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Since our very successful Open Day in August, we are pleased to announce that our membership has grown considerably. To those new members - a big welcome and please take the opportunity to enrol in the many courses we offer - especially the "New Members Welcome and Orientation" with the next one being held on Saturday 19 October. Please book early to learn about the many resources on offer in our collection.

Have you booked on one of the bus trips on offer? There are only a couple of seats left on the Toowoomba trip in early October so be quick with that one. We are going to the State Archives at Runcorn at the end of October and a new one on offer is to the National Archives at Cannon Hill in early November, so book soon to secure your seat.

### Calendar

- 04 October Family Tree Maker User Group
- 05 October DNA Interest Group
- 07 October Queen's Birthday Library closed
- 07 October Management Committee Meeting
- <u>08 October Bus Trip to Toowoomba</u>
- 11 October Fridays@QFHS Using digitised maps to enhance research
- 12 October Irish Interest Group
- 12 October QFHS 40th Anniversary Celebration
- 13 October Colonial India and the Far East Interest Group
- 16 October Members' Meeting Guest Speaker: Alan Bourne
- 18 October Trout Game
- 19 October New Members' Welcome and Orientation
- 19 October The Master Genealogist User Group
- 25 October Fridays@QFHS Bus trip to Queensland State Archives, Cannon Hill
- 26 October Family Tree Maker User Group

# Happenings



# QFHS 40th Anniversary Celebration.



When: Thursday 12 Oct from 1:00 pm to 3pm

**Notes:** On 6 June 1979, the Queensland Family History Society was launched by a group of family history researchers who met at Holy Trinity Church Hall, Woolloongabba. Come along and celebrate this significant milestone with fellow members.

Join in the celebrations at QFHS Library and Resource Centre, Gaythorne.

# All Welcome



# **Members' Meeting for October**

Date: Wednesday 16 October

Time: 7:30pm to 9:30pm

**Guest Speaker: Alan Bourne** 

### **Topic: Victoria Barracks and Army Museum South Queensland**

Alan Bourne, will speak about the history of Brisbane's Victoria Barracks, now the Army Museum South Queensland.

QFHS Pre-Separation Certificates will be presented to those who have authenticated their descent from one or more ancestors prior to 1859.



# **Bus trip to Toowoomba**

Presenter/s: TDDFHS and Greg Hallam

#### Do you have an interest in the Toowoomba Darling Downs region of Queensland?

QFHS and GSQ will join for the day 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 or just come along for a lovely day out. Morning tea and lunch included.

When: Tuesday, 8 October

Leave: QFHS Library and Resource Centre at 8.00am (arrive prior for boarding)

There will be a pick up Ipswich Road (location to be arranged) at around 8.45am.

Return: Gaythorne approx 4.00pm

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

Note: Registrations close at 6pm Friday 27 September 2019

# Only 2 seats available at the time of sending Snippets

**Register Online** 



# **Bus Trip to State Archives**

**Presenters: QSA Staff** 

We will travel by bus leaving the QFHS Library and Resource Centre promptly at 9.00 am for the trip to Runcorn. You will need to be at the 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.

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.

#### Cost of bus fare:

Members \$20.00, non-members \$25.00

#### 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.

When: Friday 25 October, 2019

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

Limit: 20

### **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.

**Register Online** 



# **Bus trip to National Archives of Australia - Cannon Hill**

**Presenters: NAA Staff** 

Join us for a tour of the National Archives of Australia located at Cannon Hill.

We will travel by bus from the QFHS Library and Resource Centre, Gaythorne, leaving promptly at 9.00 am for the trip to Cannon Hill. You will need to be at the Centre by 8.45 am.

When: Tuesday 12 November 2019

Cost: Members \$20.00 Non-members \$25.00

Limit: 20

For more details check here.

Ticket sales close at 5.00 pm on Monday, 11 November, 2019.

Register Online

# Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars

DNA testing and genealogy: the basics

Presenter: Ann Swain

Are you interested in DNA testing to extend your family history or are you confused by test results?

This session will cover the basic biology and jargon so you can understand what the three main types of genetic genealogy DNA tests can give you. It will also cover the interpretation of the test results.

When: Friday 8 November 2019

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre

Time: 10am to 11:30am

Limit: 25



# Using Digitised Maps to enchance research

When: Friday 11 October 2019

**Tickets sold out** 

# **New Members Welcome and Orientation**

Are you a new member?

Is it a while since you have been to the Library and Resource Centre?



QFHS conducts monthly welcome and orientation sessions for Society members. We invite you to attend a New Members' Welcome and Orientation session when you join the Society or at any time you would like a refresher.

Sessions are designed to assist you to understand the extensive facilities and resources available. We encourage you to attend a session so you can appreciate the scope of our holdings and how they may assist in your research.

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.

The next session will be held on **Saturday 19 October from 9:30am to 12:30pm.** For bookings or queries email <a href="here">here</a>.

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





# Members' Noticeboard



Allow yourself the privilege of having a fun day in family history and play the Trout Game. The game simulates researching into an imaginary English Trout family using eleven types of records.

Use the game to assess your skills using basic research techniques to see if you can get back to the 1500s. You may discover why you have brick walls in your research.

Where: Meeting Room, QFHS Library and Resource Centre

**When:** 18 October 2019 **Time:** 10am - 4pm

Cost: \$5 - includes morning & afternoon tea. BYO lunch

Bookings or enquiries: email - Trout Game

Phone: 3352 5537

Numbers are limited and early bookings are essential.

Game Master: Ann Swain



#### **QFHS Buddy Program**

Are you a new 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.

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 Co-ordinator here.

# Web Wanderings

Subscription site or free at the library for QFHS Members



### **England**

- Berkshire Marriage Index here
- Cumberland Baptisms here
- Cumberland Marriages <u>here</u>
- Cumberland Burials here
- Derbyshire Deaths and Burials <u>here</u>
- Yorkshire School Logs here
- Lancashire Wills and Probates, 1457 to 1858 here

#### **Scotland**

- Roman Catholic Parish Baptisms here
- Roman Catholic Parish Marriages here
- Roman Catholic Parish Burials here
- Roman Catholic Parish Congregational Records here
- Newspaper Birth Notices here
- Newspaper Death Reports and Obituaries here
- Newspaper Marriage and Anniversary Notices <u>here</u>

#### Ireland

Irish Boundary Commission Records, 1924 to 1925 - here

#### **Netherlands**

- Births and Baptisms, 1564 to 1810 here
- Deaths and Burials, 1668 to 1945 here
- Marriages, 1565 to 1892 here

#### **Portugal**

- Baptism Index, 1570 to 1910 here
- Marriage Index, 1670 to 1910 here
- Death Index, 1640 to 1910 here

#### Ceylon

 Explore British and Irish records from Ceylon and Colombo Kanatte Cemetery War Dead from WW1 - here

#### India

To search British held records for India browse the A-Z record sets - here

#### Russia

- Britain, Russian Orthodox Church in London browse here
- Russia Births and Baptisms, 1755 to 1917 here
- Russia Deaths and Burials, 1815 to 1917 here

- Russia Marriages, 1793 to 1919 here
- Russians to America here

#### Ukraine

• Ukraine Births and Baptisms, 1784 to 1879 - here



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#### **Australia**

Cowra Military Camp, Selected Personnel Photo Index, 1940 to 1947 - here

#### **New Zealand**

• World War II Appointments, Promotions, Transfers and Registrations, 1939 to 1945 - here

#### Wales

• Pembroke, Electoral Registers, 1740 to 1978 - here

### **England**

- Bristol, Church of England Baptisms, 1813 to 1913 here
- Bristol, Church of England Marriages and Banns, 1754 to 1935 here
- Bristol, Church of England Burials, 1813 to 1994 here

# General items of interest

### History, Ancestry, and Immigration Talks at the Queensland Maritime Museum

These talks, will feature very renowned speakers and experts in maritime history, immigration, and ancestry.

Tricia Ravalo - Marketing and Events specialist for the Queensland Maritime Museum





Presents: The Siren Series &



# Talks on Maritime History and Ancestry

From 17 September to 8 November

Tuesday 17th September Queensland State Archives Saadia Thompson-Dwyer (Free admission) 'Voyages to Queensland'

Saturday 21st September Russell Toomey Immigration 'They Came by Sea'

Sunday October 6th Peter Scott '100 Years After Amundsen'

Tuesday 8th October Queensland State Library (Free admission) 'How to Find Your Past'

> Thursday 15th October Queensland Heraldry Society 'Do You Have Royal Blood?'

Saturday 19th October Jane Smith Book Launch: 'Ship of Death'

Thursday 24th October Ancestry.com 'Immigration'

Friday 8th November Queensland State Library 'Immigration'

For more information: visit https://maritimemuseum.com.au/





An interesting article describing an ancestor's inventory

Sent in by Chris Schuetz

This blog post looks at an ancestor's inventory and gives an explanation for each one of the items.

It explains most of the ordinary items used on a farm household – not just in Eastern USA during the early 1700s, but also for many of our ancestors whether in Europe or Australia up until

mechanisation around the mid 1800s.

Look for the illustration "Shearing the Rams" which should be familiar. Read the blog here.

#### The Kiwi who saved Britain

#### The story of Sir Keith Park



In this article, explore the story of Sir Keith Park, the New Zealander who is only just beginning to be recognised for his skill in combat. He's widely thought to have changed the course of World War II by winning the Battle of Britain, forcing the Germans to revise their plans for a land invasion. (Courtesy of Ancestry)

**Learn More** 



#### The Toothsayer's Tale

This article appeared in the *Dorset Country Chronicle*, dated 5 May 1825.

"Lately married at Chedzoy, Mr. John Brewer, aged 83 and Mrs. Mary Godfrey, aged 53. How the Wedding Feast went on, this desponent saith, not for the Bride, Bridegroom, Bridesmaid and the Bride's Father, were unable to muster one solitary tooth between them!"

### **Book Review**



#### UNDER THE LINO

#### Written by Caylie Jeffery

Lending Library No. LL H3 1 40.

This new book has reached the Lending Library thanks to a member donation.

It has received rave reviews, and Caylie has been promoting her book extensively even to visiting and talking to us at our August monthly meeting.

Although not for family researching, it is excellent as a study of Brisbane's social history, and the lives of ordinary people in times of social upheaval.

It touches on the Commonwealth Bank staff, the railways and personal relationships within the family.

Although not a book for everyone, (I personally did not enjoy the Facebook side of conversations – a generational thing, I would say) it is nevertheless a book not to pass up.

Reviewed by Lyn Hooper.

Member M4620.

If you have read a book in our Lending Library, why not write what you thought of it and let other members know. We are not professional writers, however we all have an opinion and we would welcome yours.

# 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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