



Special Snippets No 10

During the closure the QFHS Library and Resource Centre has been renovated and will be opening for research very soon. Do check for an email early next week to advise the legal requirements and what is required for us to re-open.

The ZOOM sessions have proved very popular and allowed us to connect with members who are unable to visit the library because of distance or disability. Your feedback has suggested that ZOOM is very much appreciated and should form part of our ongoing offering to members. Sessions using ZOOM have been planned until the end of the year. Do check the calendar.

For those unable to attend education sessions on Fridays there are now a number of sessions planned for weekends and one on a Tuesday evening. If you have thoughts on when it best suits to hold these events we would love to hear from you.

National Family History Month Australasia is proceeding despite the lockdown in some states so do check out what is available online and book early.

### Calendar

20 July - Finding your family: a beginners course in research (week 2)

23 July - English West Country Group

25 July - <u>Central European Group</u>

26 July - Weekends&QFHS - Queensland Globe: get hands-on with

### Queensland geography

- 27 July Finding your family: a beginners course in research (week 3)
- 01 Aug AFFHO National Family History Month commences
- 01 Aug **DNA Interest Group**
- 02 Aug <u>Weekends@QFHS Burial in Queensland: both an end and a means</u>
- 03 Aug Finding your family: a beginners course in research (week 4)
- 03 Aug Management Committee Meeting
- 07 Aug Family Tree Maker User Group
- 08 Aug Irish Interest Group
- 09 Aug Colonial India and the Far East Group
- 10 Aug Finding your family: a beginners course in research (week 5)
- 11 Aug Breaking down walls with DNA

# Happenings



Have you attended a SIG meeting, members' meeting, or education session online via ZOOM? These sessions are proving very popular with both members and non-members and certainly an excellent way for those members unable to attend the library due to distance or disability to attend.

### The Do's and Don'ts of ZOOM sessions

- DO register for your preferred event early. You need to receive the emailed link in order to attend – feedback tells us some systems take longer than others to deliver our emails to you. For free events allow at least 24 hours prior to the start. Snippets has the link to register for a Members' Meeting.
- DO allow three days for paid events as there may be relevant handouts to get to you before the session.
- DO contact the Convenor of your <u>Special Interest Group</u> by email if you need help to register.
- DON'T wait until the day of the event to register or contact a Convenor. There is a limit to the number who are able to attend some sessions.

### A few thoughts from attendees after a ZOOM session

• Please keep running online events. It is great to learn from the

comfort of home at this time when physical distancing can be difficult.

- Excellent, much better than going out. You can see and hear everything.
- Very happy with how it is presented.
- Zoom on phone very nice.
- Zoom is easy to use and the whole session was easy to follow and understand.
- ZOOM was perfectly clear and even a bit easier than being in a crowded classroom and balancing books on knees.
- Excellent stuff.

If you still have concerns re your capability to access a ZOOM session please do not hesitate to contact either the <u>QFHS Secretary</u> or the <u>Convenor of your SIG</u>.

# National Family History Month Australasia

National Family History Month (NFHM) is an initiative of AFFHO.

AFFHO is the umbrella organisation for family history societies in Australia and New Zealand. It was established in 1978 to coordinate and assist the work of Australian and New Zealand groups with interests in family history, genealogy, heraldry and related subjects.

There are many events listed for NFHM 2020, including QFHS events, from Australian and New Zealand groups or individuals. One event listed that may be of interest to QFHS members is <u>British Migrant Family Histories</u> presented by Dr Matthew Glen.

To check the list of events offered click here



Have you tried <u>Global Keyword Search</u>? Global Keyword Search will be an excellent way to find your family. Keep checking the <u>Online Access</u> page on a regular basis as there are several sets almost ready to be uploaded.

Have you investigated the <u>Learning and Presentations</u> or the <u>Searchable</u>

### **Collections** page?

As previously advised, the combined Commonwealth Electoral Rolls (Queensland) 1903–1969 will be uploaded early August. This information has been available for individual years on the QFHS network and some subscription sites but a combined index using Global Keyword Search will an excellent way to find your family.

# Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars



# Queensland Globe: get hands-on with Queensland geography

**Presenter: Dr Kerry Raymond** 

Queensland Globe is an interactive mapping website providing access to the spatial information held by the Queensland Government. It is a powerful tool with an extensive array of information that can be overlaid on the maps, but it can be overwhelming for the beginner.

When: SUNDAY 26 July 2020 from 10.30am to 12.30pm Cost: \$11 QFHS and GSQ members and \$15 all others Where: in your own home - Online via ZOOM

**Register online now** 

# Burial in Queensland: both an end and a means

**Presenter: Dr Kerry Raymond** 



Kerry will explain how death and burial practices have changed in Queensland over time, and therefore what resources you may be able to use to find fascinating clues to advance your family history research.

When: SUNDAY 2 August, 2020 from 10.00am to 11.30am Cost: \$11 QFHS and GSQ members and \$15 all others Where: In your own home - Online via ZOOM

**Register online now** 

# Breaking down brick walls with DNA

**Presenter: Amelia Bennett** 



DNA provides a useful tool to help chip away at brick walls. Combined with traditional genealogy research it can be a powerful tool.

This talk takes you through a journey of breaking down a long-standing brick wall to using more DNA to understand the family hiding behind the wall.

Practical methodology and techniques will be tied into the story of discovery to help you learn the skills to help chip away at your brick walls.

Our speaker, Mia Bennett

When: TUESDAY 11 August at 7.00pm

Cost: \$11 QFHS and GSQ members and \$15 all others

Where: In your own home - Online via ZOOM

**Register online now** 



Australian newspapers and substitutes after the 1950s: 'What can we do when Trove runs out?'

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 purposes.

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

Join Sue Reid to learn what Australian newspapers are available beyond this 1954 date and what other free sources we can use to fill in the gaps.

When: 14 August 2020 from 10.00am to 11.30am
Cost: \$11 QFHS and GSQ members and \$15 all others
Where: In your own home - Online via ZOOM
Be quick. Only a few places left.

Register online now



# Researching your Italian ancestors

**Presenter: Charlotte Sale** 

In this presentation, Charlotte 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: SATURDAY 22 August 2020 from 10.00am to 11.30am
Cost: \$11 QFHS and GSQ members and \$15 all others
Where: In your own home - Online via ZOOM

**Register online now** 



### Online Repository Assistant ORA

**Presenter: Chris Wright** 

Repository Assistant(ORA) is an automated assistant for use with online

repositories including Ancestry, FamilySearch, and others. ORA combines a Windows program with a web browser extension, which when added to your favourite web browser (e.g. Google Chrome) will extract data and streamline your use of popular online services. The browser extension is compatible with Chrome, Edge, Firefox and Opera.

When: SATURDAY 29 August 2020 from 10.00am to 11.30am

Cost: FREE

Where: In your own home - Online via ZOOM

Note: This is a free event but you do need to register to attend

**Register online now** 

# Remembering those who served: World War II records at the National Archives of Australia

**Presenter: Cara Downes** 



This webinar will provide an overview of the National Archives'collection relating to World War II, with a focus on the defence records of those who served with the Army, RAAF, and Navy. We will showcase the National Archives' website and online database RecordSearch, where you can search for service records. The seminar will also touch on other records relating to pay, repatriation, courts-martial and civilian service.

When: 11 September 2020 from 10.00am to 11.30am Cost: \$11 QFHS and GSQ members and \$15 all others Where: In your own home - Online via ZOOM

Register online now



### Loving Aussie Libraries

Presenter: Susie der Kinderen

We all love libraries and may often forget that there is 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 10.00am to 11.30am Cost: \$11 QFHS and GSQ members and \$15 all others

Where: In your own home - Online via ZOOM

Register online now



# Have you renewed your QFHS membership?

Majority of our memberships expire on 30 June. If not renewed your ability to access online data will soon be removed. If you are unsure when your membership expires please email Membership Secretary to check.

Renewal your membership now

# Ask QFHS

Do you have a quick family history or genealogy question? Our new "Ask QFHS" service will connect you with one of our panel of experienced members to help. For example, 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

Email <a href="mailto:askqfhs@qfhs.org.au">askqfhs@qfhs.org.au</a> and find out how we can help.



Make sure you check the Calendar (above) to ensure you don't miss your next SIG meeting. Most meetings are being conducted online and

registration is required. If you are unsure about ZOOM and using it please do contact your Convenor for assistance.

The online meetings online are proving very popular and easy to connect.

# Electronic Journals received for week ending 14 July 2020

When it's cold, windy, and maybe even a little wet, what better way to spend time than with a good book, or in this case, journal.

- Botany Bay Endeavour 143 2020 06 (PDF)
- Cheshire Ancestor Vol 50 4 2020 06 (PDF)
- FHC The Genealogist Vol 17 02 2020 06 (PDF)
- GenSoc Gladstone Timeline Vol 21 2 2018 07 (PDF)
- GenSoc Gladstone Timeline Vol 23 1 2020 07 (PDF)
- Hertfordshire People No 153 2020 06 (PDF)
- <u>Lithgow DFHS Vol 35 1 2020 06 (PDF)</u>
- Nottinghamshire Journal Vol 16 07 2020 07 (PDF)
- Parramatta Packet Vol 26 2 2020 07 (PDF)
- Pivot Tree 145 2020 04 (PDF)
- Redcliffe FHG Newsletter 2020 06 (PDF)
- Richmond FHS Cedar Log 144 2020 06 (PDF)
- SAG Descent Vol 50 2 2020 06 (PDF)
- SIB Folk News No 88 2018 12 (PDF)
- SIB Folk News No 89 2019 06 (PDF)
- SIB Folk News No 89 2019 12 (PDF)

Do take the time to read journals from your country of origin. Apart from the possibility of finding a family connection the stories are always a good way to put meat on the bones of your family tree.

# Web Wanderings

#### Bringing the Historic Plan Collection to Map Warper

In June 2019, researchers together with some passionate PROV volunteers and staff were able to rectify, or overlay thousands of Parish plans onto a contemporary map of Victoria in their exact location, using the new PROV Map Warper service. The service has proved very popular with researchers and offers an opportunity for PROV to now crowdsource the rectification of digitised cartographic series. Fast forward a year and they have added a new series of plans to the site for users to rectify and use within their research. Historic Plan Collection.

### Aboriginal Victorians family history

Step by step guide to using archives to research your Victoria aboriginal history.

Queensland State Archives Reading Room is open

While COVID-19 restrictions apply they are putting measures in place to help ensure everyone's health and safety. This includes a visitor booking system to help ensure social distancing in the Reading Room, as well as hygiene measures.

Book a time from 9am to 12.30pm or 1.30pm to 4.30pm Monday to Friday. Monthly Saturday openings will commence from Saturday 8 August. To meet contact tracing requirements for COVID-19, you will need to provide your contact details when booking a time.

Read more about our COVID-19 measures.

### Geelong and Melbourne Railway Company employees

Are any of these employees your family or person of interest?

#### Webinars from Trove

Next Chapter from Trove – do check out these initiatives including many webinars on offer. Some upcoming and others past.



Remember, QFHS members still have access to subscription sites from the comfort of your own home.

### Yorkshire Baptisms

New baptism records from 13 parishes across Yorkshire.

### **Yorkshire Monumental Inscriptions**

This collection has been enhanced with additions from 48 Yorkshire

### **Derbyshire Deaths and Burials**

An additional seven Derbyshire parishes have been added.

### National School Admission Registers & Log-Books 1870-1914

Discover your ancestors who went to school in England and Wales between 1870 and 1914. Explore their school records to find their birth date, admission year and the school they attended. You may also be able to discover their parents' names, father's occupation, exam results and any illnesses that led to absence from school.

### Findmypast on YouTube

Since March, FMP have been hosting live Facebook sessions with family history experts. You can catch up at any time using Facebook to learn new skills for getting more out of your research. Here are some favourites from the past few months.

### Acknowledgements

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