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Member contributions are always welcome

## Wyong Family History Group Inc.

**Patrons:** Emma McBride, Federal MP for Dobell  
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**Meetings,** are held on the 2nd Saturday bi-monthly between February and October, at 'The Cottage', Wyong Community Cultural Centre, 6 Rankens Court, Wyong. Phone 4351 2211  
Resources and research assistance at 'The Cottage' – available on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 10:00am and 3:00pm.

**Fees:** non-members \$10.00 per hour between 10:00am and 12:00 noon and 1:00pm and 3:00pm. Members Free.

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The New Year is well under way with the weather letting us know it is indeed Summer.

We will once again have a presence at the Central Coast Council's Wyong Love Lanes Festival on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February from 4:00 pm. Last year's Festival was a great success despite the heat, come along and enjoy the evening.

Rookwood Cemetery is the largest necropolis in the Southern Hemisphere, capital road works are now complete. Join our bus trip on Monday 9 April, there will be opportunity to continue your research investigate the new East Street entrance or just enjoy the surroundings. *[see page 13]* To coincide with NSW Seniors Festival this year, we plan an OPEN DAY on Thursday 12 April.



On 6 May, we will host a Discovery Day 'How to Get the Best from your Ancestry Searches' with Jason Reeves. Jason is Content Acquisition

Manager – Australia and New Zealand at Ancestry.com. With his passion for family history we look forward to this day. *[see page 14]* Another State Records bus trip is planned for Monday 14 May and is scheduled to include a guided tour. *[see page 15]*

Wayne Bermingham continues to offer restoring your photos. If you are interested, he can be contacted through the Cottage, also, look at his facebook Mr Fix It Photo Restoration page to see some of his results.

For those of you embarking on the UTAS – Diploma of Family History, good luck and try not to stress too much. A tip from me: Learning PowerPoint or similar can be helpful. [Come to my Word sessions if you need some guidance.]

I have actually completed and passed all Units, at times I struggled, however I would say it was worth the effort. Congratulations to anyone else who has completed the course.

My last Unit was Oral History. Finding someone to interview was a problem, however, I recorded Harry's thoughts and those of our new son-in-law [G]. The process of transcribing their conversations proved relatively easy for me. [I was once employed transcribing audio reports.]

Researching G's family to build a story was interesting. I may have found some Tasmanian convicts, more research is definitely needed there.

When I was growing up, having convicts in your ancestry was frowned upon and not discussed. How times have changed!

The Cottage is well and truly open and special interest groups are back.

Remember, your stories help to make our publication interesting and the deadline for the next *Tree of Life* is 20 April 2018.... 🌳



## REFLECTIONS: STATE ARCHIVES AND RECORDS NSW.

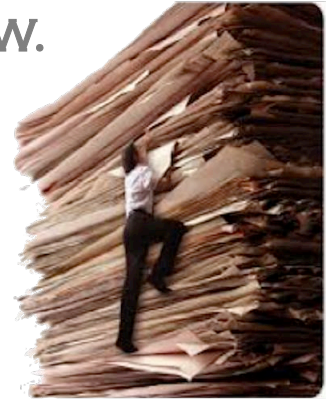
Visit by WFHG members on Saturday 7 October 2017

*Carmel Peek - WFHG Trip Coordinator Member No 658*

Over the years many WFHG members have travelled to Kingswood to undertake their family history research using opportunities offered by State Records; some members have even been on multiple occasions, all without misadventure that is until our eventful trip on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October last year. Those of us who ventured down to Kingswood on that eventful day last year had, what most of us would describe as a very successful day of research. In fact, no one on the day had not discovered at least one piece of valuable information to enhance their family stories. Indeed, as we left the research rooms at 4pm and made our way outside to board the bus we were all feeling very satisfied with our individual achievements for the day. Alas, we were soon to discover our bus was not able to be started! It became very clear that we were going nowhere in a hurry. Some of our frustrations included the lack of information located in the bus on how to contact the bus company after hours given that it was closed for the day. So, the next step was to call the NRMA for help. After a great deal of effort our driver David Pilkington and Keith Woodberry were able to finally contact the right section of NRMA that deals with bus companies. Some 2 hours later the NRMA arrived and confirmed that the problem was the starter motor and the bus needed to be towed away.



In the meantime, another search of the bus identified a mobile phone number for the owner of the bus company! To give him credit after hearing of the situation we were in, he committed to getting a replacement bus from somewhere in Sydney to us as soon as possible. This is where things began to deteriorate to say the least!



It was not until just before 7:00 pm that we spotted a bus coming our way only to find that this bus was in fact in the university grounds across the road from State Records; but, the gate the bus was heading towards (opposite State Records) was locked! After numerous phone calls back to the bus company we learnt that the bus driver had taken the wrong turn and had to turn around and go back out of the university grounds and he would be with us very shortly!

Yes, the bus did get to us eventually and we were finally on our way home. We had not gone very far when it became obvious to everyone that the replacement bus driver did not appear to know where he was going nor was he in any way familiar with the area he was driving through. David was fortunately sitting up front with him and navigated and guided him all the way back to Tuggerah, even to the point of warning about the need to slow down on many occasions!!! That we arrived back to Tuggerah in one piece was a miracle! I have never prayed so hard and I am sure others did too on that horrendous journey.

Whilst most of us were due to leave the bus at Tuggerah there was a very quick discussion that a car pool could be arranged to get our fellow travellers up to Wyong and Toukley rather than having them put at any further risk with this less than competent driver. The generosity of those members who so willingly went out of their way to drive people back to their cars was outstanding and a true reflection of the concern for the safety of fellow

members of WFHG.

So, whilst it had been a very frustrating and somewhat scary end to the day, on reflection, we all returned safely to our homes thanks to the camaraderie and positive attitude and generosity of our fellow WFHG members. Many of us are still keen to get down to Kingswood again this year and I am pleased to inform members that the trips are in the process of being scheduled..... 🌳

## REFLECTIONS: 2018 CHRISTMAS BARBEQUE

*Helen Johnston-Lord member 505*

On 9 December we had our Christmas get together at the Cottage. The weather was kind, the barbie ran hot and as always, the salads were great. Dessert was decadent.

The day was well attended with many of us catching up with all the gossip.

Many thanks to all those who worked so hard to make this such an enjoyable day.. 🌳



## NEW MEMBERS

A very warm welcome is extended to all new members and we look forward to meeting and helping you at 'The Cottage'. Contact any of these members by sending an enquiry to:

Member's Name & No.

C/- Wyong Family History Group Inc.

P O Box 247, Wyong NSW 2259

No	Member	No	Member
854	Geoff Gee	856	Robyn Smith
855	Lawrence Smith	857	Christine Burns

## A REMINDER FOR MEMBERS

*Members are reminded that anytime they are at 'The Cottage' for any purpose, they have to wear their membership card and do so in such a manner that it is clearly displayed.*

*Bags are not allowed past the foyer. Please use the lockers provided. You may take in research folders and a purse. Food and drink are not allowed in the research areas.*

*Books which can be borrowed from the library (i.e. Books without a '**NOT FOR LOAN**' mark), can only be out for two weeks at a time. Please record them in the red 'Loan Book'*

*When returning any journals, books or magazines, please note the date returned in the book and then place them in the tray on the Library table. The volunteer on duty will place them back on the shelves that day.....🌳*

## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Here at **Wyong Family History Group Inc.** we currently offer a range of Special Interest Groups where members with common interests meet, learn, practice and share their special interest.

Current Groups are:

- *Computer/iPad & Tablets (bi-monthly from January)*
- *DNA*
- *English & Welsh*
- *Facebook (bi-monthly from Feb)*
- *Family Tree Maker*
- *Microsoft Word*

More information about these groups is on the Website or phone The Cottage during open hours. Upcoming dates are included on our Planned Events on page 19.....🌳



**Bridging the Past & Future**  
**SYDNEY 2018**

Congress 2018  
15th Australasian  
Congress on  
Genealogy and  
Heraldry



SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIAN  
GENEALOGISTS

Hosted by the Society of Australian Genealogists  
Friday 9 – Monday 12 March 2018  
at the International Convention Centre, Darling Harbour,  
Sydney  
[www.congress2018.org.au](http://www.congress2018.org.au)



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## RICHARD SIMMONDS, A MAN OF COLOUR

*The name Richard Simmonds\* came to my notice whilst researching Convict Joseph Ashmore. Richard is named on Joseph's June 1857 NSW death certificate as the undertaker and the person who registered the death on 8 January 1858. Research showed the men had crossed paths after they both arrived in Van Diemens Land in 1817. Richard's native place was North America and he was a man of colour.*



*Helen Johnston-Lord member 505*

Charged with Felony/Larcony in the Old Bailey in 1816/7, Richard Simmonds was transported for 7 years.

This is an interesting fact given the information in the Old Bailey Transcription.

Richard Simmonds/Simmons, a 20 year old American Pastry Cook was indicted for stealing on 2 December 1816, twenty swords, value £201; one fowling-piece, value £101.10s; ten other guns, value £201.; and twenty pistols, value £201., the property of Thomas REA, in his dwelling-house with shop attached in the Minories. Richard was taking part in an Anti-Slavery Riot and was deemed to be one of the leaders. Witnesses stated he was observed handing out these items to fellow rioters, having entered the premises illegally.

Despite witness accounts at his trial, Richard Simmonds denied all of this, however as he was caught with a broadsword, he was tried and convicted of Larcony, his sentence was transportation for 7 years.



Convict Hulk - HMS Bellerophon's final fate

In February 1817, Richard Simmonds was sent to the hulk *Bellerophon*, moored at Woolwich thence dispatched

on 15 April 1817 to be one of the 180 convicts aboard the *Almorah* for transportation.

The *Almorah* departed [The Downs](#) on the 26 April 1817 and, after a stop at Rio de Janeiro, arrived in Sydney late August 1817. The voyage was patently uneventful with no convicts dying.

In Sydney, Richard was transferred to the overcrowded *Pilot* leaving for Van Diemen's Land on 14 September 1817 arriving on 27 September 1817.

Richard is not mentioned in any reports from either of these voyages.

Records show Richard as being unmarried, unable to read or write, and unusually, of the Roman Catholic religion.

Life for Richard Simmonds changed once he was on dry land.

He is mentioned in many reports and returns:

- *22 October 1819: Mentioned in Colonial Secretaries papers to be transported to Newcastle aboard Princess Charlotte.*
- *January 1820: On monthly returns of prisoners punished at Newcastle and dispatched aboard Princess Charlotte.*
- *15 January 1820: Joseph Hainey, Richard Simmonds, Charles Graham, Joseph Ashmore, William Aubray, James Lunt and Wright Morris absented themselves from their employment at Newcastle. Upon apprehension, Joseph Ashmore was sentenced at Newcastle, NSW to 75 lashes*

*for Running away from Settlement.*

- *March 1822: On monthly returns of prisoners punished at Newcastle. He received 75 lashes for running into the bush.*
- *Again, March 1822: On monthly returns of prisoners punished at Newcastle. He received 50 lashes for running away with his street clothes.*
- *25 October 1822: Assigned to Rev M Bistow Castlereagh*
- *23 August 1823: Approver against Tileman & others; re his attempt to escape from the back room of the*

#### Notes

*There are various spellings of this surname, however they all appear to be the same man given descriptions: Native Place, America; Trade, Pastry Cook; Physical Description, a man of colour, copper complexion, black, also black woolly hair and black eyes. I have standardized the spelling throughout.*

*Some of the sources used: London, England, Old Bailey Proceedings Index, 1674-1913; UK, Prison Hulk Registers and Letter Books, 1802-1849; Trove; National Library of Australia; NSW State Records*

*Sydney Gaol where confined.*

*Appears as Simonds*

- *5 February 1824: On list of persons proposed to be sent to Hobart.*
- *13 November 1847: Free on entering Darlinghurst gaol, confined for 14 days.*

Running away seems to be a recurring event.

Richard's Certificate of Freedom was issued on 15 January 1824, exactly 7 years after his date of sentence at the Old Bailey. The accompanying report states he was a Pastry Cook whose native place was America and was 5 foot 5.25 inches tall; complexion, copper; hair, black woolly; eyes, black. This report also notes; "was sent to Newcastle 17 October 1818, for 3 years for bushranging"

I have not been able to find where Richard Simmonds entered England nor have I found any conclusive evidence of what happened to him after reporting Joseph Ashmore's death..... 🌲



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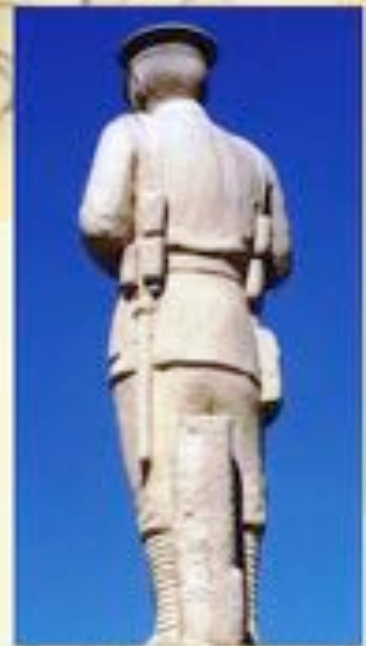




# Their War

They are remembered

*They sleep not in their native land, but beneath a foreign sky,  
Far away from those who loved them, in  
hero's graves they lie.*



## BIGGENDEN, QUEENSLAND

*Helen Johnston-Lord member 505*

Thank you John Carr [family] for the photos.  
Originally erected in 1926 to  
commemorate those who served in

WW1, the Biggenden War Memorial  
features an unusual Digger memorial  
uniform with cap, 6 ammunition

pouches on back, and side haversack. Rolls of Honour list on side, front and rear panels. Three New plaques were added in 1993: WW2; Korea, Malaya, Borneo & Vietnam; and in memory of airmen killed near Biggenden after being lost in storms following return from submarine hunts off the Fraser Coast.

### **Bridge Creek Memorial Bridge**

Officially opened in 1921, The substantial wooden bridge was funded and erected on a public road by Mr and Mrs L S Smith of nearby Mt Joseph Station who wished to make their own commemorative gesture to WWI. The bridge was designed and funded by Mr Smith, apart from the masonry piers, it was constructed by his station hands, some of whom were returned soldiers. Recorded on one pier are the names of the 9 local fallen and the theatres of war. On another pier are the names of the 38 local soldiers who returned from the war. The other piers record the dates when war was declared and peace proclaimed.

Although there are many different types of memorials throughout Queensland, this is the only known example of a memorial bridge erected privately.

The Bridge was closed to traffic in 1972.

Biggenden is a town and locality in the North Burnett Region of Queensland, it is on the Isis Highway, 339 kilometres north-west of Brisbane. At the 2011 census, Biggenden had a population of 682 people.

The name is derived from the Kabi word bigindhan meaning a place of stringybark.

Biggenden was founded in 1889 as a service centre to the short-lived goldrush towns of Paradise and Shamrock; and for coach passengers travelling west from Maryborough. The township, including the intriguingly named Live And Let Live Inn, moved to a new location alongside the railway station when the rail line arrived in 1891. Biggenden Post Office opened on 16 May 1891..... 🌲

## **REFLECTIONS: THEIR WAR - A SERIES OF PHOTO ESSAYS**

*Helen Johnston-Lord member 505*



In issue 31 vol. 3 [November 2014] of this publication, I started a series of Photo Essays

featuring War Memorials. I knew we had many photographs of Memorials taken over many years, in Australia and other countries. I thought I probably had enough material for the next four years. This has proved to be

true and I hope to continue. If you have any ideas for this project, please feel free to contact me and I will endeavour to oblige.

With more than 2,000 in New South





Wales alone, I have found research for this project fascinating. I now find family and friends are sending me photos to add to this collection and I am asking for people to take photos for me.

Memorials are still being built and dedicated.

On a recent visit to Soldiers Beach, we found a commemorative centenary memorial tucked away beside the

beach patrol station.

The Australian War Memorial in London is a memorial dedicated in 2003 to the 102,000 Australian dead of the First and Second World Wars. It is located on the southernmost corner of Hyde Park Corner, on the traffic island that also houses the Wellington Arch, the New Zealand War Memorial, the Machine Gun Corps Memorial and the Royal Artillery Memorial..... 🌳

# **FAMILY HISTORY**

## ***Beginners Course***



***A 4 Week Course Includes:-***

- ***How to Begin Research & Record Keeping***
- ***Shipping Records***
- ***Australian Records***
- ***Free Web Sites & Group Resources***

***Begins - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2018***  
***then each Friday to 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018***

***Venue:*** Wyong Family History Group's Cottage  
6 Rankens Court Wyong [*entrance via the old Wyong School grounds*]

***Time:*** 9:45 am - 12 noon

***Cost: Members*** \$10 per session or \$35 for four weeks - pay in advance.  
***Non Members*** \$15 per session or \$55 for four weeks - pay in advance

***Contact: WFHG. Cottage - 4351 2211 for Bookings***





## **Local LDS Family History Centre**

Akora Rd, Wyoming (near ALDI)

**Opening Hours: Tuesday 6 - 8pm Friday 10 - 2pm**

Generally closed during school holidays. Open at other times on request.

### **Free access**

Phone: 4329 3603 (only during open hours)

email: [au\\_gosford@ldsmail.net](mailto:au_gosford@ldsmail.net)

### **Upcoming workshops at the LDS family history centre**

February Tuesday 13th 7pm

"Introduction to FamilySearch - finding records and using the online tree"

April Saturday 21st 10am - 5pm

### **Family Discovery Day**

This is a special workshop day designed for families to attend together children, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins.

Special workshops will be run that help you share information and collaborate, plus encourage all family members to discover how they can contribute to your families genealogical efforts.

All ages and family sizes catered for.

Other workshops and displays will also be available if you just want to drop in.

Lunch will be provided.

Contact the LDS Family History Centre for more information.

**Note: The WFHG has an affiliated agreement with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints which permits our members to access restricted files and images from the computers in The Cottage**



## ROOKWOOD CEMETERY BUS TRIP

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

Our upcoming bus trip to Rookwood cemetery will be held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018. This year will be both a research trip for those who want to check their ancestors and a brief guided tour for those who are interested in the history and layout of the cemetery.

If you have no relatives in Rookwood, you are still more than welcome to come and explore the history that is within the boundaries of the largest necropolis in the Southern Hemisphere.

Do your homework!!! Bring a folder with the names and locations of the graves. This can be done beforehand on the internet for the Independent, Catholic and Anglican Sections. The offices can sometimes tell you the names of others in the graves as well.

What to take? We suggest a brush, water and soft cloth (for cleaning headstones), hand clippers to clear overgrown graves, umbrella (rain or shine), raincoat, warm clothing, sunscreen and hat and of course a camera. Also bring *plenty* of drinking water and your packed lunch.

There will be 3 pickup points, Toukley leaving at 7:10am SHARP, Wyong Leagues Club at 7:20 and Tuggerah at approximately 7:45am.

We plan on leaving Rookwood for home about 3.30 pm.

Contact The Cottage to make your booking.



Cost: \$25.00  
per person.



**SUNDAY**

**6th MAY 2018**

**Wyong Family History  
Group Inc.** will host an  
 **ancestry™** Discovery Day  
with Jason REEVES

**‘How to get the BEST from  
your Ancestry Searches’**

**WHERE:-** Wyong Golf Club  
Pacific Highway, Wyong.

**TIME:-** 10.00am

**COST:-** \$25.00



**All Enquiries & Bookings:- 4351 2211**  
**on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday**  
**between 10.00am & 3.00pm.**

**or email:- [wfhg06@westnet.com.au](mailto:wfhg06@westnet.com.au)**

**[www.wyongfamilyhistory.com.au](http://www.wyongfamilyhistory.com.au)**





## STATE RECORDS BUS TRIP

Our next trip to State Records will be on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.  
As well as your research, a guided tour is planned.

Cost is \$25 per head.

Pick-up times and places are available on the website or at the Cottage.

For those members wishing to go on the trip you can book online at [www.wyongfamilyhistory.com.au](http://www.wyongfamilyhistory.com.au) or at The Cottage in person or by phone (4351 2211), please arrange to pay prior to the trip.

If time permits, there will be a comfort stop at McDonalds, St Marys.

**REMINDER** - State Records is out of the way and there are no shop facilities. It will be necessary to bring your lunch. There is a lunchroom available with a microwave oven, refrigerator and tea/coffee making equipment. Lockers are also available for bags etc.

### **PLEASE NOTE.....IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST VISIT**

A reader's ticket is necessary and free, and can be organised online at [www.records.nsw.gov.au](http://www.records.nsw.gov.au); It will be waiting for you when you arrive. If you wish to speak to staff at State Records prior to this trip the phone number is 02 9673 1788.

Bags are not allowed in the reading room, but you can take in a folder with research tasks etc. You are only allowed to use pencils in the research room. If you require paper records such as wills, insolvency records, school records etc it is a good idea to pre-order these documents so they will be available when you arrive, saving you some waiting time. Up to four (4) items can be pre-ordered. You will find the reference numbers and the two (2) pre-order forms on the website. Remember any item that has a REEL NUMBER does not have to be ordered as reels are stored along the wall and are easily accessed.

There are various ways of obtaining copies of your information:-

1. Using the microfilm reader/printers for photocopies - you will need \$1 and \$2 coins to use these machines (\$1 for A4 and \$2 for A3). *Bring a supply of coins.*
2. You can download copies from the digital copiers for microfilm for free, using your own memory stick.
3. You are also welcome to bring a digital camera to photograph original records. State records also have a digital camera that you can use for photographing original documents in the reading room, and again images are downloaded to your memory stick.
4. The staff will photocopy any paper documents at a cost of 45 cents per A4 page and will endeavour to have them ready for when you leave.
5. The bus will leave State Records no later than 4PM.



## PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE

More details at  
<http://www.wyongfamilyhistory.com.au/publications>

### BOOKS & CDs

<b>Bowden Family Funerals – Wyong.</b> July 1999 – January 2016	<b>Book</b>	\$ 20.00 + p&h
	<b>CD</b>	\$15.00 – p&h
<b>Brought in by the Tide.</b> <i>[A guide to tracing convict ancestors in one place.]</i>	<b>Book</b>	\$ 10.00 + p&h
<b>Central Coast Roll of Honour.</b> <i>[Includes the full names, rank, type of service &amp; date of death where known of over 12,000 men &amp; women of the Central Coast who were in the Armed Forces. 400 pages fully indexed. Includes 138 stories and photographs.]</i>	<b>Book</b>	\$ 20.00 + p&h
	<b>CD</b>	\$ 15.00 + p&h
<b>Gosford Times Marriage and Death Notices 1892-1954 incorporating the Wollombi Express (1892-1906) and Wyong District Advocate (1906-1920)</b> <i>Contains enteries for 5892 Deaths and 1400 Mariages with many relevant details</i>	<b>Book</b>	\$ 27.00 + p&h
	<b>CD</b>	\$ 15.00 + p&h
<b>Place Names of the Wyong Shire</b>	<b>Book</b>	\$ 8.00 + p&h
<b>Simplicity Funerals Bateau Bay NSW 1963 - 2006 – Out of Print – available on combined CD (**)</b>		
<b>Simplicity Funerals Bateau Bay NSW 2007 - 2011 + Wyong &amp; Toukley</b>	<b>Book</b>	\$ 20.00 + p&h
<b>Simplicity Funerals Bateau Bay (**)</b> <b>Toukley and Wyong 1963 - 2011</b>	<b>CD</b>	\$ 25.00 + p&h
<b>Simplicity Funerals Erina 1985 - 2013</b>	<b>Book</b>	\$ 30.00 + p&h
	<b>CD</b>	\$ 15.00 + p&h
<b>Simplicity Funerals Woy Woy 1991 - 2013</b>	<b>Book</b>	20.00 + p&h
	<b>CD</b>	\$ 15.00 + p&h
<b>Wyong Agricultural Association</b> <i>[248 pages]. Covers the history of the Wyong Agricultural Association as reported in local newspapers; lists of Office Bearers; photos of founders and first Committee; plus the minutes of all meetings held from 1 May 1913 to 18 June 1930 with fully indexed list of names</i>	<b>Book</b>	\$ 20.00 + p&h
	<b>CD</b>	\$ 15.00 + p&h
<b>Wyong &amp; District Pioneer Register (Published 2013)</b> <i>[673 pages]. Fully indexed compilation of all previous Pioneer Book entries, extensively updated references to over 13,500 individuals. Contains: Birth, Marriage &amp; Death details; some photos, personal stories, obituaries for some individuals. Includes a brief history of Wyong.</i>	<b>Book</b>	\$ 50.00 + p&h
	<b>CD</b>	\$ 40.00 + p&h
<b>Wyong &amp; Lakes District Advocate, Personal Notices (1932 – 1995)</b> <i>(available separately- see below)</i> <b>Contents Volume One</b> – 514 anniversary notices, 1078 birth notices, 4,000 marriage notices, 4,790 in memoriam notices & 238 miscellaneous event notices, includes church photographs <b>Contents Volume Two</b> - 11,973 deaths, obituary & probate notices includes Church and cemetery photographs	<b>Two Volume set</b>	
	<b>Book</b>	\$ 45.00 + p&h
	<b>Book Volume 1</b>	\$ 25.00 + p&h
	<b>Book Volume 2</b>	\$ 25.00 + p&h
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<b>The Anglican Parish of the Brisbane Water Area</b> <i>[Baptisms, Burials and Marriages with notes from Albert Glennie's Diaries and Miscellaneous Entries. Includes Kincumber, Mangrove, Wyong, Tuggerah, Cooranbong, Woy Woy &amp; the Hawkesbury River.]</i>	<b>CD</b>	\$ 10.00 + p&h

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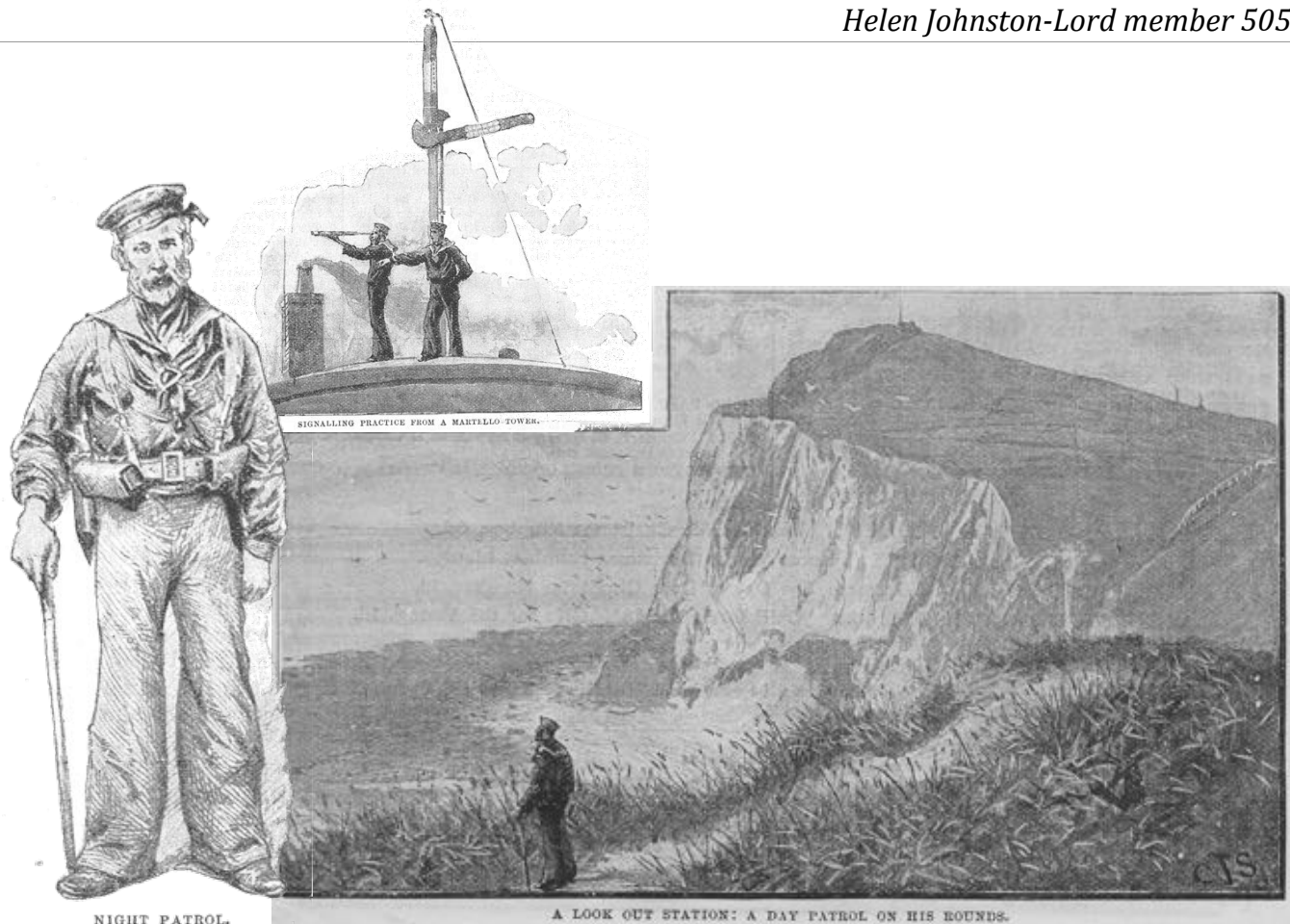
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<b>Jilliby Cemetery, Wyong Shire, NSW [Updated 2009]</b>	<b>Book</b>	\$ 20.00 + p&h
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<b>St Barnabas &amp; Yarramalong Cemeteries, Wyong Shire NSW [1886-2001]</b>	<b>Book</b>	\$ 15.00 + p&h
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<b>All 4 Cemetery Books</b>		\$ 50.00 + p&h
<b>Wyong Shire Cemetery Records Index to August 2016 [220 pages]</b>		
<i>This index has been compiled from the Wyong Family History Group's cemetery database. It includes burials (and niches) at Jilliby and Noraville Cemeteries and the burials at Ronkana, St Barnabas (Yarramalong) and Yarramalong Cemeteries. Books have been produced for each individual cemetery that provide additional details such as photographs, headstone inscriptions and, in the case of Ronkana, St Barnabas and Yarramalong cemeteries, newspaper death, funeral or probate notices for some of the burials. The WFHG Inc. acknowledges the work of Mr Vince McKenzie and his son Clive, gravediggers, whose records form the core of our index. Contains: Cemetery maps; Deceased details – name, age, date of burial, grave location (section, row, plot), some records have birth dates and maiden names. Includes all Graves including Unmarked Graves.</i>		
<b>Wyong Shire Combined Cemeteries</b>	<b>CD</b>	\$ 25.00 + p&h
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### IMAGES OF THE COAST GUARD 1892.

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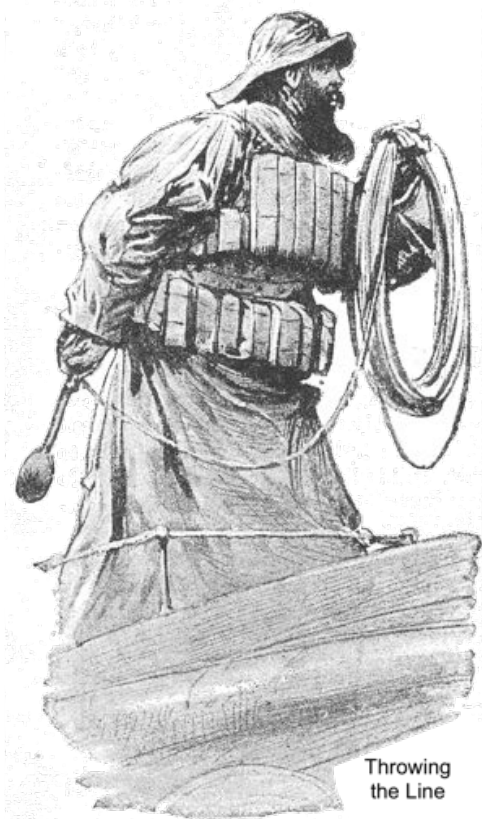
*Helen Johnston-Lord member 505*



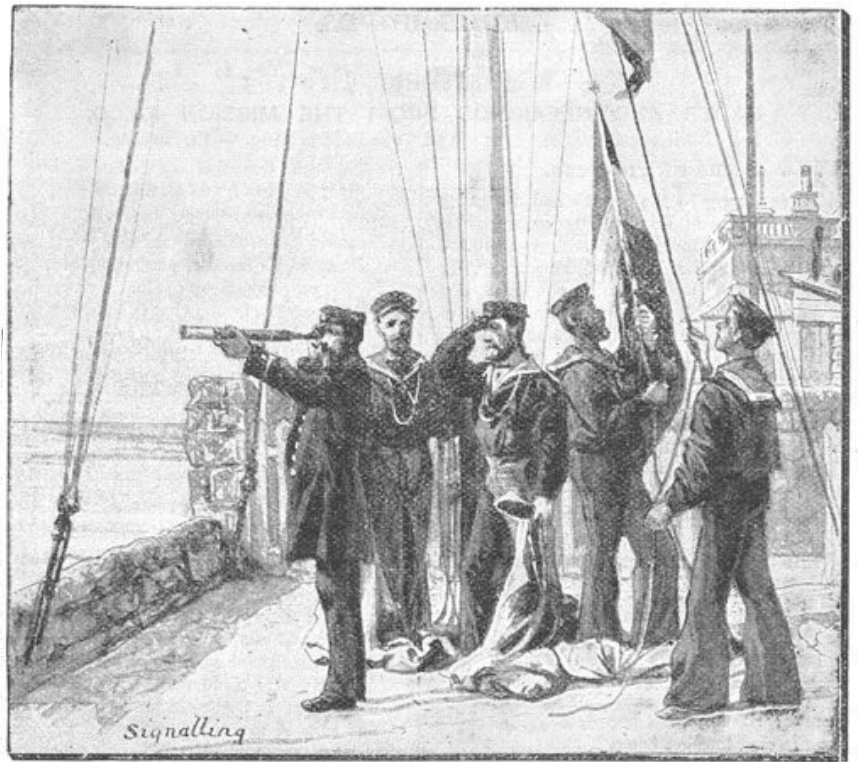
NIGHT PATROL.

A LOOK OUT STATION: A DAY PATROL ON HIS ROUNDS.





Throwing the Line

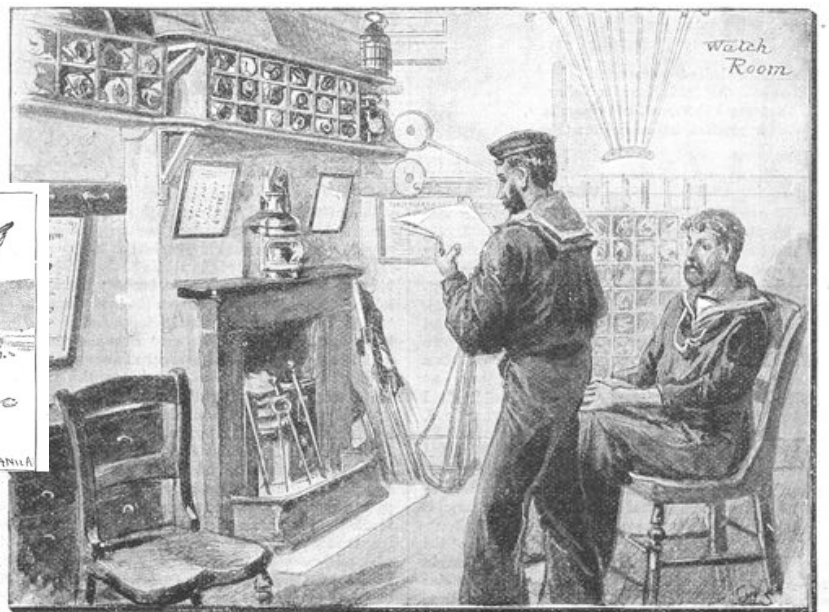


Signalling

A SHIP IN THE DISTANCE.



LAUNCHING A NORFOLK L. BOAT

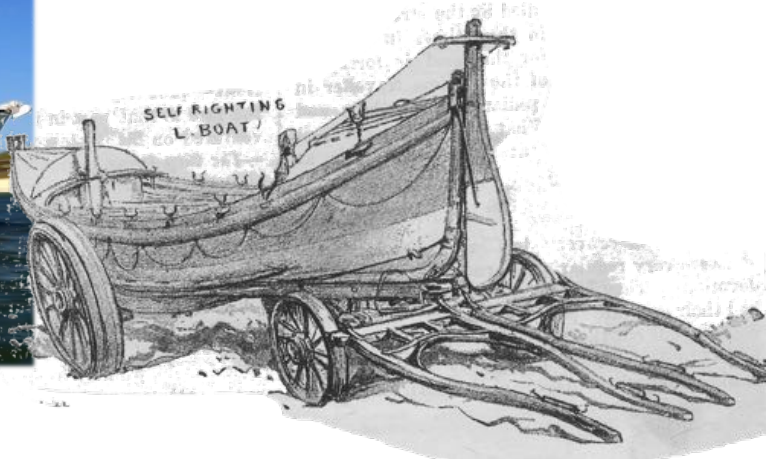


Watch Room

INTERIOR OF WATCH ROOM.



'Colin Woods'



## WFHG Inc Planned Events

- **Note:** Unless otherwise stated, All our meetings, interest groups, workshops and mini sessions are at 'The Cottage'.
- **Information Sessions:** Detailed list available on website.

	2018	Event
February	Thu 8	Family Tree Maker Interest Group 12:30 pm– 2:30 pm
	Sat 10	FamilySearch indexing workshop 10:30 am – 12.30 pm General Meeting 1:00 pm
	Tue 13	Ryerson Index with John Selwood 10:30 am Microsoft Word Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
	Sat 17	Volunteer Help at Tuggerah Library 9:00 am – 12 noon CCC Love Lanes Festival 4:00 pm – 10:00 pm
	Tue 20	English & Welsh Interest Group 10:00 am – 12 noon. DNA Interest Group 1:00 pm
	Sat 24	Facebook Interest Group 10:00 am – 12 noon.
	Tue 27	Committee Meeting 10:00 am
March	Fri 2	Beginners Course Week 1
	Thu 8	Family Tree Maker Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm
	Fri 9	Beginners Course Week 2
	Tue 13	Microsoft Word Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
	Wed 14	10.30 Using & finding NZ records with Marie Heilbrunn 10:30 am
	Fri 16	Beginners Course Week 3
	Sat 17	Volunteer Help at Tuggerah Library 9:00 am – 12 noon
	Tue 20	English & Welsh Interest Group 10:00 am – 12 noon
	Fri 23	Beginners Course Week 4
	Sat 24	Computer – Tablet Interest Group 10:00 am
	Tue 27	Google Workshop with Helen Burkett 10:30 am
	Fri 30	Good Friday
April	NSW Seniors Festival	Tue 3 Committee Meeting 10:00 am
		Mon 9 Rookwood Bus Trip
		Tue 10 Microsoft Word Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
		Thu 12 OPEN DAY Family Tree Maker Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm
		Sat 14 Social BBQ 11:30 am General Meeting 1:00 pm
	Tue 17	English & Welsh Interest Group 10:00 am – 12 noon
	National Trust Heritage Festival	Thu 19 Using Scotlands People at the Cottage with Lorraine Cameron 10:30am
		Fri 20 <i>Tree of Life</i> stories due
		Sat 21 Volunteer Help at Tuggerah Library 9:00 am – 12 noon
		Wed 25 ANZAC DAY
		Sat 28 Facebook Interest Group 10:00 am – 12 noon.
May	National Trust Heritage Festival	Tue 1 Committee Meeting 10:00 am
		Sun 6 Ancestry Seminar – Wyong Golf Club
		Tue 8 Microsoft Word Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
		Thu 10 Family Tree Maker Interest Group 12:30 – 2:30 pm
		Mon 14 State Records Bus Trip - Guided Tour & Research
		Tue 15 English & Welsh Interest Group 10:00 am – 12 noon
		Sat 19 Volunteer Help at Tuggerah Library 9:00 am – 12 noon

# Wyong Family History Group Inc.

## Research Centre

'The Cottage', Wyong Community Cultural Centre,

6 Rankens Court, Wyong (entrance via the old school grounds)

**Open:** Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 10.00am – 3.00pm.

At other times by appointment. Public Holidays – Closed.

Tuggerah Library, Westfield: Workshop 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday 9.00am – 12 noon  
(WFHG members available to help)

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*To promote and encourage the research and preservation of family and local history, to assist members and others in family history research. To develop and maintain a Public Library and research, collect, preserve and maintain its resources in its Library.*