

**General Meeting****SAT 10TH OCTOBER**

11-1pm (Research)

1-3pm Meeting

**SEMINAR**Making the most of  
[ANCESTRY.com](http://ANCESTRY.com)Saturday 21st Nov  
10am - 4pm

\$20 pp

**State Records  
Bus Trip**

Sat 24th Oct / \$25 pp

Click [here](#) for more  
info**FACEBOOK**[Workshop Saturday  
17th Oct](#)

# WFHG e-Branch



## From the President

Dear Members,

Our Group would not exist without you, our members and volunteers. It is therefore essential that we keep pace with the way you conduct your research and with your expectations of what the Group can offer you. We always welcome suggestions for new services and activities. Please feel free to drop us a line with any ideas you have! [Secwfhg2@westnet.com.au](mailto:Secwfhg2@westnet.com.au)

As a member you have a range of resources and help available to you at the Cottage. We would like to see these resources used more often by more members. If you have suggestions or concerns stopping you from coming to the Cottage please let us know so that we can work towards overcoming them.

You pay for a membership so tell us what you want from your membership. We will be arranging some more of our training sessions and hope to run a couple more before the end of the year, so don't forget to read the updates that our esteemed Secretary sends out each week or you can visit our website <http://www.wyongfamilyhistory.com.au/>

Kerrie Metcalfe

President

**In this edition:**

- \* Library updates
  - \* Snippets from other journals
  - \* News about upcoming events
- AND MORE**

## NOTE:

Our FREE Mini training session program is now finished for 2015. Stay tuned for more great events in 2016.

## Bits and Pieces

### Free Training Session

Tracing your Irish Ancestors Webinar. A one hour training session at the cottage 1.00pm to 2.00pm on 28 October 2015. The webinar goes for about 20 minutes than we can have 40 minute discussion or try the cottage Findmypast subscription to look up an ancestor. In the webinar Findmypast Irish expert Brian Donovan takes questions and tells you how you can use records on Findmypast to trace those elusive ancestors from the emerald isle.

### Special Interest Groups



#### English

4th Tuesday of the month  
10am - 12pm

#### Scottish and Irish

4th Wednesday of the month  
Scot: 10am - 12pm  
Irish: 1pm - 3pm

#### Convict

2nd Wed of the month  
10am - 12pm

#### FamilyTree Maker

3rd Thursday of the month  
1-3pm

#### Using Microsoft Word

2nd Tuesday of the month  
12.30 - 3pm

#### Tablet / iPad

Last Saturday of every  
second month (Oct)  
10am-1pm

## STATE RECORDS BUS TRIP



Our last trip to State Records for 2015 will be on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October. Cost is \$25 per head. There will be 3 pickup points, Toukley leaving at 7:20am SHARP, Wyong Leagues Club at approx 7:30 and Tuggerah at approximately 7:50am (members going on the trip will be contacted approximately 1 week prior to the trip to confirm exact pick-up times and places). 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**

It is necessary to have a reader's ticket (free). This can be organised online [www.records.nsw.gov.au](http://www.records.nsw.gov.au) and the ticket will be waiting for you when you arrive. If you wish to speak to staff at State Records prior to the 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:-

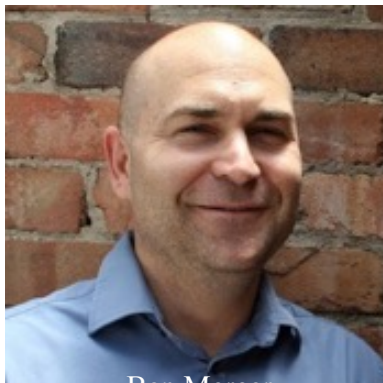
- 1) Using the microfilm reader/printers for photocopies - you will need \$1 and \$2 coins to use these machines (\$1 for A4 and \$2 for A3). So bring a supply of coins.
- 2) You can download copies from the digital copiers for microfilm for free, using your own memory stick.
- 3) You are also welcome 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.



The bus will leave State Records no later than 4PM.

WYONG FAMILY HISTORY GROUP Inc.

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Ben Mercer



**SEMINAR**

SATURDAY 21st November 2015  
**WYONG RSL (CLUB WYONG)**  
 cnr Anzac Ave & Margaret St, Wyong 2259  
 10:00am - 4:00pm

**Ben Mercer (the person)**

Ben's love of history started as a young boy with his research into his two grandfather's experience in WW1. This passion for his family's history has brought Ben to work for the biggest genealogy company in the world - [Ancestry.com](http://Ancestry.com). Ben joined the Ancestry team in March 2014 as the Content Manager for Australia and New Zealand. Ben is responsible for acquiring historical collections and maintaining relationships with Ancestry's partner cultural institutions - archives, libraries, museums and societies.

Topics to be covered will include

“Ancestry search tricks - Ancestry's lesser known gems”

“Using DNA to discover your family history”.

AncestryDNA allows you to discover your family history when the archival record fails. Learn how to use DNA for genealogy.

Cost.....\$20.00

**BOOK NOW AND BEAT THE RUSH**

Bookings can be made at The Cottage 4351 2211

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



## WFHG Inc. Facebook Workshop

Have you ever wondered about Facebook, but have always been confused or frightened about using Facebook?  
Do you have a Facebook page, but don't really know how to use it?  
Would you like to learn more about Facebook and how it can help you connect to family history networks?

The WFHG is holding a Facebook workshop for members to help address concerns regarding Facebook, and how you can set up and use a Facebook page for family history purposes.

**When:** 17th October  
10:00 am - 3:00 pm  
**Where:** The Cottage, Meeting Room  
**Costs:** \$10:00

***Please bring your Laptop, iPad or Tablet  
Refer to Program Agenda on back for bookings***



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W: <http://www.wyongfamilyhistory.com.au>



It's probably old news now but for those of you who haven't heard, WFHG won the 2015 Dorothy Fellowes Award for the Best Website Category 1

### A website designed and administered by a society member

It is our goal to maintain an up-to-date and relevant website, that supports our members in their family history research.

The website, our FaceBook page, weekly emails from our Secretary, e-Branch and the Tree of Life all work together to help us stay informed and maybe even inspire / motivate us to just keep going with our family history research.

## Making the most of Trove:

Hopefully by now you're familiar with the wonders of Trove for family and local history research. History comes alive through over one million family notices, articles and advertisements. Are you making the most of Trove? How do you organise your research? Have you found yourself losing important articles in a pile print outs? Trove lists can help.

To create a new list in Trove:

1. Log in to Trove
2. Once you have found the first item you want to add to a list, click on the title to go to the item's detail page;
3. Click on 'Lists' in the 'User activity' box to the right of the record's title
4. Click 'Add to list';
5. Fill in the name for your new list and click 'Add to list'

Lists can be any collection of records which interest you. Some interesting examples include lists of obituaries related to people buried in Toowong Cemetery, Australian out of copyright music, different types of lawn mowers and book club reading lists.

**For more information about lists, including a short video which shows you how to make one, visit Trove's Help Centre: <http://help.nla.gov.au/trove/using-trove/creating-contributing/lists>**



## VOLUNTEER LUNCH INVITATION

Dear WFHG Members

On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 11.00 am we will be holding our Annual get together and Lunch for all you wonderful people who volunteer at The Cottage during the year. We would love as many people as possible to come along so, if you have volunteered for us in any capacity at all this year, you are most welcome. There is a booking sheet in the office at The Cottage and we need you to put your name down or ring through and ask to have it added by Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November for catering purposes.

Looking forward to seeing you all there

Helen Burkett

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# FROM THE LIBRARY

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## A Very Welcome Donation

Many of our members will remember our Patron, Karen McNamara, Federal Member for Dobell, visiting the Cottage earlier this year when she viewed the range of banners that had been obtained with the aid of a Commonwealth grant to commemorate the Anzac Centenary this year.

During this visit, Ms McNamara showed great interest in the many and varied resources that our Group provides to assist those wanting to further their family history research. At this time, she indicated that she may be able to assist with the purchase of a number of new resources and suggested that we contact her office recommending a few items from our "Wish List".

After due consideration, a formal request for the following 4 items was forwarded:

1. Book – *In Search of the Pennant Hills*.

This book gives the history behind the foundations of many settlements in the north-west of Sydney, and is told with an eye to the individual characters and personalities who stamped their mark on the colony between 1788 and 1906.

2. Book – *The Welsh in an Australian Gold Town*.

This book provides an analysis of the Welsh immigrant community in the Ballarat/Sebastopol gold mining district of Victoria, Australia during the second half of the nineteenth century and considers all aspects of the Welsh immigrant experience.

3. CD – *Bathurst Cemetery Inscriptions and Death Records 1843 – 2013*

Almost 20,000 records covering all of Bathurst cemetery. Inscriptions for all headstones and other markers plus 11,000 thumbnail photos.

4. CD – *Riverina Cemetery CD Version 4*.

Over 60,400 entries in 145+ cemeteries and private burial grounds in the Riverina district.

I am pleased to report that Ms McNamara has provided the funds that enabled the purchase of all 4 items and these resources are now available for use by all who visit the Cottage.

I'm sure all members of our Group join me in thanking Ms McNamara for her most generous donation.

Glenise Clery #284 - Librarian, WFHG Inc.

## GEMS IN THE LIBRARY #1

Jean Macleay has hung up her pen and will no longer write about items in our Collection. Thank you Jean for all your work. So what happens now? You've got me and I hope I can live up to the standard set by Jean. Here goes .....

Does anyone have ancestors who lived in the Hunter Valley of NSW? If so, then the library is a goldmine for your research. We start with a gold nugget – a set of microfiche titled ***Boyles Index for Lower Hunter 1801-1881*** – located in the top drawer of the microfiche cabinet in the Kevin Faulks Room. The late Harry Boyle was a well known historian in the Maitland area and spent many many years compiling an index from newspapers, Lands Title Office records, Local History collections in Maitland and Newcastle and many others. There are two sections - Subject Headings and Individual Names. Each entry refers the researcher to the original record where that name occurs. This is one way to find where your ancestor was at a given time.

In the Library in our Directory section we have **DIR025 *The Newcastle Directory 1880-1881*** and **DIR026 *Federal Directory of Newcastle and District 1901*** – another way of placing your ancestor in a certain place at a certain time. In the Register section of the library we have **REG058A *Hunter Valley Directory 1841 Part 1*** and **REG058B *Hunter Valley Directory 1841 Part 2***. This is a comprehensive list of residents in the Hunter in 1841 compiled by Elizabeth Gilford from various sources. My convict John Fibbens is listed as “John Fibbens, labourer, Muswellbrook (1841) ticket of leave holder servant to William Cox Wybong (April 1840)” and his wife Sarah as “Mrs John (Sarah) Fibbens Muswellbrook”. The books **REG056A *Newcastle and Lower Hunter index to pre 1900 Pioneers*** and **REG056B *The Fettered and the Free*** are also excellent places to look for your Newcastle and Hunter Valley ancestors.

In the computer room on computers 1,2,4 and 5 you will find **CD353 *Hunter Valley Pioneers pre 1900***.

And don't forget the local history section of the library.

Esther Dean #23  
Life Member

## From the Library

## New Acquisitions for September 2015

## Books

<b>CEM021</b>	<i>Lisarow Cemetery - Forget Us Not</i> The Lisarow Church of England Cemetery was originally called Blue Gum Flat Cemetery and was also referred to as Ourimbah Cemetery. This new 2015 publication replaces the 1999 edition which was in our Library for many years. As well as photographs of the headstones, this newer book also includes information contributed by family of the deceased, details of newspaper obituaries and death and funeral notices. Indexed.
<b>CEM222</b>	<i>Camden Country Uniting Church Cemetery Glenmore</i> This book contains transcript and burial records. Refer also to CD528 for photographs of the graves in this cemetery. Indexed.
<b>CEM234</b>	<i>Bargo Cemetery Memorials</i> Once again, an updated edition of a previous 1988 book which has been in our Library. This 2010 publication includes photos of headstones and memorials as well as details of some of those in unmarked graves. Indexed.
<b>CEM323</b>	<i>A Pictorial View of The Redbank Uniting Church Burials</i> Burials in this Churchyard date from the early 1850's and details are included for many of those who rest in unmarked graves. Indexed.
<b>ENG006</b>	<i>The Welsh in an Australian Gold Town, Ballarat, Victoria 1850 - 1900</i> - donated by Karen McNamara. This book provides an analysis of the Welsh immigrant community in the Ballarat/Sebastopol gold mining district of Victoria, Australia during the second half of the nineteenth century and considers all aspects of the Welsh immigrant experience. Indexed.

GUI087	<p><i>Evernote for Family Historians</i></p> <p>This UTP booklet was written by Carole Riley in 2015. Evernote can collect everything together, all in one place - digitised images and digital photos, scanned documents, research notes and database printouts, web pages and emails, voice recordings and family videos. Evernote can change the way we go about our research and can reduce the need for printing and hardcopy storage.</p>
GUI089	<p><i>Pinning Your Family History</i></p> <p>Written by Thomas MacEntee in 2014, this UTP booklet explains - The 'pinning' craze: how pinning works, scanning family history content to pin, how family historians are using pinning sites, pinning sites you should know and copyright and pinning sites.</p>
GUI091	<p><i>500 Best Genealogy &amp; Family History Tips</i></p> <p>Written by Thomas MacEntee in 2015, this booklet covers a wide range of topics including: genealogy research methodology and strategy, how to use websites such as Google and Internet Archive to find your ancestors, realising the power of Facebook, Evernote and Pinterest for genealogy, preserving family photos and stories and much more!</p>
GUI127	<p><i>Discover Irish Land Records</i></p> <p>This Unlock the Past booklet was written by Chris Paton in 2015. It is designed to be an introduction to what awaits researchers out there. The first chapter provides a brief summary of the History of Ireland which gives a backdrop to which the records for land research can then be set against.</p>
GUI128	<p><i>Buried Treasure - What's In The English Parish Chest</i></p> <p>Another UTP booklet written by Paul Milner in 2015. This is a practical, well-illustrated guide to the contents of the English parish chest that allows any researcher to go way beyond the baptism, marriage and burial registers commonly used for English parish research.</p>

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LAN010	<p><i>Along the Menangle Road - Land Grants</i></p> <p>A concise history of the land grants on Menangle Road between Menangle Bridge and the junction with Picton Road. Indexed.</p>
LHS387	<p><i>In Search of the Pennant Hills</i> - donated by Karen McNamara.</p> <p>This book gives the history behind the foundations of many settlements in the north-west of Sydney and is told with an eye to the individual characters and personalities who stamped their mark on the colony between 1788 and 1906. Indexed.</p>
LHW069	<p><i>The Wyong Agricultural Association</i></p> <p>This latest WFHG publication is a transcription of the Wyong Agricultural Association Minute book which covers the period 1 May 1913 to 18 June 1930. It shows the changing nature of land use in the Wyong district throughout the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Indexed.</p>
<b>REG247</b>	<p><i>Goulburn Gaol Entrance Book Index 1847 - 1867</i> - donated by Teapot Genealogy.</p> <p>An alphabetical index giving details of year and reference number of offence, Surname and Christian name, ship and year of arrival, native place, alias (if any) and offence. Further details can be found at NSW State Records (6/5425) Reel 1874.</p>

<b>REG248</b>	<p><i>Berrima Gaol Records Index 1840 - 1847</i> - donated by Teapot Genealogy.</p> <p>An alphabetical index to records held at NSW State Records for Berrima Gaol Entrance Book 1840-1842 Item (6/5425) Reel 1873 and Berrima Gaol description Book 1842-1847 Item (6/5431) Reel 1873. Information provided gives year, number, surname, Christian name, ship, year of arrival, native place, offence, alias, item number and reel number.</p>
<b>REG249</b>	<p><i>Index to Miscellaneous Records Relating to NSW Gold Fields</i></p> <p><i>Volumes 1-5 Book 1</i> - donated by Teapot Genealogy</p> <p>This book has been sorted by Surname. If you find a name of interest, the item number or CGS will enable you to obtain the original record from State Records NSW.</p>
<b>REG250</b>	<p><i>Index to Miscellaneous Records Relating to NSW Gold Fields</i></p> <p><i>Volumes 1-5 Book 2</i> - donated by Teapot Genealogy</p> <p>This book contains similar information to that described above for <b>REG249</b>. Each record contains varied information. Some only have what is shown in the book while others have an enormous amount of information in the original document at NSW State Records.</p>

## CDs

CD528	<p><i>Camden Uniting Church Cemetery Glenmore</i> This CD holds photographs of the graves in this cemetery. Refer to book <b>CEM222</b> for the transcript and burial records. CD Collection&gt; Cemetery Folder PCs 1, 2, 4 and 5</p>
CD529	<p><i>Surgeons at Sea</i> - donated by Helen Cramp An index to all names that appear in the filmed <i>Surgeons' Journals on the Convict Ships to Australia, with Strays</i>. WFHG has a copy of these films and this index will make it very easy to check if your ancestor was mentioned in these journals. This is a database from the Journals of over 600 convict ships to Australia, a database from the Journals of 'Strays', a list of ships transcribed, a list of Surgeons, a glossary of 19<sup>th</sup> century medical terms and stories from the Surgeon's Journals. CD Collection&gt; Shipping Folder PCs 1, 2, 4 and 5</p>
CD530	<p><i>Guyra, Manilla &amp; Bingara Baptisms &amp; Marriages 1896 - 1987</i> Includes Guyra Register of Baptisms 1898 - 1937, Guyra Church of England Marriages 1896 - 1989 and Presbyterian Marriages 1909 - 1991. CD Collection&gt; NSW Folder PCs 1, 2, 4 and 5</p>
CD531	<p><i>Campbelltown, Fairfield &amp; Liverpool Newspaper Notices 2004 - 2011</i> An index to 8592 Birth, Death, Funeral, Memorial, Probate, Birthday, Engagement, Marriage and Anniversary notices in local newspapers 2004 - 2011. CD Collection&gt; NSW Folder PCs 1, 2, 4 and 5</p>
CD532	<p><i>Manly &amp; Narellan Orphan Records 1881 - 1925</i> Admission records for the Manly Industrial School Orphanage 1881 - 1910 and Mater Dei Narellan Boys &amp; Girls Orphanages 1910 - 1925. CD Collection&gt; NSW Folder PCs 1, 2, 4 and 5</p>
CD533	<p><i>Deniliquin Circuit Court Records 1856 - 1875</i> An index to Supreme Court Criminal Jurisdiction information and other papers held at State Records NSW. CD Collection&gt; Court Records Folder PCs 1, 2, 4 and 5</p>

CD534	<i>NSW Court Records 1840 &amp; 1841</i> An index to all names mentioned in Supreme Court Criminal Jurisdiction information and other papers that are held at State Records NSW. Item numbers (9/6320) - (9/6324). CD Collection> Court Records Folder PCs 1, 2, 4 and 5
CD535	<i>Bathurst Cemetery Inscriptions &amp; Death Records 1843 - 2013</i> - donated by Karen McNamara. Almost 20,000 records covering all of Bathurst cemetery, inscriptions for all headstones and other markers plus 11,000 thumbnail photographs. CD Collection> Cemetery Folder PCs 1, 2, 4 and 5

Glenise Clery #284  
Life Member

## **SNIPPETS: Extracts from family history magazines and journals**

### **SNIPPETS FOR OCTOBER 2015 E-BRANCH**

#### **GOULBURN AUGUST 2015, MACLEAY RIVER NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2015 AND SOUTH BURNETT AUGUST 2015.**

Local content

#### **BROKEN HILL FAMILY HISTORY GROUP INC. 2015**

Pgs 6/7 List of people connected to the Sintering works.

Pgs 11/12 Richard Thilthorpe Slee. General Manager of BHP in 1921.

#### **CAPE BANKS FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY INC. SEPTEMBER 2015**

Pg 11 Maroubra Women's Bowling Club of 1956 – List of names.

Pg 13 Was your ancestor a Warden in Randwick during World War Two c. 1943. Photo with names.

Pg 15 Do you have Chinese ancestry? NSW Chinese ancestors can be found under the surname Chines in NSW Births, Deaths and Marriages.

Pgs 16/17 Sights and Sounds of World War 1. Audio-visual material can be found at [anzac.sightsound.org](http://anzac.sightsound.org).

**FAMILY TREE (U.K.) SEPTEMBER 2015**

- Pgs 16-20 Copyright: using records & documents from outside sources. Part 2.  
 Pgs 36-38 FreeREG: new look, new tools. Details of the revamped website.  
 Pgs 52-55 How to digitise & preserve your family photos.  
 Pgs 72-75 Our pawnbroker tickets' project. Coventry Family History Society's transcription project.  
 Pgs 84/85 World War 1: the wider picture. The Great War in Africa Association's work in bringing attention to the death and suffering of people in Africa during World War 1.

**INSIDE HISTORY SEP-OCT 2015**

- Pg 14 World War 1 nurse's photographs unearthed. The State Library of Queensland plans to digitise the collection of 180 photographs.  
 New Victorian Places website. [victorianplaces.com.au](http://victorianplaces.com.au)  
 Pgs 24-27 What's New ONLINE. Both free and pay sites.  
 Pgs 34-37 In hiding. The world of the leather worker.  
 Pgs 44-47 It's a Riot. Regarding the Parramatta Female Factory riot of October 1827.  
 Pgs 53-55 A capital visit. How to get the most out of your visit to Canberra and its national institutions.

**IRISH ROOTS 2015 THIRD QUARTER**

- Pgs 10-12 Tracing Your Co. Donegal Ancestors. Websites and other resources.  
 Pgs 16/17 The story of the National Library's Catholic Parish Registers Project and why digitisation of these records is so important for Irish family history researchers everywhere. <http://registers.nli.ie>.  
 Pgs 20/21 How to Research Your Irish Ancestors. Back to Basics Part 4.  
 Pg 24 Proni's online sources.

**MACLEAY RIVER HISTORICAL SOCIETY JOURNAL AUGUST 2015**

- Pgs 1-7 Trunk Road 75. Some 19<sup>th</sup> Century Travellers' Tales.

**SOUTH EAST (MILLICENT S.A.) FAMILY HISTORY GROUP INC. AUGUST 2015**

- Pgs 13-15 Kingston Memorial Wall – Names, properties and years.

**VICTORIAN G.U.M. INC. NEWS SEPTEMBER 2015**

- Pgs 4-11 FTM<sub>2014</sub>FTM3. Using the Right Mouse Button in Family Tree Maker.  
 Pg 13 Roots Magic 7 Update.  
 Pgs 14/15 PhotoCaptionPop-Ups.  
 Pgs 17/18 Scanner Pro6 review: Portable document scanning in a snap.  
 Pg 19 The New Ancestry.com Website.  
 Pg 22 Family Tree Maker 3 Mac – Update.  
 Pgs 24-28 Legacy Family Tree – File Explorer.

**WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE? SUMMER 2015**

- Pg 13 Findmypast adds criminal records. 1.9 million records added to its England & Wales Crime Prisons and Punishment collection. Dulwich cemetery data goes online.

- Pg 14           Volunteers help reveal WW1 crew lists. Details of over 750,000 (Merchant Navy) people at sea in 1915. **1915crewlists.rmg.co.uk.**
- Pg 15           Details of WW1 nurses uncovered. **forces-war-records.co.uk.**
- Pgs 24/25       Now find your Scottish ancestors. Suggestions and websites.
- Pgs 51-53       World War Two PoWs. Websites for tracing WW2 prisoners of war.
- Pgs 54/55       Masterclass Part Two. Dealing with multiple same name candidates.
- Pgs 56-60       Focus on Nonconformists.
- Pgs 69-71       My ancestor was a Potter.
- Pg 76           Digging deep in the Caribbean. Regarding Jamaican resources.
- Pgs 81-87       Around Britain – Bedfordshire. Resources to help you find your forebears.

Meg Gibson. Member 43.

## IRISH RESEARCH TIPS SEPTEMBER 2015

### Research Tip of the Week

We recently had an 18<sup>th</sup> century search at the Registry of Deeds which involved land that a family held for a lease of lives. Any genealogist will rub their hands with glee when they see the words ‘lease of lives’. Put simply what it meant is that the person taking the lease, the leasee, nominated three people in the lease and the lease expired when all three people named had died. Often the leasee would nominate young family members and sometimes their ages were recorded. In a lease for lives renewable or a perpetual lease a new name could be inserted when one of the lives died on payment of a renewal fine. We came across such a lease taken out in the 1710s that remained in the family until the 1840s. This gave us invaluable genealogical information and we learnt about new alliances within the family. This same family held the land up to 1849 when the Renewable Leasehold Conversion Act was passed. This meant that the lessor had to grant the lessee a fee farm grant so that the lessee gained freehold title albeit they still paid a rent.

By Eneclann Research Expert,

Helen Moss

Source: Eneclann News September 12th 2015

## Research Tip of the Week

### *Be not afraid...step away from the screen!*

A couple of tips ago Carmel wrote about how an [index reference is no substitute for viewing the document itself](#). My tip this week is in a similar vein.

With the ongoing digitisation of genealogical and historical material it can sometimes feel like all the records we need are at our finger tips, only a mouse-click away. The most recent example being the National Library of Ireland's digitisation of its parish register holdings (<http://registers.nli.ie/>).

While the ongoing digitisation of records is welcome and helps foster this belief, the reality, unfortunately, is that while a vast amount of research is possible online there still comes a point at which online resources are finite and a physical repository needs to be accessed in order to search potentially relevant records.

Those who have attempted research in the pre-19<sup>th</sup> Century period will most likely already be acutely aware of this fact, as the predominance of online records (for Ireland at least) cover the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> Century period.

From working in the Genealogy Advisory Service in the NLI I've become aware of a trend among some tracing their ancestors. Give them any online resource and they'll happily spend hours exploring it, but suggest using one of the main repositories and all of a sudden alarm bells start going off and a reluctance begins to creep in.

I do understand why people are reluctant to engage with the larger repositories, to the uninitiated they can be daunting places with strange procedures and rules, populated by researchers who appear to be so in tune with their surroundings they almost seem part of them.

Yet it is important to remember that every one of those researchers has at some point been the "newbie" learning the intricacies and peculiar customs of the places in which they now look so at ease.

So take that first step, plan a visit and see what new discoveries you can make.

By Eneclann Research Expert,

Stephen Peirce,

Source: Eneclann News September 26th 2015



ROOTSIRELAND.ie

## New Records Online for Tipperary North

Tipperary North Genealogy Centre has added the Roman Catholic parish of Thurles from 1795-1900 to its database at [www.tipperarynorth.rootsireland.ie](http://www.tipperarynorth.rootsireland.ie). The full list of available sources for the North Tipperary Genealogy Centre can be viewed [here](#).

Source: Irish Family History Foundation September 10th 2015

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## 14 London councils' burial records now on Deceased Online

Deceased Online has added the first set of burial and cremation records for the London Borough of Lewisham and all records will be available at [www.deceasedonline.com](http://www.deceasedonline.com) by mid-October.

Immediately available are the records for [Grove Park Cemetery and Hither Green \(aka 'Lewisham'\) Crematorium](#)

When complete and online, the full Lewisham collection will comprise approximately **1 million records (nearly 400,000 names)** and will include **Brockley, Hither Green and Ladywell Cemeteries** (in addition to Grove Park and the crematorium) dating back to 1858.

The new collection comprises:

- digital scans of original burial and cremation registers
- details of all grave occupants in each cemetery

Lewisham is located in **south east London** and is the **14<sup>th</sup> London council** to add its records to the Deceased Online website. When complete (and with some remaining records for Southwark to be added soon), there will be **60+ cemeteries** and crematoria with approximately **4 million names and 8 million+ records for London on Deceased Online.**

Source: Deceased Online update September 18, 2015



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