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AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE GROUP

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.

Member contributions are always welcome

WYONG FAMILY HISTORY GROUP INC

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Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month between February and November, at 'The Cottage', Wyong Community Cultural Centre, 6 Rankens Court, Wyong. Phone 4351 2211
Resources and research assistance at 'The Cottage' is available on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 10.00am and 3.00pm.

Fees: non-members \$10.00 per hour between 10.00 am and 12.00 noon and 1.00pm and 3.00pm.
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from the President

Kerrie Metcalfe, member 80, LM, President WFHG Inc.

Welcome to 2014 and a new year of interesting and fun activities at Wyong Family History Group, some at the cottage and others planned by our new Social Secretary Martin Fisher in way of bus or train trips. I hope you all try to attend some of the events we have planned, and visit our website <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nswwfhg/> to keep up to date. I also urge you to read the emails our esteemed secretary sends out as these will keep you further up to date with what's happening in your group.

Over the past three months in the lead up to Christmas things were quieter at the cottage, but some of our members were still selling rotary raffle tickets to raise money towards our annual rent. To those who have been out in the public domain doing such a hard and demanding job I can only say thank you. You do us proud.

We have a subcommittee (Murray Hill, John Selwood and Kevin Bradbury) preparing a story and photo banner display of local returned WW1 soldiers for the coming ANZAC centenary of WW1. Our aim is to display these banners of our local heroes in shopping Centres and public areas in honour of them.

We closed for Christmas but the work continued with Glenise Clery our librarian working in the library doing a stock take and a number of other jobs, Roger upgrading computers and software, and Michele and I working on a business plan for the groups future.

We often ask for help but sometimes no one comes forward, our roster secretary asked for volunteers to attend Tuggerah library to help Annette Shearer who attends every month to represent our group and guide the public in their quest to start family history. We attend one Saturday per month between 10 am and 2 pm as a community obligation. Not one person offered to help for just one Saturday in the entire year, this means we will have to withdraw if no help is forth coming.

We have had our BBQ fundraiser at Bunnings and I am pleased to say this was well attended by helpers, thank you all. Esther does a great job recruiting which helps make this such a success, we raised \$1072 profit. This was followed by our cottage cleanup which was attended by ten willing helpers and we got the cottage freshened up for opening on the 14th January, the yard looked immaculate after John Selwood, Robin Wright, John Clarke and Bill Smith had finished with it, Roger Lewis cooked a bacon and eggs brunch and the ladies after sprucing up the inside joined the men for a bite to eat, well done team and thank you.

By the time you read this I will be away on the 4th Unlock the Past genealogy cruise, the lineup of guest speakers is amazing and ports of call include Melbourne, Adelaide and Hobart where I will enjoy some sightseeing. Trish MacDonald will hold the reins while I am gone with help from secretary Kerry Clarke. I hope to bring back some new ideas to further our research.

Please come in and visit us at the cottage and make use of the wonderful facility we offer for your research, remember it cannot all be done on the internet.

Happy New Year to all..... TOL

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from the Editor

Helen Johnston-Lord member 505

By the time this is published, 2014 is a month old and 2013 is a memory. Did you make any headway with your research or have you hit a 'Brickwall'. Esther's item has prompted the introduction of a new column about this problem. With the Tree of Life now available on line, if someone enters a name into a search engine your information is available. Send me a brief outline of your 'Brickwall' and I will include it. Thank you to Roger Lewis has giving us some tips on computer use.



If you are on Facebook, here are many groups pages you may be interested. For those interested in photographs as we are, Lost Sydney, a group with over 8,000 members. Unlocking Your Past ~ Aussie Help for all Genealogy, a group offering to help with searches and decyphering.

I thought I might share extracts from two bound editions of *Home Words for Heart and Hearth* one dated 1875 and the other about 1892. This a parochial magazine covering Kingsley and Newton in Cheshire, England. The baptism notice of mum's mother is in the earlier one. They are in reasonable condition, although the cover is missing from the later one. They contain wonderful engravings, poems and stories as well as local to that area information.

I would like to once again thank Beryl Watson for her supply of small pieces. Please keep your articles and ideas coming and remember the deadline for the next *Tree of Life* is 20 April 2014..... TOL

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Valé Lesley Uebel

It is with sadness that the genealogy world has lost Lesley Uebel. Lesley was the founder of the website Claim a Convict which originally went online on 19 August 1998. The site offered other researchers a free service that enabled those researching the same convicts ancestors to contact each other directly by email. Although the site did not include every convict that arrived, the researcher lists provided an invaluable resource to the research community. Unfortunately Lesley fell ill during the second half of 2013, passing away on 20 January 2014. Our sincere condolences go to her family and friends.

The website will continue by Auld Genealogy

<http://auldgenealogy.blogspot.com.au/2014/01/relaunch-of-claim-convict-website.html?spref=fb>

And the new Claim a Convict site will be launched on Australia Day

<http://www.hawkesbury.net.au/claimaconvict/>..... TOL

From the Secretary.

Kerry Clarke, Secretary, member 433

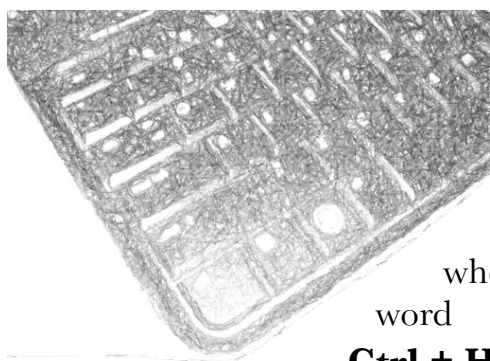
Change of Addresses

As this is the start of a new year for everyone, could I just ask that everyone take note of the fact that if you have changed your home or email address and haven't let us know, **we can't find you.**

Part of my responsibilities as Secretary is to let all our members know what events we have coming up, and also to pass on any items of interest relating to researching your Family History. If we don't have your correct contact details, our mail goes astray or gets returned to us.

I usually send out fortnightly news bulletins and our *Branch* editor Russell sends out his edition each month, so if you are not receiving these bulletins and you have changed either your home or email address in the last 12 months, please contact me and I will update our records. Now that our *Tree of Life* is available electronically, I also advise when this is ready to download..... TOL

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Roger's Computer Tips

Roger Lewis member 127, LM

Keyboard shortcuts

Ctrl + F this is the find or search command which is useful when searching a document or a webpage for a particular name or word

Ctrl + H this command when used in your web browser brings up your browsing history, so if you mistakenly close a webpage and need to reopen. This command will show you where you have been and allow you to return to your place on the web. Also if you are working on a document in Office type programs this will open the Find and Replace box

Ctrl + and Ctrl - These are important for those of us that do not have the best eyesight, the ctrl+ allows you to enlarge the page to make it easier to read you can use ctrl- to reduce or simply or quickly click on 'Reset to Default' in the command box which momentarily appears on the top right of your screen when you use the +- commands

F2 Useful when you are working with files such as your photos, select the photo and click F2 allows you to rename your file

Using the Cottage Computers

Did you know that I have placed a shortcut on the desktops called New Software, the icon is a green tree, Double click on this icon and you will find some shortcuts pointing to the latest CD's installed, also there is a folder here called archives so you can look back over the previous 12 months of new software installed.. More next time....cheers Roger..... TOL

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Brick Wall Breached

Esther Dean member 23, LM

I am writing this to encourage members to write their family stories for publication in Tree of Life. This also applies to members of other Societies and their journals.

The December 2004 issue of *Tree of Life* published my story about my 3 x Great Grandfather John Thomas **Gamble**, who was born on 17 December 1817 on the Island of St Helena off the coast of Africa. He was the son of John **Gamble**, a soldier with the East India Company, and Mary **Houndsworth**. At that time I knew nothing more of Mary and she was my brick wall.

A lady (I don't know which Society she belonged to) was reading through the exchange journals and highlighting interesting stories which she published under the heading "Gleanings from Dorothy". She highlighted my story and gave the names involved including **Gamble** and **Houndsworth**.

In the nine years following I have found that Mary married Thomas **Pollard**, another soldier with the East India Company, in 1824, and gave birth to three daughters, Amelia Bertha 24 October 1824, Mary Ann 12 January 1827 and Betsy 10 March 1830. She had earlier given birth to a daughter Elizabeth on 24 May 1821 who was baptised in 1827 as Elizabeth **Pollard**, but could not be Thomas **Pollard's** child as he had not arrived on St Helena till 1823. And so the brickwall remained in place. What happened to Mary?

Enter Dave from Wiltshire England. He is a descendant of Amelia Bertha **Pollard**. He had found the birth of John Thomas to Mary **Houndsworth** and just before Christmas 2013 he typed John Thomas **Gamble** into his computer and got a match. Up came reference to the "Gleanings from Dorothy" column No 157 in June 2005. Dave immediately emailed **WFHG** secretary Kerry and she passed the email on to me. What a wonderful Christmas present !!!

Dave and I share Mary **Houndsworth** as our 3 x Great Grandmother.

Emails have been going backwards and forwards, photographs exchanged, and we have spoken on Skype.

I now know that Mary and Thomas **Pollard** eventually went to England and Dave found them in the 1861 census. We have tracked their two daughters Amelia Bertha and Mary Ann from 1851 census on, but Elizabeth and Betsy still remain elusive.

A big thank you goes to Dorothy Abel for choosing to highlight my story. Otherwise Dave

would still be sitting in England wondering what happened to John Thomas **Gamble**, and I would still be wondering where on earth was Mary **Houndsworth**.

I urge all our members to write a little story about their ancestor/ancestors and bombard our Editor Helen with them. You might be lucky like I have been.TOL

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*My personal 'brickwall' is Mary Ann **Ashmore**, more on her in future...ed.....TOL*

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Thomas Johnston-Lord.

Harry Johnston-Lord. member 504

What do I know about my father Thomas **Johnston-Lord**?

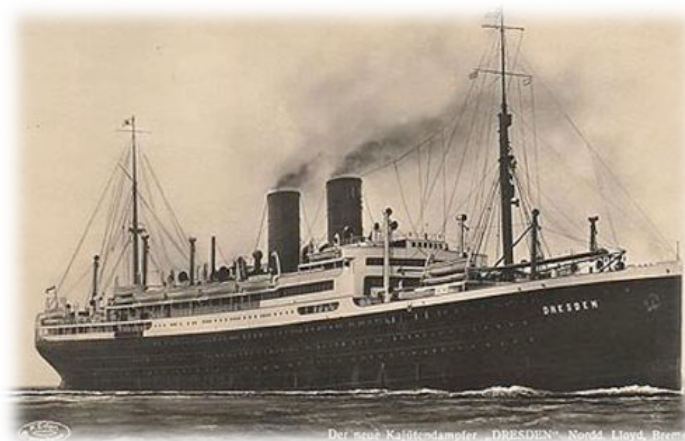
Census and other records from the early 1900s from Rochdale, England note Thomas Lord, a butcher and Lillian and a child Thomas born 1900.

He possibly travelled on Orient Line ship "Ormuz", 1922, A Thomas **Lord** from Rochester aged 22, labourer is mentioned in shipping records. He disembarked at Fremantle. Is this my father?



Thomas, Harry and Catherine

There is a Thomas **Lord** in the early 30's Census for Dumbleyung, Western Australia. He talked about working with wheat in W A, mentioning this place and also told us about travelling the Canning Stock Route in that state.



Der neue Kältedampfer „DRESDEN“ Nordde Lloyd, Bremen

I know that as Thomas **Johnston-Lord** he married Catherine Matilda **Bell**, my mother, on 9 January 1942 in Wollongong, NSW. The marriage certificate states he was born in Rochdale, England on 29th April 1900 and his parents were Thomas Henry **Johnston-Lord** and Lillian

Stewart, although some records show his mother as Lily **Lamb**.

I know his service record for WWII and of course I am aware of his history after then.

I know he died 22 November 1979 at Hornsby.

When and where did the **Johnston** part happen, I don't know.

This is my biggest 'Brickwall'.....TOL

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AUSTRALIA DAY 2013.

Beryl Watson member 46



It was raining, the washing was up to date and the ironing could wait another day, it was a good day for the computer and a bit of research.

My son-in-law has his fair share of convicts, mainly in the Parramatta and Castlereagh areas, but the German free immigrants had been on the back burner for over a year, it was high time I had a go at untangling them. The pesky lot kept crossing over between **Schneider** and **Zahnleiter** inter-mingled with **Johnson**, which had it's own problems, one

of which being too common a name and repetition of given names in each generation. These were all centered around Penrith, Frogmore, Castlereagh and Riverstone.

The first thing I discovered was, that one Schneider gent married a lady with the maiden surname **Warner**, this was a surprise and another lot of names to research. It turned out that the **Warner** family of Warner's Bay, are ancestors of my son in law, and to add to the surprise, there were two more convicts to add to the ones I had already researched. What was more interesting was the area where the families lived, Mudgee, Gulgong and Riverstone.

I borrowed a book on inter-loan, from our local library, written about the **Warner** family, this was a good idea as I found lots of photographs and stories. Then I Googled the names and found a lot more on the internet.

So, my idea of sorting out his German ancestors, has had to go on the back burner again, until I finish with the new lot, and a day when I thought of getting into German research turned out to be centered around Mudgee.

You never know where family history will lead you, and that is what keeps us so interested isn't it?TOL

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A Shot in the Dark.

Harry Johnston-Lord. member 504

This photograph was taken somewhere around 1900. No later than 1901. These are the characters in a play, one of whom is my great uncle. This is all the information I have. I turn to you, dear Reader for help. Can anybody give me a clue about how to find out the name of the play based on the characters pictured? HELP!!!TOL

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What Can I Learn in a Cemetery?

Thomas Gibbeson

Helen Johnston-Lord member 505

This headstone is in the Independent Old Ground, Rookwood Cemetery.

It reads: Loving Memory of Thomas Gibbeson Who was accidentally killed at Burwood While in the Execution of his duty. 2nd May 1895 aged 60 years.

This led to a small news item in the Sydney Morning Herald of 3 May 1895 announced the sad passing of Thomas Gibbeson. There was also a funeral notice.





Thomas Gibbeson was born in Newcastle-on-Tyne in 1834. His father was William (1807) and his mother Margaret Potter. Family legend has it that Margaret died in the goldfields however Margaret's death

certificate states 'Died by the visitation from God' in 1848 in Newcastle-on-Tyne. This event left William with three children to care for. Thomas 14. Ann 11, and Margaret 6. William apparently worked passage to Australia paying for his family. Leaving his family with the Hume family whilst he searched for gold, William travelled to Bendigo and probably California and South America. He married Anne Amelia Hume in 1852. The eventually settled in New Zealand and their lives and descendants fill pages of the history books of Raglan.

Ann Gibbeson married Peter Keay Spence in 1857 and Margaret married her step-brother Robert Hume in 1861. Ann and Peter were my father's grand parents.

SMH 4 May 1895

THE FRIENDS of Mr. P. SPENCE and Mr. R. HUME are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved BROTHER-IN-LAW, Mr. Thos. Gibbeson, who was accidentally killed on the railway; to move from 50 Belvoir-street, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for Rookwood Cemetery.

PIONEER LODGE, U A.O. DRUIDS.-The OFFICERS and MEMBERS of the above Lodge are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of our late Brother, THOMAS GIBBESON, who was accidentally killed on the railway line ; to move from his late residence 50 Belvoir-street, Strawberry Hills, THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 p.m., to Rookwood Cemetery. M. MOSS. A.D. : ARTHUR S. SHAW.

Sydney Morning Herald

Killed on the Railway Line - About 6 o'clock yesterday morning the dead body of Mr Thomas Gibbeson, ago 50, was found on the rail-way line near Burwood railway station, at the point where the works in connection with the sewerage operations cross the line. The 5.50 a.m. passenger train from Homebush to Sydney was approaching the spot indicated, Andrew Campbell, the guard, and David Smith, fireman, noticed someone lying on the line, and at once pulled up. Finding the man was dead. The body was put on the train and taken to the South Sydney morgue. The body was afterwards identified that of Thomas Gibbeson, who resided with his wife and family at No. 50 Belmore-street, Sydney. The deceased was employed as 'night-watchman on the railway line at the point where his remains were found, He went to his duty as usual at 6 o'clock on Wednesday Evening, and nothing more was seen of him until his body was discovered. How the unfortunate man met his death cannot be known, but the supposition is that he was accidentally knocked down and killed by the 4 a.m. train - fast express from Sydney to Goulburn - which passes Burwood at 4.15- and colour is given to this surmise by the fact that the watch found on the Deceased had stopped at that time.

Thomas married Catherine Fyfe Spence (Peter Keay's sister) on 15 April 1864. They had at least eleven children. Amongst other things Thomas was a stonemason. His wife Catherine died in 1928 and is buried in an unmarked grave not far from Thomas.....TOL

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Photo Gallery

From 2013 Christmas dinner



Anne & Garry Lee



Members enjoying the evening

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What Goes Around.

From Scots Church News Contributed by Elizabeth Douglas.

Beryl Watson member 46

His name was Fleming, and he was a poor Scottish farmer. One day, while trying to make a living for his family, he heard a cry for help coming from a nearby bog. He dropped his tools and ran to the bog.

There mired to his waist in black muck, was a terrified boy, screaming and struggling to free himself. Farmer Fleming saved the lad from what could have been a slow and terrifying death.

The next day, a fancy carriage pulled up to the Scotsman's surroundings. An elegantly dressed nobleman stepped out and introduced himself as the father of the boy farmer Fleming had saved. "I want to repay you" said the nobleman "You saved my son's life"

"No I cannot accept payment for what I did," the Scottish farmer replied waving off the offer. At that moment, the farmer's own son came to the door of the family hovel.

"Is that your son?" the nobleman asked.

"Yes," the farmer said proudly.

“I’ll make you a deal. Let me provide him with the level of education my own son will enjoy. If the lad is anything like his father, he will no doubt grow to be a man we will both be proud of.” And he did.



Fleming’s son attended the very best schools and in time, graduated from St. Mary’s Hospital Medical School in London, and went on to become known throughout the world as the noted Sir Alexander Fleming, the discoverer of Penicillin.

Years afterward, the same nobleman’s son who was saved from the bog was stricken with pneumonia.

What saved his life this time? Penicillin.

The name of the nobleman’s son? Lord Randolph.

His son’s name? Sir Winston Churchill.

From Scots Church News Contributed by Elizabeth Douglas.....TOL



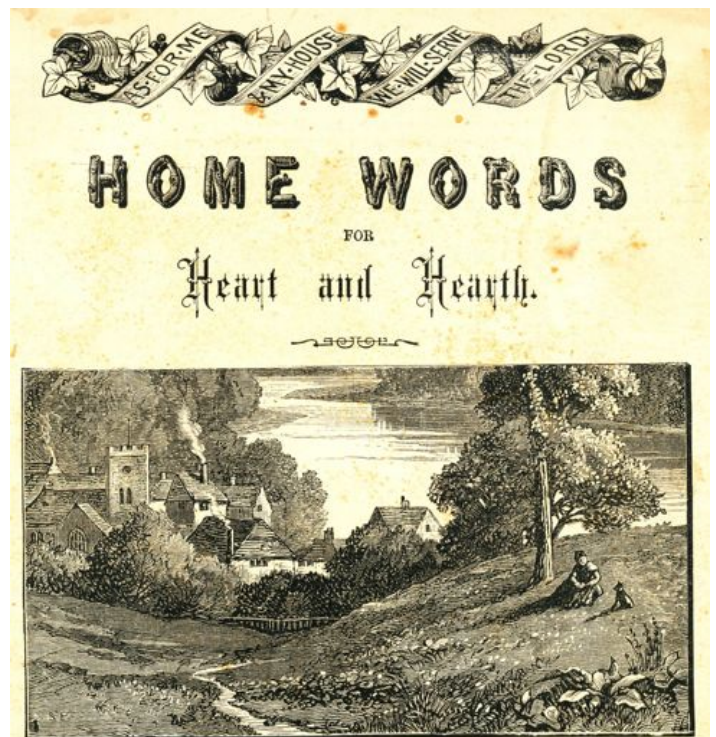
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Home Words for Heart and Hearth, 1892.

Under the title of ‘Many Things’

STEAM PASSENGER SAFETY.-In the year 1890 there were nearly two thousand trips made from New York alone to various European ports, and about two hundred thousand cabin passengers were carried in addition to 372,000 emigrants, all without any accident. It is an interesting fact to note that in the large lines of steamers the average safety of the sailor’s life is high. The late Mr. Thomas Gray stated, for instance, that in the Union line to the Cape he found that only one passenger had died in twenty years, and that four seamen died in three years. In the Peninsular and Oriental only one seaman had died in one year in the forty vessels of the line, and during three years not a single passenger had been lost; the Inman liners had lost no passengers out of a million, and only eleven seamen had died in three years; and the Cunard liners had no passengers lost in three years, and only nine seamen dead.-Professor Henry Dyer.

THE SAFEST PLACE.-Sir Edward Watkin is accustomed to say that the safest place in the world in which to spend an hour or two is an express train on one of the railways. This is confirmed by the fact that last year only five passengers were killed on all the railways of the United Kingdom, while 147 deaths and 5,784 personal injuries resulted from street accidents in London alone.



THE HOUSEWIFE'S CORNER.

KNIVES,-Do not let Knives be dropped into boiling water, or the handles will become loose. It is a good plan to wash them in a tin can or jug just high enough to cover the blades without wetting the handles. The stains of fruit or vinegar can be removed by rubbing them with a piece of raw potato before they are cleaned on the board or in the knife machine.

GREASE.-To remove grease from stone steps, passages, etc., pour a quantity of soda dissolved in boiling water over the spot, lay on a little Fuller's earth made into a thin paste with water, and allow it to remain on all night. If the grease is not removed by the morning, repeat the operation.

On 'The Young Folk's Page'

THE QUEEN'S LOVE OF MUSIC.

HER MAJESTY is very fond of music, and is fi. very good musician. She studied music with Mendelssohn, and singing with Labache. As a. consequence of this teaching, she prefers the old music to any other; but at the same time she can appreciate anything that is good in modern music.

"This," says Madame Albani, "I know from experience, as I have sung all kinds of music to her, the new as well as the old. The Queen is much touched by a simple homely ballad, and after I have sung to her songs like 'Robin Adair' or 'Old Folks at Home' I have seen tears in her eyes. The Queen has been present at very few concerts for many years past. She occasionally has a noted artist to sing or play before her; but this always takes place in private; and when I sing at Balmoral there is nobody in the room but the Queen and perhaps one or two members of the Royal family who may be staying at the Castle.

"With regard to these little concerts, I recall at funny incident. I sat down at the piano to accompany myself, and was just beginning to sing, when the legs of the stool gave way, and I rolled on the floor at the Queen's feet. Her Majesty was rather concerned at first, thinking I must have hurt myself; but when she saw that I was all right, she burst out laughing. We all had been rather solemn before, but after my tumble everybody was so amused that it was a long while before I could proceed with my song."

This delightful illustration accompanies an item entitled 'A Pilot Ho'...ed.....TOL



"A PILOT, HO!"

NEW MEMBER

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	Research Interest
673	John Raynor	Raynor

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.... TOL

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Email: secwfhg2@westnet.com.au

Convict Interest Group

Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month, 10am to 12. If you have a convict or think you may have a convict in you family then come along. We will assist you in any way we can with your research. At present we have a small compact group and would love for you to join us.

June Johnston

Convict Interest Group..... TOL

WFHG INC Planned Events

	2014	Event
February	Tue 4	Committee Meeting 10 am.
	Thu 8	General Meeting 'The Cottage' 7 pm.
	Wed 12	Convict Interest Group 'The Cottage' 10 am – 12 noon.
	Sat 15	Volunteer Help at Tuggerah Library 10 am – 2pm.
	Thu 27	Scottish Interest Group 'The Cottage' 10 am – 12 noon. Irish Interest Group 'The Cottage' 1 pm – 3 pm.
March	Tue 4	Committee Meeting 10 am.
	Thu 6	Family Historian Workshop Interest Group 1 pm – 3 pm.
	Wed 12	Convict Interest Group 'The Cottage' 10 am – 12 noon.
	Thu 13	General Meeting 'The Cottage' 7 pm.
	Sat 15	Volunteer Help at Tuggerah Library 10 am – 2pm. Saturday 15 – Sunday 23 Seniors Week
	Sat 22	Elusive Ancestors
	Thu 27	Scottish Interest Group 'The Cottage' 10 am – 12 noon. Irish Interest Group 'The Cottage' 1 pm – 3 pm.
	Mon 31	Australian Shipping Workshop at The Cottage 10.00am – 12noon RSVP Helen Burkett burkett@zip.com.au
April	Tue 1	Committee Meeting 10 am.
	Thu 3	Family Historian Workshop Interest Group 1 pm – 3 pm.
	Wed 9	Convict Interest Group 'The Cottage' 10 am – 12 noon.
	Thu 10	General Meeting 'The Cottage' 3 pm. Guest Speaker : Ann Howard, Local author and historian on Dangar Island, Hawkesbury and Barnados
	Sat 19	Volunteer Help at Tuggerah Library 10 am – 2pm.
	Sun 20	Tree of Life Deadline
	Thu 22	Scottish Interest Group 'The Cottage' 10 am – 12 noon. Irish Interest Group 'The Cottage' 1 pm – 3 pm.
	Tue 29	May Committee Meeting 10 am.
May	Thu 1	Family Historian Workshop Interest Group 1 pm – 3 pm.
	Thu 8	General Meeting 'The Cottage' 3 pm.
	Wed 14	Convict Interest Group 'The Cottage' 10 am – 12 noon.
	Sat 17	Volunteer Help at Tuggerah Library 10 am – 2pm.
	Thu 24	Scottish Interest Group 'The Cottage' 10 am – 12 noon. Irish Interest Group 'The Cottage' 1 pm – 3 pm.
	Sat 30	Fundraising: BBQ at Tuggerah Bunnings. 8:00am - 4:00pm. To help, contact Esther or 'The Cottage'

PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE

More details at
<http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/nswwfhg/publications.html>

CDs

Wyong and District Pioneer Register	\$ 40.00 + p&h
Wyong Shire Combined Cemeteries	\$ 25.00 + p&h
Palmdale Cemetery [30,000 names, not all from Wyong]	\$ 10.00 + p&h
Anglican Parish of Brisbane Waters	\$ 10.00 + p&h
Simplicity Funerals Bateau Bay [Toukley and Wyong 1963 - 2011]	\$ 25.00 + p&h
Wyong Courthouse Deaths 1930 - 1953	\$ 15.00 + p&h
Wyong Township Residents Index - 1930-1939	\$ 10.00 + p&h
Wyong Gravediggers	\$ 15.00 + p&h
Brought in by the Tide.	\$ 5.00 + p&h
Central Coast Roll of Honour	\$ 15.00 + p&h

BOOKS

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