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The 2019 – 20 Annual General Meeting will be held via Zoom at 7.30pm on Wednesday 21 October 2020.

Be sure to register by 5 pm on Tuesday to ensure you receive the link.

Register or make an apology

The QFHS's Annual Report will be presented, followed by the election of the incoming Management Committee.

We have a special announcement to make, recognising a long-time stalwart of our Society. There'll also be some Pre-Separation certificate presentations.

Nancy Edwards will give a talk "*A Working Class Family from the Genghis Khan – 1861*". She will recap on the lives of her pre-separation immigrant ancestors (presented last year to the Pre-Separation group) and provide possible answers to a question that she left us with at the end of that talk. Intriguing!

The nominees for the 2020–2021 Management Committee are available on our website. If you'd like to vote but can't attend, you can download a proxy form [here](#) – make sure it is with the Secretary no later than Monday.

We look forward to having you join us on Wednesday evening.

Charlotte Sale
Secretary QFHS

Calendar

02 Nov – Management Committee Meeting

[06 Nov – Library Assistants' Team Meeting](#)

[07 Nov – Family Tree Maker User Group](#)

[07 Nov – DNA Interest Group](#)

[13 Nov – Fridays@QFHS – Queensland Globe: get hands on with Queensland geography](#)

[14 Nov – Scottish Interest Group](#)

[15 Nov – Welsh Interest Group](#)

[18 Nov – Members' Meeting](#)

[20 Nov – New Members' Welcome and Orientation](#)

[21 Nov – Family History Writing Group](#)

[21 Nov – TMG User Group](#)

[23 Nov – QFHS Volunteers Thank You](#)

[26 Nov – English Country Group](#)

[27 Nov – Fridays@QFHS – Queensland State Archives: searching the new catalogue](#)

[28 Nov – Central European Group](#)

[9 Nov – Closing date for QFHS Book Award 2021](#)

Happenings



Volunteers' Thank you - online via ZOOM

When: 23 November 2020 from 10.00am

All members are invited to register for a ZOOM session as a thank you

for the wonderful work volunteers undertake on behalf of the Society. The annual Award for Services to Family History will be presented.

[Register online now](#)



Members' Meeting: share our Christmas traditions

When: 16 December 2020 at 1.00pm

In these "unprecedented times" QFHS is having an unprecedented online Christmas members' meeting. Join us on Zoom and share your favourite Christmas traditions and stories!

We encourage you to dress in your favourite Christmas outfits! Or bring along some Christmas decorations to decorate what we see on your camera feed! Maybe a Christmas mug! Have fun! Be creative!

[Register online now](#)



Our uploads this month are Early Queensland and Moreton Bay. If you had family in Queensland back to 1824 you may find somebody of interest.

Under the Government Gazettes category we have added Queensland Unclaimed Letters 1860 – 1870.

[Queensland Early Pioneers Index 1824-1859](#)
[Moreton Bay Supreme Court Records 1857-1859](#)

[Queensland Land Records 1856-1859](#)
[Miscellaneous Records of the Moreton Bay Region 1855-1859](#)
[Queensland Unclaimed Letters Index 1860-1874](#)

Do use [Global Keyword Search](#) to locate your family across all QFHS data.

Happy researching!



History in Paradise

Is Norfolk Island on your 'wish list' for a short holiday? Perhaps you could include the upcoming [Australasian Congress on Genealogy and Heraldry to be held from 1st to 5th August 2021.](#)

You might like to take advantage of the Early Bird Registration by booking by 28 February 2021.

If you plan to attend and should QFHS decide to have a table at the event, would you be available to assist. Perhaps a couple of hours per day. If so, email the [Vice-President](#) to discuss further.

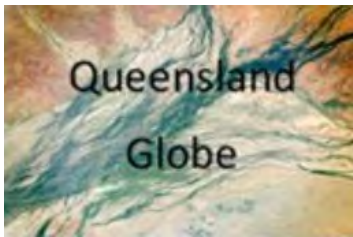


The Library and Resource Centre is now open for research on Monday night, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday afternoon albeit with reduced hours. All social distancing and sanitising requirements apply.

Do read the details of how you can return and register [here](#)

Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars

Queensland Globe: get hands-on with Queensland geography (Repeat)



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.

This hands-on session will be aimed at beginners including: navigating around the Globe, searching for locations by a range of methods, obtaining information about a particular place, and working with the hundreds of built-in data layers (some of which will be included in the presentation).

Some of the limitations of the Qld Globe will also be discussed. Note that Queensland Globe primarily deals with current information rather than historical information.

Read more about [Queensland Globe](#).

When: 13 November 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

Overseas newspapers for family history research

Presenter: Sue Reid



Newspapers are essential to family history research. We can find rich detail about people's personal, professional, and business lives from the content of newspapers—births, marriages, and deaths, community involvement, letters to the editor, business advertisements. There is no limit to the variety of material.

Australian researchers are well served for historic newspaper content

with Trove Digitised Newspapers, but what about newspapers from overseas? What can we use?

In this presentation, Sue Reid will discuss free sources of overseas newspapers that you can use to discover more about your family.

When: 11 December 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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Putting your ancestors in their place: ten steps to a one place study

Presenter/s: Dr Janet Few

Family historians normally focus on their own direct ancestors, but these ancestors did not live in isolation. They had neighbours and workplaces, they lived in villages with churches, schools, shops, and institutions. In order to understand families of the past, they need to be 'put in their place' by investigating the localities of which they were a part.

One-Place Studies differ from traditional local histories in that they focus on people, their relationship to their communities and to each other; bringing family and local history together, to the benefit of both fields. A One-Place Study involves dissecting a small, definable, geographical area to examine the individuals, buildings, and processes of the past in as much detail as possible.

These studies are undertaken by individuals, or groups who have an interest in the history of a particular community, be it a parish, town, hamlet, or a single street.

This talk describes ten steps that you might take in pursuit of this exciting branch of historical research, wherever in the world your place might be.

When: 3 February 2021 from 7.00pm to 8.30pm

Cost: \$15 QFHS and GSQ members and \$25 all others

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

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Findmypast Library Edition: available records and how best to search them

Presenter: Rosemary Koppitte

Queensland Family History Society currently has a worldwide subscription to Findmypast, featuring predominately records from Britain, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, the USA, and Canada.

There are a variety of ways to search the records, but which way will achieve the best results?

Join our presenter, [Rosemary Koppitke](#) to learn how to make the records work for you.

When: 12 February 2021

Cost: \$15 QFHS and GSQ members and \$25 all others

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

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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 an evening course 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm AEST (GMT+10)

The course accommodates 8 participants only.
Ticket sales close on Monday, 8 February 2021.

When: Commences 15 February 2021

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

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

[Register online now](#)



The 1939 Register: why is it invaluable?

Presenter/s: Dr Penny Walters

The UK 1939 Register was used to produce 40 million Identity Cards during World War II, when rationing was introduced.

The Register provides a huge bridge between the last published census (1911) and 1939. People were more honest in their information-giving, providing exact date of birth and relationships, as they wanted their rations.

From 1948 the Register was used as the National Health Service Register, and was updated until 1991, giving women's new surnames when they got married, hand written above their name.

The online UK 1939 Register is a relatively unknown tool for genealogists from outside the UK.

When: 9 March 2021 from 7.00pm to 8.30pm

Cost: \$15 QFHS and GSQ members and \$25 all others

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

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Web Wanderings

Subscription sites are still offered at-home through the QFHS website. If you have any problem accessing them please email [Secretary](#).



Were your ancestors religious dissenters? Findmypast have added thousands of new Surrey Methodist records to this vast collection of more than 1.6 million Birth's and Baptisms. Click [here](#)

Four new papers and generous updates to 12 others sees Findmypast's newspaper collection continue to grow. Check them out [here](#)

[Kent Baptisms](#). These records constitute a valuable resource for researching ancestry in Kent and have been provided in association with Canterbury Cathedral Archives, Kent County Council, Medway Archives, the North West Kent Family History Society and Val Brown.

[Kent Burials](#). Discover when and where your Kent ancestors were laid to rest with over 5,000 new records from Eltham and Thames & Medway.

[Caribbean Rolls Of Honour WW1](#). Search the rolls of honour for men from the Caribbean who served in the British armed forces during the First World War.

[Medal Rolls and Honours in Military Service & Conflict](#). If your ancestor was awarded a medal for armed conflict or appeared in a roll of honour, you may find them referred to within this set of records. Whether you're researching the Battle of Waterloo or a relative's role in World War One, these detailed distinguished service records will help to add colour to

your relative's time in the forces and those with which they served. Many records will also contain photographs of those mentioned within them.

MyHeritage Blog

MyHeritage Releases Major Collection of [Historical Norway Church Records, 1815-1938](#). The records in this collection were digitized in collaboration with the National Archives of Norway (Arkivverket), and consist of 42.2 million indexed records and high quality scans of the original documents.

General Items of Interest

[Middlesbrough library book returned 57 years late.](#) Do you have a book overdue from the QFHS Lending Library? Like the Middlesbrough Library no overdue fees will be charged but we would appreciate return of any overdue book/s now that the library has reopened.

Electronic journals

- [Dorset Vol 32 4 2019 09 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Dorset Vol 33 1 2019 12 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Dorset Vol 33 2 2020 03 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Dorset Vol 33 3 2020 06 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Dorset Vol 33 4 2020 09 \(PDF\)](#)
- [First Fleet Founders 51 5 2020 10 \(PDF\)](#)
- [BCGS Cariboo Notes Vol 37 3 2020 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Botany Bay Endeavour 144 2020 09 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Cheshire Ancestor Vol 51 1 2020 09 \(PDF\)](#)
- [FHC The Genealogist Vol 17 03 2020 09 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Figtree 155 2020 08 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Northumberland Durham FHS Vol 45 2 2020 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Northumberland Durham FHS Vol 45 3 2020 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Nottinghamshire FHS Journal Vol 16 8 2020 10 \(PDF\)](#)
- [SAG Descent Vol 50 3 2020 09 \(PDF\)](#)
- [West Middlesex FHS Vol 38 2 2020 06 \(PDF\)](#)
- [West Middlesex FHS Vol 38 3 2020 09 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Wiltshire FHS 157 2020 04 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Wiltshire FHS 158 2020 07 \(PDF\)](#)



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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 [Convener](#) for assistance.

[Central European Group](#) – At the next meeting of the group on 28th November there will be a special presentation by Keith Treschman. Keith will bring a presentation titled "Church Records via Archion".

Acknowledgements

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