



## Special Snippets No 13

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Another big month coming up with new online data to explore, education sessions, and another Members' Meeting to attend, all online. With many members unable to visit due to distance or disability this is an excellent opportunity to connect with your Society. [Registration](#) essential.

Nominations close on 30 September for the 2020 [QFHS Award for Services to Family History](#). Would you like to nominate a fellow member for this prestigious Award? The Award is presented at the volunteers function at the end of each year.

Family History Month is coming to a close. If you have friends who would like to join do tell them about the Special Discount offer that will expire 31 August 2020.

Have you visited the library since the re-opening? A COVID-19 Plan is in place and we would love to see you there. Hours of opening have been reduced so do check [here](#) for further information.

Happy researching!

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### Calendar

05 Sep - [Family Tree Maker Group](#)

05 Sep - [DNA Interest Group](#)

07 Sep - Management Committee Meeting

11 Sep - [Fridays#QFHS - Remembering those who served: WW11 records at the NAA](#)

- 12 Sep - [Scottish Interest Group](#)
  - 12 Sep - [Queensland Pre-Sep Group](#)
  - 16 Sep - [Members' Meeting - Guest Speaker Jennifer Harrison](#)
  - 18 Sep - [New Members' Welcome and Orientation](#)
  - 19 Sep - [Family History Writing Group](#)
  - 19 Sep - [The Master Genealogist User Group](#)
  - 20 Sep - [Welsh Interest Group](#)
  - 24 Sep - [English West Country Interest Group](#)
  - 25 Sep - [Fridays@QFHS - Persons called before Government Committees 1860-1920](#)
  - 26 Sep - [Central European Group](#)
  - 30 Sep - [Closing date for 2020 QFHS Award for Services to Family History](#)
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This week we have uploaded several datasets to assist you with your research.

Do you have family who made their living off the land? These records may just assist you to put a little more meat on the bones of family members.

Dont forget to search with [Global Keyword Search](#)

## **Brands**

- [Queensland Brands Directory 1949-1952](#)
- [Queensland Horse and Cattle Brands 1872-1899](#)
- [Queensland Sheep Brands 1877-1900](#)

## **Licences**

- [Queensland Miner's Rights and Business Licences 1870-1884](#)
  - [Queensland Miscellaneous Licences 1860-1899](#)
  - [Queensland Timber Licences 1860-1901](#)
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## **Happenings**



We hope you have enjoyed events offered from around Australia and New Zealand during the past month. The final event on the Calendar will be the [Closing Event on 31 August](#).

Guest Speaker: *Kerry Farmer – The Search for Samuel*.

*“How using a wide range of records helped solve the mystery of an ancestor who appears to have tried to cover his tracks”.*

For further information on the Closing Event and to register for this free event click [here](#)

***Don't miss it!***



### **Members' Meeting - 'Back to the sleuthing Watson - prove your theories'**

**When:** 16 September 2020 from 1.00pm

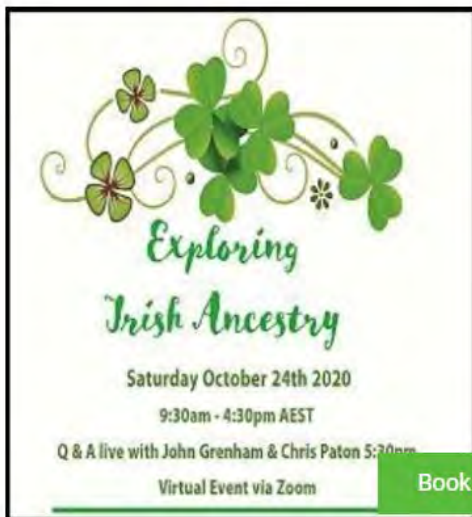
**Where:** your own home - **online via ZOOM**

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, Jennifer Harrison.

Family historians are often identified as detectives: both seek the unknown employing both traditional and unexpected tools of the trade. In this talk, Jennifer Harrison takes researchers through well-tested steps to solve problems encountered when trying to correctly identify their own kin. The need to recognise important clues, freedom to avoid assumptions and the necessity of gaining appropriate and sufficient background knowledge to gain logical outcomes will be explored. This meeting will be conducted online.

Do register early for this presentation. Attendees to these casual sessions from the comfort of their own home have been delighted at how easy and relaxing it is. If you have not yet registered for one of the ZOOM sessions do give it a go.

[Register or make an apology online now](#)



## 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.

**Please state your QFHS membership number after your last name**

Book before 30 September for [early bird price](#).

QFHS members can book selecting members price on all GSQ Events.

Check them out [here](#).

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## Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars

### 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**

**Register online now**



## **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**

**Register online now**

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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:** 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](#)



## Fridays@QFHS - Writing your family history on a blog (Session 1)

Presenters: Alex Daw and Pauleen Cass

Have you thought about writing a blog to document your family history but have been too afraid to try? Overwhelmed by platforms, templates, and how to begin?

Long time family historians and bloggers, Pauleen Cass and Alex Daw, will help you get started over two workshops. There will be a fortnight between workshops to allow you to set up your blog and return with questions. Ideally, participants will be willing to share their blogs/learnings with other participants for maximum benefit to all.

**When:** 16 October 2021 from 10.00am to 12.30pm

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

Presenters: 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**

[Register online now](#)



## Fridays@QFHS - Writing your family history on a blog (Session 2)

Presenters: Alex Daw and Pauleen Cass

This second workshop (the first was presented on 16 October) will be an opportunity to reconvene, share your exploits and findings with Pauleen and Alex and other participants.

You can register for just one or both workshops, depending on your degree of enthusiasm.

When: 30 October 2020 from 10.00am to 12.30pm

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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## Fridays@QFHS - 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**



## Finding your family: a beginners course in research

Presenter/s: QFHS Tutors

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 and members' area of the website for the term of



the course.

Please note: This is a evening course 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm AEST  
(GMT+10)

When: Commences Monday 15 February, 2021, for 6 weeks

Cost: \$60 QFHS and GSQ members and \$90 all others

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

**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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## Electronic Journals available week ending 21 August

- [Aberdeen NE Scotland No 156 2020 08 \(PDF\)](#)
- [East Ayrshire FHS Journal 47 2020 08 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Central Coast E Muster 27 2020 08 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Coffs Harbour Genie Allergy 99 2020 09 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Hampshire GenSoc Vol 46 Issue 4 2020 03 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Hampshire GenSoc Vol 47 Issue 1 2020 06 \(PDF\)](#)
- [JGSGB Bulletin 90 2020 07 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Peninsula Past Times 159 2020 08 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Progenitor Vol 39 2 2020 06 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Shemot Vol 28 2 2020 08 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Tree Of Life Vol 37 3 2020 08 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Yorks Family Historian Vol 46 1 2020 07 \(PDF\)](#)

Login required.

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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

[WW1 Australian Soldiers and Nurses who rest in the United Kingdom](#)  
[Australians at rest in the UK WW11](#)

Many photos of servicemen and their headstones. Links to other sites of Australians buried in the UK. These websites created by Beth Page.

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### [Which DNA Test Should I Take?](#)

Which DNA testing company should you use? Do different companies give different results? Short answer: Yes. This site explains 3 ways your DNA test results may vary.

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Are you a night owl and avid reader? These sessions might be just for you.

The National Archives UK is launching a new online series of "Meet the Author". Click [here](#) for more information and to register. Note: They will be presented 11pm AEST.

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### [Kerr Palace letters](#)

On 14 July 2020, the National Archives of Australia publicly released the Kerr Palace Letters. The records cover the period of Sir John Kerr's term as Governor-General (1974-77). There are 212 letters, many with

attachments such as newspaper clippings, reports, and copies of letters related. Item courtesy of Nancy Edwards.

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### [2nd Cousin Once Removed? Relationships Explained!](#)

The FamilySearch handy cousin chart will demystify relationships and help you figure out how you are related to your relatives—no matter how distant or confusing.

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### [How to tell a Serf from a Slave in Medieval England](#)

If you are lucky enough to have traced family back this far you might enjoy reading this article.

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For anyone interested in reading fiction with a genealogical twist, Genealogical Crime Mystery Author Nathan Dylan Goodwin's latest book, *Morton in Lockdown*, can be accessed [here](#)

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### [What's in a name?](#)

Is it really true that all Murphys are from Cork and anyone with an Adams in the family must surely be from Ulster? What can you do if you know *who* you are looking for but don't know *where* in Ireland they were born, this item is for you.

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### [Scotland, Burgess & Guild Brethren Index](#)

Discover your Scottish ancestors' occupation with over 60,000 new additions including exclusive portrait photos dating back to the 1840s.

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### [Scotland, Banffshire & Moray Life Events](#)

Explore over 250,000 birth, baptism, marriage, death and burial records in three new collections from North East Scotland.

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### [Scottish naming patterns](#)

What's in a Scottish name? Find out how the Scots named their children down through the generations.

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Now is a good time to take your family history research up a gear with some advanced techniques. Check it out [here](#)

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### [Brick Wall busting: Irish American immigrant](#)

Join Jen Baldwin and special guest, genealogist Thomas MacEntee for this hour long video. Lots of other topics available here.

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### [Queensland, Australia, Landsborough Shire Records – Index to Rates, Receipts and Payments, 1912–1941](#)

This collection contains an index to rates, receipts, and payments records from Landsborough in the Sunshine Coast Region of Queensland, Australia. The following research tips have been provided by the Caloundra Family History Research Inc. Group

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### [Australia and New Zealand, Find A Grave Index, 1800s–Current](#)

Updated 30 July 2020.

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