



SNIPPETS VOL 26 NO 5

Well the summer heat has certainly gone now and we are getting the cooler temperatures of winter but also some wet days. The longer nights of winter give us the opportunity to delve into our family history again with the Society offering plenty of choices at the Research Centre and online.

This month's Member's Lounge offerings include the story of Commissioner Thallon and our social visit to Miegunyah House for afternoon tea. Our book club meeting is discussing *The Stolen Crown* by Tracey Borman and we are Talking About Memorialisation. Our Learn@ section has two items of interest this month with Australian Literary sources for family history and Queensland maps for family history. This latter event is first offered online and then a week later in person at the Research Centre.

Most importantly our Annual General Meeting is being held on Tuesday, 16th June, at 7:30pm. Members are urged to register their attendance or apology. This is our opportunity to elect our Management Committee for the next year. Please check below for details.

Also thanks to all those members who put up their hand to fill the volunteering openings advertised by Jenni, our Volunteer Co-ordinator. Please check out her report below to see what is still required and if you are able to assist.

Our fundamentals of family research course to help you get started - Finding Your Family - will be run again from 13 July 2026. This is a 6 week course online. Please check the calendar on the website for details.

Happy reading

Sheena de Jager Miles and Roseann Whyte

Snippets Co-editors

NEWS

20 May 2026	Members Lounge - Presenting - A Medal for (or from) Commissioner Thallon	1:00pm - 3:00pm
24 May 2026	New Members Welcome and Orientation	9:30am - 12:30pm
24 May 2026	Members Lounge - Social - Visit to Miegunyah House	2:15pm - 4:30pm
27 May 2026	Members Lounge - Talking About - Memorialisation	10:00am - 11:30am
12 June 2026	Learn@QFHS Australian Literary Sources	10:00am - 11:30am
16 June 2026	QFHS AGM	7:30pm - 9:30pm
19 June 2026	Learn@QFHS Qld Maps for family history - online	10:00am - 12noon
26 June 2026	Learn@QFHS Qld Maps for family history - in person	10:00am - 12noon
29 June 2026	Members Lounge - Book Club The Stolen Crown	10:00am - 11:30am



Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, **16 June 2026**, at 7:30pm.

Join us to hear about the activities of the Society of the past year. Members will also elect a Management Committee for the next 12 months.

This event is a HYBRID event. Please register to attend either in person at the Family History Research Centre, 46 Delaware Street, Chermide, or online via Zoom.

[Register](#)

More information and the documents for the meeting are [here...](#)

Consider nominating for a position on the Management Committee, the form is [here...](#)

If you are can't attend, a proxy form for voting is available [here..](#)

QFHS Management Committee Meetings

Committee Meeting May 2026

Constitution Update;

Bylaws have been approved by the management committee and members have been advised. The current constitution and bylaws documents are posted on our web site.

Position of secretary;

With the confirmation of the amended bylaws the MC appointed Lyndal Cosgrove who was prepared to continue, as secretary of QFHS for the foreseeable future.

Associate Subscription;

In terms of the amended bylaws the old Associated Member category has been replaced with the Associated Subscription category. With the revised category members have the same rights with one major exception, no voting rights attached to this membership. We currently only have two such members and the changes have been explained to them before the constitution and bylaw documents were presented for approval. The MC approved the associated subscription rate at \$100.00 p.a.

Centre improvements update;

Tiling update; We have BCC work approval to tile the male and female toilets. We agreed to leave the kitchen floor as is and proceed with the library arrangement. Peter Gehrke our grants person is working on an application to apply for a BCC grant to tile the kitchen and two toilet floors. Tiles have been received from one donor and arrangements are in hand to pick up the second donation in the coming week. Awning drainage and waterproofing the front wall are being handled by our Facilities team..

Library proposed alterations;

Quotes are being sought from the supplier of the shelving as this company also can supply labour to handle the subsequent rearrangement of records in the library.

Grants;

Our Gambling grant application for the computers (\$16,500) has been approved and fund received from the Qld state government. Our TAG team is working on the specification of the units required to complete this task.

Volunteering:

Jenni has filled most vacant position with the exception of the Education role which is a work in progress after a useful recent meeting of a number of members considering the way forward for this activity.

The exterior of our property;

Three raised garden beds have found a new home and the remaining two are to be collected in the coming month. A new home for the tank has also been found and it will be moved shortly.

Representation of QFHS;

Representatives of QFHS attended the NAA consultative forum and History Qld AGM which was followed by the half yearly General Meeting.

AGM 16th June;

Nominations are being called for the election of office bearers for the coming term. Nominations are open for the office of president, vice president, treasurer and management committee members.

Graeme Drew

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VOLUNTEERING

We are currently looking for the following: -

- Volunteers to be part of our Education Team where you will work closely with Members Lounge and Special Interest Groups to provide our members with enriching and educational experiences (around 2 hours per week – you set the pace).
- Assistance in the development and implementation of our new WordPress website, assist with migration of the existing website to the new website and troubleshoot and resolve any technical issues. Requirements of the role are: -
 - A background in IT working as a software developer
 - Experience building websites in WordPress including customising themes and managing plugins
 - Knowledge of Bricks Builder, Bricksforge, SureCart, Ottokit and SureMembers would be a bonus
 - Knowledge of SEO principles and Google Analytics setup is a bonus
 - Ability to work independently and manage timelines for a defined project
 - Strong attention to detail and problem-solving skills

If you would like to volunteer for any of these positions or just want to chat about them, please call Jenni Doolan on 0412 789 559.



Special Interest Groups (SIGS) - Next Meetings

Central European:	Saturday 6 June 26 – 10am – 12noon - online
Colonial India & the Far East:	Sunday 14 June 26 – 10am – 12noon - online
DNA (beginners/ questions):	Saturday 23 May 26 - 10am-12noon - hybrid
DNA (some experience):	Saturday 27 June 26 - 10am - 12noon - hybrid
English West Country:	Sunday 31 May 26 - 12noon - 2pm - online
Family History Writing:	Saturday 18 July 26 - 9am - 12noon - online
Family Historian Software:	Sunday 7 June 26 – 1pm – 3pm - online
Family Tree Maker:	Friday 5 June 26 – 10am - 11:30am – online
Irish Research Group:	Saturday 13 June 26 – 10.30am – 12:30pm - online
QLD Pre-Separation:	Saturday 5 June 26 – 10.30am – 12noon - in person
Scottish:	Saturday 11 July 26 - 10am - 12noon - hybrid
Technology:	Saturday 4 June 26 - 10am - 12noon - online
The Master Genealogist:	Monday 20 July 26 - 7pm - 8:30pm - online
Welsh:	Sunday 31 May 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.

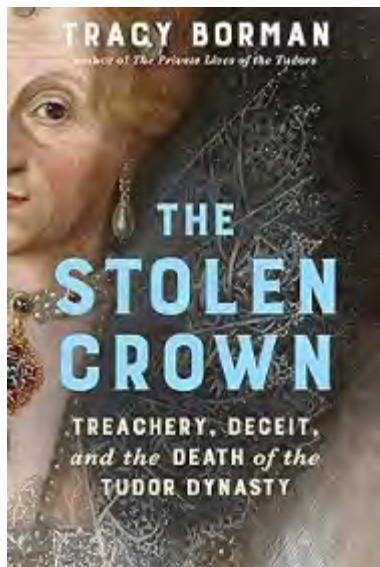
The next sessions will be held :

in person at the Research Centre on Sunday 24 May 2026 at 9:30am - 12:30pm.

Online on Saturday 20 June 2026 at 9.30 am to 12.30 pm.

Bookings are essential at welcome@qfhs.org.au.

Members Lounge - Book Club



The Stolen Crown by Tracey Borman

Date: Monday 29 June 2026

Time: 10am - 12noon - online

The Stolen Crown revisits Elizabeth I's final days, unearthing evidence that she died without naming an heir. As rival claimants circled and political allies shifted, James VI's ascent emerged not from a peaceful bequest but from hidden maneuvering and rewritten accounts masking a perilous succession.

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

Learn@QFHS



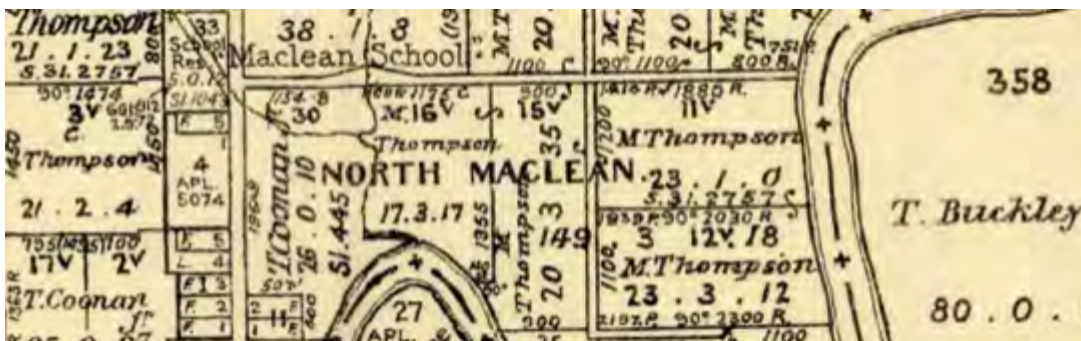
Australian literary sources for family history

Date: Friday 12 June 2026

Time: 10am - 11:30am - online

Presenter: Chris Schuetz

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



Queensland maps for family history - online

Date: Friday 19 June 2026

Time: 10am - 12noon

Presenter: Dr Kerry Raymond

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

Queensland maps for family history - in person

Date: Friday 26 June 2026

Time: 10am - 12noon

Presenter: Dr Kerry Raymond

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

Members Lounge - Presenting

A Medal from Commissioner Thallon

Date: 20 May 2026

Time: 1pm - 3pm

Presenter: Greg Hallam, Historian with Queensland Rail

Greg Hallam will talk about two towns that today sit at the end the Queensland Railways system in tribute to one of Queensland Rail's Commissioners. To register and read [more..](#)



Members Lounge - Social



Visit to Miegunyah House

Date : 24 May 2026

Time : 2:25pm - 4:30pm

Come along for a Devonshire Tea and a guided tour through the Historic Miegunyah Museum, home of The Queensland Women's Historical Association which is dedicated to sharing the colonial history of Brisbane and Queensland. To register and read [more..](#)

Members Lounge - Talking About ...



Memorialisation

Date: Monday 27 May 2026

Time: 10am to 12noon - Online

Facilitator: Nancy Edwards

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

NOTICEBOARD

More Than Just a “Like” — Supporting QFHS Online

Social media has become an important way for the Queensland Family History Society to connect with members and the wider community.

Many members already follow QFHS on Facebook and regularly enjoy our posts. However, one thing that is not always obvious is that social media platforms tend to give greater visibility to posts when followers interact with them. Even a simple “like” can help increase the visibility of a post, while comments and shares help even more.

The good news is that supporting the Society online does not require long responses or technical knowledge. A quick “like”, a short comment such as “Interesting”, “I remember this”, or “Great photograph”, or sharing a post with family or friends can all make a genuine difference.

This is especially true for our regular Throwback Thursday posts, like the upcoming one below. These posts often spark memories, conversations, and the sharing of local knowledge. Our social media writers are not experts on every topic, so we love your comments as they help the community better understand a photograph or piece of history.



Throwback Thursday

Imagine organising a picnic outing around 1900 and arriving in this horse-drawn coach!

This wonderful photograph shows a group of picnickers gathered around a coach operating in the late nineteenth century. Destination boards on the vehicle include "Ipswich Road Junction" and "Woolloongabba".

With passengers sitting inside, outside, and even on top of the coach, it looks like getting there may have been just as entertaining as the picnic itself.

Image: Horse-drawn coach with picnickers, ca. 1900

Courtesy: State Library of Queensland.

While our historical posts often spark strong interest and conversation, support for our event posts is just as valuable, helping more people discover the lectures, workshops, and activities at the heart of QFHS. Engagement also helps the Society reach people who may not yet know about QFHS. A shared post may introduce someone to family history research for the first time or connect a researcher with a community they did not realise existed.

If you enjoy the content shared by QFHS online, we encourage you to interact with our posts when you can. Every like, comment, and share helps support the Society's work and helps keep Queensland's family and local history visible to a wider audience.

Whether you are on Facebook, Instagram, or BlueSky, Karen and Weronia would love to see your

comments, memories, and likes.

An important notice about emails from QFHS

Can you imagine sending an email to more than 800 people at once from your home computer contact list?

Queensland Family History Society uses a service provided by Mailchimp which allows the society to do exactly that. It's used to send Snippets and our *Queensland Historian* journal to members and others each month. It's also used to send important "members only" information, such as notices of members' meetings.

At the bottom of every email sent via Mailchimp are options to **"Unsubscribe from the list"** or **"Update your preferences"**. It's possible that some members have unsubscribed from Snippets not realising that they were unsubscribing from ALL communications from the Society.

This caused a few problems recently when the Society needed to contact all members about changes to its constitution. Also, some members have been missing out on the link to the latest Journal.

The **"Update your preferences"** form has now been changed so members can choose either "Yes" or "No" to receiving Snippets and/or the Journal while still receiving official member communications from QFHS.

If you want to change how you receive QFHS emails, either for a short time or indefinitely, you can now do so. Update your preferences rather than "Unsubscribe". If you are currently unsubscribed and would like to receive communications again with the options now available, send a message to our Membership Secretary at membership@qfhs.org.au and we'll fix it for you.

Don't forget, if you change your email address, you need to **let QFHS know** so you continue to receive our messages such as membership reminders.

QFHS Members Lounge Book Club Meeting April 2026

Dr Elizabeth Green – *No Time for Makeup*

A small but passionate group of members attended to discuss this wonderful book about the author's experiences in remote Australia as a doctor with the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS). Two quotes from Dr Green epitomise its significance: 'The bush is a great equaliser', and 'You have to have humour, or you can't survive'. This book opens for readers a window into the challenges of life in remote areas, in particular out from Kalgoorlie. Here are some insights from members. It is detailed and poetic in its descriptions of the landscape -- you could feel the scenery e.g. 'puffing their canvas chests at me as they passed'. Photographs added to the reader's experience and gave an appreciation of the cramped quarters on the RFDS plane. Landing strips were short and narrow and not always well kept. The author was frank about her professional career, parents' stories added colour and context and are linked to intense emotions, and the trust between patient and doctor inspired Dr Green to 'rise to the occasion'. Dr Green

went on to qualify as a paediatrician and worked in Perth/Boorloo for 24 years, writing another book, *Parenting is Forever: a paediatrician's tips for parents, teachers and carers*.

Member reads:

Bush Pilot by Bob Norman -- also about the RFDS.

Chris: *Put Your Feet in the Dirt, Girl* by Sonia Henry. Jenny commented that it is the author's memoir of experiences as an outback medic; *The True and Splendid History of the Harristown Sisters* by Michelle Lovric; *Car Crash* by Lech Blaine; *The Eulogy* by Jackie Bailey
Defiance by Bob Brown adds a different dimension.

Alex and Jenny: *Arthur Phillip: sailor, mercenary, governor, spy* -- a biographical study of his life by Michael Pembroke

Alex: *Time Kneels Between Mountains* by Amra Pajalic; *Longitude* by Dava Sobel -- about John Harrison who invented the marine chronometer; *Car Crash* by Lech Blaine; *Mrs. Mike* by Benedict Freedman and Nancy Freedman

Jenny: *The Elements of Marie Curie: How the Glow of Radium Lit a Path for Women in Science* by Dava Sobel

Report by Dornell Wylie



This month over 200 newly digitised items have been added to QSA's online catalogue.

Ninety-five of these new items form part of QSA's Queensland Rail Audiovisual and Photographic Collection.

This series comprises over 600 audiovisual records from between 1864 and 2007 including, film and photographic material covering various topics and events relating to Queensland Rail (QR) and the rail system.

Read [more...](#)

St Helena Island Ancestors?

Belinda Daley of the St Helena Island Community Page is doing a project with the Harry Gentle Research Centre at Griffiths University and would like help from people who had ancestors living on St Helena Island, particularly the Penal Establishment there. This is part of gaining information for the Griffith Research project on women and children that Belinda is doing, as she finds genealogy is a key source of personal information, particularly about women.

If you can help her blog post link is [here...](#)



The AGM/GM afternoon last Saturday ended with an excellent **Presentation by Shauna Hicks**, Patron of History Queensland Inc. on *Finding Women: tips and tricks when surnames, given names, ages and places don't sync.*"

The presentation was recorded – the link is [here...](#)

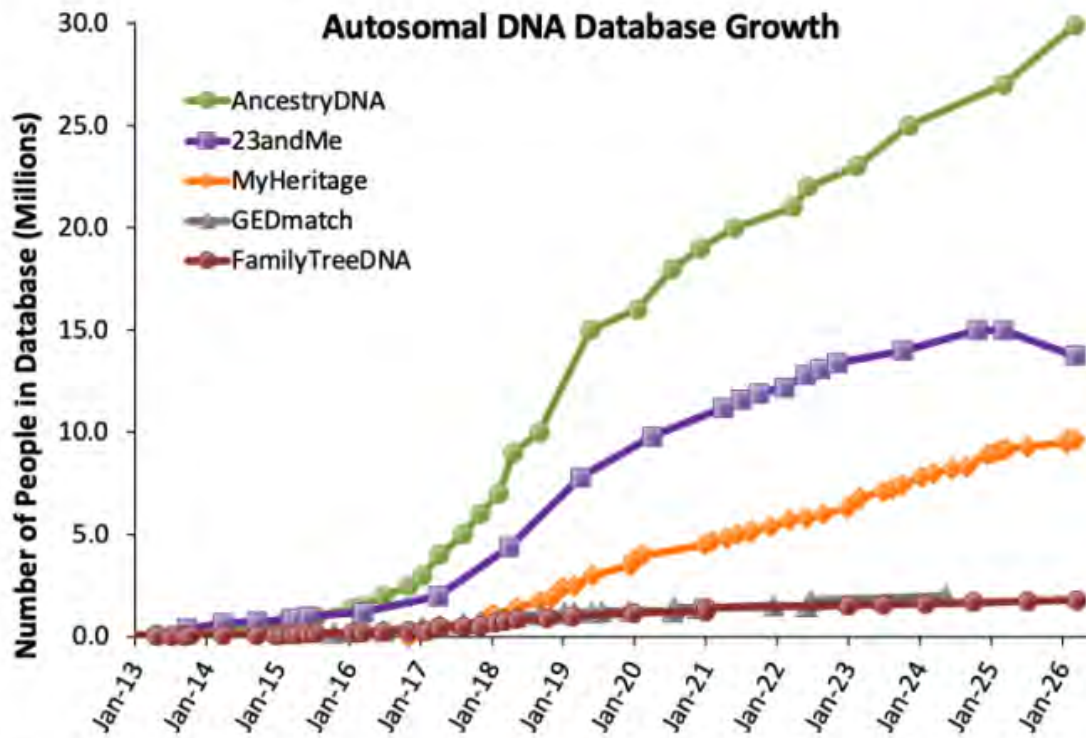


The Dean of St John's Cathedral, Brisbane, warmly invites you to join him for the dedication of the Ypres Glass Memorial — a remarkable piece of history that connects Brisbane directly to one of the most significant theatres of the First World War.

This dedication also marks a celebration of international custodianship and cooperation, made possible with the blessing of St Martin's Cathedral in Ypres, Belgium, which has granted St John's the honour of displaying the glass as a testimony to the link forged between our two countries by those who gave their

lives in the battles around the town, where nearly one million soldiers on both sides fell during four years of devastating conflict.

To RSVP please call +617 3835 2239.



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Database Sizes, March 2026

by THEDNAGEEK

It's been a minute since we've had an update to the database growth chart. At RootsTech last week, I was able to get some new numbers to share, particularly from AncestryDNA and 23andMe.

- The [AncestryDNA](#) database will be at 30 million DNA kits "any day now." It is larger than all of the other genealogical DNA databases combined. If you are in an English-speaking country, this is the place to start your DNA journey!
- [23andMe](#) dropped from about 15 million in October 2024 to a little under 14 million due to a "[credential stuffing](#)" attack and consequent bankruptcy. 23andMe has since been acquired by a nonprofit public benefit corporation and continues to offer both genealogical, health, and scientific research services. Approximately 11.1 million users participate in relative matching, and about 8.8 million of those are opted into segment matching via the chromosome browser.
- [MyHeritage](#) updates their numbers regularly on their "[About](#)" page, so it's easy to keep tabs on their growth. When we consider only kits that are available for genealogical matching, MyHeritage is a close third behind 23andMe, with 9.6 million kits. MyHeritage is probably your best bet if you

live in continental Europe.

- [FamilyTreeDNA](#) reports that their autosomal DNA database (called Family Finder) is just under 1.8 million. This number includes only the Family Finder database. FamilyTreeDNA also offers Y-DNA and mitochondrial DNA kits.
- I'm still waiting on updated numbers from [GEDmatch](#). Based on prior growth rates, I project that they're at about 2.2 million. I will update the graph (and this post) when I am able.

Research uncovers forgotten infant burial sites in Sligo

A Sligo archaeologist has identified previously unrecorded burial grounds used for babies who were stillborn, miscarried or who died soon after birth without being baptised.

Until reforms were introduced by the Second Vatican Council in the 1960s, the Catholic Church did not permit unbaptised babies to be buried in consecrated ground.

Read [more...](#)

Queensland School Pupils Index

Queensland School Pupils Index Part 7 has just had an additional 415,213 names uploaded from 183 school admission registers. If you are wanting to know which the new schools are then check out the "List of schools" and search for those that have "(new)" included in their description. Use the index and then chase up the original register entry at the archives. The extra details will help break down many brick walls.

The new entries take the total for QSPI Part 7 to over 3.5 million entries and our overall count of school records to almost 6 million. They are an exceedingly valuable resource for researching your Queensland families.



Watch the best of RootsTech 2026 for free now on demand

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH (14 April 2026) —RootsTech 2026, the world's largest family history celebration, successfully held its 16th annual event and offered new content in 23 languages. Hosted by FamilySearch, the event drew millions of people in person and online from 235 countries and territories and all 50 states. It offered more than 500 classes, keynotes, an expo hall with more than 200 exhibitors, and the popular Relatives at RootsTech interactive discovery activity. This global experience had millions of participants who made new family connections and viewed millions of ancestral relationships online. Find and share this announcement in the [FamilySearch Newsroom](#).

FamilySearch hosts RootsTech as part of its purpose to help individuals discover more about their heritage and make more family connections—past, present, and future. Although RootsTech 2026 has concluded, many of the sessions are now available on demand for free at [RootsTech.org](#). Users can explore thousands of free online classes and create personalized watchlists of their interests to continue learning and discovering year-round. The [RootsTech Online Expo Hall](#) will be available until August 2026.

Most Popular Classes

RootsTech 2026 featured more than 500 sessions and 200 expert-led classes. From AI to DNA to using the latest family discovery tools, the list of topics was extensive. Some of the most popular RootsTech 2026 classes were the following:

[“AI and Family History: Help or Hype?” by Andrew Redfern](#)

[“DNA's FAN Club: Using Shared Matches to Solve Genealogical Mysteries.” by Paula Williams](#)

[“Ahórrate años de búsqueda: El poder del texto completo.” by Nancy Steffy Orellana Vidal Francisco and Javier Gómez](#)

[“Da Hipótese ao Plano de Pesquisa: IA aplicada à Genealogia.” by Tatiana Marin](#)

[“Finding Binkey: When Research Questions Become a Road Map to the Enslaved.” by Michael A. Willis](#)

[“DNA Misconceptions.” by Kelli Bergheimer](#)

[“Gravestone Symbols from A to Z.” by Cathy Wallace](#)



A new edition is out of Irish Lives Remembered.

In issue 64 we explore Irish history, heritage, and genealogy.

From past traditions to modern AI innovations, stories include:

- Remembering William Deans and the History of the Dublin Docks

- Taylor-Made: The Swift Family's Irish Immigrant Love Story
- Lover: Letters from the Scandalous 19th-century Irish Diaspora
- Dublin's Stained Glass: Highlights by Harry Clarke
- Genealog-AI: How Artificial Intelligence Is Changing Family History

Read [more...](#)



Some sessions which may be of interest:

26 May 2026 - Post War Migration

3 August 2026 - 18 May 2027 - Certificate in Genealogical Research

Read [more..](#)



New Family History Federation Website Changes

They have recently made a changes to the Family History Federation website. This website is now exclusively for their Members. Logins will be required to view the website.

You can make changes to the News and Event pages on the Family History Federation website but they will in future be visible on the Explore your Genealogy website which going forward will be the public facing website of the Family History Federation.

Read [more...](#)



The Parramatta Female Factory Friends put out a newsletter and have interesting presentations on convict life in Sydney and the Factory especially. This Factory was where all female convicts were sent to work under harsh conditions and other than more recent immigrants a large majority of Australians can trace ancestors back to here. Check out their website [here...](#)



[The Female Convicts Research Centre](#) promotes interest in the female convicts of Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania), by encouraging and facilitating research.

From 1803 to 1853, 13,500 female convicts were transported to Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania), as punishment for crimes, mainly theft. After serving their sentences they were released into the community. Their transportation left a lasting legacy. The Female Convicts Research Centre encourages research into these female convicts, mainly through its database, website and seminars.

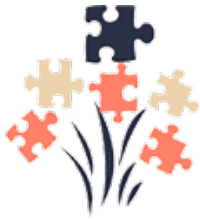
When you register with the FCRC, you gain access to their database where you will find information entered by their volunteers as they attempt to reconstruct the life course of each female convict.

Female Convicts Research Centre is registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission and is run entirely by volunteers.



Brisbane City Archives

Brisbane City Archives are packed with treasures on how our city came to be. Included is the 1974 Brisbane house survey which details every single house in Brisbane street by street. Check out some of the details on the Facebook post [here...](#)



Sessions which may be of interest:

4th June 2026

British Courts and Convicts, from 1788 to 1900

Presenter: Jan Richardson

11th June 2026

Immigration to Australia, from 1788 to today

Presenter: Helen Connor

18th June 2026

Australia's Military Past and Short intro to the British Military

Presenters: Sharyn Merkley

Read [more...](#)

RESOURCES - NEW AND ONGOING



**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:

[FamilySearch Unlocking Centuries of Italian Ancestry Records](#) (2018)

[FamilySearch Italy Discovery Page](#)

[FamilySearch Brazil Discovery Page](#)

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, 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.

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.

The **eHistorian** - which is how we refer to the electronic version - is available online for the years **2008-2026** 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 1979-2026** [here...](#)



Journals: a Rich Resource

(This list is updated monthly.)

New South Wales

[The Valley Genealogist 41 03 2025 \(PDF\)](#)

[Central Coast E Muster 43 2025 12 \(PDF\)](#)

[Central Coast E Muster 44 2025 04 \(PDF\)](#)

Queensland

[RHSQ 916 2026 04 \(PDF\)](#)

Victoria

[Victoria Gum News 44 05 2026 \(PDF\)](#)

Canada

[Saskatchewan Bulletin 56 3 2025 \(PDF\)](#)

England

[East London CA 188 Autumn 2025 \(PDF\)](#)

[East London CA 189 Winter 2025 \(PDF\)](#)

[East London CA 190 Spring 2026 \(PDF\)](#)

[Nottinghamshire Journal 18 06 2026 04 \(PDF\)](#)

[Northamptonshire Footprints 48 4 2026 05 \(PDF\)](#)

Ireland

[NIFHS News 81 2026 04 \(PDF\)](#)



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...](#)

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 Chermside.

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

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.

Acknowledgements

We would like to thank all those who have taken time out to send items of interest to our Snippets mailbox at snippets@qfhs.org.au.

The more we receive, the more interesting to members our newsletter will be. If your submission does not appear in this issue, we will try to include it in a future edition. Please note that reference to any product does not imply endorsement. Members are cautioned to evaluate products prior to purchase.

Many images used in Snippets are sourced from Pixabay, the State Library of Queensland, and Wikimedia Commons.

***The Family History Research Centre is located on
the traditional lands of the Turrbal and Jagera peoples.***

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