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## Special Snippets No 8

Have you been taking advantage of the subscription sites made available to all QFHS members during the lockdown? We have not yet been advised when these companies will remove the access so do make the most of their availability. We may get short notice of their withdrawal now that we are moving toward the next stage of getting us all back to normal.

In the next couple of weeks, and ongoing, we will be releasing more QFHS data for you to access online together with a new search feature to make searching easier. These uploads are possible due to the long hours volunteers have put in preparing the data for online suitability. Not an easy job and skills are needed to make this possible.

Perhaps you have skills that you would like to offer, and time to get involved in a very satisfying pastime <u>volunteering</u> to assist others find those long lost family members and making new friends at the same time.

The Zoom sessions have been embraced by all and this month we will hold another Members' Meeting using this same video conferencing software. Special Interest Groups have also had success keeping in touch with members while the library is closed.



#### Does your membership expire on 30 June?

If so, do arrange your renewal before that date. There is so much work ongoing by volunteers to provide more online data for members use you'll not want to miss it.

Memberships not renewed by 1 July will lose their online benefit.

**Renew Membership now** 

If you are unsure of your expiry date do email <u>Membership Secretary</u> for confirmation of due date.

#### Calendar

- 17 June 2020 Members' Meeting this meeting will be offered online
- 19 June 2020 Queensland Globe get hands on with Queensland Sold out.
- 20 June 2020 New Members' Welcome and Orientation This meeting will be re-scheduled when the library re-opens
- 20 June 2020 TMG this meeting will be offered online
- 26 June 2020 Queensland School Records what can I learn?

  This meeting will be delivered online
- 03 July 2020 Google maps for family history this session will be delivered online
- 04 July 2020 Family Tree Maker User Group this meeting will be offered online.



Our latest upload is data that does not require you to Login. It is an amazing record of early Queensland history and there for all to access. There were three major women's suffrage petitions presented to Parliament in Queensland. Do read the **About this dataset** above the search box even if you have no record of an early family member taking part in the movement to expand your knowledge. Perhaps show it to your children or grandchildren.

Queensland Women's Suffrage Petitions - 1894 and 1897

## Coming in July

## Queensland Intestacies, Insolvencies and Wills 1859-1900

This dataset indexes all the notices in the *Queensland Government Gazette* relating to intestacies, insolvencies and wills and, where found, other associated notices. Several *Lunacy* notices have also been

included as these were handled by the same office as Intestacies and Insolvencies. In general, the notices provide the name of the deceased or insolvent person, residence (or late residence), and occupation. Executors, administrators, and trustees are also often listed as well as their occupation, residence and their relationship to others mentioned in the notice. For insolvencies, the notices also provide the name of the person bringing the Insolvency Petition and, after due processes, the dividends declared.

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## Global Keyword Search

Our amazing QFHS TAG leader, John Perryn, is in the final stages of developing a Global Keyword Search feature. By using GKS you will receive a list of where the person you are searching can be found in ALL QFHS available datasets. As time goes on and we release more datasets they too will be included in the results using GKS. One search will find all possibilities including some that may have eluded you.

If I many quote one of our beta testers when he received a copy of Global Keyword Search to test "Had to respond immediately with WOW! for the global keyword feature. John has outdone himself".

## Coming in August

#### Commonwealth Electoral Rolls (Queensland) 1903 - 1969

This index provides details for over 5 million electors in Queensland registered to vote on the 1903, 1906, 1913, 1922, 1934, 1941, 1949, 1959 and 1969

Commonwealth Electoral Rolls. The database lists all the information recorded in the main rolls (and the supplementary rolls, where available)—National Archives of Australia: BP94/2 (Commonwealth Electoral Rolls for Queensland).

## How good is that!

## Happenings

The Society's Annual General Meeting in June 2020 was postponed due to Covid–19 restrictions. It is proposed that the AGM will now be held on Wednesday, 21 October 2020, at 7.30pm at the QFHS library and Resource Centre, 58 Bellevue Avenue, Gaythorne. Information about nomination and proxy voting processes will be provided in a future edition of Snippets.



## Members' Meeting

The Members' Meeting in June will again be conducted online using Zoom. Feedback from members who attended the May meeting has been very positive. Do give it a try. Guests are welcome to register.

When: 17 June 2020 from 7.30pm

If you would like to 'attend' you will need to register. These meetings are free of charge but registration is required to enable us to send attendees a link to connect to the Zoom meeting. A wonderful opportunity for those unable to attend meetings at the library due to distance or mobility.

A short meeting for Chris Gibbs, QFHS President, to update you on what's happening in the Society, followed by a presentation by QFHS member, Chris Schuetz.

Movers and shakers, or what moved my ancestors.

Chris will speak on patterns of migration within Australia and beyond with examples from his mining and farming forebears. The general principles are taken from detailed academic studies over 150 years. You can log in from 7:00 pm.



### Our Future

Have you received the fifth Communique about possible amalgamation of QFHS and GSQ? Copies are available here [please link to <a href="https://www.qfhs.org.au/ourfuture">https://www.qfhs.org.au/ourfuture</a> or <a href="https://www.gsq.org.au/gsq-qfhs-amalgamation-discussion-papers/">https://www.gsq.org.au/gsq-qfhs-amalgamation-discussion-papers/</a> ] along with details of how to have your say.

The Communique outlines the ongoing activities of the Amalgamation

Sub-Committee and provides more information about the ongoing process of deciding whether to amalgamate.

Future communiques will continue providing regular updates on the discussions and investigations.

## Are you catching up on Electronic Journals?

The following journals were received week ending 29 May

- Aberdeen NE Scotland No 155 2020 05 (PDF)
- Argyle Bulletin No 84 2020 05 (PDF)
- BCGS Cariboo Notes Vol 37 2 2020 (PDF)
- First Fleet Founders 51 3 2020 006 (PDF)
- Genie Allergy 98 2020 06 (PDF)
- GenSoc Ireland Journal Vol 21 2020 (PDF)
- GenSoc Victoria Ancestor Vol 35 2 2020 06 (PDF)
- Huguenot Times 35 2020 05 (PDF)
- Nottinghamshire FHS Journal Vol 16 06 2020 04 (PDF)
- Isle of Wight Journal No137 2020 05 (PDF)
- Northumberland Durham FHS Vol 45 1 2020 (PDF)
- Narre Warren FHG Issue 124 2020 05 (PDF)
- NZ Family Tree 2020 04 (PDF)
- Patrick Plains Gazette Vol 37 1 2020 04 (PDF)
- Peninsula Past Times 158 2020 05 (PDF)
- RHSQ Bulletin 852 2020 06 (PDF)
- Wyong FHS Tree Of Life Vol 37 2 2020 05 (PDF)

These journals hold a wealth of information if you are researching that particular part of the world. Learn the social history as well as possible contacts. Even if you are not, the stories are always interesting. Login required.

## Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars



Queensland School Records: What can I learn?

Online session

Presenter: Rosemary Kopittke

Our schools produced many records. Usually we think of the admission registers and are happy to locate our family in these but do we know what more we can learn by checking out the original record? We need to realise too

that many other records also exist: corporal punishment registers, school inspectors' reports, lists of promotions for teachers, and much more.

When: 26 June 2020 from 10.00am to 11.30am Cost: \$11 QFHS and GSQ members and \$15 all others

**Register online now** 

## Google Maps for family history

#### Online session

Presenter: Susie der Kinderen



Google Maps is a web mapping service, which provides detailed information including satellite imagery, aerial photography, street maps, and 3600 interactive panoramic views of streets. More information can be found here

When: 3 July 2020 from 10.00am to 11.30am Cost: \$11 QFHS and GSQ Members \$15 all others

Register online now



# The Genealogical Proof Standard: are your family history conclusions acceptable?

Online session

Presenter: Charlotte Sale

As family historians we need to ensure that the information and stories we gather, and the conclusions that we draw are valid. Otherwise, our precious research is likely to be more fiction than fact.

This session will show you how the *Genealogical Proof Standard* (GPS)

can make your family history both trustworthy and longstanding.

When: 10 July 2020 from 10.00 to 11.30am

Cost: \$11 OFHS and GSO members and \$15 all others

Note: only a few places left - be quick!

**Buy Now** 



## Finding your family: a beginners course in research

Presenter/s: QFHS Tutors

#### This course will be presented online

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 8 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 and online access to Members' area on the website.

When: Commences 13 July 2020 10.30am to 12.00 noon Cost: \$55.00 QFHS and GSQ members and \$80 all others

Note: Limited places available – book early to avoid disappointment

**Register online now** 

# Using GENUKI to aid family history research in the United Kingdom and Ireland

Presenter: Dr Geoff Morgan

#### Online session



This presentation will provide you with an understanding of how this complex web-portal is structured, so that it can be used effectively during your research for ancestors who lived in the UK and Ireland. More information can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>

When: 24 July 2020 from 10.00am to 11.30am Cost: \$11 QFHS and GSQ members \$15 all others

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# The Huguenots: the almost forgotten people

Presenter: Robert Nash

The Huguenots were the Protestants of France. In the sixteenth, seventeenth, and eighteenth centuries, they suffered severe persecution in their homeland because they did not follow the Catholic faith. More information can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>

When: 25 July 2020 from 2.00pm to 3.30pm Cost: \$11 QFHS and GSQ members and \$15 all others

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Australian newspapers and substitutes after the 1850s: "What can we do when Trove runs out?"

Online session

Presenter: Sue Reid



When the wonderful Trove Digitised Newspapers project began more than a decade ago, the only newspapers available via Trove were those published up to 1954. This was for copyright reasons.

We have come to rely on Trove Digitised newspapers to enrich our research, but what can we do 'when Trove runs out?'

When: 14 August 2020 from 10.00am to 11.30am Cost: \$11 QFHS and GSQ members and \$15 all others

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## Loving Aussie Libraries

Online session

Presenter: Susie der Kinderen

We all love libraries and may often forget that there is much much more than searching the catalogue and the indexes.

During this webinar we will take a look at a number of Australian libraries and I will show you some very useful and fun things that you may not have been aware of.

When: 9 October 2020 from 10.00 to 11.30am
Cost: \$11 QFHS and GSQ members and \$15 all others

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## Members' Noticeboard

### Ask QFHS

Have you sent in a quick family history or genealogy question to test our panel of experienced experts?

For example, you could ask for help with

- Finding out how to use a particular website or resource
- Understanding an unfamiliar term or phrase in a record
- Get recommendations for where to find records
- and more...

## Web Wanderings



#### Scotland Roman Catholic Parish Records

Only online at Findmypast, explore additional Catholic baptisms, marriages, burials and congregational records from 18 parishes across Scotland.

Scotland, Linlithgowshire (West Lothian), Electoral Registers 1864-1931

Over a million new records have been added to this vast British Library resource, perfect for tracing your Scottish clan.

#### Scotland Billion Graves Cemetery Index

Pinpoint your relative's grave in Scotland with these GPS-tagged records. We've added over 59,000 more.

#### Discover your family in the Catholic Heritage Archive

he Roman Catholic Church has some of the oldest and best-preserved family records. But for centuries, they've been locked away. Until now. Groundbreaking digitization project, the Catholic Heritage Archive is bringing millions of church records online for the first time.



## Connect While Social Distancing: Join the FamilySearch Live Community

Every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, FamilySearch is hosting live interviews and updates on social media. Join us live on Instagram and Facebook to hear the latest in genealogy and to watch some of our most popular recordings.

## **MyHeritage** Blog

MyHeritage Adds Exclusive New Record Collection: Germany, North Rhine Westphalia, Death Index 1874-1938

This unique new collection to MyHeritage comprises 2,450,551 records and includes beautiful scanned images of the original civil registration records with many rich details. MyHeritage is the first to fully index these images — making their information more accessible and readily searchable than ever before. This collection serves as a vital resource for anyone seeking to learn more about their German roots.

## Comprehensive One-Stop Shopping Experience for all Family Historians.

The Family History Federation UK formally launched Parish Chest at its AGM on 31 May 2020. Aimed at family historians at all levels the FHF believes this new comprehensive online shopping facility presents a wealth of information in one place. It is a companion website to Family History Books Online. Further information can be found here

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