two, Korean War, Vietnam War, First Gulf War

One of DVA's key roles is acknowledging and commemorating the service and sacrifice of all those who served Australia and its allies in wars, conflicts and peace operations through commemorations, memorials, war graves and research. As one part of this commemoration, DVA has published four nominal rolls. Search [here](#)

A website of websites - what's new in Genealogy & Family History Resources?

Family History and Genealogy Community News, Information, Current Issues, and Events, Conferences, transactions, personal activities, research, publications, social interactions; such as Facebook, and contacts with supporting institutions and public leaders. Click [here](#) to view and select from the hundreds of links listed from all over the world.

Ireland

- Country Leitrim WW1 List of the Dead - search [here](#)
- County Wexford, Roman Catholic Parish of Canolin:-

790 births 1853-1885 - [here](#)

283 marriages 1853-1930 - [here](#)

325 deaths 1858-1920 - [here](#)

Please note: to access and use the full facilities of this website a subscription is necessary.

General items of interest



Australian South Sea Islander celebrating 25 years of recognition

View a selection of the Queensland State Library collections including photo albums, publications, books and other documentation association with the Australian South Sea Islander collection. For more information go [here](#).

The Genes Blog (Genealogy News & EventS)

Top stories and features from genealogist, author and tutor, Chris Paton especially one that will be of great interest for those purchasing UK and Wales wills post 1858.

UK (England and Wales) historic wills now cost 1.50 UKP to download instead of 10 UKP.

Read all about this great offer or join the mailing list for this informative newsletter - [here](#).



Webinar - Exploring our ancestors' occupations

Not a Seminar but a *Webinar*. The difference being that you can take part from the comfort of your own home. Invite a friend for a cuppa and enjoy an interesting talk together.

Presenter: Pauline Williams

Pauline Williams has been researching her family history for over 25 years. While her research has primarily been in England, she has links on her maternal line to Wales, America, and Norway. Pauline has been a member of GSQ since 1987, filling a variety of roles including secretary, editor of the quarterly journal **Generation**, convener of the GSQ Writing Group, and a GSQ library assistant. She was joint editor of *Queenslanders: Pioneer families 1859-1901*, published by GSQ in 2009 and has authored many articles. She has recently written a family history for her paternal line and is currently revising and updating the family history she wrote on her maternal line. She has developed and presented courses at GSQ and elsewhere on a wide variety of topics. Pauline holds a Bachelor of Arts, Master of Public Administration and Graduate Certificate in Arts (Writing, Editing and Publishing) from The University of Queensland.

This webinar is being offered by Genealogical Society of Queensland and QFHS members are invited to register at member price.
Register online [here](#).



At the recent Power of the Past conference, Bob McAllister had attendees fascinated by the stories about *Miegunyah*, an historic home in Bowen Hills. A number of you indicated that you would like to know more about the house and hear the rest of the history. So Bob has agreed to present it at *Wednesday night @ GSQ* on **August 28 from 7-8.30pm**. Mark the date in your diaries.

These guest speaker presentations are usually held for GSQ members only but this session and the one above will be open to non-members. A gold coin contribution is appreciated.



The Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages' has a new-look family history bulletin and felt now was the right time to relaunch this and tell the stories of everyday Queenslanders from years gone by.

To receive these bulletins via your email go [here](#) to register your details.



Genealogy quotes to ponder over

Genealogists diet: Fische and ships topped with tantalizing sources!

Genealogists do it for the memories!

Genealogy is contagious - seldom fatal!

Genealogy is great when you score!

Genealogy: a haystack full of needles. It's the threads I need.

Genealogy: chasing your own tale!

He ain't heavy - he's my brother's aunt's sisters' husband!

Just when you think you're found them all, up pops another!

Someday you'll be an ancestor too!

Book Review

Overview of the QFHS Library Book "Brush, Camera and Memories" H6 FEA 1

An autobiography by Don Featherstone

Although this book is currently in our print library, hopefully it will be part of the Lending Library shortly.

At the age of 9 years, Don came to Queensland from Darlington in Durham with his family which included 5 brothers. Why I enjoyed this book so much, is that the family settled in Toowoomba in 1912 and therefore grew up in this town during the same period as my father and his 3 brothers. It gives a wonderful insight as to what kids got up to, then young men, and how Toowoomba and surrounding areas survived during the wars.

His father worked in the railways, and was also a British Ambulance Brigade member. Don also became involved with first aid services here, and this runs through the book as well as his obsession with the earliest Kodak cine cameras and the making of movies and his painting.

There is also a daily diary of the voyage to Australia by his father, in the "SS Themistocles" departing November 1911.

The book is a wonderful social history for the first half of the nineteenth century through the eyes of a man who involved himself with so many interests. He talks of the Toowoomba Foundry, the early cars (he was a coach and then car painter), early picture shows, a trip from Mackay to Cairns and Atherton Tableland before bitumen roads, the early first aid and ambulance services before and during the war in Queensland and Northern Territory, and the Bull's Head Inn at Drayton and the Misses Lynch. He also worked at Willowburn Hospital for 8 years - later called the Baillie Henderson Hospital.

He has won a number of major awards for amateur movies, and many are now part of major Archive collections around Australia.

Overall, a very interesting and entertaining book.

Reviewed by Lyn Hooper M4620

Acknowledgements

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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.

Wendy Couper

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