



## Special Snippets No 12

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Despite some members being hesitant to venture out the library has reopened with limited numbers and a Covid-19 plan. Registration is required by emailing [visit@qfhs.org.au](mailto:visit@qfhs.org.au) We would love to welcome you back.

The August Members' Meeting will be online tomorrow night commencing 7.30pm. I hope you have managed to register your intention to attend and enjoy the experience.

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### Calendar

- 19 Aug – [Members' Meeting](#)
  - 22 Aug – [Weekends@QFHS – Researching your Italian ancestors](#)
  - 28 Aug – [Library Assistants' Team Meeting](#)
  - 29 Aug – [Weekends@QFHS – Online Repository Assistant \(ORA\)](#)
  - 05 Sep – [Family Tree Maker Group](#)
  - 05 Sep – [DNA Interest Group](#)
  - 07 Sep – Management Committee Meeting
  - 11 Sep – [Fridays#QFHS – Remembering those who served: WW1 records at the NAA](#)
  - 12 Sep – [Scottish Interest Group](#)
  - 12 Sep – [Queensland Pre-Sep Group](#)
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### Happenings

*we're part of*



We are now half way through this celebration. Time to celebrate with other family historians and check out lots of events being offered online from groups around Australia and New Zealand. Something for everybody. Do check out the list [here](#)

To celebrate QFHS is offering a [Special Membership Discount](#). Tell your friends.

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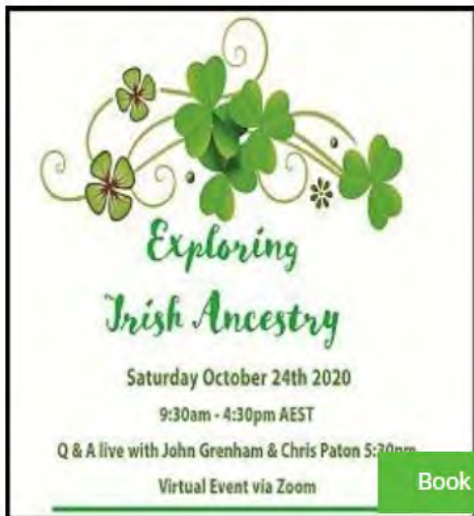
Peter Ludlow details life on Peel Island and how it became a home for Moreton Bay's outcasts. A major concern of any Government is to protect the health of its citizens. Of most concern, perhaps, is an outbreak of a contagious disease amongst its general populace. Perhaps close to the Covid-19 pandemic we are now find ourselves in.

This publication includes the names of medical staff and some inmates who died on the island. The attached Ships in quarantine at Peel Island 1873 – 1896 also contains names of those who died onboard during this very dark period in our history. Thanks to Peter for permission to include on our website. More historical information on Moreton Bay Islands can be found on Peter's website [here](#)

### [Peel Island: Paradise or Prison](#)

Did you miss out on a place at this year's highly acclaimed beginners course? The first course in 2021 is now available to register. Numbers are limited so book early to avoid disappointment.

[Finding your family: a beginners course in research](#)



# ANNUAL SEMINAR

## Exploring Irish Ancestry

Go to the news item below and download the entire program along with profiles of the presenters.

Book before 30 the September and receive an early bird price

For more information and to register click [here](#).  
Note: QFHS members receive members price.  
Book before 30 September for early bird price.

QFHS members can book selecting members price on all GSQ Events.  
Check them out [here](#).



## Members' Meeting

When: 19 August from 7.30pm

Where: your own home – **online via ZOOM**

A short meeting for Chris Gibbs, QFHS President, to update you on what's happening in the library followed by a presentation by Guest Speaker, Lisa Jones from the Queensland Police Museum.

The Queensland Police Museum aspires to be an accessible and valued museum of national standing that collects and explores Queensland's policing history.

The Police Museum use its resources, exhibitions and public programs to investigate and compare issues faced by police officers of times past and of today.

[Register online now](#)

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**Note: Registrations close 5pm Tuesday 18 August.**

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## Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars



### **Weekends@QFHS - 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

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

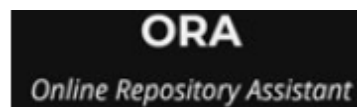
Where: in your own home – **online via ZOOM**

**Register online now**

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### **Weekends@QFHS - Online Repository Assistant (ORA)**

**Presenter: Chris Wright**



Online 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](#)

[Register online now](#)

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## **Fridays@QFHS - Inquests: Lets dig into the records at Queensland State Archives**



**Presenter: Niles Elvery**

Niles will provide an introduction to what an inquest is and an overview of what inquest records are held at Queensland State Archives. He will also look at how you locate inquest documents in the new ArchivesSearch catalogue and using the indexes. Niles will also take a look at what documents you are likely to find in the inquest file and what these documents might tell you.

When: 4 September 2020

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

Where: in your own home – [online via ZOOM](#)

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## **Fridays@QFHS - 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, court-martial and civilian service.

When: 11 September 2020 from 10.00 to 11.30am

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

Where: in your own home – [online via ZOOM](#)

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## **Fridays@QFHS - Persons called before Government Committees 1860-1920**



**Presenter: Stephanie Ryan**

People could be called before a Queensland government committee regardless of their status or occupation but they did need to explain why they were appropriate witnesses. As a result, we get insights into their personal history and the life of the times we would not otherwise get. Furthermore, we get it in their own words. The proceedings of government committees are therefore a valuable source of information which can be backed up with a range of other resources such as photographs, news items, and other documents.

When: 25 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**



## **Fridays@QFHS - Loving Aussie Libraries**

**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: 11 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

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## Do as I say not as I did: reflections of an Imperfect Genealogist

Presenter/s: Sue Swalwell



In looking back over her journey in family history, Sue Swalwell has concluded that she is indeed an Imperfect Genealogist. She would love to be able to go back to the beginning start again. She would then be able to use the knowledge and experience she has now to help her younger self avoid all the mistakes she has made, and knock down that brick wall she is still attempting to break through forty years on. As she cannot do that, she has decided to share her reflections on the lessons she has learnt with her fellow genealogists to help them to avoid those same pitfalls.

When: **TUESDAY** 20 October 2020 from 7.00pm to 8.30pm

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

Where: in your own home – **online via ZOOM**

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## Fridays2QFHS - Australian newspapers and substitutes after the 1850's: 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 reasons.

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

When: 31 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**

Note: This session is a repeat.

[Register online now](#)

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### Special Interest Groups (SIGs)



Make sure you check the Calendar (above) to ensure you don't miss your next SIG meeting. Meetings are being conducted online and registration is required. If you are still unsure about ZOOM and using it please do contact your Convenor for assistance.

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### Ask QFHS

Do you have a quick family history or genealogy question? Our “Ask QFHS” service will connect you with one of our panel of our 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 [askqfhs@qfhs.org.au](mailto:askqfhs@qfhs.org.au) and find out how we can help



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### Web Wanderings

Anyone who is using facial recognition technology to identify photographs might be interested in this article. Click [here](#) Thanks to Nancy Edwards for this item.

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[Marriage Locator UK](#). This website enables you to interpret the Marriage Index created by the General Register Office for England and Wales. By using it you can determine where your ancestors were married - not just which Registration District, but which church! [Marriage Locator - the principles](#)

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[Dating photographs](#). Not sure when a photograph was taken? Dress historian Kirsty Hassard (Curator, V&A Dundee) shows you how to use fashion trends to find out.

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Looking to chat with other family historians? Join our thriving online community to discuss family trees, brick walls and more. [Join here](#)

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### Gazettes galore

The Gazette includes corporate and personal insolvency notices, personal legal notices relating to deceased estates, company notices and profiles such as the incorporation of a company, and state notices, for example, Bills receiving Royal Assent.

[London Gazette 1665-2018](#)

[Scotland, Edinburgh Gazette 1797-2018](#)

[Ireland, Belfast Gazette 1922-2018](#)

[Ireland, Dublin Gazette 1750-1800](#)

### 3 top tips for exploring our new Gazettes

- 1 Always **check the image**. It could hold extra detail not shown on the transcript
  - 2 Sometimes, **first names are represented by initials**. Try searching with just a last name and year
  - 3 Use the **optional keyword search** to pinpoint other details like places or events
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[Photo Enhancer](#). Enhance your family photos automatically with the world's best deep learning technology. Faces will come into sharp focus!

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