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Merry Christmas

When you receive this newsletter the Festive season is only weeks away - 2019 has just galloped away and we're ready to start filling out our diaries for 2020. Check out under the Education section below for the first courses programmed for the New Year.

Do you have any friends or relatives who've expressed an interest in Family History? Why not give them a nudge to join QFHS by forwarding this Snippets to them so as to give them some idea of what we offer our members.

If you're the one who has received this email and been inspired to start your Family History journey check out our website at qfhs.org.au.

The Committee wish all our members and families a safe and happy Christmas.



from: President & Committee Members of QFHS

Calendar

- 02 Dec - Management Committee Meeting
- 06 Dec - Family Tree Maker User Group
- 07 Dec - DNA Interest Group
- 08 Dec - Colonial India and the Far East Interest Group

Library closes at 4pm for the Festive Season and reopens on the 7th January 2020.



Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars for 2020

Australian Treasures: the National Archives of Australia and Trove

Presenter/s: Cara Downes and Sue Reid

Discover the National Archives - Cara Downes - Join Cara Downes as she provides an overview of the National Archives' collection in Queensland and shows you how the records can assist you with your family history research. Cara will showcase the immigration and defence collections and also demonstrate using the online database RecordSearch and other online resources of the National Archives.

Trove Digitised Newspapers - Sue Reid - As the name suggests, our digitised newspapers, available through the National Library of Australia, are a treasure trove of information. You can find birth, death and marriage notices, articles about your family, gossip, advertisements, and much, much more.

Trove: but wait, there's more - Sue Reid - We can make use of Trove newspapers and the other features on the Trove website to learn more about our families. Learn some search tips for Trove newspapers and learn about some of the other aspects of Trove.

When: 1 February 2020

Time: 9.00am - 12.30pm

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

Cost: \$25.00 Members (QFHS and GSQ) and \$40 non-members (includes morning tea)

[Register Online](#)

Finding your family: a beginners course in research

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 2nd Edition (rrp \$25).
- For non-members, complimentary use of the QFHS Library and Resource Centre for the term of the course.

Presenters: QFHS Tutors

When: Commences Monday 10 February 2020 weekly

Time: 7.30pm - 9.00pm

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

Cost: \$55.00 for members and 80.00 non-members (see inclusions)

[Register Online](#)

Researching your Italian Ancestors

Presenter: Charlotte Sale

This session will show you how to start your Italian family research.

You will learn to manage the challenge of reading documents in Italian or Latin.



In addition, you will discover how to find records of your family in Italy including those for births, deaths, and marriages. We will also discuss how to navigate Italy's complicated history to find the right archive.

When: Friday, 14 February 2020

Time: 10.00am - 11.30am

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre

Limit: 25

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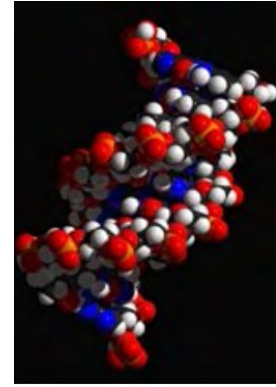
Which DNA test is right for you?

Presenter: Chris Schuetz

How can DNA help you find your 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.



This session is the first of two. In the second session in June, we will look at the results received.

When: Friday 13 March 2020

Time: 10.00am to 11.30am

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre

Limit: 15

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Members' Noticeboard

QFHS Calendar
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How To access 2020 Calendar

Are you curious or eager to find out the events on offer next year?

To see a full list, click on the month (as highlighted on the left) and then scroll through each month's lists of events.

More details are available by clicking on the interested item.

Accessing the Online Data page of QFHS website

Following the discussion at the Management Committee meeting, the 'Online Data' page has been modified for clarity and to reflect the fact that some SIGS now have resources (as opposed to data) available on their group pages.

Currently provided are some cemetery transcripts, information relating to presentations to the Society and other resources. Go [here](#) to see more.



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](#).

Have you looked at Facebook and YouTube recently?

Click on either icon to directly link you to that page.





Web Wanderings

Ireland



PRONI has added a video to its YouTube channel entitled **History of Belfast City Cemetery**. Here's the blurb:

Author, Tom Hartley, talks about the history of Belfast City Cemetery which opened on the 1 August 1869 as a cross denominational burial ground for the people of Belfast.

View the video [here](#)

- *Irish Newspaper Archives* - [here](#)



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Subscription site or free at the library

England

- Norfolk Baptisms - [here](#)
- Norfolk Parish Banns and Marriages - [here](#)
- Norfolk Parish Burials - [here](#)

- 1801 Lancashire, Liverpool Census - [here](#)
- Cornwall Burials - [here](#)
- Kent Burials - [here](#)
- British Armed Forces, First World War Soldiers' Medical Records - [here](#)
- Northumberland and Durham Baptisms - [here](#)
- Northumberland and Durham Marriages - [here](#)
- Northumberland and Durham Burials - [here](#)
- Greater London Burials - additional records - [here](#)
- British and Irish newspapers, latest update - [here](#)

The 6 best free websites for London family history

- Old Bailey Online - [here](#)
- Old and New London - [here](#)
- Collage: The London Picture Archive - [here](#)
- London's Screen Archives - [here](#)
- London Lives - [here](#)
- London's Pulse - [here](#)

Scotland

Orkney

- Witchcraft Trials and Source Books and Archives - [here](#)
- Forfarshire (Angus), Dundee Trade & Postal Directories 1783-1842 - [here](#)

New Zealand

- Women's Suffrage Petition - [here](#)

United States of America

- Official Army Register, 1861 to 1865 - [here](#)
- Massachusetts: Index of Casualties, World War II - [here](#)



- Oxfordshire Parish Registers 1538-1904 - [here](#)
- Yorkshire Marriage Bonds and Allegations 1613-1887 - [here](#)

Celebrate 125 years of FamilySearch with these top tips - click [here](#)



General items of interest



Was your Ancestor a Domestic Servant?

Except for agricultural labourer, domestic servant was the most common occupation recorded in the 1851 census.

Go to the website [here](#) to read more.



The World of Library Cards

The National Library is not a public library, so our Library card system may not be what you would expect. To read about the National Library's unique library borrowing cards click [here](#).



The Land of Dreams.....Over the Seas to Queensland

As a nation of immigrants, the interest in where we all came from is everywhere. The Queensland Maritime Museum is holding an exhibition on immigration to Queensland from the Langites (reference to John Dunmore Lang) in 1839 to the post war settlers leaving a war-ravaged Europe, all arrived by ship.

The Exhibition is open until 10 February 2020.

For more information go [here](#).

The President and Members of
The Royal Historical Society of Queensland

invite you and your friends to attend

2019 *Separation Day Celebrations*

on the occasion of the separation of Queensland from
New South Wales on the 10th December in 1859

To be held in the convict-built

Commissariat Store

115 William St, Brisbane City

on

Tuesday

10 December

6pm to 8pm

in the presence of
patron of The Royal Historical Society of Queensland,
**His Excellency the Honourable Paul de Jersey AC,
Governor of Queensland**

Special Guest Speaker

Ralph Devlin AM QC

Tickets: **\$45** (RHSQ members); **\$50** (Non-members)

Dress: **Smart Casual**

TICKETS INCLUDE DRINKS AND LIGHT REFRESHMENTS.

**PLEASE ADVISE US IF YOU HAVE ANY DIETARY REQUIREMENTS AT THE TIME OF
YOUR BOOKING.**

PLEASE RSVP BY 5 DECEMBER



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Twisted Twigs on Gnarled Branches

On the twelfth day of Christmas,
My true love gave to me,
Eleven naturalization records,
Ten DNA matches,
Nine Death records,
Eight Family Search microfilms,
Seven land deeds,
Six birth certs,
Five probate records
Four gabby cousins,
Three GEDCOM files,
Two family bibles,
And a branch in my Family Tree.

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.

Wendy Couper

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