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Resources and research assistance at 'The Cottage' – available on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 10:00am and 3:00pm.

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Welcome to our first edition for 2019.

What a start to the year. The heat is just not my friend.

Staying in the air conditioned comfort of home has

helped me cope. I think I miss the activity involved in participation in the UTAS course and am considering different options for this year.

Using some of the skills learnt in the course, I have been able to rekindle my long held interest in Australia's Victorian era author, C H Spence. I can feel a presentation coming on.

With every new year, we are all faced with new challenges.

You may find some new names and faces amongst the Management Committee this year. Let's all get behind these good folk and support their endeavours. Being involved can be so rewarding.

In the photos included in our Gallery this issue, show a lot of eating, this is not really our primary focus, it is just part of what we do, after all, we have to eat.

Your stories help to make our publication interesting and the deadline for the next *Tree of Life* is 20 April 2019.... 🌳



2019 Love Lanes Festival

Wyang Family History Group will be at the Love Lanes Festival in its 3rd year to be held in Wyong. This year the group will be situated in the Wyong Town Park

The Festival will be held on Saturday 9th February 2019, to link with Valentine's Day, across 3 laneways

in Wyong CBD from 4.00pm – 9.00pm.

There will be an abundance of colour, sounds and smells of a food market plus the buzz, hype and vibe of a huge outdoor festival encompassing the theme of 'Love'. Guests and stallholders will celebrate the fantastic food and entertainment from around the region with beautifully designed stalls and dining under the stars. A precinct will be created to soak up free live music across multiple stages, roving entertainment, circus precinct and art installations on local buildings. More information: www.centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/whats-on

WYONG FAMILY HISTORY GROUP INC



New & Returning 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

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....

Transport

Members – Transport to and from The Cottage is a problem for some of our members.

If you have any ideas, email The Secretary: secwfhg2@westnet.com.au or phone (02) 4351 2211 during open hours....

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/Social Media (bi-monthly)

✿ DNA (bi-monthly)

✿ English & Welsh

✿ Family Tree Maker

✿ Microsoft Word



We also run information sessions. These sessions are usually an hour or so and may just give your research and what you do with it, a boost.

✿ Referencing Sources – Thursday 7th February, 1:00 pm

✿ Preserving Your Research – Wednesday 6th March, 10:30 am.

✿ Ryerson Index – Tuesday 9th April, 10:30 am.



✿ Using British Newspapers – Wednesday 15th May, 10:30 am.



No Bookings Required



Upcoming dates are included on our Planned Events on page 22.



The Commonwealth Connection

Lynda Smith LM 2

When I first started researching my husband's SMITH family in 1977, my father in law gave me very few clues. He said that he had an auntie 'Rene' on his paternal side, an uncle Harry and another uncle Bernie. The one that initially intrigued me was Bernie/Bernard, as he had moved to South Africa at some stage. My father in law had a small Kodak box brownie style photo of Bernie and his family [\[photo at right\]](#), but other than that, he couldn't tell me much more, other than he had some connection to the SHAND surname and that he lived in Durban, Natal Province. As far as he knew, the remaining Smiths stayed in the UK other than his father, Frank, who had decided to settle in Australia after spending some years in the British Merchant Navy.

Bernard was born on Nov.11 1888 in Faversham Kent, to Alfred Henry SMITH and Frances Ann MARK. I eventually discovered that he was the sixth of seven children of this couple. Alfred came from a family of seafarers, such as Thames River bargemen, merchant seaman and shipbuilders/owners. Back in the 1990s there was little available via the Internet, on South African BDM records, so I hired a researcher. The first document I received was Bernard's 1968 Death Notice- which is a handwritten transcription on a basic form. This was quite informative. I found that Bernie had married Eunice Maud nee DAVIES in Durban SA and that they had one son, Frank Mark who was over 21 when his father died. The notice also confirmed Bernie's date and place of birth and his parent's full names. The marriage date was not given.

Eunice was still living in 1968, so I tried for her death details via the same researcher. This document stated that Eunice had actually died in Canada [Cranbrook, British Columbia] in May 1972, but was registered in SA for probate reasons. Why was Eunice there? Unfortunately,



the document did not give her parent's names or her date of birth. Place of birth was Porthcall [various spellings] in Wales. Luckily, Canadian BDM indexes were available online and I was able to obtain a copy of that DC. This document gave me Eunice's date of birth and parent's first names. Surprisingly, she had only been in Canada for 21 days. The informant was her son, Frank Smith, of 1207 South 10th Street, Cranbrook.

I then started to search shipping records to try and find out when Bernard and Eunice moved to South Africa. At that stage, I had no idea when they married, or if their son Frank was born in SA or the UK. I located Bernard in the 1891 and 1901 UK Census records, but could not

definitely find him in 1911. There is a possible entry for a Bernard Smith, boarder with Henry BAYLEY and his family in Southampton. Bernard was listed as a yacht shipwright, which fits with his family ancestry. The DAVIES name in Wales is like SMITH and I have not had any success so far identifying this family.

In 2002 I wrote a letter to the editor of a Canadian newspaper, "The Daily Townsman" in Cranbrook, trying to locate Vera and Frank. I actually received some replies! A former neighbour of Frank and Vera SMITH gave me their son Mark's contact details. I wrote to him and he gave me his mother's details. She had recently re-married and her new surname was SCHETTERER. Vera was very helpful. She gave me lots of information on her family. She was able to tell me that her first husband Frank Mark SMITH was born on March 16, 1926 in South Africa.

[photo at right: Bernard, with Frank Mark, June 1926]

Frank did an apprenticeship in shipbuilding, then spent a number of years travelling the world, working for various shipping lines. He decided to spend some time in Vancouver, and it was here that he met Vera in 1952. Vera then travelled to South Africa and they married there in Feb. 1953. Their son Mark was born in Durban in Nov. 1953. The family decided to return to Calgary Canada in 1958, where Vera had grown up. Their daughter Janis was born there in 1960.

I also checked Merchant Navy records, to see if Bernard had followed his older brother's career choice. The UK National Archives have a card for Bernard, including a photo of him. The photo, *[on right]*, my father in law had verified that this was the same man. He was recorded as having voyages from 1918-1921 as a carpenter. Using Findmypast.com I have so far located numerous sea voyages, initially for Bernard, and then Bernard and Eunice and finally Eunice and their son. In 1931 Bernard left Durban for the UK, listed as a master shipwright. In 1933 Eunice and son Frank travelled to the UK to stay in Tottenham. Bernie's sister Elsie lived there. After each UK visit they returned to Durban. Vera verified that Bernie bought the "James SHAND Ship Repairs" business and ran it until 1957, so my father in law was correct again.

Bernie travelled to the UK alone in 1947. In

1949, his son Frank was travelling as a tourist, back to the UK. His occupation was listed as shipwright. He also called in to Quebec on his way home to Durban.



Perhaps this is when his interest in Canada began. In 1956, Eunice accompanied Bernie to the UK, for a stay in Kent. Two of Bernie's other sisters lived in that county. By 1960, Bernard was listed as 'retired' when he and Eunice travelled to the UK, then to Canada and finally



back to Durban. I assumed from this and Eunice's DC, that they were visiting their son Frank in Canada.

In 2015, I checked Familysearch.org for South African records. I was amazed to find Bernard and Eunice's marriage details freely available. They married in Durban on 21 June 1924 at the Musgrave Rd Congregational Church.

I researched the Church and sadly discovered that it was demolished in 1967, to make way for a freeway. Not too far away in the same records, I found Frank's marriage to Vera WILLIAMS.

Frank Mark SMITH died in 1996, in Canada. His son Mark Lee SMITH married Heather [maiden name unknown at this time] and they had three children. Mark is an electrician and I believe he still lives in Canada. Frank's daughter Janis has been married twice and has two sons. She was living in Washington, USA in 2003. I haven't heard from this line for nearly fifteen years, so I will have to do some re-connecting!

As an aside, the Uncle Harry mentioned at the beginning, also spent time in Africa. Harry was born in 1897 and he enlisted in the RAF at the beginning of 1918. He was an apprentice fitter and turner. He was discharged in 1919 and married Lilian/Lillian Adeline TWIST in 1924 in Kent. He became an engineer and he spent many years working in exotic Commonwealth locations such as Lagos [Nigeria], Zanzibar [Tanzania] and Takoradi [Ghana]. Lilian was with him for these adventures and I have found a number of sea voyages for them. They did not have any children. Their last voyage in 1952 stated that Harry intended to stay in the UK. I believe Lilian may have died in 1965, but I have not yet verified this. As you can imagine, a

death date for Harry is also proving illusive.

It seems that this humble family from Kent included at least three intrepid travellers of the British Empire. Auntie Rene did also exist, but that is another



Bernard, Lilian, Frank M, Eunice and Harry Smith, Miff the dog, date and place unknown.

Resources: South African BDMs, UK BDMs, Ancestry.com, Findmypast.com, Family search.org, RAF records, family records and photos, Google maps.... 🌳

Centenary Ringing

From St Peter's Church, Little Budworth: The Good Shepherd, December, 2018.

In our August 2018 edition we included the call across the world for campanologists.

This is an extract from the December, 2018 issue.

Ringling respectfully, with bells half muffled, to start the morning Remembrance Day Service, we then rang joyously, unmuffled, following the Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial. We ended the day ringing, as they did 100 years ago, to celebrate Peace, the end of the "war to end all wars". ... 🌳



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.



Anglesea Barracks, Hobart NSW.

Helen Johnston-Lord, member 505

Hobart is the home to a wide variety of
memorials, far too many to name here.

When we visited Hobart last year, we
spent some time in the grounds of The

Anglesea Barracks. Unfortunately, we just did not have enough time to visit to Queen's Domain Park, the home of the Cenotaph and Boer War memorial amongst other memorials.

The Anglesea Barracks occupies an area of 6 hectares, being only one kilometre from the centre of the city. They are the oldest Australian Army barracks still in operational use, celebrating its bicentenary in December 2011.

On the 2nd December 1811, the visiting NSW Governor, Lachlan Macquarie rode to the top of a small hill south-west of the town and declared that it was the spot for a barracks. The hill has been called Barrack Hill from that day. Macquarie directed that barracks were to be built to house 150 men, with quarters for the officers and a hospital to accommodate 32 sick persons. Construction began on the first buildings to occupy the site in 1814.

The barracks were named Anglesea by Governor George Arthur (Governor from 1823 – 1837) after the Marquis of Anglesey, who was Master General of the Ordnance in England during Arthur's tenure. Anglesea Barracks remained the headquarters of the British Imperial Forces in Tasmania until the last British regiment stationed there left in 1870.

Apart from being a working Army Unit, it houses offices of the RAAF and the Navy as well as a wonderful Military Museum manned by very knowledgeable volunteers. Within the Museum are several very realistic life-sized diaramas depicting various stages in the building's history. We did not venture up the stairs, however I did see a realistic looking model of a soldier in Vietnam.

This picture [\[right\]](#) shows the proximity of the Barracks to the heart of Hobart.

Within the grounds of the Barracks are many memorials to those who served and their Units. Included in the long list of structures is the impressive 99th Regiment Memorial.



This monument is unique as it was the first war memorial to be erected in Australia and also the only such memorial to be erected by a British Regiment serving in Australia.

The 99th Regiment of Foot was stationed in Hobart from 1848 to 1856. The monument commemorates twenty four men of the Regiment who were killed on active service in the New Zealand Maori Wars of 1845-46 and was erected, in 1850, from money raised by voluntary subscription from officers and men.

The Peacekeeper

Dedicated in May 2011. This memorial commemorates those who have lost their lives on peacekeeping and peacemaking operations, and also recognises the contribution and commitment of military, police and civilians who are serving overseas.

The memorial is a timber sculpture featuring a soldier rescuing a child. It was created by Vietnam veteran Bernie Tarr of Geeveston.

Anyone interested in such things, the Barracks is home to a comprehensive collection of ordnance. ... 🌳





Newspapers

How it was reported

It Depends on How You Say It



Nineteenth Century Journalism at its Best and Worst

Lynda Smth LM 2

One of my maternal ancestral lines is the MARNEY/MAINEY/MERNEY/MAHONEY family from Tasmania. The spelling variations of this name have caused some issues in the past, but I bravely tried TROVE again recently and found some gems. Sadly, this family suffered more than its fair share of grief. A number of children died young and some of the daughters lost their husbands to an assortment of accidents and illnesses. Others reached adulthood, but did not marry. Both John MARNEY and his wife Sarah WILSON were convicts. John was a shoemaker before his conviction and later returned to this trade. Sarah became a very well-known and much loved midwife. Together they had twelve children.

I had known for some time that Daniel MARNEY, born 28 November 1827, died as a child, but I didn't know the details. I found three different views of what must have been a terrible event. I doubt the parents appreciated the judgemental and flippant tones of the journalists of the day.

Tasmanian Weekly Dispatch (Hobart Town, Tas. : 1839 - 1841), Friday 20 March 1840, page 7 *The Turf*.

NEW TOWN RACES. The weather on Tuesday was most unfavourable, rain and wind throughout the day. In despite of all, however, there were about three thousand persons on the course, the great attraction being the running between Van Tramp and Gulnare. There was an unusual display of booths, and no pains appeared to have been spared to make the accommodation for the public, complete. Fortunately, it was so, the rain, during the whole of the day, being so heavy, as to drive everyone to cover, except during the time of running; of course, very few ladies were present, and this, with the absence of the gay equipages which were in attendance, the second and third days deprived the first day of its principal pleasures. During the afternoon, a fatal accident occurred to a son of Mr. Marney's, who was thrown from a horse, and killed on the spot.

Colonial Times (Hobart, Tas.: 1828 - 1857), Tuesday 24 March 1840, page 6

The Races. The races, with all their amusing excitement have once more passed away, leaving on the minds of the winning sportsmen, a very pleasureable [sic] impression. We are not of those who decry and censure harmless recreations; and conducted as were the recent races, everything passed off with the greatest order and regularity. True it is that one fatal accident occurred, and which was just as likely to happen in the streets of Hobart Town, or on the high road, as on the Race-course. We allude to the decease of a young lad named Marney, who imprudently mounted a strange horse, which threw and kicked him to death. Leave we, however, this melancholy topic, and all others, and come at once to the Races.

Hobart Town Courier and Van Diemen's Land Gazette (Tas. : 1839 - 1840), Friday 20 March 1840, page 2

Fatal Accident.—An inquest was held at Mr. Cooley's, the " Horse and Jockey," New-town road, on Thursday, the 19th March, on the body of a youth named Daniel Marney, the son of Mr. Marney, the shoemaker, in Brisbane-street. It appeared in evidence, that Mr. Lord's overseer gave the boy the horse to mind. The lad mounted the animal, and was riding about, when the horse suddenly shying threw him off, and his feet becoming entangled in the stirrup leathers, he was dragged a considerable distance, and at some speed, before the animal could be stopped. When this was at last effected, the poor boy was found to be a mutilated mass of bruises, and the countenance so shockingly

mangled, that it was difficult to identify him. The jury returned a verdict of "accidentally killed."

Thankfully, at least the report from the Inquest presented some facts on poor Daniel's death. None of the reports say whether or not Daniel's father was present at the time. Some twelve years earlier, another child, William, born September 27 1824, featured in the paper.

Tasmanian (Hobart Town, Tas. : 1827 - 1839), Friday 19 December 1828, page 3

Accident by Fire.—An Inquest was held by J. Spode, Esq., our worthy Police Magistrate and Coroner, on Wednesday, on the body of a child of John Marney, a Javelin man, whose death was occasioned by its having in the absence of its parent got too near the fire, whereby the flame communicated with its shirt and death was the consequence. We lament that the press of British Intelligence prevents our this week giving insertion to the whole proceedings, upon the Inquest, which we are most desirous of publishing, well knowing how extremely careless many otherwise affectionate parents are, as respects their children getting near fires.

Marney's poor infant lost its life without a shadow of blame attaching to either of its parents, except that of leaving it alone in a room where there was a fire, which it could approach. We trust this will be a warning to parents to prevent the possibility of their children experiencing similar calamities.

By the way, *a javelin man* is an archaic name for a guard, often used in courts or as protectors of judges as

they travelled to and from assizes. In the later middle ages, such men carried pikes or halberds. In 1827 there was a report that Hobart's javelin men were now to be called constables.

The MARNEY family included six boys and six girls. Two adult sons worked in the whaling industry and were presumed lost at sea. One son died at six months of age, from water on the brain, and their last remaining son died of tuberculosis at the age of twenty five. [This child born in 1841 was given the same first name as his deceased brother.]

Mercury (Hobart, Tas. : 1860 - 1954), Monday 26 March 1866, page 1

DEATHS

MARNEY. -On 24th March, at his residence, Brisbane-street, Daniel (Frederick), the only surviving son of the late Mr. John Marney, aged 25. The funeral will move from his late residence on Tuesday, the 27th instant, at half-past 2 p.m. No circulars.

It is believed that this line of the MARNEY surname did not survive as a result of all these sad male deaths. There are others in Tasmania with the same surname, but as yet I have found no connection to this family. A daughter died at four days old in 1826, and another unmarried daughter died at forty one from a stroke in 1874. Only the remaining four daughters managed to marry and produce children. My ancestor was the last child of the family, Julia Ann, who married Alfred Thomas SMALLHORN in 1862. They had seventeen children, but only twelve made it to adulthood.

One of Julia's sisters, Catherine, born 1830, married three times, having been widowed twice. Her first marriage was in 1851 and her husband William WATERS died two years later of lung disease, leaving her with a young son.

In 1855, she married again, only to lose this husband that same year.

People's Advocate or True Friend of Tasmania (Launceston, Tas. : 1855 - 1856), Monday 16 July 1855, page 3

LAMENTABLE BOAT

ACCIDENT. — On Wednesday afternoon, between five and six o'clock, as a young man named **Marshall Collier**, son-in-law of Mr. **John Marney**, of Brisbane-street, was proceeding to Risdon from Hobart Town in a lime boat called the Providence, having his wife and child on board he met with a watery grave. When off Paviloin[sic] Point, the Providence put about, when one of the sails str[u]ck him, and he fell into the water. Every exertion was made by those on board to render him assistance ; and, although he was a good swimmer, it is supposed that the heavy clothes which he had on at the time of the accident occurred, carried him down before any assistance could be rendered him. The unfortunate wife (Catherine) saw her husband disappear before her eyes, without her having the power to render him the slightest assistance. The body has not yet been recovered, although several of his friends are using their best endeavours with the grappling-irons.

Catherine later gave birth to her second child, Mary Catherine COLLIER in October 1855. Mary sadly died from whooping cough in January 1856. On July 15, 1856, Catherine married a widower, Edward Henry IVEY, whose first wife, Sarah LYONS/LINES had died on 31 July 1855 of lung disease. They had had a number of sons and a daughter. Edward Henry IVEY and Catherine went on to have four more children: Charles John 1857, Robert

David 1860, who died of tuberculosis at the age of twenty, Sarah Jane 1863 and Julia Kate 1866 who died of consumption on Boxing Day 1866. Edward was a baker and sometime auctioneer. Thankfully, both Edward and Catherine both lived until the 1880s and experienced the joy of becoming grandparents.

Another sister, Mary, born 1822, married Michael WATERS at the age of sixteen. Michael was thirty and was a whaler. They had at least seven children before Michael was admitted to the New Norfolk Lunatic Asylum. According to his death certificate, Michael died of apoplexy/unsound mind in 1854. The death notice paints a different picture. It appears that Mary did not remarry. I cannot yet prove whether William WATERS and Michael WATERS were related.

Hobarton Guardian, or, True Friend of Tasmania (Hobart, Tas. : 1847 - 1854), Saturday 20 May 1854, page 3 DIED.

At his residence, Brisbane-street, Hobart Town, Mr. Michael WATERS, age 44 years, leaving a widow and seven children to deplore his loss. Friends are respectfully invited to attend his remains to the Cathedral of St. Joseph's Church, at half-past 2 o'clock on Monday next.

Mercury (Hobart, Tas. : 1860 - 1954), Thursday 18 April 1867, page 1

WATERS.—On the 17th instant, at her late residence, All Nations Hotel, Hobart Town, after a long and painful illness, Mary, relict of the late Mr. Michael Waters, aged 44 years, deeply regretted by a large circle of friends. The funeral will move from her late residence, on Saturday next, at half-past 2 o'clock,

when friends are respectfully invited to attend.

I don't know who cared for Mary's children after her death, but I feel it is safe to assume that her remaining sisters would have played a part.

John MARNEY evidently ran a successful shoemaking business for many years. He gained a number of pieces of land within Hobart and rented out some houses, mostly in Brisbane St.

Mercury (Hobart, Tas. : 1860 - 1954), Saturday 20 July 1861, page 2

Died on the 13th instant, after a short illness, Mr. John MARNEY, aged 67 years. Friends are respectfully invited to follow his remains to the place of interment, which will move from his late residence, No. 33 Brisbane-street, on Tuesday, 23rd instant, at 2 o'clock.

His wife Sarah contracted cancer of the womb, which was a cruel way for such a wonderful mother/grand-mother/midwife to end her life.

Mercury (Hobart, Tas. : 1860 - 1954), Saturday 25 February 1865, page 1

Deaths MARNEY. -At her residence, No. 33, Brisbane-street, on Friday, 24th inst., Sarah, relict of the late Mr. Jno. Marney, after a long and painful illness, deeply regretted by a large family and a numerous circle of friends, aged 65 years. Friends are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, which will move from the above place on Tuesday next, the 28th inst., at half-past 2 p.m.

References: FamilySearch.org, Tasmanian Archives, Trove Newspapers, family recollections, past research by others. Lynda Smith LM.2 Nov. 10 2018. ... 🌿

A Crime as Old as Time.

Lynda Smith LM2

I came across this court report while searching for articles on my MARNEY family in Tasmania. I felt very sorry for Miss Jane STAFFORD. I have tried searching Tasmanian birth records for 1836-37 but have not found a child born to Jane.

Colonial Times (Hobart, Tas.: 1828 - 1857), Tuesday 15 March 1836, page 7

**Hobart Town Police Report.
Tuesday, March, 8.**

Jane Stafford, a very decent looking female, begged the Magistrate's attention to her tale of woe. She stated that she had arrived in the Colony about two years since as servant to Messrs. King and Armstrong, missionaries, and remained in their service about eight months, and was then recommended to Mr. Sherwin, of Liverpool-street, as a servant; she lived with him as such for about four months, and then took private lodgings, where Mr. Sherwin visited her, and promised her marriage ; and as she believed him to be a single man, permitted him to continue his visits, fully expecting he would marry her ; that he continued his visits for some months, that during that period both of them had gone astray, and discovering her shame to him, and finding he had a wife in the Colony, he had deserted her ; that she was in the family way by him, and stood in want of assistance, and was in a bad state of health ; that on the previous Saturday night, she had been to his house and spoke to him, and he

threatened her with a constable ; that on this occasion she was sitting on a chair in his shop, and without giving him any provocation, he took her up and dragged her about his shop, violently pushed her against the door, and hurt her much. Mr. Sherwin, who appeared to labour inwardly, declared his innocence and was much affected at the charge, and endeavoured to explain matters. Jane was sworn to her complaint, and further stated, that Mr. Sherwin, before he pushed her out, had told her to go and said she should not come there, and took her round the waist to push her out; that she got stronger with resentment and passion, and pushed again, but that Mr. Sherwin got the best of her. Mr. Sherwin looked at Jane, and said, "can you say, I did it? look at me; .oh ! you false, wicked woman ! Why, your worship, I have had no more to do with the woman than yourself. I can bless God for his goodness to me in giving me fortitude to withstand such temptations, besides, I am a married man, and I have a missionary at the door to speak in my behalf." That gentleman knowing nothing of the party's transactions, his attendance was unnecessary. The woman, having refused to leave the defendant's premises, defendant justified the assault and the case was dismissed.



WYONG FAMILY HISTORY GROUP INC.

State Library Visit



FRIDAY 1st March 2019

Travel by train

Meeting point — Macquarie St. Entrance

Time — Not later than 10:15AM

Members come along and join the fun

It is anticipated that

AN EXCELLENT DAY

will be had by all.

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Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday,

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Phone: 4351 2211





WYONG FAMILY HISTORY GROUP INC.

Presents

2019 BEGINNERS COURSE



The four-week course will include:

- ✿ What you need before you can start researching.
- ✿ How to begin & Record Keeping.
- ✿ Australian Records.
- ✿ Shipping Records.
- ✿ Free Web Sites & Group Resources.

Wyong Family History Group Inc.
Building 9, 6 Rankens Court, Wyong
[Enter via the old school yard]

COST: Members \$10 per session or \$35 for the full course payable in advance
Non-Members \$15 per session or \$55 for the full course payable in advance
Course Times 9:30am to 2pm

Beginning Friday 8th March
then each Friday to 29th March

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES contact the 'Cottage' on 4351 2211
or email wfhg06@westnet.com.au Tuesday to Thursday 10am to 3pm



WYONG FAMILY HISTORY GROUP INC.

In conjunction with

Victorian GUM Inc

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Getting the Best out of Family Tree Maker with David Stephen & Malcolm Kingston

SUNDAY 31st March 2019
Tuggerah Community Hall, 9 Anzac Road,
Tuggerah. 10:00am - 4:00pm

David Stephen and Malcolm Kingston are both committee members of VicGUM. David has been secretary for the last 3½ years and has presented a number of Family Tree Maker workshops. David and Malcolm assist John Donaldson and Doug Elms with running the FTM software user groups in Melbourne. Both have used FTM in its various forms since 1998. They are always willing to help anybody who has a Family Tree Maker software problem.



10:00	Registration
10:30 - 10:40	Welcome & Introduction
10:40 - 11:20	Features of FTM, followed by a short break
11:30 - 12:30	Data Input, Media & Places.
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch
1:30 - 2:30	Books, Tips & Tricks, followed by a short break.
2:40 - 3:45	Reports, Web Search & Q & A.
3:45	Raffle draw and closing Thank You.

Tea & Coffee
available all day



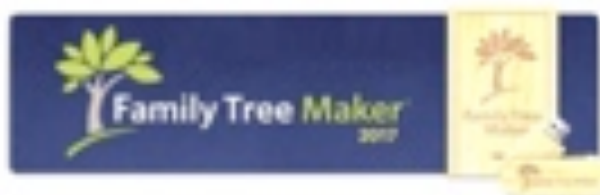
 **Bookings Essential as seating is limited.**

Cost: for WFHC and Vic GUM Members is \$30.00.
Non-Members \$35.00.
Includes Sausage Sizzle Lunch



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Raffle Prizes:
Two x 12 month
subscriptions to VicGUM



STATE RECORDS BUS TRIP

Our next trip to State Records will be on Friday 5th April 2019. 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 or at The Cottage in person or by phone during normal open hours (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; 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: 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.* You can download copies from the digital copiers for microfilm for free, using your own memory stick. 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. 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.

The bus will leave State Records no later than 4:00 pm.





ROOKWOOD CEMETERY BUS TRIP

Monday 27th May 2019

A bus trip to Rookwood in May is in the planning stages.
This usually is an interesting and informative day. More information will be available as plans are finalised.



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

Ph: 4329 3603 email: au_gosford@ldsmail.net

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

Reflections: Photo Gallery: What We've Been Up To in Pictures.





Publications For Sale

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

BOOKS & CDs

Bowden Family Funerals – Wyong. <i>July 1999 – January 2016</i>	Book	\$ 20.00 + p&h
	CD	\$15.00 – p&h
Brought in by the Tide. <i>[A guide to tracing convict ancestors in one place.]</i>	Book	\$ 10.00 + p&h
Central Coast Roll of Honour. <i>[Includes the full names, rank, type of service & date of death where known of over 12,000 men & women of the Central Coast who were in the Armed Forces. 400 pages fully indexed. Includes 138 stories and photographs.]</i>	Book	\$ 20.00 + p&h
	CD	\$ 15.00 + p&h
Gosford Times Marriage and Death Notices 1892-1954 incorporating the Wollombi Express (1892-1906) and Wyong District Advocate (1906-1920) <i>Contains enteries for 5892 Deaths and 1400 Marriages with many relevant details</i>	Book	\$ 27.00 + p&h
	CD	\$ 15.00 + p&h
Place Names of the Wyong Shire	Book	\$ 8.00 + p&h
Simplicity Funerals Bateau Bay NSW 1963 – 2006 – Out of Print – available on combined CD.		
Simplicity Funerals Bateau Bay NSW 2007 - 2011 + Wyong & Toukley	Book	\$ 20.00 + p&h
Simplicity Funerals Bateau Bay, Toukley and Wyong 1963 - 2011	CD	\$ 25.00 + p&h
Simplicity Funerals Erina 1985 – 2013	Book	\$ 30.00 + p&h
	CD	\$ 15.00 + p&h
Simplicity Funerals Woy Woy 1991 – 2013	Book	\$ 20.00 + p&h
	CD	\$ 15.00 + p&h
Wyong Agricultural Association <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>	Book	\$ 20.00 + p&h
	CD	\$ 15.00 + p&h
Wyong & District Pioneer Register <i>(Published 2013) [673 pages]. Fully indexed compilation of all previous Pioneer Book entries, extensively updated references to over 13,500 individuals. Contains: Birth, Marriage & Death details; some photos, personal stories, obituaries for some individuals. Includes a brief history of Wyong.</i>	Book	\$ 50.00 + p&h
	CD	\$ 40.00 + p&h
Wyong & Lakes District Advocate, Personal Notices (1932 – 1995) <i>(available separately- see below)</i>	Two Volume set	\$ 45.00 + p&h
Contents Volume One – 514 anniversary notices, 1078 birth notices, 4,000 marriage notices, 4,790 in memoriam notices & 238 miscellaneous event notices, includes church photographs	Book Volume 1	\$ 25.00 + p&h
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Contents Volume Two - 11,973 deaths, obituary & probate notices includes Church and cemetery photographs	Book Volume 2	\$ 35.00 + p&h
	CD	
Wyong Courthouse Death Records 1930 – 1953	Book	\$ 20.00 + p&h
	CD	\$ 15.00 + p&h
Wyong Township Residents Index 1930 – 1939	Book	\$ 10.00 + p&h
	CD	\$ 10.00 + p&h
Wyong Township Residents Index 1930 – 1939	Book	\$ 10.00 + p&h
	CD	\$ 10.00 + p&h

More Publications For Sale

The Anglican Parish of the Brisbane Water Area

[Baptisms, Burials and Marriages with notes from Albert Glennie's Diaries and Miscellaneous Entries. Includes Kincumber, Mangrove, Wyong, Tuggerah, Cooranbong, Woy Woy & the Hawkesbury River.]

CD \$ 10.00 + p&h

CEMETERY

Jilliby Cemetery, Wyong Shire, NSW [Updated 2009]	Book	\$ 20.00 + p&h
Noraville Cemetery, Wyong Shire [1869 - 2012]	Book	\$ 20.00 + p&h
St Barnabas & Yarramalong Cemeteries, Wyong Shire NSW [1886-2001]	Book	\$ 15.00 + p&h
Ronkana Cemetery, Wyong Shire NSW [1825 - 2016]	Book	\$ 15.00 + p&h
All 4 Cemetery Books		\$ 50.00 + p&h
Wyong Shire Cemetery Records Index to August 2016 <i>[220 pages] 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. We also acknowledge the CC Council Bereavement Officers for their contribution to our records. 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>	Book	\$ 25.00 + p&h
	CD	\$ 20.00 + p&h
Wyong Shire Combined Cemeteries	CD	\$ 25.00 + p&h
Palmdale Cemetery [30,000 names, not all from Wyong]	CD	\$ 10.00 + p&h
Genealogy Recorder		\$ 10.00 + p&h

WFHG Inc Planned Events **subject to future planning meeting.*

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

	2019	Event	
February	Sat 2	General Meeting, Guest Speaker – Sister Elizabeth Helwig - 1:00 pm	NSW Seniors Festival
	Thu 7	Referencing Sources – Ellen Sheerin - 1:00 pm	
	Sat 9	Wyong Love Lanes Festival 4:00 pm – 10:00 pm	
	Tue 12	Microsoft Word Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm	
	Wed 13	NSW Seniors' Festival Commences	
	Thu 14	Family Tree Maker Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm	
	Sat 16	Volunteer Help at Tuggerah Lib. – Seniors Welcome - 9:00 am – 12 Noon	
	Tue 19	Open Day for Seniors English & Welsh Interest Group 10:00 am – 12 noon DNA Special Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm	
	Sat 23	Computer / Tablet / iPad / Social Media Interest Group 10:00 am – 12 noon	
	Mon 25	NSW Seniors' Festival Concludes	

WFHG Inc ...more Planned Events **subject to future planning meeting.*

	2019	Event
March	Fri 1	State Library Train Trip
	Tue 5	Committee Meeting 10:00 am
	Wed 6	Preserving your Research – Kerrie Metcalf – 10.30 am
	Fri 8	Beginners Course – week 1
	Tue 12	Microsoft Word Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
	Thu 14	Family Tree Maker Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm
	Fri 15	Beginners Course – week 2
	Sat 16	Volunteer Help at Tuggerah Library 9:00 am – 12 noon
	Wed 19	English & Welsh Interest Group 10:00 am – 12 noon
	Fri 22	Beginners Course – week 3
	Fri 29	Beginners Course – week 4
	Sun 31	Vic Gum Seminar, Tuggerah Hall – 10.00 am
April	Tue 2	Committee Meeting 10:00 am
	Fri 5	State Records Bus Trip
	Tue 9	Ryerson Index – John SELWOOD – 10.30 am Microsoft Word Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
	Thu 11	Family Tree Maker Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm
	Sat 13	General Meeting 1:00 pm
	Tue 16	English & Welsh Interest Group 10:00 am – 12 noon DNA Special Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm
	Thu 18	National Trust Australian Heritage Festival Starts
	Fri 19	Good Friday
	Thu 25	Anzac Day, Cottage Closed.
	Sat 27	Computer / Tablet / iPad / Social Media Interest Group 10:00 am – 12 noon
May	Sat 4	Open Day – B.B.Q. The Cottage
	Tue 7	Committee Meeting 10:00 am
	Thu 9	Family Tree Maker Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm
	Tue 14	Microsoft Word Interest Group 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
	Wed 15	Using British Newspapers – Mary Manser – 10.30 am
	Sat 18	Volunteer Help at Tuggerah Library 9:00 am – 12 noon
	Sun 19	National Trust Australian Heritage Festival Finishes
	Tue 21	English & Welsh Interest Group 10:00 am – 12 noon
	Mon 27	Rookwood Bus Trip To be confirmed
	Tue 28	Committee Meeting for June 10:00 am

National Trust Australian
Heritage Festival

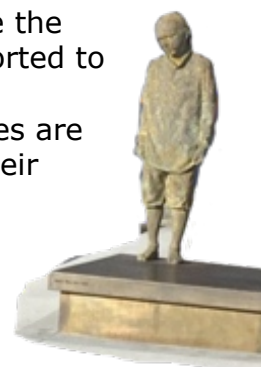
Footsteps Towards Freedom

Helen Johnston-Lord, member 505



Dedicated on 14th October 2017 and located on Hobart's Macquarie Wharf, these four sculptures commemorate the convict women and their children who were transported to Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania). Created by Irish sculptor Rowen Gillespie, these bronze sculptures are at the location where they disembarked after their journey. On the pedestal of each statue is listed many of the names.

From 1803 to 1853, almost 13,000 convict women together with 2,000 children arrived in Van Diemen's Land. ... 🌳



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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 3rd Saturday 9.00am – 12 noon

(WFHG members available to help)

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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.

Members contributions always welcome.