



## Snippets, Vol 22, No 4

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April has arrived and we're quick marching towards ANZAC Day, a significant occasion for many Australians and New Zealanders and always a reminder of our ancestors and their lives.

To mark Anzac Day 2022, the QFHS Digitising Team has created a new dataset – the **Battalion Collection Name Index**. QFHS has a good collection of military books in the Print Library, located just inside the library on the right (**Call Nos A3 4**). More information on the books and how to search is outlined under our **Online Searching** section below.

Once you've completed your search why not prepare a list of research questions and come on down to the Resource Centre for a few hours to discover more about family members who served their country in calamitous times.

To continue on the theme of Service Men and Women perhaps you might like to join our next *"Talking about..."* event on **Wednesday 27 April at 10.00am**. Our topic this time will be *"Talking about ....relatives in the Navy"*. This is an informal chat that you can join in from home. Find out more below or on the [QFHS website](#).

### **AGM 2022/23**

QFHS has recently announced that our **Annual General Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday 15 June 2022 from 7.30 - 9.30pm**.

Nominations are now invited for Management Committee positions to serve from July 2022 to June 2023 and all financial members are welcome to attend the AGM. Watch the QFHS website or Snippets for further details over the coming weeks.

## Members' Meeting

You still have time to register for next week's members' meeting - on **Wednesday 20 April 7.30 - 9.30 pm**. Guest Speaker Dr Hilda Maclean will join us to reveal the interesting story of *Canon D.J. Garland, Toowong Cemetery and the Origin of Anzac Day*. This is a hybrid meeting. Register [here](#) if you're keen to hear about it.

We hope you enjoy reading the latest QFHS Snippets over the Easter break and come away with lots of new directions and resources to explore. Our team at the Library and Resource Centre are always ready and waiting to show you around and help with accessing what you need.

All the best

**Pat Smith**  
Editor

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## Calendar

### April 2022

- 15 Apr - Closed - Good Friday
- 16 Apr - Closed - Easter Saturday
- 17 Apr - Closed - Easter Sunday
- 18 Apr - Closed- Easter Monday
- 20 Apr - [Members' Meeting - Canon D. J. Garland, Toowong Cemetery and the origins of Anzac Day. With guest speaker Dr Hilda Maclean.](#)
- 25 Apr - Anzac Day Public Holiday - Library Closed
- 27 Apr - [Talking about...your family in the navy](#)

### May 2022

- 01 May - [Family Historian Software](#)
- 02 May - Closed - Labour Day
- 04 May - Management Committee Meeting
- 06 May - [Findmypast 1921 Census](#)
- 07 May - [Family Tree Maker User Group](#)
- 07 May - [DNA Interest Group](#)
- 09 May - [Indexers Tribute High Tea](#)
- 13 May - [Learn@QFHS - Dutch research unclogged](#)
- 14 May - [Scottish Interest Group](#)
- 15 May - [Welsh Interest Group](#)

18 May - [Members' Meeting - Queensland Railways. With guest speaker Greg Hallam, QR.](#)

## Leading News

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### Anzac Day Monday April 25 2022

To mark Anzac Day QFHS has released the [Battalion Collection Name Index](#). Included in the new dataset this month are several books about Queensland Battalions. We have also uploaded a copy of Dr Jonathan (Jack) Ford's local history book " *Marching to the Trains - Chermside Army Camp Remembered* to the QFHS website for your online reading pleasure. See the [At the Library](#) below for information on how to access.

If you're seeking a greater understanding of the ANZAC tradition the Qld RSL website [here](#) offers some useful information as well as a comprehensive list of special ANZAC events across Queensland.

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### Fantastic new school records

[To search click here and login](#)

Thanks to a small, informal group of dedicated indexers who were suffering withdrawal symptoms with the retirement of the publications group, we are happy to announce that almost 224,000 additional names covering 171 schools have now been added to [QSPI Part 7](#). These are all taken from school admission registers, some from large schools (both city and country) and others from small country schools, some with as few as seven students.

Search the updated version of [Queensland School Pupils Index Part 7](#) and check out the updated guide to schools - you never know what you may find.

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## **PRE-SEPARATION EXCURSION to celebrate Queensland Day**

Would you like to join us on **Tuesday 7 June** for a tour of Old Government House? A select group of 25 people will learn interesting snippets of our early history as **Dr Katie McConnel**, Curator of Old Government House, guides us through this fascinating building. Our one-hour tour will **start at 10:30 am**. Please contact [presep@qfhs.org.au](mailto:presep@qfhs.org.au) if you are interested.

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## **Happenings**



### **Members' Meeting Canon D.J.Garland, Toowong Cemetery and the Anzacs**

**Guest Speaker: Dr. Hilda Maclean**

**When: Wednesday 20 April 7.30 - 9.30 pm**

**Where: Hybrid - Online or in person at the QFHS Resource Centre,  
Gaythorne**

**Note: Dr Maclean will be speaking in person at the Library and Resource Centre,**

where you will have the opportunity to meet her over a cup of tea/coffee after the meeting.

On Anzac Day morning in 1920, Army chaplain David Garland saw a small crowd in Toowong Cemetery placing flowers on soldiers' graves. He gathered them around him and conducted a simple service. With others, Garland initiated a number of types of observances, which were eventually adopted by the other States. He also commenced a trust to use money raised from Anzac Day badge sales for the care of soldiers' graves at home and abroad as well as funding the war memorial at Toowong Cemetery. This illustrated talk explores Toowong Cemetery's place in the history of the commemoration of ANZAC Day.

[Register Online Now](#)

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## *We value all volunteers*

QFHS could not possibly provide the depth and breadth of services to our members without our volunteers and we especially express our appreciation to them at our annual Volunteers Morning Tea.

After many years of Indexing and providing millions of searchable entries for the QFHS vLibrary, the Publications Team has retired and, after delays imposed by covid, we are finally able to acknowledge the work of the most dynamic of our data dynamos - those who have indexed in excess of 100,000 entries each – with a Tribute event to acknowledge their sterling contributions.

An [Indexers Honour Roll](#) is listed below.

These particular data dynamos will be the Guests of the Management Committee at a celebratory [High Tea](#) and all QFHS Members are invited to attend the event to participate in the Tribute.



*Mary Geiger*

- *Charlie Grech*
- *Jenny and Bryan Hacker*
- *Elaine Gillam*
- *Pauline Heiniger*
- *Lyn Hooper*
- *Dorothy Jeffrey*

- *Maurice Jones*
- *Joan Kane*
- *Erin Kirkpatrick*
- *Rosemary Kopittke*
- *Ellen McDonald*
- *June McDonnell*
- *Bev Moore*
- *Judith Moran*
- *Joan and Allan Newland*
- *Chris Paterson*
- *Myra Phipps*
- *Deanna Robertson*
- *Margaret Shand*
- *Lesley Stratford*
- *Lea Vardy*



## **Talking About .....**

Would you like the opportunity to chat about a family history topic, share your experience, or seek the advice of others? All in the comfort of your own home?

**You can, and it is free.**

Each month your Society plans to hold a session to allow people to chat about a particular subject. We have two new sessions coming up. In April we'll be talking about Family in the Navy and in May we talk about family and library experiences. These casual, friendly on-line get-togethers are proving popular and useful for our diverse membership.

Perhaps you have a topic you might like to suggest for a 'Talking about...' session. Better still, we invite you to help your fellow members and offer to host a session. We will provide the back-end support for any 'Talking about...' event.

Contact [education@qfhs.org.au](mailto:education@qfhs.org.au)

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## **Talking about....** **Your family in the Navy**

**Free QFHS event**

**When: Weds 27 April 10.00am**

**Where: Your place**

Join online with other QFHS members to talk about your family in the navy. Perhaps you have fond memories of a sailor or have some resources you would like to share. Come along, bring your morning coffee, and join us. Bring any questions you have. This is an informal session to chat, share your memories, or ask questions of other members.

Our host will be Nancy Edwards who has an ancestor who married a man who served in the navy in the 1850s and 1860s, as well as more recent naval connections from WW2.

**Note: Open to QFHS and GSQ members only**

GSQ members please contact [marketing@qfhs.org.au](mailto:marketing@qfhs.org.au) to register

**Register Online Now**

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## **Talking about ....libraries**

**Free QFHS Event**

**When: Wednesday 25 May  
10.00am**

**Where: Your place**

Join online with other QFHS members to talk about your family's experience of libraries. Perhaps you have fond memories of a librarian or have some resources you would like to share. Did your family or someone you knew have a personal library or was there a mechanics' institute or school of the arts in town?



Come along, bring your morning coffee, and join us. Bring any questions you have. This is an informal session to chat, share your memories, or ask questions of other members.

Our host will be Alex Daw who has an ancestor who worked in the Parliamentary Library in Victoria in the 1860s. Alex has always loved libraries and was delighted when she was finally able to work in a few before she retired.

**Note: Open to QFHS members and GSQ members only**

QSQ members please contact [marketing@qfhs.org.au](mailto:marketing@qfhs.org.au)

**Register Online Now**

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## Special Interest Groups (SIGs)



Information about each group plus meeting dates and Convenor Contact details can be found under Groups on the QFHS website [here](#).

### **Central European Interest Group**



**When: 28 May 2022 10.00 am - 12.00 pm**

**Where: In person in the Society Library OR Online via ZOOM**

*Understanding the history of our ancestor's home* is important for family historians. Join the Central European Interest Group on **Saturday 28 May 2022**

**10.00 am - 12.00 pm** as **Peter Row** concludes his series of presentations on the history of the German Federal State of Schleswig-Holstein and its post-WW1 plebiscites; and as Eric Kopittke shows some of the genealogical records that are available.

Join us in person at the QFHS library or online via Zoom. Contact [Eric Kopittke](#) ( [centraleuropean@qfhs.org.au](mailto:centraleuropean@qfhs.org.au) ) for a ZOOM link to the meeting. All welcome.

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## DNA Interest Group

*Special Topic: X-DNA, seldom used but worth a look*

You're welcome to join members of the QFHS DNA Interest Group on **Saturday 7 May 1.30 - 3.30 pm** for this interesting session. The meeting will be held online. You can contact convenor **Chris Schuetz** [dna@qfhs.org.au](mailto:dna@qfhs.org.au) for further information and to register.



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## Learn@QFHS - Workshops/Courses/Seminars



### Findmypast 1921 Census **Free Event**

**When:** Friday, 6 May 2022 10.00 am - 11.00 am (AEST)  
**Where:** Online  
**Limit:** 50

**Presenter:** Jen Baldwin,  
Findmypast

Join us for a free online event to discover more about the 1921 Census available on Findmypast.

This is an opportunity to view a pre-recorded presentation by Jen Baldwin, Research Specialist and North American Content Specialist, Findmypast.

This recording contains all the up-to-date information on the 1921 Census and the product developments made by Findmypast.

Please note that no Findmypast personnel will be available.

[Register Online Now](#)

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## [Dutch research unclogged](#)

**When: Friday 13 May 10.00 - 11.30 am (AEST)**

**Where: Online**

**Limit: 25**

**Your presenter: Ludij Peden**



Do you have Dutch ancestry? Feeling rather intimidated? Here you will discover some of the best online research sites for The Netherlands, the information from which can date back to the 1500s.

You will discover that some offer English language options, and others can be translated readily by Google Translate. The Dutch records have been methodically kept and are as easy to research as Scottish ones.

Over history, the Dutch have assimilated into most countries, so you could easily encounter one in researching your ancestors.

**Note: This presentation will be recorded**

[Register Online Now](#)

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## **Conferences**



In 2022 QFHS will keep you informed about major upcoming conferences. In recent times a number of conferences were cancelled or postponed but many are now back on the horizon with the significant improvement of on-line sessions, showcases and conference recordings. Don't miss your chance. Watch this section of Snippets for the latest news.

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## **History in Paradise - 2022 AFFHO Congress (postponed from 2021)**

**Date: 31 July 2022 - 04 August 2022**

**Price: from \$1759pp twin share**

Postponed to 2022, Family history society members and genealogy enthusiasts across Australasia are warmly invited to the Australasian Federation of Family History Organisation's Congress, hosted by Norfolk Island Museum.

### **Event Details**

Your hosts, the Norfolk Island Museum are organising a variety of lectures, presentations, trade show, tours and activities that will take you across the breadth and width of the Island and its history.

There will also be a variety of lectures and workshops, presentations by genealogy experts, tours of World Heritage-Listed Kingston and a trade show - a full week to indulge in your love of genealogy!

**Full program sessions and details will be available soon.**

For more details and booking enquiries visit the Norfolk Island Travel Centre [here](#).

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NSW & ACT Association of  
Family History Societies Inc.



**Annual Conference**  
**16, 17, 18 September 2022**



Hosted by: Newcastle Family History Society Inc. [www.nfhs.org.au](http://www.nfhs.org.au)  
Maitland & Beyond Family History Inc. [mdgs.org.au/](http://mdgs.org.au/)

**New Location:**  
Scarborough Function Centre – East Maitland Bowling Club

[www.ridingthewavesofhistory.com.au](http://www.ridingthewavesofhistory.com.au)



**FAMILY HISTORY DOWN UNDER**

**2022**  
**8-11 November 2022**

Castle Hill RSL Club, Castle Hill NSW  
Refer to new website

[www.familyhistorydownunder.com/2022/home](http://www.familyhistorydownunder.com/2022/home)

**FHDU2022 will offer 3 ways to participate**

In-person (4 days) - AU\$595  
Live stream - megabundle AU\$395 / one day AU\$135  
Recordings only - mega AU\$295 / track \$99

Reminder: This is an international event so tickets will be in demand.

# Sands of Time

LOCAL AND FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE  
21-23 OCTOBER 2022

4th Queensland State Conference  
hosted by  
History Redcliffe  
with the support of History Queensland  
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Moreton Bay Regional Council Community Support Grants

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Save  
the  
Date!

Sands of Time Keynote Speakers have just been announced. You can see all the details on the Conference Website [here](#).

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## Online Searching with QFHS



### [The Battalion Collection Name Index](#)

Do you have a member of the Armed Forces in your family? Perhaps you have some brief details about their service but would like to know more.

To mark Anzac Day 2022, the Digitising Team has created a new dataset – **the Battalion Collection Name Index**. QFHS has a good collection of military books in the Print Library, located just inside the library on the right (*Call Nos A3 4*). Included in the new dataset this month are several books about Queensland Battalions:

***From Anzac to the Hindenburg Line*** by Norman K Harvey provides a history of the 9th Battalion AIF that served at Gallipoli and in major WW1 battles in France.

***Always Faithful: The history of the 49th Battalion*** by Fred Cranston. Created in Egypt from Gallipoli veterans from the 9th Battalion and reinforcements from Australia, the 49th was predominantly composed of men from Queensland. The battalion fought in France, including at the now legendary battle for Villers-Bretonneux in 1918.

***Black over Blue: The 25th Battalion AIF at War 1915-1918*** by Bob Doneley. The

25th Battalion was raised at Enoggera in Queensland in March 1915 and fought at Gallipoli and in France and Belgium.

***Chinese Anzacs: Australians of Chinese descent in the defence forces 1885-1919*** by Alistair Kennedy includes the biographies of 15 soldiers from Queensland and other States who fought in the Sudan campaign 1885, the South African Wars and WW1.

***The Thirty-niners*** by Peter Charlton is about the original volunteers for the Second AIF who enlisted in the last months of 1939. Noted for being 'reckless, adventurous, wild and flamboyant', they served in the Middle East, Crete, Greece, and New Guinea.

***Mates and Memories: Recollections of the 2/10th Field Regiment*** by Dr Bob Goodwin. Formed in July 1940 at Redbank, the regiment included men from all over Queensland, including a group of lifesavers from Tugun. After action in Malaysia and Singapore, the men had to endure the brutality of three and a half years as prisoners of war of the Japanese.

While these books predominantly include the names of officers or those mentioned in dispatches in the Index, more names and information are included within the books, such as lists of battalion men, with army number and rank, who died or returned at the end of conflict, and information about the places and battles where they fought.

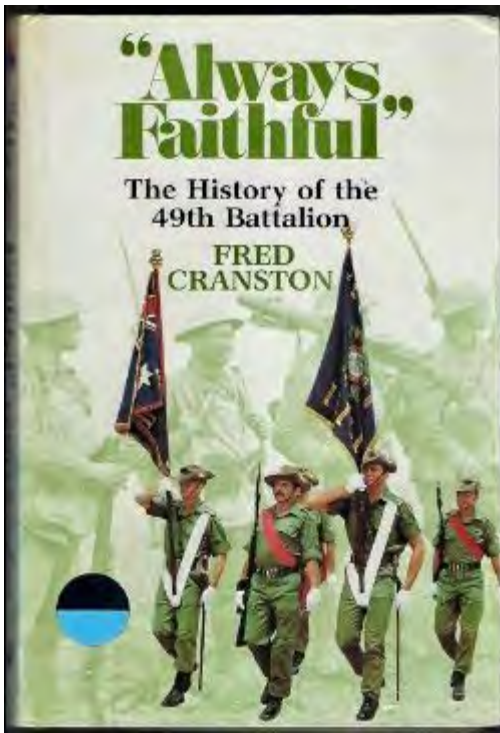
Two wonderful books from the [Local History \(H4\)](#) section in the Print Library are:

***A salute to our fallen: a history of the Warwick district men who gave their lives in WWII, Korea and Vietnam*** by Brian O'Grady. This book includes a biography of the men of the Warwick district who lost their lives in the wars mentioned in the title.

***Clifton & district: re-discovering our WW1 Anzacs*** by Margaret Miller, with assistance from the Clifton High School students. This book contains a biography of each of Clifton's WW1 Anzacs, including family details, occupation before the war, where stationed, place and date of death and burial, or for the lucky ones, what happened to them when they came home.

These two books have also been included in the [Name Accumulation Index](#).

You can check by using [Global Keyword Search here](#)



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## [Books Name Accumulation Index \(QBNI\) April 2022](#)

The **QFHS Books – Name Accumulation Index** has passed 240,000 names. How good is that?

This index contains names of early Queensland families across a variety of areas. Remember QBNI is being updated all the time. Recent additions cover the [Gatton](#), [Esk](#), [Kuranda](#), [Atherton Tablelands](#), [Normanton](#), [Killarney](#), [Mitchell](#), [Palmer River](#), [Muckadilla](#), [Darling Downs region](#) and more.

Are any of your family names included?

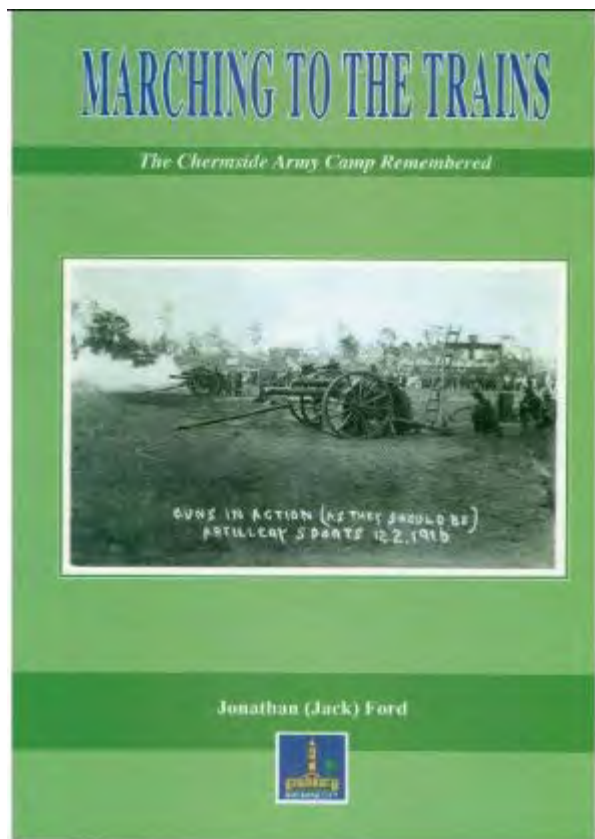
Search all our datasets in one easy action using [Global Keyword Search](#)

Go ahead and try it. Enter your keyword. e.g. surname, given name, place name, occupation. If you are searching on more than one term, separate your keywords by a space or an asterisk. Read [About Global Keyword Searching](#) at the top of the search box for more hints.

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## **At the Library with QFHS - New Resources**





## Special Anzac Day Book Release

**[Marching to the Trains - Chermside Army Camp Remembered](#) by  
Jonathan (Jack) Ford**

To mark ANZAC Day 2022 QFHS have uploaded this important local history book to our website. Members can peruse or read the full copy by logging to QFHS and clicking [here](#).

Stemming from an original WW2 local history report prepared in 1997 for the Geebung/Zillmere RSL and Brisbane City Council "*this book goes beyond the original report that concentrated on just two suburbs – Zillmere and Geebung. It is now the story of one of the biggest army camps built in Brisbane in World War Two. The Chermside Army Camp impacted upon a much wider area of Brisbane, most particularly Chermside, Aspley and Virginia*".

Keen to add a copy to your collection ? QFHS will have a limited number of copies available for purchase through our bookshop. You can order a copy in person at the QFHS Resource Centre or by emailing [membership@qfhs.org.au](mailto:membership@qfhs.org.au). Purchase price is **\$12.00 plus postage**.

Jack's book has also be added to our [Books - Name Accumulation Index \(QBNI\)](#) so you can search for family names of interest.

**We extend acknowledgment and thanks to Dr Jack Ford for his time and generosity**

in making this special offer available to our members.

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Coming  
Soon...



**QFHS Acquisitions Coordinator Alex Daw has provided us with news of some interesting books arriving soon at the QFHS Library and Resource Centre.**

Alex writes:

"Anyone who saw the terrific little documentary called [Not Forgotten about Waterfall \(also known as Garrawarra\) General Cemetery](#) published on YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cgx9vmnz3Po>) will be delighted to know that we purchased the subsequent book - ***Forgotten Souls: the Tuberculosis Hospital and Cemetery at Waterfall, NSW***. Living in the time of COVID, we can imagine how frightening it must have been to catch this infectious disease.

The cemetery was a part of the [Waterfall Sanatorium, near Helensburgh](#), north of Wollongong. The book is authored by [Carol Herben AOM \(1946-2020\)](#). Carol and her husband John worked to preserve and document the history of Wollongong for more than 30 years. In the late 1990s Carol discovered the existence of this largely forgotten cemetery which had virtually returned to bushland. Many of the headstones were buried in or hidden by overgrown trees and weeds. Carol and John lobbied for the preservation of the headstones and recognition of the people buried there.

Please don't think that your lost ancestor won't be there just because your family all came from Queensland or indeed from overseas. Any of you who read my blog back in 2016 might remember the story of the box of letters abandoned at the Arana Hills Library which I adopted. These were letters from the McKenzie brothers to their family in Edinburgh Scotland. It was a story of chain migration with elder brothers coming out to Queensland being followed by a younger brother. The youngest, Walter McKenzie, came out to Australia in the 20s, then decided to return to Scotland, only to return to Australia in 1927. He contracted TB shortly afterwards, ending up in Waterfall Sanatorium where he died. This book has an index of known burials, individual histories and family histories as well as WW1 veterans stories.

Other new acquisitions include ***Island in the Flood: The story of the Bellbowrie, Moggill and Anstead floods 2011*** by [Neville Marsh \(2nd edition\)](#) and another publication from the Moggill Historical Society, ***With a Stern Resolve: The Second***

*World War Service of Moggill Men and Women* by [Neville Marsh and Judieth A Nissen](#). This beautifully produced volume features well laid out biographies of those who served with photos and details of POB, DOB, service dates and occupation and sources.

*An Australian Clan: the Nivisons of New England* by [Jillian Oppenheimer and Bruce Mitchell](#) - this is not a new book as such but purchased recently from a Biographical Database of Australia book sale. This book is about a couple who came to Australia from the Drumfries region of southern Scotland and established several pastoral properties and fine merino fleeces.

Other purchases from the BDA catalogue include: **The Sutherland School Centenary 1887-1987** by [Pam Thomas \(Sutherland NSW\)](#) and **The Elusive Captain William Cromarty** by [Leslie Kilmartin](#)."

Interested in having a look ? Check the catalogue [here](#) to confirm when these new items have been shelved. You can also find a full list of all recent acquisitions in the latest edition of our e-Journal [Queensland Family Historian](#) ...due out late April.

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## Members' Noticeboard



### Management Committee Update

#### Report from our on-line meeting held 6 April 2022

Your MC met last week. Review of our technology, of membership numbers, and return of members to our centre at Gaythorne continue. Also the planning of a tribute for the [Publications Group indexers on 9 May](#) and of our annual [Open Day on 6 August](#).

Six new members were welcomed: Meredith McSweeney, Werona Armstrong, Rodney Robinson, Dee Greentree, Barbra Wagner and Aidan Moore. And welcome back to Jocelyn Biles.

Of note among activity reported during March was the Irish Interest Group's first all-day session devoted to Irish research held at the QFHS centre on 24 March. The committee congratulates the Group and support volunteers on the success of the day.

On the education front, the fully booked summer [Beginners' Course](#) finished on 21 March. Bookings are now open for the winter course, online on six Monday mornings, [starting on 4 July](#). The program of Talking about...sessions is evolving. It needs members to volunteer to suggest and lead sessions. Contact Education Officer, Sue Reid.

May we remind you to consider helping to manage and run our organisation through 2022–23. Especially we need your ideas and experience for planning future activity. In the next issue of our journal you will find the notice of our [2022 AGM, to be held on 15 June](#), including detail about nominating for the Management Committee. Note that all positions are declared vacant and open for nominations. And the current Secretary and Treasurer will not be nominating again.

Aside from the Management Committee, there are many other ways to help run QFHS. Thanks to the pandemic disruption, Zoom has taken off. You can now be involved in many volunteer roles from your home. And, with activity building up again at the QFHS centre, there are still opportunities for members in Brisbane and surrounds who would like to help in roles there.

QFHS is an affiliate member of several organisations, among them History Queensland and the Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations (AFFHO). [History Queensland](#) will hold the first of two meetings this year on [Saturday 14 May](#), at Queensland State Archives, Runcorn. [AFFHO](#) will hold its [AGM online on 10 May](#). Additional QFHS representatives are welcome at both meetings.

If you're newly retired, winding back at work, or looking to progress your family history interest for any reason, volunteering is a good way to get more out of your QFHS subscription.

Take action in April: phone the Secretary (07 3856 2724), email [secretary@qfhs.org.au](mailto:secretary@qfhs.org.au), or contact any of the Management Committee listed in the journal.

**Elaine Eager**  
**QFHS Secretary**



# QFHS Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 15 June 7.30 - 9.30 pm

## Meeting details

At this stage, the AGM will be held at the QFHS Library and Resource Centre, 58 Bellevue Avenue, Gaythorne, and also online via Zoom. You can register to attend via Eventbrite, where bookings will close at **5.30 pm on Tuesday 14 June**. You do not need to register to attend at the QFHS centre.

At the AGM, the 2021–22 Annual Report and Financial Statement will be presented followed by the election of the Management Committee for 2022–23.

Following the AGM, the [QFHS Family History Book Award winner for 2022](#) will be announced.

## Nominations for Management Committee

Members of QFHS are invited to nominate for election to the positions of [President](#), [Vice-President](#) (2 positions), [Secretary](#), [Treasurer](#), and [Committee members](#) (minimum 5 positions). Nomination forms for election to Management Committee are now on the website (in blue banner at bottom of Home page). You can find out more about these roles by contacting the Secretary, Elaine Eager, at [secretary@qfhs.org.au](mailto:secretary@qfhs.org.au).

**All financial members are welcome to attend the AGM either in person or online.**

[Register here to attend Online](#)



## Meeting date changes in May

Please note the following adjustments to upcoming QFHS activities:

### Library Assistants' meeting.

Now being held on [Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May](#) at 9.30 am – 12.30 pm.

## QFHS Trout Game

Re-scheduled from 22nd May to [Sunday 29th May 10.00am - 4.00pm.](#)

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### Can you help?

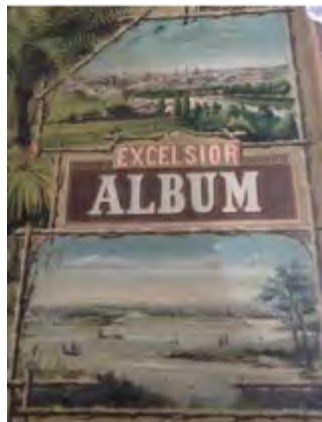
Susan Muller is still seeking the owners of a unique photo album. Perhaps you or someone you know could help with this quest ?

Susan writes:

*I have a large beautifully illustrated Excelsior Photo Album that I would like to return to relevant family members. The many photos in the album are not identified, however there is a photo of a grave in Toowong Cemetery. The tomb stone reads “ Erected by Alexander McInroy in memory of his wife Mary Ann Gorman who died 22nd December 1876 aged 28 years and 7 months and their son born and died 22nd December 1876 and also his sister Eliza Relict of John Atkinson late of Greenock Scotland Died 14th March 1877 aged 53 years.”*

*My research shows an Alexander McInroy 1831-1884 who was born in Inverkip Scotland and died in Brisbane. I look forward to hearing from a family member!*

Susan Muller. [susanmargaretmuller@bigpond.com](mailto:susanmargaretmuller@bigpond.com).



### Recording of Presentations

### A new QFHS Service

[Learn@QFHS](#) presentations are now being recorded. As part of a trial three

presentations have been recorded over recent weeks and made available to session participants to view or review in their own time. It's proven popular with members and QFHS as decided to continue with this new service for suitable presentations in 2022.

This is how the service works. Where the presenter gives permission and the presentation is suitable, the event will be recorded and uploaded to the **Vimeo platform**. Those who have registered and paid for the event beforehand will receive a link and password to enable them to view or review the recording over the following weeks.

If you have already booked for an upcoming event we will advise you if the presentation will be recorded.

**Please note:** At this stage it is not possible to purchase a presentation recording after ticket sales have closed.



## **New Members' Welcome and Orientation**

**Are you a new member?**

**Is it a while since you have been to the Library and Resource Centre?**

We invite you to attend a New Members' Welcome and Orientation session when you join the Society or at any time you would like a refresher. Session details [here](#)

**The next session will be held on Friday 20 May.**

For bookings or queries email [welcome@qfhs.org.au](mailto:welcome@qfhs.org.au).



## **You're invited to join our Print Library Team**

Have you any time you can spare to help your society to recover from Covid?

Donate **3 hours a week on Friday or Monday morning** to the Print Library and you will

enjoy -

- . A cuppa and a chat,
- . Company of other devotees of Family History,
- . Perhaps find some hidden gems from our shelves.

There's lots of "unfinished business", both electronic records and print books, needing your help. If you'd like to know more contact Lurline Gedge (Team Leader) at [tgedge@bigpond.net.au](mailto:tgedge@bigpond.net.au).



**QFHS is also seeking three volunteers to help with Members Meetings.**

### **1) A HOST FOR OUR MONTHLY MEMBERS' MEETINGS**

The Society needs someone to host our **Monthly Members' Meetings**. This job can be done by anyone anywhere, you don't need to live in Brisbane. The time required of a meeting host is a few hours during the week before each monthly meeting, held every third Wednesday of the month, except for December and January, and to be available to host the meeting using Zoom.

Prior to the meeting, the meeting host would monitor the attendees who have registered for the meeting to attend by Zoom, send out the link for the meeting the day before, together with the agenda for the meeting and the draft minutes of the previous month's meeting which will be provided to you by the Secretary, and send a list of attendees and a link to the meeting to the speaker prior to the meeting.

At the meeting, the host will admit the attendees registered for Zoom, and generally be there for participants if their connection drops out and they need to be readmitted. The host will also keep an eye on participants to ensure they mute their microphones during the meeting.

**Training and written procedure will be provided.** If you are interested please contact the Monthly Members' Meeting Co-ordinator, **Lyndal Cosgrove** on [cosgrove@bigpond.net.au](mailto:cosgrove@bigpond.net.au).

### **2) A ROADIE TO SET UP THE EQUIPMENT IN THE QFHS LIBRARY FOR HYBRID MEETINGS**

Our Monthly Members' Meetings are now becoming hybrid meetings with the speaker and a small audience at the library at Gaythorne, and a Zoom link to other members attending. We are in need of someone who can set up the computer and camera ready for the meeting each month, and set up the table, chairs and



projector. Someone living within a reasonable distance of Gaythorne would be ideal. If you are happy to come and join us each month please contact Lyndal Cosgrove on [cosgrove@bigpond.net.au](mailto:cosgrove@bigpond.net.au). Training and written procedure will be provided.

### **3) WE ARE LOOKING FOR A MINUTES SECRETARY**

This would entail writing up the minutes of the Monthly Members' Meeting and the Management Committee meeting, so a twice-a-month job. You don't need to make notes as the meetings are recorded and once written up they are deleted from Zoom. It would be handy if you attend the meetings so you know what has occurred at the meetings. You can attend by zoom for both. Once written up the draft minutes can be sent to the Secretary.

There are many ways you can support your Society. Perhaps you can make a contribution to one of these teams:

- **External Events - Coordination and Support**
- **Digitising/Indexing team**
- **Education team**
- **Library Assistants**
- **Technical/computer team**

All expressions of interest very welcome. Contact [secretary@qfhs.org.au](mailto:secretary@qfhs.org.au); phone 07 3856 2724

**THANK YOU!**



**Have you liked us on Facebook yet? Or followed us on Instagram or Twitter?**

You can visit our Facebook page [here](#) or link to QFHS social media in the blue banner at the bottom of our [website](#).

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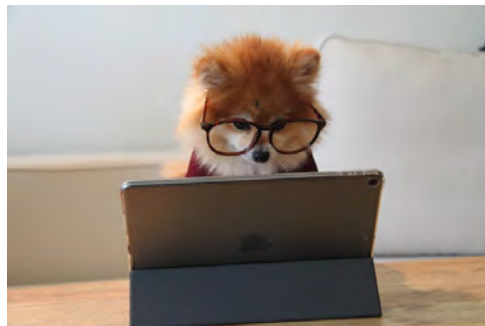


## Registering for Zoom presentations

Immediately after registering for an event on Eventbrite, you should receive a confirmation email. If you do not receive this confirmation, it may be that the email address you gave was not valid. In fact, you should receive three emails generated by Eventbrite: one immediately after you register, a second two days before the event, and a third shortly before the event begins. If you are not receiving these notifications, email [marketing@qfhs.org.au](mailto:marketing@qfhs.org.au) so we can check.

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## Web Wanderings



**"My Heritage"** will continue to be available for home on-line access. Just log in to the QFHS website and [select on-line access](#). When you click on **MyHeritage** you will receive advice on how to log in. Why not give it a try and see what records you can access?

Members can still enjoy free access to **"Ancestry"** and **"FindmyPast"** when they log in at the QFHS Resource Centre (via one of the linked computers or their own device).

If you have any problems with access please email [secretary@qfhs.org.au](mailto:secretary@qfhs.org.au)

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Findmypast latest releases include records for nurses, the Navy and beyond

### [Middlesex Monumental Inscriptions](#)

Nearly 4,000 new records have been added to this existing collection covering seven parishes across the country. These include biographical details for an ancestor. Some families were buried together, so more relatives can be found by exploring one record. Some records include original images, and the collection as a whole ranges from 1485 to 2019.

### [Military Nurses 1856-1994](#)

Another 9,000 transcripts have been added to this existing collection, which mainly focuses on the nurses who served in the Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service, the Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service (Reserve), and the Territorial Force Nursing Service during the First World War. The available detail varies, possibly including an ancestor's rank, qualifications and training.

### [Indian Navy Records of Service 1840-1947](#)

Find an ancestor's name rank, regiment, and time served with over 1,800 new transcriptions, published in partnership with The British Library. Quaker Women's Petition, 1659

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## **Online sites, Collections and Virtual Tours**

In 2022 we will keep pursuing new free sites and useful resources to support you in your research.

Here are some suggestions for you to explore this month.



## **Ancestors in Dundee ?**

Thanks to [Doug Eager](#) for passing on news of this youtube video about "[The Poor of Dundee](#)" from the Tay Valley Family History Society. Click [here](#) to view.

*This is a story of the Poor of Dundee, showing some of the context of the burgh and its growth while following Thomas Lynch, from a Dundee-Irish family, and his siblings, in the 19th century. This story uses sources from the Statistical Accounts of Scotland, Lists of Poor of Dundee, and Kirk Session Minutes, in addition to baptism, marriage and burial records and other references about Dundee conditions. It's from Jenny Blain, who says 'Apologies for my voice nearly giving out near the end!'*

The Society have advised that they will be holding a Question and Answer session on the last Monday of April, 25/04/2022 at 8.00 p.m. UK time (20.00 British Summer Time). To 'register' for the zoom session send an email to [talks@tayvalleyfhs.org.uk](mailto:talks@tayvalleyfhs.org.uk).

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## Online Journals

**The following electronic journals have been recently added to our collection.**

You can access the full list of online journals by going to the QFHS Website and clicking on the Resources tab. From the drop down list click on electronic journals.

**Note: you need to be logged in to the QFHS Website to access these resources.**

- Ances Tree Vol 35 1 2022
- Bedfordshire Vol 23 5 2022
- Caloundra Clipper No 116 2022
- Cedar Log 151 2022
- Dorset Vol 35 2 2022
- Figtree 161 2022
- Lanarkshire Journal No 77 2021
- Lancashire Vol 44 1 2022
- Metropolitan 173 2022
- Origins Vol 46 1 2022
- Packet Vol 28 1 2022
- Tree Of Life Vol 39 1 2022
- Dumfries Galloway FHS NL102 2022
- Northumberland Durham FHS Vol 47 1 2022
- Branching Out 2022
- Cronicl Powys 115 April 2022
- Herefordiensis 115 2022
- Redcliffe FHG Newsletter 2022

- Coontin Kin No 121 2022
- HAGSOC Vol 45 No 1 2022
- Progenitor Vol 40 4 2021
- Shemot Vol 30 1 2022
- WMFHS Vol 40 1 2022
- Descent Vol 52 1 2022
- E Muster 31 2021
- Roots In The Forest 2022
- Suffolk Roots 47 3 2021
- First Fleet Founders 53 2 2022
- Wiltshire FHS 164 2022
- Cheshire Ancestor Vol 52 3 2022
- Endeavour 149 2021
- Endeavour 150 2022
- Gallus 123 2022
- Orange Newsletter 2022
- RHSQ Bulletin 872 2022
- GSQ Generation Vol 45 No 3 2022

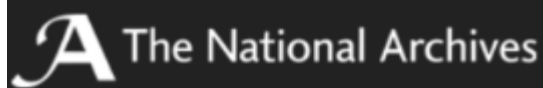
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## General items of interest



### Members Tips and Discoveries

Thanks to our members for sharing their finds this year. You're welcome to let us know about any interesting discoveries or learnings. Just email [snippets@qfhs.org.au](mailto:snippets@qfhs.org.au)



### Upcoming seminar World War II sites in Queensland, Part II.

This seminar will explore places of military significance in regional areas of Queensland during World War II, including fortifications, airfields, camps, hospitals, depots and workshops.

**Date: Tuesday 19 April commencing 10.00 am**  
**Location: NAA research centre, 16 Corporate Drive, Cannon Hill.**

**Bookings are essential and can be made via the Eventbrite [here](#).**

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## **Royal Historical Society of Queensland**

### **Upcoming Events**

**Lady Cilento: A Pioneer in Child and Maternal Health**  
**Wednesday 11 May, 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

Learn about the extraordinary life of Phyllis Cilento, a pioneer medical practitioner at a time when it was not common for women to be doctors.

**Hidden Toils: The Contribution of Chinese Australians to the Early Development of Queensland**  
**Saturday 28 May, 9am**

Join us for our next conference, which shines a light on the unique and underappreciated contribution that Chinese Australians have made to the early development of Queensland. It will cover several themes including pastoralism, commerce and culture, with a particular focus on settler families.

**Queensland Day Dinner**  
**Monday 6 June, 6.30pm**

The President and Council of The Royal Historical Society of Queensland and The Professional Historians Association (Qld) request the pleasure of your company at the 2022 Queensland Day Dinner and the presentation of the John and Ruth Kerr Medal for Distinction. This year it will be held at Tattersall's Club.

**Further information and bookings check [here](#)**

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### **SAMFORD MUSEUM RE-OPENING TO PUBLIC**

The Samford Historical Museum at Station Street, Samford Village has re-opened to the public. The Museum is open **EACH WEDNESDAY AND SUNDAY FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM.**

**Admission is \$5 for Adults and \$1 for Children.**

School and Community Group Bookings can be made by special arrangement. Enquiries to --- **President Geoff Harris 0417 610 983** -- or send an email to [info@samfordmuseum.com.au](mailto:info@samfordmuseum.com.au)

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### **Oral History Workshop**

**Oral History Queensland** is holding a face-to-face workshop on **30 April 2022 at 12 Payne Street, Auchenflower.** The workshop will be run by OHQ President Elisabeth Gondwe who has a Master of Arts in Anthropology and Archaeology from James Cook University. Elisabeth has worked as an oral historian for 30 years and brings a strong oral history focus to her role as the curator at the North Stradbroke Island Museum on Minjerribah. She has designed and delivered many community oral history projects.

This is an introductory workshop and would suit people who are commencing an oral

history project. It will provide an overview of an oral history project, ethics and permissions, an introduction to interview techniques and recording, file management and transcribing. Anyone with an interest in oral history, family and local histories would benefit from this workshop. Find out more about the workshop and registration [here](#).

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## Books - News and Reviews



### ***Sealskin by Su Bristow, published by Orenda Books, London, UK, 2017***

Fascinating fiction for those with an interest in ancient Scottish myths and village life in the isolated "wilds" of that land.

*I recently borrowed this book from the Brisbane City Library. It is only about 200 paperback pages long. I'm not a big novel reader these days but I chose it because of the story and location. I found the time passed very quickly and I kept reading "just another page" or "just another chapter".*

*The book is a novel based on ancient stories from Scotland, of the Selkies, mythical creatures who take on the form of seals in the water but on land they shed their skin and become more or less human. There are many myths and superstitions among those who lived in those more solitary places. The Selkies are just one. Having ancestors who lived in the western isles of Scotland, perhaps I'm a little biased in my enjoyment of this book.*

*The story is of a young fisherman who sees a group of Selkies one night when he is in his boat alone. The Selkies remove their seal skins and become beautiful young women. He ventures closer and decides to hide one of the Selkies' skins that were discarded on the beach, in order to see one Selkie close up. His plan didn't go smoothly, and so the story goes on.*

*The story details life in small, isolated highland or island communities of the past, when transport was mostly by sea and communication with the outside world was extremely limited. It paints a picture of the lifestyles; the gossip, the arrival of babies, children, the elderly, the close-knit community life, but also illustrates the bullying, drinking and abuse.*



*I think that those whose ancestors came from the “wilds” of Scotland and other isolated parts of the world will relate to this book and the characters. It will also be enjoyed by those who enjoy a well-written, mythical and romantic story.*

Thanks to Anne Mackay for this review.

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**Is there a book that has delivered an important breakthrough in your family history research or perhaps one that has provided fresh insights and directions? Why not write up a short review that we can share with other members?**

Contact [snippets@qfhs.org.au](mailto:snippets@qfhs.org.au) to discuss your review.



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