

# Snippets 2026



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Queensland Family History Society

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## SNIPPETS VOL 26 NO 1

A warm welcome to 2026! The weather has been very warm up here in Queensland. Hope everyone had a lovely break over the festive season and did not suffer damage from the storms.

The Research Centre has opened again after the holiday break and is ready for a new year of helping you find your family history. Please check the website for opening days and times. Also please note that the Research Centre will be closed for Australia Day.

We have some exciting new things happening at the Centre this year. We have the new Koha Library Catalogue Database system up and running. See the article from the Print Library Team below. We also have a new Special Interest Group (SIG) for Technology to help you navigate the mysteries of Excel, Word, Powerpoint and AI, just to name a few.

To get you started in your family history journey we are again holding our Finding Your Family course to set you on the right track. It is very helpful to those starting out and not sure where to look. The presenters are all seasoned family history researchers so can give you so many helpful hints and tips to get started.

The society is also looking for help in a number of areas so if you can spare some time please check

what is needed and see if you can help.

Happy reading

**Sheena de Jager Miles**  
**Snippets Editor**

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## NEWS

### Forthcoming QFHS Events

25 Jan 2026	New Members Welcome and Orientation	9.30am – 12.30pm
9 Feb 2026	Finding Your Family – The Fundamentals of Research - Week 1	10.00am – 12 noon
10 Feb 2026	Management Committee Meeting (hybrid)	10.00am – 12.30pm
13 Feb 2026	Learn @QFHS - Are you interested in a One Place Study?	10.00am – 12 noon
16 Feb 2026	Finding Your Family – The Fundamentals of Research - Week 2	7:00pm – 8.30pm
23 Feb 2026	Members Lounge - Book Club - Dirrayawadha by Anita Heiss	10:00am - 11:30am

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### Holiday closure date for the Family History Research Centre

The Centre will be closed on 26 January 2026 for Australia Day.

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## Bi-Annual QFHS Members General Meeting

24 March 2026

7:30pm - 9:30pm

This meeting will be held online.

The meeting agenda plus President's and Treasurer's Reports will be available on the website for member perusal seven (7) days prior to the General Meeting.

Members may register questions and/or add items to the agenda by emailing the Secretary at [secretary@qfhs.org.au](mailto:secretary@qfhs.org.au)

All members are urged to participate.

Register to attend or record your apology below.

[REGISTER](#)

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### QFHS Management Committee Meetings

#### **Review of Constitution:**

Feedback is being considered by our sub-committee from the latest round of feedback. This project is on track to achieve its goal of presenting a draft constitution and by-laws for consideration at the general meeting on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

#### **Site improvements:**

A new front door and awning were installed in mid-December. We have accepted a quote for our street sign, which should be completed during January. We have the 'open sign' banner, which is now in use replacing the old wooden A Frame sign.

#### **Grants:**

We are awaiting a decision on our Gambling Grant application for 12 replacement units for our IT network. Decision is expected mid-February to mid-March. We are also expecting another BCC grant round to open later in January.

#### **Acquisitions:**

Acquisitions coordinator Alison reports there were no requests received during November and December.

#### **Volunteering:**

We continue to seek volunteers for the vacant roles and Jenni is proactive in this regard. Our sausage sizzle at Bunnings on 27<sup>th</sup> December sold over 600 sausages and the raffle with 15 prizes was well supported and collectively provided income of \$2,935.00. Thanks to Jenni and Carolyn for the organisation of the sausage sizzle and those members who assisted on the day. Also thanks again to Jenni for the great work in arranging the 15 prize packs for our raffle.

#### **Attendance on behalf of QFHS:**

Since the last report to members I have attended NAA consultative forum in late October, the Fellows and Awards function at the State Library in early November, and the History Queensland general meeting in late November.

**New SIG:**

A new special interest group, Technology, has been introduced for members, on a trial for six months. Debra Ricks is our co-ordinator.

**AGM date:**

Our next AGM is set down for Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2026, as the usual Wednesday meeting clashes, again, with State of Origin event this year.

**Fees and Charges review:**

Our November 2025 meeting confirmed that fees and charges would continue at the present advertised rates.

**Open Day 2026:**

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August has been set aside for our Open Day in 2026. Would you please note in your diaries.

**Volunteers' morning tea:**

Over 60 volunteers attended this enjoyable event. Thanks to Lyndal for arranging same for us.

**Library rearrangement:**

Arrangements are underway to partially redesign the layout of the library and mapping sections to better accommodate the library team, which should permit improved use of the limited space at our centre.

**Centre improvements on the drawing board:**

We are working on a number of initiatives to improve the kitchen's appearance and effectiveness. A big thank you to Jenni, who has organised two tile companies to donate sufficient ceramic floor tiles for the kitchen and the two bathrooms that are not currently tiled. We require BCC approval for this, which will be sought in early 2026 once we obtain a quote from a tiler to lay our tiles. The tile option provides a more permanent flooring solution to repainting every three to four years.

**IT update-new server:**

The new server, purchased with the Anika Wells' grant, is operational at the centre in conjunction with our current server. Once the new unit establishes itself as stand alone, expected early in 2026, the old server will support other facets of our IT platform

**Annual Book Award:**

We have four books submitted for our annual book award to date, with our annual presentation event booked at Aspley Hornets again this year on 5<sup>th</sup> August.

**Journal article of the year award:**

As there has been a declining participation in this concept and, in view of the work involved in running

the project, we have taken the decision to cease offering this award.

**2026 Speaking tour of Blaine Bettinger and Simon Davie:**

We have agreed to conduct the Queensland sector of this tour event, which will be held during August. Full details will be provided shortly.

**Graeme Drew 14/1/2026.**

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Hi Everyone

We had our Sausage Sizzle on 27<sup>th</sup> December 2025 and it was great day. Profits from the sausage sizzle and raffle were \$2935 - which is an excellent result.

I would like to thank the following people for the integral part they played in making the day a huge success: -

Phil Doolan                      Carolyn Grimward

Mark Glenday                      Dette Glenday

Bruce Trenerry                      Amber Dunshea

Clem Ditton                      Pat Gardner

Greg Crawford                      Gayle Wallace

Sheena de Jager Miles                      Graeme Drew

Jackie Buttress                      Lyndal Cosgrove

Jocelyn Gould

Our raffle was drawn on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2026 and all results have been published on our Website and Social Media pages. Thank you to the many businesses and associations that donated prizes towards our raffle and to the people who supported our raffle by purchasing tickets.

## **Vacancies**

We currently have the following vacancies: -

- The Snippets Co-Editor role: Do you have basic computer skills? If so, this is the role for you. This is an excellent opportunity to gain experience with new systems and play an integral part in keeping all members informed of what's happening within the Society.
- Publicity Co-Ordinator: Are you a strong communicator? If so, this role is for you. The Publicity Co-Ordinator promotes and helps shape our public image. You will play an integral part in driving the QFHS brand within the community.
- Community Outreach Co-Ordinator: Can you organise show bags for exhibitions, liaise with other community groups and clubs, purchase supplies for show bags?

Jenni Doolan, Volunteer Co-Ordinator

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## **Indexing Volunteers Needed**

QFHS has an ongoing project called QBNI (QFHS Book Names Index). We are going through all our books and checking whether they have an index. If they do, we scan the index as a PDF file. This file is subsequently processed to generate a list of the names and page references for each book, collected in an Excel file.

These details are then loaded into a searchable database that is available online for our members. So far we have indexed almost 900 books, with over 580,000 names listed.

There are many books where the index has been scanned but the index files have not yet been generated, and this is where we need your help. If you can generate a document with Word or Excel, you can work at home to make indexes.

Generally, people use Word to read the PDF and then edit the file or convert it to Excel. If you have an OCR program to convert the PDF to readable text, that makes it easier. Others are happy to just manually transcribe the details from the PDF into an Excel file. We can provide some training assistance if required.

If you feel you could help, please contact Peter Reed at [digitising@qfhs.org.au](mailto:digitising@qfhs.org.au)

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## **QFHS December Raffle Results**

Thanks to everyone who supported QFHS and bought a ticket in our end-of-year raffle, which raised more than \$1,350.

Tickets were sold during December at the Research Centre, the Volunteers Thank You morning tea, at the Bunnings sausage sizzle fund raiser and online via EFT.

There were 2 winners for first prize. K Griffiths didn't want the golf prize but kept the vouchers that came with it. There was a second draw for the golf vouchers only, won by L Cosgrove.

Winners have been advised and most have already collected their prizes.

<b>Prize No.</b>	<b>Ticket Number</b>	<b>Name</b>
1	Green B85 & Green B47	K Griffiths & L Cosgrove
2	Red A14	Geoff Morgan
3	Blue B21	Alan Bourne
4	Red A80	Ian Prideaux
5	Green B59	Greg Crawford
6	Red A79	Ian Prideaux
7	Orange C91	David
8	Red C14	W Czabanski
9	Red A95	Margaret Kemp
10	Green B03	Terry
11	Red A24	Ruth Linde
12	Red C15	Graeme Drew
13	Orange C94	David
14	Red A68	Linda Cartmill
15	Red A40	Alex Daw

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A warm welcome to the New Year from the Print Library Team. Lets hit the ground running with an introduction to "Koha", the new Library Catalogue Database, hosted and supported in Sydney by Prosentient Systems.

The new database can be found at [library.qfhs.org.au](http://library.qfhs.org.au)

Members of the Print Library Team have been working tirelessly over the last twelve months to massage the data that was imported from vLibrary.

Some unwanted and unexpected results popped up in the new database and much work has been going on to rectify, cleanse and tidy up the data in Koha.

The most important thing to know at the moment is that vLibrary has been frozen for most of the last year meaning that all new records have only gone into Koha.

With the limited resources available, all efforts have been focused entirely on Koha. With the gap widening between vLibrary and Koha, the Print Library Team invite you to have a look at our new database.

### **Some points to know.**

The Koha Catalogue is available to all and you do not need a log-in to search!

Members will still be able borrow books from the "Book Awards" and "Lending Library" section of the Library. Books not on loan from these two areas will show as "available".

The bulk of the Library is for research only and in most cases these books cannot be borrowed.

These books will show up as "Not Available, Restricted Access - Research only".

The Library Assistants will soon be in a position to check books in and out using Koha.

Some electronic records will still only be accessed by attending the Library at Geebung.

In Koha, an example of the simplest search would be by going to the drop down button that by default shows "Library catalogue". Click that button and select "Title". In the search entry field to the right enter "Geebung" and click the search button to the right. Two entries

with Geebung in the title should be shown.

Members may have a Call Number to find. To find an exact match, select "Call Number" from the same drop down options and enter the full Call Number in quotes eg, "H4/034 1 2".

The Title "Geebung story : the next fifty years" should be found.

An option called "Advanced Search", directly under the Library Catalogue option button is where visitors can start to develop more targeted searches.

To see all the Book Award collection, just click on the Group Icon for Book Awards and hit "Search". Further searching is possible from within that selection.

Have a look at Lists, found near the top left. The Print Library Team have grouped similarly themed records to help with quick searching.

The New Year has certainly started with some pace so welcome to Koha. Please explore, there's a lot to see, and remember, it is a work in progress.

vLibrary is still the same as you have known it except no new substantial entries have been added in the last twelve months. Koha is the place where you will find up to date data.

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## New SIG

The **Technology Interest Group** is a new interest group established in 2026 It will provide an opportunity for members to discuss and learn how to make the most of technology both for family history and personal use.. This includes commonly used computer software such as Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint, research websites and the rapidly expanding field of AI. It will not cover technology already discussed in other interest groups, such as DNA, FTM etc.

If you have suggestions for any topics please [email us](#) with your thoughts.

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month, held alternatively at the centre and via Zoom. Members must [register](#) with the convenor to receive the link to the session.

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## Winners of Journal Article of the Year 2025

While all articles were of particular interest to at least one participating member of the Society, the three most chosen stories were:

- This Band of Brothers: The Men of No. 15 Section by Allan Tonks (p.4, QFH No. 46, Feb 2025),
- A Deeper Dive into the Family Archive by Lesley Huxley (p.86, QFH No. 46, Aug 2025) and

- The Search for Portion 1879 by Ken Swadling (p.142, No. 46, Nov 2025).

Our congratulations go to Allan Tonks, Lesley Huxley and Ken Swadling whose articles were equally chosen most often by our members. They have received a commemorative certificate and a gift voucher of \$75 in recognition of the interest and appreciation of our participating members.

Read [more...](#)

## Special Interest Groups

### Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

#### Next meetings:



<b>Central European:</b>	Saturday 7 February 26 – 10am – 12noon - hybrid
<b>Colonial India &amp; the Far East:</b>	Sunday 8 February 26 – 10am – 12noon - online
<b>DNA (beginners' questions):</b>	Saturday 24 January 26 – 10am – 12noon - hybrid
<b>DNA (some experience):</b>	Saturday 21 February 26 - 10am - 12noon - hybrid
<b>English West Country:</b>	Thursday 22 January 26 – 12 noon – 2pm - online
<b>Family History Writing:</b>	Saturday 14 March 26 – 9am – 12noon - online
<b>Family Historian Software:</b>	Sunday 1 February 26 – 1pm – 3pm - online
<b>Family Tree Maker:</b>	Friday 6 February 26 – 10am - 11:30am – online
<b>Irish Research Group:</b>	Saturday 14 February 26 – 10.30am – 12:30pm - online
<b>QLD Pre-Separation:</b>	Saturday 14 March 26 – 1.30pm – 3:30pm - online
<b>Scottish:</b>	Saturday 7 March 26 - 10am - 12noon - hybrid
<b>Technology:</b>	Thursday 5 February 26 – 10.00am – 12noon - online
<b>The Master Genealogist:</b>	Monday 16 March 26 – 7pm - 8:30pm – online
<b>Welsh:</b>	Sunday 15 March 26 – 10am = 12noon – hybrid

**Meetings vary between: online; hybrid with some members online and some in person; or in person at our Family History Research Centre, 46 Delaware Street, Chermside.** Please check the [QFHS calendar on the website](#) or contact the group convenor to confirm your meeting location.

### Learn more about Special Interest Groups

Would you like to learn more about a particular interest group or perhaps join them for a meeting? Click [here](#) and select an interest group. You can contact the Convenor if you have any questions or would like to join a meeting.



# EVENTS

## New Members Welcome and Orientation



### Get ready to make the most of your membership

These orientation sessions are held either **in person at the QFHS Family Research Centre, 46 Delaware St, Chermside** or **online via zoom**. It is your opportunity to learn more about our research resources, services and learning opportunities.

Not a new member but need an update on accessing resources at our Family History Research Centre? You're very welcome to join the sessions.

**The next session will be held at our Research Centre on 25 January 2026 at 9.30 am to 12.30 pm.**

Bookings are essential at [welcome@qfhs.org.au](mailto:welcome@qfhs.org.au).

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## Members Lounge - Talking About ...

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### Ethical Communication

**Date:** 25 March 2026

**Time:** 10 am-12noon

**Presenter :** Nancy Edwards

**Ethical Communication of Sensitive Information. When the desire to share a discovery is a scratch you can't itch.**

To register and [read more..](#)

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## Members Lounge - Presenting

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### Steam Tug Forceful

*Date:* 18 February 2026

*Time:* 1pm - 3pm

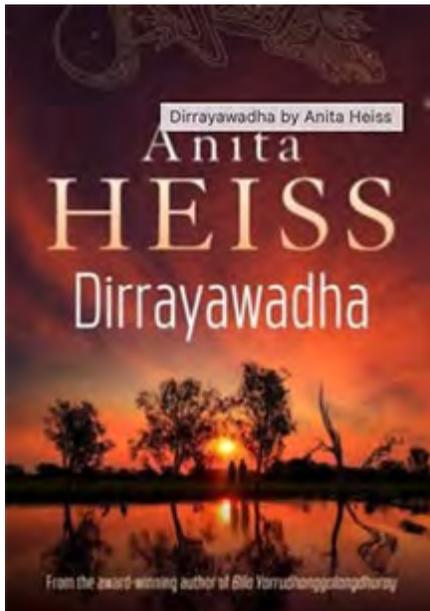
*Presenter:* Keith Boulton OAM

Join Keith Boulton OAM as he relates the history of the last coal fired Brisbane River Tugboat. To register and read [more..](#)

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## Members Lounge - Book Club

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### Dirrayawadha by Anita Heiss

*Date:* 23 February 2026

*Time:* 10am - 11:30am

Anita Heiss is breathing new life into the Australian historical epic. Dirrayawadha (Rise Up) shows the resistance leader Windradyne as the remarkable figure he was and surrounds him with fascinating figures otherwise lost to history.

To register and read [more..](#)

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## Learn@QFHS

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### One Place Study

*Date:* 13 February 2026



**Time:** 10am - 11:30am

**Presenter:** Pauline Cass

In this presentation we'll discuss the meaning of an OPS, and how you might choose your village, town, house, street, etc etc. To register and read [more..](#)

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## Finding Your Family

**Date:** 9 February 2026

**Time:** 7:30 - 9:00 pm AEST on-line

**Presenter:** QFHS Tutors

Are you new to family history and wondering how to get started?

Or perhaps you've researched before and would like a refresher?

Maybe you've tried searching online but found the information overwhelming or scattered?

If any of these sound like you, our **6 week course, Finding Your Family**, is the perfect next step.

To register and [read more..](#)

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### **Why You Should Read Books in the Library**

I've always been a reader and the QFHS library is a treasure trove for me. I read everything that seems to have anything to do with my family or ancestors, so I knew that two of the entries in the Family History Book Awards this year would be worth a read. Both pertained to the sugar industry in North Queensland and both my paternal grandparents and maternal great grandparents were pioneers in the industry in North Queensland.

The books were Catherine Smith's book on *Queensland's Sugar King, The Zammit Legacy* and the book by Avis-Ann Ballard & Pene Greet who co-authored *May the Cane Prosper - A Queensland story*.

The second one gripped my attention as I flicked through the many pages because, although there is no Index, I saw names in the Burdekin district with which I was familiar – children I had gone to school with or adults in families whose names rang a bell with me. And then I hit the jackpot – a wedding photo of a couple called Dick Godfrey and Louise Vass who married in Home Hill in 1939 and lived in Kairi.

Many years ago, I told my mother that my sister-in-law from Cairns was marrying a Godfrey from Kairi.

Mum immediately said, “Louise Vass married Dick Godfrey from Kairi in 1939. I made that wedding dress.” Mum was then seventeen years old and working for a dressmaker in Home Hill as she had done since leaving school at the age of fourteen. She had a very clear memory of all the design details of the dress and, lo and behold, here was I looking at a photo of the very dress, sixty-six years later. If only mum was still alive to see a photo of her creation today.

I contacted Pene and Avis-Ann seeking permission to copy the photo, so that I could now add it to mum’s profile in the family tree for her occupation, and then I got the idea to use it as inspiration to encourage other members of the society to read the books in the library.

Not only did I have a connection with the wedding dress, but I also had a connection with the groom in the photo, as he became my brother-in-law’s uncle.

Pene replied giving her permission and sending a digital copy of the photo and we shared other information about the families. The experience has been a fine example of family historians sharing information and I’m grateful to Pene and Avis-Ann for being willing to share this photo.

Our library is a treasure trove of information, and you just never know what you might find out about your own family, if you look.

Jocelyn Gould #M6453

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# STATE LIBRARY QUEENSLAND

**Driven: every car has a story**

**6 Dec 2025 – 8 Feb 2026**

Take a drive down memory lane at the *Driven* exhibition, celebrating the milestones we’ve shared with our cars, the adventures across bitumen, sand, and dirt, and the enduring passion driven by our love for them.

Learn [more..](#)

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# QUEENSLAND STATE ARCHIVES

## Printed & Bound: uncover the art of keeping history

Opening 11am on 22 January 2026

Qld State Archives, Runcorn

We're told to never judge a book by its cover - but this time, we insist! Printed & Bound, our new exhibition opening in January 2026, reveals the beauty, the function and the fascination in the very structures that bind our written history.

As the official custodian of the public records of the state of Queensland, QSA has the distinction of holding the largest collection of archival records books. Whether ornate or plain, each book, ledger and register is an artefact that tells us something about how Queensland kept its history.

Not only will Printed & Bound showcase the physical beauty and function of some of these public records up close, over the next 12 months the exhibition will also feature a series of fascinating talks and workshops.

Read [more...](#)



### Past in Practice : NSW Records Masterclass

From 18-20 February, the **Society of Australian Genealogists** and **Family History Academy** are jointly offering ***Past in Practice: NSW Records Masterclass*** — an intensive, three-day, in-person archival program held at the NSW State Archives Reading Room at Kingswood.

This masterclass is not about what's already digitised. It's about learning to work confidently with non-digitised, rarely accessed archival material — the records that underpin people, land, institutions, and decision-making in New South Wales.

The program brings together experts in their field, including staff from **Museums of History NSW** and leading experts such as **Andrew Redfern, Angela Phippen, Christine Yeats, Jeff Madsen, Richard**

Reid, and Vanessa Cassin.

To book and read [more...](#)

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The Royal Historical Society of Queensland

Coming Events:

**11 February - Lunchtime Lecture** - Hannah Rigby - the last convict woman of Moreton Bay.

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### **Twilight at the Queensland Maritime Museum**

Date: 24 February 2026

Time: 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Brisbane Living Heritage invites you to the first Twilight Event of 2026—an evening of heritage, stories, collaboration, and community at the Queensland Maritime Museum. Set against the backdrop of the historic South Brisbane Dry Dock and towering HMAS Diamantina, this special event is also the official launch of BLH's 2026 Program.

To book and read [more...](#)

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The logo features the words "180 STORIES" in a bold, orange, brush-stroke font, positioned above "180 YEARS" in a bold, purple, brush-stroke font. The background is a light, textured grey.

**Friends of Nundah Historic Cemetery**  
**180 Stories for 180 Years**

February 2026 will mark an extraordinary milestone for our community: 180 years since the very first recorded burial in Nundah Historic Cemetery.

As Queensland's oldest surviving cemetery, Nundah holds the memories and quiet legacies of generations.

To honour this anniversary, the Friends of Nundah Historic Cemetery are creating a special commemorative project: A collection of 180 stories, each one dedicated to a resident of the cemetery.

These stories can capture the life, service, character, or contribution of the people at rest within our historic cemetery.

This is a community project, and we warmly invite you to take part. Whether you're a long-time local, a family descendant, a history enthusiast, or someone simply curious about the people who built the early Nundah community, we would love for you to help tell their stories. No previous research experience is necessary, just enthusiasm, curiosity, and a willingness to explore the past.

If you'd like to be involved, please read [more...](#)



**New Materials available on  
FamilySearch**

See the full list of collection updates in the [FamilySearch Newsroom](#).

Today, more than 20 billion historical records and images can be searched freely at [FamilySearch.org](#).

Other related databases include:



Upcoming events that may be of interest:

**Date:** 31 January 2026

**Title:** Who, What, Why in Nineteenth Century Maternity Care Practice

Read [more..](#)

**Date:** 14 February 2026

**Title:** Mary Toole Case Study

Read [more..](#)



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6pm - hybrid presentation  
Victorian Archives Centre

Women's Stories Rediscovered Through Melbourne's Ghost Signs.

Behind Melbourne's fading advertisements lie stories that were never meant to survive. In this talk, author and historian Sean Reynolds uncovers the hidden lives of women revealed through his Melbourne Ghost Signs research.

Read [more...](#)

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## Family Reunion

**MARSHALL; PRESTON; WOOLMER; WIXON; SCHMIDT**

(FAMILIES who settled in the FRAZER COAST AREA – arriving around 1800s ).

SATURDAY 4TH APRIL - SUNDAY 5TH APRIL [EASTER WEEKEND 2026]

**BROOWEENA MUSEUM**

(Between Biggenden & Maryborough)

Free Camping Grounds – NO power with Toilets

**BUT !! NO SHOWER – TEE BAR HALL UP THE ROAD**

RSVP & More Details contact: Kathy Hunt [kathyqf15@bigpond.com](mailto:kathyqf15@bigpond.com)

Kathy Hunt on Facebook ( with the ANZAC picture)

SHARE! SHARE! SHARE! WOULD LOVE TO SEE AS MANY DESCENDANTS AS POSSIBLE.

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## RESOURCES - NEW AND ONGOING

### Who Does What at QFHS?

Have you wanted to contact someone at QFHS but not known who was the right person? We have an extensive list of "Who Does What", recently updated.

Members can find it on the QFHS website under the "Members Portal" tab, or click [here..](#)

It is a testament to the many wonderful volunteers who work together to keep QFHS delivering to us all. Many thanks to Jenni Doolan, our Volunteers Coordinator, who keeps this listing up-to-date.

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## Queensland Family Historian

To save the society printing and postage costs **we urge members to cancel their print copy and access the online copy.** Send a request to [membership@qfhs.org.au](mailto:membership@qfhs.org.au).

The **eHistorian** - which is how we refer to the electronic version - is available online for the years **2008-2025** and may be selected by year and then issue.

The chosen PDF document will appear either in new tabs, new windows, or as downloaded files depending on your browser, version, or settings.

You can search the **Queensland Family Historian Name Index 1979-2025** [here...](#)

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**Journals: a Rich Resource**

**(This list is updated monthly.)**

### **ACT**

[HAGSOC Ancestral Searcher 48 4 2025 12](#)

### **NSW**

[Botany Bay Endeavour 165 2025 12](#)

[Milton Ulladulla Pigeon House 60 2025 12](#)

[Orange Newsletter 2025 12](#)

[Patrick Plains Gazette 40 2 2025 12](#)

[Richmond Tweed Cedar Log 166 2025 12](#)

[Young Lambing Flat Leader 47 4 2025 12](#)

### **Queensland**

[Caloundra Clipper 131 2025 12](#)

[GSQ Generation 49 2 2025 12](#)

[Ipswich Bremer Echoes 43 3 2025 11](#)

[Maryborough Forebears 46 2 2025 11](#)

[Sunshine Coast Kin Tracer 33 2 2025 12](#)

[Whitsunday Branching Out 2025 11](#)

### **SA**

[SAG Descent 55 4 2025 12](#)

[South Australian Genealogist 52 4 2025 11](#)

## **Tasmania**

[Tasmania Ancestry 46 3 2025 12](#)

[Tasmanian Ancestry 42 1 2021 11](#)

[Tasmanian Ancestry 42 2 2021 09](#)

[Tasmanian Ancestry 42 3 2021 12](#)

[Tasmanian Ancestry 42 4 2022 03](#)

## **Victoria**

[AIGS The Genealogist 18 04 2025 12 Summer](#)

[Bridges Branches 140 2025 12](#)

[Gensoc Victoria Ancestor 37 8 2025 12](#)

[Hawkesbury Crier 2025 12](#)

[International Settlers Group NL 42 4 2025 11](#)

[Narre Warren 146 2025 11](#)

[Victoria Gum News 43 12 2025 12](#)

## **New Zealand**

[NZ Family Tree 2025 12](#)

## **England**

[Cornwall Issue 198 2025 12](#)

[Derbyshire 195 2025 12](#)

[Cumbria Newsletter 197 2025 12](#)

[Essex Family Historian 186 2025 12](#)

[Family History Federation Bulletin 63 2025 11](#)

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[Hertfordshire People 175 2025 12](#)

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## Queensland newspapers newly digitised

We have been working on a project with the NLA to get some of our older microfilm digitised. Hundreds of titles, including many regional Queensland ones, have been selected for this project and are being added to Trove. We're keeping a live list for people to track on our website, but you can also see the updates on Trove's website. I'll include links below. They're well worth exploring if you have the chance!

- On our website - <https://www.slq.qld.gov.au/blog/more-vintage-queensland-newspapers-trove-2025>
  - December updates in Trove - <https://trove.nla.gov.au/announcement/2025/11/07/new-december-2025>
  - Coming soon in Trove - <https://trove.nla.gov.au/announcement/2024/03/22/coming-soon-trove>
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Cain and Kirner Cabinet records open for the first time. Explore ten years of Victoria's history. Read [more...](#)

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From The Family History Federation

The Family History Federation is based in the UK but it puts out a "Really Useful Bulletin" each month on its website that may be of interest to our members with UK

**backgrounds.**

[Read more...](#)

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### **Assisted Immigration to Queensland**

A new dataset with 262,900 entries has been added to the QFHS online research resources. The entries date from 1848 to 1912.

To gain access, click on <https://www.qfhs.org.au/online-access/assistedimmigration/>. Please read its associated [ABOUT](#) document for details of the data.

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### **Managing Eventbrite**

If you are logging in to access Eventbrite to manage an event, you may be prompted to enter a code. This code is usually emailed to the Secretary.

If you would like to receive the code email directly, please email [secretary@qfhs.org.au](mailto:secretary@qfhs.org.au) so that she can have your email address added to the group receiving the code. Please note this code is generated at the time of the request.

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### **Les Moreland Scrapbook Index**

[\*\*Check out the Les Moreland Scrapbook Index here\*\*](#)

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QFHS provides free access to an extensive range of information available through the library editions of the websites listed on the QFHS website, and accessed through member login details. Some can be accessed from home, and others through the Research Centre in Chermshire.

QFHS is a FamilySearch affiliate library. You can reach limited-access Family Search databases and images on the QFHS computers.

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### **Source of our cover illustrations**

**For the past several years, we have chosen an illustrated cover from *The***



***Queenslander*** to add to the header for Snippets.

***The Queenslander*** was launched by the Brisbane Newspaper Company in 1866 and discontinued in 1939. It was the weekly summary and literary edition of the *Brisbane Courier*, the leading journal in the colony - and, from 1859, the State of Queensland.

With weekly publication spanning 60+ years, there were many (out-of-copyright) images to consider as a header for Snippets.

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