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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Our Annual General Meeting was held on 22nd September 2018 and following members were elected. President – Rosie Doherty; Vice President – Maggie Heffernan; Secretary – Marlene Gordon; Treasurer- Jane Gow; Committee members – Leonie Baker; Stan Gordon; Jim Holmes; Narelle Hoy; Sharon Ingersole; Nerida Lee; Ted Mitchell and Gloria Small. It was very pleasing to see three members namely Maggie, Jim and Ted, returning or joining the new Committee.

Christine Berridge, our long serving and efficient Monitors' Co-ordinator, did not stand for re-election to the Committee. A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Christine to acknowledge her dedication and commitment as Monitors' Co-ordinator for a total of 15 years and also other Committee positions she has held over her 30 years of membership.

The October Seminar "Finding your Ancestors" with Helen Smith as Guest Speaker was well received and informative for all those who were able to attend. Our November Workshop was presented by member Debbie Campbell on the National Library of Australia's Trove Website. Debbie always provides us with much very useful information.

On 7th November Marlene Gordon and I travelled to Kempsey to be present at the opening of the "Terry Eakin" Library in the Old Railway Refreshment Rooms. Terry Eakin had gifted the Kempsey Family History Group and the township of Kempsey his personal collection of Irish Family History research materials. Terry, who is now in retirement, was one of Australia's most prominent researchers of Irish family history. He officially opened the new home of this excellent collection and gave a very informative talk. We were made most welcome by the Kempsey FHG members. If members are interested in Irish research the 30 shelf metres of books, documents etc. are really amazing and worth seeing and browsing through.

Our Family History Rooms will close on Thursday 13th December and re-open on Tuesday 29th January 2019.

A very special thank you to all Committee members who work hard to keep the Society functioning effectively. Thanks to all members who so willingly give their assistance as Monitors, helping with cleaning the Rooms and assisting at Workshops and Seminars throughout the year. On behalf of all Committee members I wish you the joys of the Christmas Season and happy researching in 2019.

Rosie Doherty, President, #396



The tree of life for some has cast its shade. We must make sure their memories never fade.



THE SEARCH FOR WILLIAM WADE

My KINGHORNE ancestors came from Scotland to the colony of New South Wales in the early 1820s, James and William in 1822 via Hobart, followed by their widowed father, Alexander and their younger siblings in 1824. One brother, ANDREW SETON KINGHORNE, remained in Scotland. In 1822 he had married HELEN AIMERS, and subsequently had two daughters, JANE and ELIZA, and a son ALEXANDER.

Following Seton's death in January 1850, his widow made the journey to join her husband's family. They do not appear in immigration records, but their arrival was noted in the press. "*Arrived October 8 (1850) per Admiral Ship from Greenock June 21. . . MRS KINGHORNE and family. . .*" A cabin passenger, MR WADE, was also mentioned. On October 15, Helen and the children continued their journey from Melbourne to Sydney, as reported in the Sydney press "*Mrs Kinghorne, two daughters and son, per Victory November 2.*"

On December 1, 1851 a marriage took place at "Gledswood" between WILLIAM GREY WADE, bachelor, of Geelong, and ELIZA KINGHORNE, spinster. "Gledswood" was a property at Camden belonging to JAMES CHISHOLM, who had married Eliza's aunt, ELIZABETH MARGARET KINGHORNE, in 1833.

I managed to trace William and Eliza through the newspapers on Trove. They were living in Geelong, where William Wade had been operating a grocery business since at least early 1851 from premises at Yarra and Corio Streets. From newspaper advertisements I learned he held a wine and spirit licence, and was also trading in gold.

On 11 January 1853, the Geelong Advertiser reported "*BIRTH on the 6th Inst. In Corio-street, Mrs. Wade of a daughter.*" There is no other record of the birth, this being before civil registration in Victoria.

In May 1853, it was reported that WILLIAM WADE had retired and had sold the business and stock to WILLIAMSON AND MURRAY. This was followed by the sale of his household goods. In July, a further sale of household goods was held, it being stated that Mr Wade intended to immediately proceed to England.

On 3 August 1853, The Empire, Sydney, reported the arrival from Melbourne of the steamer, "*Hellespont,*" and passengers included "*Mr and Mrs Wade and child, Mrs Kinghorne.*" The trail ended there, and for years I searched but was frustratingly unable to find out what happened the Wades and their daughter.

Through the magic of Trove, a brief note appeared in The Age on January 14, 1884 concerning the marriage of "*HELEN JOHNSON BARLEY, only daughter of Mr & Mrs Barley, niece of the late ALEXANDER KINGHORNE of Maxton, Goulburn.*" The marriage, to WILLIAM RENISON, set me off on a new search; the marriage record revealing her parents as CHARLES CULLEDGE BARLEY and Eliza KINGHORNE, and her birthplace as Geelong. Her age, 31, revealed her birth as 1853.

I searched for William Wade's death and Eliza's remarriage, but nothing came to light. The next step, of course, was to research CHARLES CULLEDGE BARLEY, an uncommon name which proved very easy to follow:

CHARLES CULLEDGE BARLEY was born in 1821 in March, Cambridgeshire, England, second youngest of nine children to JOHNSON BARLEY and SARAH GRAY. In 1841, he was living at Charlotte Street, St Leonard Shoreditch. On 17 April 1843 at St John the Baptist, Shoreditch, he married SUSANNA PIGGINS, daughter of STEPHEN PIGGINS. At the time of his marriage he was a grocer in Wisbech, Cambridgeshire. There were no children of this union. In 1846, his grocery business had failed, and he was declared bankrupt. He then disappeared from the radar.

On 25 April 1850, SUSAN BARLEY NEE PIGGINS, widow, married JOHN MOYSE at St Leonard, Shoreditch. Was she really a widow? There is no record of the death of her husband. The next mention of him is in September 1853 when English newspapers reported: "*An Honest Bankrupt - Mr CHARLES CULLEDGE BARLEY sometime since carried on the business of a grocer in Wisbech, and in the year 1846 became unfortunate, and was adjudicated bankrupt. A division of 1s and 8d in the pound was paid under the estate. He subsequently left this country for Australia. In the month of May last his brother, MR BARLEY OF WISBECH, chemist, received a letter from him enclosing a draft for £1700 . . . to pay his creditors in full.*" The bankruptcy was annulled 13 September 1853.

No doubt Charles reconnected with his widowed mother and siblings, in particular his older sister, MATILDA, who was nearest him in age, their younger sister having died in 1850. Matilda, unmarried, was a schoolmistress in March, Cambridgeshire.

The Barleys were living at Waverly Place, Westminster, when HELEN JOHNSON BARLEY, daughter of CHARLES CULLEDGE and ELIZA BARLEY, was baptised on 26 October 1855. Charles' occupation was listed as merchant. Shortly after Helen's baptism, the family sailed for New Zealand, where they arrived on 25 February 1856 after a journey of 108 days per "*Oriental.*" They were accompanied by Charles' sister Matilda. Charles, Eliza and Helen sailed to Australia in 1857 per "*Moa,*" arriving on 11 July. The passenger list states "*Mr & Mrs C. Barley and child - Helen, aged 4 yrs.*" They returned in January 1858.

On 28 February 1858, Charles and his sister Matilda were witnesses to the marriage of Eliza's older sister JANE, aged 31, to her first cousin WILLIAM ALEXANDER CHISHOLM, the son of ELIZABETH MARGARET KINGHORNE. William's parents disapproved of the relationship, so the journey was made to New Zealand for the marriage to take place. Eliza and Jane's mother, Helen, was also present, and probably also their uncle, CAPTAIN WILLIAM KINGHORNE. Newspapers advertisements at this time indicate that Charles was conducting his usual grocery business in Auckland.

At the time of the 1861 England Census, Charles, Eliza and Helen were living in Chertsey, Surrey. His occupation was master grocer, and Helen's place of birth was Australia. Matilda was also back in England, employed as a governess with the PINDER family in Welburn, Lincolnshire. From 1861 to 1870 Charles was conducting his business in London Street, Chertsey.

The Barleys eventually relocated to Victoria in the early 1870s, along with Matilda. Charles, now living in Chapel Street, Windsor, applied for a grocery licence in 1872, but this business subsequently failed, bankrupting him in 1880, with assets of £1,180. 5s 8d and liabilities of £2,639 8s 8d. His sister, Matilda, was resident at Melbourne Benevolent home, Hotham, Victoria, where she died on 13 September 1887, aged 57 (Vic BDM 1887/10563, father Johnson Barley, mother Sarah.) The Age reported on 16 September 1887 "*Report from*

Benevolent Asylum: deaths during the week included MATILDA BARLEY, native of Cambridgeshire, from congestive pulmonitis, been in residence 14 years, 4 months.”

CHARLES CULLEDGE BARLEY died at Windsor on 17 August 1888, and ELIZA died at her daughter's home in Port Arlington on 23 March 1895. Their death certificates record their marriage aged 30 and 19 respectively at Camden, NSW, i.e., 1851, the year and place of WILLIAM GREY WADE'S marriage to ELIZA KINGHORNE.

Just when his wife learned of his deception I do not know, but I suspect it was Eliza who influenced him to repay his bankruptcy debt and resume his correct identity. Some distant cousins dispute my theory and insist that HELEN AIMERS KINGHORNE came to Australia with only her eldest daughter and young son, and that Eliza and Charles married somewhere in Britain before immigrating directly to New Zealand in 1856. That theory is based on the lack of immigration records, but conveniently ignores Eliza's marriage at "Gledswood" in 1851, and lack of any marriage record in Britain.

In conclusion, there is no doubt in my mind that for several years CHARLES CULLEDGE BARLEY lived as WILLIAM GRAY WADE. Certainly not the first person to assume an alternate identity by any means, but I am very pleased to have finally resolved the mystery, to my own satisfaction, at least.

Val Kinghorne #1668

Source material from: ScotlandsPeople, BDM records from NSW, Victoria and England, various Australian newspapers in Trove, NSW State Records, NZ Papers Past, English Census records, British Newspapers from FindMyPast, various Ancestry records.

HOW DID THEY IMMIGRATE TO AUSTRALIA?

My maternal great grandparents, JOHN SEYMOUR and MARY MALONE were married on 13 July 1854 in the Roman Catholic Parish of Portroe, County Tipperary i. John was from Curragh and Mary was from Portroe. Calculating their ages from death certificates and John's immigration record they were very young - John was about 18 years old and Mary 19 years.

My cousin Keith and I have puzzled over the arrival in Australia of our great grandparents - we have not found them arriving as a couple. The prime evidence of them living in Australia is the baptism record of their son, MICHAEL, born on 13th December 1855 and baptised on 6th January 1856 in the Roman Catholic parish of St. James, Sydney with the parent's abode being Pymont ii.

We do know that John's sister married MARTIN O'BRIEN on 29 June 1852 at St. Mary's Cathedral Sydney iii. MARY SEYMOUR iv had arrived on 1 August 1850 on the vessel Maria as an orphan girl, giving her parents as MICHAEL & BRIDGET SEYMOUR and her mother living at Castletown. Her relative in the Colony was an uncle, PATRICK MCGRATH, whereabouts unknown. J MCENROE nominates Patrick as a fit person to be entrusted with MARY SEYMOUR. MARTIN O'BRIEN paid a deposit on 5th December, 1853 for John to come to Australia v. State Records of NSW Shipping reels have a JOHN SEYMOUR arriving on the *Stamboul* on the 31st October 1854. The relative in the colony was his sister, MRS. M O'BRIEN. His parents were listed as MICHAEL & KITTY SEYMOUR, both residing in Cashel Town (sic).

During this long search we have constructed an index of all emigrants from the parish of CASTLETOWNARRA, which covers the townlands of Youghalarra, Monsea and Barbaha where John and Mary more than likely lived. The index consists of 577 names; the emigrants' ages; the ship they arrived on and from where they departed; the date of arrival; the reel numbers and names of parents if known ^{vi}.

Where was MARY SEYMOUR NEE MALONE? Over many years we have perused the bound Shipping Indexes, the Immigration Deposit Journal Index and have not found her listed under either her maiden name or married name.

Concentrating on the time frame of July 1854 when they were married and December 1855 when their son MICHAEL was born, only two arrivals could be possible; firstly JOHN SEYMOUR arriving on the *Stamboul* ^{vii} and secondly a MARY RYAN arriving on the *Lord Hungerford* ^{viii} on 20 March 1855 with husband JOHN RYAN. Were they our great grandparents using an alias?

JOHN RYAN gave his parents' names as WILLIAM & BRIDGET RYAN; father dead mother living at Castletown. Mary's parents were named as JOHN & MARY MALONE; mother dead, father living at Castletown. One more interesting fact is that JOHN RYAN gave his occupation as a quarryman - an occupation that JOHN SEYMOUR followed during his lifetime in Pymont, Sydney.

JOHN AND MARY SEYMOUR had eight children although only five survived to adulthood. Mary died in 1872 ^{ix} at age 37, within six months of giving birth to her last child who died before she reached the age of three ^x. Our grandmother, MARGARET SEYMOUR was only three years of age when her mother died. We believe that MARY O'BRIEN, John's sister may have taken on the care of the children as both families were living in Bowman Street, Pymont at this time. My mother often spoke of visiting Aunt Mary with her mother MARGARET SEYMOUR CLARK.

JOHN SEYMOUR died in 1890 ^{xi}. MARY O'BRIEN lived in Pymont until her death in 1915 ^{xii}.

Maggie Heffernan Member #1622

- i. <http://registers.nli.ie>
- ii. NSW Registers BDMs, baptism certificate V1855/700/52
- iii. NSW Registers BDMs, Marriage certificate V1852/249/138
- iv. Barefoot and Pregnant? Irish Famine Orphans in Australia. Trevor McLaughlin
- v. Immigration Deposit Journals [NSW] Index 1853-1900 compiled Aileen Trinder & Pat Fearnley
- vi. <https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search> New South Wales Assisted Passenger Lists 1828-1896
- vii. Reel 2137, [4/4941]; Reel 2467, [4/494]
- viii. Reel 2137, [4/4792]; Reel 2470, [4/4952]
- ix. NSW Registers BDMs, death certificate 760/1872
- x. NSW Registers BDMs, birth certificate 548/1869
- xi. NSW Registers BDMs, death certificate 10516/1890
- xii. NSW Registers BDMs, death certificate 14542/1915

MONITORS

If you are a member and would like to become a monitor, you will find not only do you meet and assist some great people but also the experience is enjoyable and very interesting. If you can help please contact me by email: mheff.1940@gmail.com or phone **0428 176 387**.

Maggie Heffernan Monitor Co-ordinator

ANNETTE'S FAMILY HISTORY JOURNEY

How do I fit into a few paragraphs a tell-tale story - briefly - of my Family History (FH) journey? Well ... it is going to be hard. Why would anyone want to know anything about me, Annette Fraser Morrow? I guess the first reason could be that back in 1984 and along with a team of other interested people in Coffs Harbour, I pushed for a public meeting and together with the support of the local Coffs librarian, this Coffs Harbour Family History group was formed. Today I am member again, no. 1940 but back in 1984 I became member no. 1 and the group's first president.

On reflection I am amazed by the motivation of that young woman I was back then, a 34-year-old woman with six little kids (aged 12 years down to 5 years and yes, I had six in seven years) who just wanted to "unearth" her family's history. It seemed possible as I had recently found (in 1978) my only half-brother in QLD but then my world was rocked as my dad died in 1981. Time was running out as my family was beginning to depart this world without getting their stories down on paper. Having found a living member of my family, I thought it would be so much easier to find those deceased ancestors. How wrong was I! So many roadblocks have appeared on this journey and some family stories that could lead some, if not alert, up the wrong path.

As I recall that day in 1984, there was a large turnout of interested people in the Coffs library. The committee that formed worked very hard in those early months to get speakers like Janet Reakes to come to Coffs, and there was fundraising to get many of those needed resources into the library, where we had our meetings, helping out each other by researching on those big microfiche readers. You could spend many hours away from home executing this; no computers or internet then. It was a problem for my family as I was addicted. One thing that I have learnt over these years is when you have the money you often do not have the time; and when you have the time, there is no money. It can be an expensive hobby.

In 1985 Basil, my husband was promoted to an assistant manager position within the Commonwealth Employment Service (CES) in cold, old Goulburn. We sold our home in Toormina and our family of eight moved from sunny Coffs Harbour to windy and freezing Goulburn. It snowed on our very first day. Unbelievably there was no family history group in historical Goulburn city, so I began again and the Goulburn FH group was born. This time our rooms were in the Goulburn College of Advanced Education, not a library. At the same time, I was also involved as secretary of the steering committee for the formation of NSW FH Societies. But again, my time in both societies was cut short as I returned to full-time employment working in the Australian Public Service (APS). My work saw me travelling firstly to Bowral from Goulburn and then, in the other direction to Fyshwick in the ACT industrial area. After a few years of travelling an hour plus each way on this route each day, we decided to move our family again, and this time to Flynn in the ACT.

With six growing teenagers I had to be a super organised mum. Some things however, had to take the back burner and my FH hobby landed there. By the time I was ready to jump back into the all absorbing fun of researching, things had changed dramatically and I had to begin all over again, learning completely different tools to use in researching. No longer did you need to take hours out of your day spending hours in a library; you could do a lot of this exploration at home. Computers and the internet changed how we could delve into the past. I loved that there were so many genealogy sites and message boards where you could contact other like-minded people with questions and sometimes, you even had the answers. Emailing

made it easy to contact people and so fast too. I was soon bitten again by the bug, buying floppy discs and later CDs to record and store my FH information intact.

Life goes on and things change. During our Canberra days, Bas left the APS in 1995 to do his hobby full-time, which is Christian music; both playing in church and composing. This grew and we became involved in motivational workshops in various Catholic parishes throughout ACT, NSW, VIC and QLD. It was aimed at helping other volunteering parish musicians. With all of our children independently working by this stage in our life, it was felt we could give back to God what he had given to us; sharing our musical gifts. By this time, we had also recorded four albums of Basil's own compositions, one being a commissioned song about Fr Julian Tenison Woods, called *Celebrating the Memory*. I continued working in the APS to support us both (this paid for "bread and butter on the table" and our everyday bills) as there is little or no money in Australian Christian music excepting, for example, Hillsong.

In 1998 Bas and I took our first overseas trip to areas of FH significance and interest to Basil's tree (Split in Croatia). We took the guitar and we sang every day as it was a pilgrimage. While returning from one of our workshop weekends in Sydney, in later part of 1998, we had a car accident and this event was to change my working life. I left the APS and began working in various private enterprise positions as an employment consultant. We moved to Newcastle in 2001, living seven years in bohemian Mayfield and ten years on a small acreage in Medowie. During this time, I was back into my FH but as a lone researcher, being paid on a couple of occasions to research for friends and acquaintances. In 2010, Bas became a pastoral carer in two primary schools under the Federal government's School Chaplaincy program, so after 25 years, I gave up paid employment. I became a mature age student at the University of Newcastle (UON) doing my other love and hobby, ART. I also volunteered locally as a Vinnies conference worker assisting the poor and needy. Social justice is another one of my passions. You could call me *passio-nnette*!

Wanting to learn more FH skills, in 2014 I applied to the Society of Australian Genealogists (SAG) and luckily, I was chosen as one of 25 (99 applied that year) to do the SAG FH Certificate course. On completion of that SAG certificate in 2016, I embarked on the University of Tasmania's (UTAS) Diploma of FH, which I completed in August 2017. During that UTAS course one of the units was Oral History. We discovered the coordinator of that unit was a distant cousin of mine. She had seen my unit work online about a convict who turned out to be her direct gr gr X? Grandfather. This Tasmanian convict had married my great x6 great aunty before being transported so we were linked by his past and our genes. At my Hobart graduation Nicola and I met for the first time. The genes? Both of us are blonde and vertically challenged.

While caravanning (another one of our hobbies) in January this year, we happened to pass through Coffs on our way home from a week in Iluka and my hubby suggested we move back to Coffs. By May 2018, we had sold Medowie and bought in Korora. So, yes, I am back and wanting to be involved again. Many people have asked, "Do you have family in Coffs?" Our response is, "Yes. Only the dead ones," which is an appropriate answer for a genealogist. Both sets of our parents are buried here along with Basil's sister and brother-in-law: so, we do have family here! It is a strange feeling being back after an absence of 33 years. So many things have changed here but this is not the end of my story. I am hoping it is just starting a new chapter.

Annette Morrow Member #1940

THE SACRED VOLUME

Society member, Lyn Brotherton, found this newspaper article mentioned in a book she was using to do research in our room in September. It was on the same page as the surname she was looking for. We weren't able to find the article in Trove which was listed in the book as being in the Newcastle Morning Herald on 17 August 1892 but we did find it reprinted on 2 September 1916 on Page 16 of the Newcastle Morning Herald.

NEWCASTLE RECORDS.

TWENTY-FOUR YEARS AGO.

At the Newcastle Police Court on Tuesday, August 16, Dr. Doyle, medical superintendent of the Newcastle Hospital, stepped into the witness box to give evidence, and a police officer lifted a time-worn, thumb-marked and greasy-looking copy of the Sacred Volume with which to swear him. Upon seeing it, the doctor said he had an objection to kiss the book on sanitary grounds, and that he wished to give evidence on affirmation. Dr. Doyle stated afterwards that he had personally known of two cases of terrible disease in the east end of London that had been contracted from the kissing of a contaminated Police Court Bible. About the same time, Dr. Doyle continued, the Duke of Fife was called upon to give evidence in the same court, and the Bible was wrapped in a thick fold of blotting paper before being handed to him.

TWO WEEKS AT COFFS HARBOUR - A VISITOR'S IMPRESSIONS.

Coffs Harbour Advocate (NSW: 1907 - 1942; 1946 - 1954), Friday 3 February 1928, page 2

One's impressions approaching Coffs Harbour by rail are greatly influenced by the beauty of the surroundings. With the bush dressed in glorious greenery, tinged with wonderful colours, the tall timber, the mountains on the west and the beautiful blue Pacific on the coast, there is in evidence a blend of land and sea which in its grandeur and picturesqueness would be hard to excel.

Leaving the train and sauntering up the hill overlooking the harbour one becomes lost in amazement with the glorious view. Stretching away in the north are headlands and beaches which are magnificent. One glances at Moonee of which the poet Kendall writes: "I would like to be at Moonee now." As one's gaze shortens, the northern breakwater joining Mutton Bird Island seems to bring a sense of security and to offer a barrier to the constantly rolling ocean which spells success to the harbour. The jetty running out, with a steamer on either side or the trucks of piles and sawn timber being so quickly handled give an idea of the productivity of the district and of modern methods of handling heavy timbers. The beach upon which constantly breaks such beautifully clean waves is more than comparable with any beach near the metropolis. One notices with very great pleasure the surfers of all ages revelling in Nature's bath.

To the right, the activity of the Public Works Department becomes very evident. Trains of stone are pulled along by locomotive and deftly tipped to form the foundation of the wharves and railway tracks when the outer breakwater is finished. Upon this new wall now jutting northwards towards Mutton Bird Island one notices from time to time the forty ton blocks of concrete being tipped into forty feet of ocean water and upon which must be built many thousands more such

blocks before the mighty sea can be held in check. When this wall is finished, there will result a harbour in which at any time vessels up to 4000 tons register will be able to ride at anchor, or load upon placid waters.

One visualizes the cross-country railway which must be built connecting with the northern railway system; and opening up territory which will produce marketable goods for loading at the harbour. The country thus opened up must help in a substantial way to foster the scheme of immigration now in vogue. It will also result in a large increase in employment at the harbour town, and thus add to the value of the district as an integral part of the state.

The tall timber indigenous to the district is being sought by overseas buyers as well as finding a ready market in the Commonwealth and one is not surprised when one gazes at the 75 feet and 100 feet piles constantly arriving at the port. The amount of sawn hardwood now shipped at the port, is increasing steadily and it is easy to contemplate a tremendous increase when the railway referred to is finished. In addition this new line must bring from the northern parts of the State thousands of holiday makers and tourists anxious to spend a vacation at this beauty spot. It is easy indeed to visualize in the future the top town and the harbour town being merged into one large seaside sanatorium.

One notes with appreciation the comfortable hotels and substantial shops in both towns. The schools are quite modern and it is evident that every provision is made for teaching adolescents. The public buildings are satisfactory and one is promptly attended to therein. Of the people and their hospitality one cannot speak too highly. Possibly because of a slight bronchial ailment I received some special attention and my recollections of motor trips are very pleasant indeed.

The climb up the Red Hill and the pause on the hill-top to gaze eastwards at the harbour and its town, made a decided impression. Never have I seen a bush in the State more glorious in its hue. The wonderful timber, the red of the cuttings, the blue road and over all the magnificent green imprinted itself indelibly upon my mind. Woolgoolga, Moonee, the North Beach out of Repton, with its excellent provision for holiday seekers, the delightfully situated town of Coramba, remain vividly in memory.

Opinions differ as to the best point from which to obtain the best view of the harbour and town, but for my part to stand on the northern breakwater and look back over the harbour to the town is easily the best. On the day on which it was my privilege to enjoy such a view the beautiful blue of the sky was reflected in the waters of the harbour in such a manner that with the white of the beach, the abounding green, the houses, and the range of mountains in the distance there was completed a wonderful picture which made one realise how picturesque and grand the beautiful combination really was.

I watched with interest a 3000 ton steamer loading the lengthy piles referred to and was much taken with the skill of the port and vessel's officers and those under their command. Truly there is no time wasted at this port. I watched with interest the fisherman's motor boat speeding to sea in the late afternoon and realised how up-to-date all his fittings were. I also saw disciples of Walton who angled in many parts of the harbour to reduce the silver hordes swimming within its waters. I missed the trees that should be fringing the edge of the beach and the donkeys or ponies for children to ride. The surfing sheds could be improved and doubtless will be as the population grows, and it is suggested to those gentlemen who are interested in the town's affairs that they might in addition have trees planted, and later, ponies provided.

Of the people one speaks in the highest terms. It was my privilege to attend at two of the brightest social functions my experience affords. Those present were representatives of the Public Service, the medical fraternity, banking institutions, and commerce, and the general arrangements and bonhomie left nothing to be desired. The music provident was of the best and a local soprano and a visiting contralto gave as all great pleasure. It was at one of these functions that an argument arose as to whether the daylight or moonlight view of the town and harbour was the better. With due modesty I recounted the opinion set out above but a gentleman prominently connected with the port told me to wait until I saw the moon rise over Solitary. I kept my eye therefore on the lighthouse dashing its message every three seconds across the waters and in due course the moon rose and shed her luminous beauty over all. The twinkle of the lighthouse seemed to be lost as the moon climbed the sky. All the islands were lighted with a glory that must be seen to be understood and as "the orb'd maiden with white fire laden" climbed higher, mixing the silver with the blue, and shed her rays around, I had to agree that she lent such beauty to this picturesque piece of the State and ocean as to render it superb.

I did not want to leave this beauty spot with its happy people but "the wind bloweth where it listeth" and there were voices calling down south. Today in the rattle of the trams, the noise and rush of the metropolis, my thoughts go back to the green of the trees, the red of the cuttings, the blue of the sea and of the road, the wonderful ferns, and acres of Christmas bells, protected now as I was informed so they would not become "distinct", the song of the birds, the glisten of the banana plant, and the happy people, and I wish the district and harbour a proper fulfilment of its great destiny. Written by R. C. H. (Sic)

GENEALOGY EVENTS – WHAT'S ON

- 24-26 May 2019 "Waves in Time" 3rd Queensland State Conference. More information at <http://www.wavesintime2019.org.au/>
- 14-30 Aug 2019 "DNA Down Under Roadshow" with Blaine Bettinger. The roadshow will be held in Australian capital cities with an extended in-depth 3-day conference in Sydney. For more information or to register your interest, go to <http://www.dnadownder.com>
- 11-13 Oct 2019 35th Annual Conference of the NSW & ACT Association of Family History Societies will be at Knox Grammar School, Wahroonga, hosted by Ku-rin-gai Historical Society. You can find more on the conference website at <http://exploringthepast.khs.org.au>

Our Workshops and Seminars are listed elsewhere in this journal as well as on our Website. For a listing of more events, go to <http://www.unlockthepast.com.au/events/all> If there are any other events you would like included in the next Journal please give the detail to Narelle Hoy, our Journal Editor.

SCANNING SERVICE FOR MEMBERS

The Society is offering this service to members who would like their old photos, slides or negatives digitised. Stan Gordon has offered to assist members by doing the scanning. He would prefer that members go to his home at Toormina and take their photos, negatives and slides as well as a USB drive so the scanned images can be saved to the USB. The cost of this new service is 50 cents per

image which will be added to our Society's funds. If you would like to take up Stan's offer, please phone him on 02 6658 7955 or email him at stngordon@gmail.com to arrange a suitable time.

If you have large documents, such as foolscap BDM certificates or newspaper pages up to A3 size, etc., you are able to scan them using the **A3 Book Edge Scanner** we have in our room. This Scanner is now installed on the WIN7 computer and the scanner unit is on a trolley under the bench ready to wheel out and use. The scanned images will be saved to the computer and then can be copied to your USB drive or you will be able to print them. As our Society's printer is an A4 one, the scanned images are reduced in size to fit but if you would like to have them printed as A3, you will be able to do this at a print shop. Please ask the monitors on duty for assistance.

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS and EVENTS

Sharon Ingersole #1548

| DATE/ TIME/VENUE | SPEAKER | TOPIC |
|---|---|--|
| 23/2/2019 1.30pm Coffs Harbour Community Village, Earl Street | Members Maggie Heffernan & Leonie Baker | “Starting Your Family History” . This workshop will be a good opportunity for new researchers and will also be useful for others to refresh their memories on researching. |
| 23/3/2019 1.30pm Coffs Harbour Community Village, Earl Street | Members Rosie Doherty & Marlene Gordon | “Resources in our Research Room” . |

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS



A warm welcome to the following new members and we hope you will make yourselves at home and find us to be a friendly and helpful group. Don't be afraid to ask the Monitors on duty for help - they will do their best to steer you in the right direction with your research.

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| #1937 Vicki Knight | #1938 Lisa Ryan | #1939 Mike Waterhouse |
| #1940 Annette Morrow | #1941 Chris Dunkerley | #1942 Joy Dunkerley |
| #1943 Lyn Hastings | #1944 Carolyn Cameron | |

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS, CONTACT DETAILS, ETC

If a Membership Application/Renewal Form is included with this Journal, your membership is due for renewal before 1st March 2019. **IT IS ESSENTIAL that a form is completed for ALL membership renewals. Complete the form and select the method of payment.**

1. If paying by cash or cheque you can do this at our Research Room or mail the form with your cheque to PO Box 2057, Coffs Harbour, 2450. If you would like your new card posted, please include a stamped address envelope.
2. If you are paying by Direct Bank Deposit, please include your name and member number when setting up the transfer AND email your completed form to coffsgenie@gmail.com

Renewed membership cards will be placed in the Card Box on the Admin Desk in our Research Room for your collection if you haven't included a stamped addressed envelope with your renewal.
Marlene Gordon, Membership Secretary #1307

ITEMS of INTEREST from EXCHANGE JOURNALS

Our Society subscribes to some journals and exchanges journals/newsletters with a large number of other societies and groups (family history and historical societies, etc.). Members are able to borrow 'exchange journals' from our research room. If you see an article listed below that you would like to read, feel free to borrow it on your next visit to our room. Also check the districts these journals are from and if there is an area not covered, let me know and we will do our best to track it down for you.

UK FAMILY TREE:

- **Sep 2018:** Page 16 Tracing Workhouse Lives; Page 47 Search smarter online (excellent article); Page 64 Looking for Dutch Ancestors; Page 68 Why your ancestor is not in the census; and Page 72 How to restore your old photos digitally.
- **Nov 2018:** This issue has several articles commemorating the First World War Centenary; Page 68 Techy Tips for Family Historians; and Page 75 Studying Italy in The Great War.

TRACES Vol 3 2018: As usual this is an excellent magazine. Includes articles on female factories, Irish famine orphan girls, uncovering ancestral truths; Page 49 Deciphering Disease (by Helen Smith our October Seminar speaker); and researching Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander family history.

FAMILY HISTORY GROUPS, ETC.:

The Ancestral Searcher Sep 2018 Vol 41 No 3 (Heraldry & Genealogy Society of Canberra Inc.) This issue features articles on Convicts and especially "150 Convicts" on Page 139 is worth checking out.

Note: 150 Convicts is a collection of short biographies in commemoration of 150 years since the cessation of convict transportation to Australia. Biographies on several convicts are included and they are hoping to feature more of the diversity of convicts over the next three or four issues of their journal which make up their members' heritage. (It is worth checking to see if any of your convicts are included).

Descent Sep 2018 Vol 48 Part 3 (Soc. of Australian Genealogists): Page 53 Three Tips for the Ryerson Index; and Page 65 Archival Anecdotes from NSW State Archives & Records.

E-Muster Aug 2018 Issue 21 (Central Coast Family History Society Inc.): Page 19 Bradfield Park, a forgotten part of Sydney's Urban History; and Page 24 Soldier Settlements.

Federation of Australian Historical Societies Newsletter Jul 2018 No 45: Page 7 Female Convicts Research Centre, Tasmania; Page 9 National Pioneer Women's Hall of Fame Alice Springs; Page 15 Indian History in Australia; and Page 21 Documenting the History of the Lebanese in Australia.

Footsteps Aug 2018 No 148 (Port Macquarie & Districts Family History Society Inc.): Page 8 The DNA Diary No. 9; Page 25 BDA is a unique resource for historians and genealogists (CHDFHS Inc. has a subscription to BDA) and Page 28 The Computer Corner No 52 How to Save Images from Trove (Part 2 Snipping).

Kuring-Gai Historical Society Inc. Oct 2018 Vol 36 No 9: Page 6 Irish Orphan Girls.

Moruya & District Historical Society Inc. Journal Sep 2019 Vol 20 No 3: This journal features several articles on Bendethera, Bendithera, etc. people, places, etc.

Newcastle Family History Society Inc. Sep 2018 Journal No 223: Page 18 Go Online – One World Trees.

The Chronicle Aug 2018 Vol 21 No 1 (Lake Macquarie Family History Group Inc.): This issue focuses on Interesting Weddings. (And they are!)

The Endeavour (Botany Bay Family History Society Inc.)

- **Mar 2018 No 134** Page 16 Find Burials in New South Wales (www.family.joint.net.au/)
- **Jun 2018 No 135** Page 36 Griffith's Valuation and Cancelled Books.

Benalla Research Group Newsletter Sep 2018 Page 5 Researching Success (NSW BDMs, FamilySearch).

Ancestor Sep 2018 Vol 34 Issue 3 (Genealogical Society of Victoria Inc.): Page 26 A Guide to Researching NSW Records Part 2.

The South Australian Genealogist Aug 2018 Vol 45 No 3 (SA Genealogy & Heraldry Society Inc.): Page 12 Scottish Heraldry; and Page 22 Treasures Held in Maps.

Western Ancestor Sep 2018 Vol 14 No 3 (WA Genealogical Society Inc): Page 70 President Speaks (about 'sensitive' detail in BDM records); Page 86 Adoption: Social Attitudes and Practices; Page 91 Wills and Primogeniture; Page 92 Your Digital and Genealogical Estate; and Page 95 You and your X (chromosome, that is. (It is well worth reading this issue).

Dunedin NZ Family History Group Newsletter:

- **Aug 2018:** Page 7 Otago Daily Times Death Notices Jan-Dec 1868 F-Z.
- **Sep 2018:** Page 2 Hawea and Hawea District War Memorial (incl. names); and Page 5 Places in Otago and Southland.
- **Oct 2018:** Page 5 Scottish Timeline for Family Historians 15th-19th Centuries.

Irish Roots 3rd Quarter 2018 Issue 107: Page 10: Tracing your Co Tipperary Ancestors; Page 18 Using Triangulation with your DNA Matches; and Page 20 What's New? Review (Irish Offerings).

PLEASE NOTE: We will no longer be printing journals/newsletters from Australind (WA), Berrima District, Macleay River Historical Society (Kempsey), Mosman Historical Society, Parramatta Female Factory and Prospect Local History (SA). These societies have links to their journals/newsletters on their websites.

Leonie Baker Member #769 Exchange Journals Officer

USEFUL WEBSITES, ETC. FOR GENEALOGY

- * **NSW State Archives and Records new online index:** Devonshire Street Cemetery Reinterment 1901. Go to the website at <https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/> then click on Online Indexes under the Quick Links heading, then click on Cemeteries and Burials, then click on Devonshire Street Cemetery Reinterment 1901 link at the left of the screen.
- * **Sutherland Shire Historical Newspaper Index: 1900-1985:** Go to <https://www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/Community/Library/Local-Studies> then click on the link to Local Newspapers, then click on link at the bottom of the page.
- * **National Library of Scotland Map Collection:** A site for online historical maps for not only Scotland, but also for England, Wales and many other parts of the world. Take a look at <https://maps.nls.uk/>.
- * **Adoption and Forgotten Australians:** There is a guide on State Library Victoria's website listing current and historical resources for researching the family history of adopted persons, Forgotten Australians and child migrants. Go to: <https://guides.slv.vic.gov.au/adoption/>
- * **City of London Cemetery historic registers** from June 1856 to October 1955 are now available online at <https://col-burialregisters.uk/> The registers are not indexed but there are currently 440,000 records available as a pilot scheme and can be access for free at this time. You can browse through the registers or click on the 'Refine Search' button if you want to narrow down the results by date or burial number. Although browsing unindexed registers can be time consuming if you know the death date of your ancestor and suspect they could be buried in the City of London Cemetery this site is worth a look.

Some Irish Websites:

- * **The Placenames Database of Ireland:** <https://www.logainm.ie/en/>
- * **The Methodist Historical Society of Ireland:** <http://methodisthistoryireland.org>
- * **The Irish Genealogical Research Society** has added 14,000 more names to their early Irish birth, marriage and death indexes. This brings the total name count for the three indexes to 274,000. The marriage index is free to search. Go to: <https://www.irishancestors.ie/weve-added-14000-more-names-to-our-bmd-database/>
- * **FamilySearch** has added many new records and images as well as indexing additional records including Australia, **South Australia**, Immigrants Ship Papers, 1849-1940; Australia, **South**

Australia, School Admission Registers, 1873-1985; Australia, **Victoria**, Inward Passenger Lists, 1839-1923; **England and Wales**, National Index of Wills and Administrations, 1858-1957; England, **Derbyshire**, Church of England Parish Registers, 1537-1918; England, **Devon and Cornwall** Marriages, 1660-1912; England, **Devon** Bishop's Transcripts, 1558-1887; and **Ireland** Civil Registration, 1845-1913.

SUBSCRIPTION SITES:

- * **Biographical Database of Australia (BDA)** has released eleven new datasets, the highlights including Court records from NSW Bench of Magistrates 1788-1820, 12,700 people in the Australian Directory of Biography 1788-1820 (all states) and NSW convict indents (complete to 1842).
 - * **The Genealogist** has released over four million outbound **passenger list records** from the 1950s for passengers who left the UK by ship to various destinations around the world.
 - * **Ancestry** has added many new collections including Aberdeen City and Former Counties of Aberdeenshire, Scotland, Electoral Registers 1832-1976.
 - * **FindmyPast** additions include Scotland, Lanarkshire Death & Burial Index 1642-1855; England & Wales, Electoral Registers 1920-1932; Dorset Memorial Inscriptions; and Kent Parish Record Update. **REMEMBER** to keep re-checking sites you have searched before as most are constantly adding new records especially the free National Library of Australia Trove Newspapers website.
- NOTE:** Our Society has subscriptions to Ancestry, Findmypast and The Genealogist as well as BDA and BNA. All links were checked and valid on 8 November 2018.

Marlene Gordon Member # 1307

NEW RESOURCES

BOOKS

Memoirs of Early Coffs Harbour - Donated Gloria Small
Genealogy Handbook: Complete Guide to Tracing your Family Tree - Donated Debbie Campbell.
West of the Jetty: An Easy-To-Read History of Coffs Harbour - Donated Rosie Doherty
Sarah Jane Stringer-William Wake & Their Descendants - Donated Leon Stringer
Port Macquarie – Hastings – Cemetery Trail
Mary Reibey – Molly Incognita 1777-1855 - Donated Patricia & Graham Lovegrove
Bellinger Valley Birth Records 1873-1910 - Donated Ian O'Hearn
Casino Lawn Cemetery

CD

Greek –Souris Family - Robert Le Andrews

Choosing new resources for our Society is often a difficult job for the Committee and we welcome input from our members. We try to choose resources that will be well used by many and cover a broad field. If you would like to offer suggestions please fill out the form which is in the Brown Folder on the Admin Desk in our rooms and place in the Resources Tray near the Admin Computer.

Gloria Small – Resources Officer #43



MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Members' Interests received by the Society are now being added to our website at <https://www.coffsharbourfamilyhistory.com>

To check the current listing, hover on the Membership tab, click on Members Interests in the dropdown list and you will be able to open the Full Name listing for submissions received. All financial members are welcome to have their Interests included in Genie Allergy and on in this database by completing the necessary form and possibly receive feedback from others with the same Interests. Please collect a form from our Research Room or contact the Membership Secretary to have one emailed to you, then return the completed form attached to an email to coffs genie@gmail.com or put in in the Membership Secretary's tray in our room.

MEMBER'S INTEREST – JOY STOCKTON Member No. 1368 Email jgstock@bigpond.net.au

| FAMILY NAME | CHRISTIAN NAME | TIME PERIOD | CITY/TOWN | STATE | COUNTRY |
|-------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|-------|---------|
| KETHEL | Alex | 1880> | Bellingen | NSW | AUS |
| CUTHILL | Alex | 1880-1888 | ? | NSW | AUS |
| AITKEN | Mary Callendar | 1888 | Sydney | NSW | AUS |

MEMBER'S INTEREST – MARGIT JUNGE Member No. 620 Email marnie210@icloud.com

| FAMILY NAME | CHRISTIAN NAME | TIME PERIOD | CITY/TOWN | STATE | COUNTRY |
|-------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|-------|---------|
| ROBINSON | Joseph | 1842-1844 | Melbourne | VIC | AUS |

MEMBER'S INTEREST – ANNETTE MORROW Member No. 1940 Phone: 0412 074 643 Mail: 6 Tropic Lodge Place, Korora NSW 2450

| FAMILY NAME | CHRISTIAN NAME | TIME PERIOD | CITY/TOWN | STATE/ COUNTY CODE | COUNTRY |
|-------------|----------------|-------------|------------|--------------------------|---------|
| O'MALLEY | Dominick | 1842-1879 | Melbourne | VIC | AUS |
| FRASER | Alexander | 1770-1841 | Inverness | INV | SCT |
| KEEP | Richard | 1763-1817 | Wootton | BDF | ENG |
| BRENNAN | Edward | c1830-1900 | Sydney | NSW | AUS |
| HARRISON | Frederick | 1844-1883 | Shoreditch | MDX | ENG |
| McHALE | Mary | 1831-1923 | Dublin | DUB | IRL |
| SMITH | Robert | 1772- | Kilsyth | LKS | SCT |
| WORTLEY | Isaac | 1834-1895 | Kings Lyn | NFK | ENG |
| ROGERS | Sarah | 1835-1893 | Tyrone? | TYR | IRL |
| MORROW | Thomas | 1843-1930 | Donegal? | DON | IRL |
| YATES | Edwin | 1856-1939 | Pendleton | LAN | ENG |
| HARVEY | Thomas | 1859-1932 | Ebbw Vale | MON | WLS |
| BIZANT | Antony | 1856-1906 | Nundle | NSW | AUS |
| NEIL | William | 1855-1915 | Stirling | STI | SCT |
| DAVIES | John | 1828-1869 | Cincinnati | OHIO | USA |
| O'CONNOR | Ellen | 1832-1918 | Cork | COR | IRL |

MEMBER ENTITLEMENTS

- Use of Society's resources including books, microfilms, microfiche, computer system, etc
- Receive quarterly Journal Genie-Allergy
- Attend meetings and monthly workshops
- Guidance with research in our library
- Resource borrowing scheme
- Free entries in Member's Interests Directory
- 2 hours free research per year for members who are resident 50km or more from Coffs Harbour.

JOURNAL DEADLINES

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| # 1 st February | 1 st Quarter | March Issue |
| # 1 st May | 2 nd Quarter | June Issue |
| # 1 st August | 3 rd Quarter | September Issue |
| # 1 st November | 4 th Quarter | December Issue |

Members are invited to submit stories of interest, enquiries re their research, or questions about research for inclusion in our Journal. Material needs to be received by the deadline as above to be included in the next available issue.

ITEMS FOR SALE

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| Pedigree Charts | 20c ea. |
| Family Group Sheets, etc. | 20c ea. |
| Printouts from Computer (Greyscale) | 20c ea. |
| Photocopies A4 (Greyscale) | 20c ea. |
| Brothers Keeper Family Tree CD | \$3.00 ea. |
| Legacy Family Tree Standard CD | \$3.00 ea. |
| Convict Research Booklet | \$2.00 ea. |
| Beginning Your Family History Booklet | \$1.00 ea. |
| Replacement Card Holders | 50c ea |
| Seven Generation Charts A3 | \$5.00 ea. |

MIDWIVES: Coffs Harbour District, Bellingen & Dorrigo, Nambucca Valley

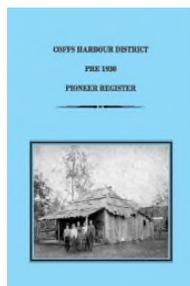
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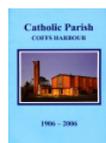
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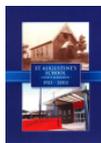
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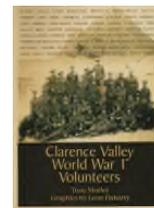


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1913-2013

CORA NUM BOOK

How Did They Get Here? Arrivals after 1924
\$10.00

CLARENCE VALLEY WORLD WAR I VOLUNTEERS
By Tony Morley



\$30.00 each plus P&H

A most informative record of those who served in WWI from the Clarence Valley area which encompasses quite a large part of NSW (includes Coffs Harbour, Woolgoolga, Dorrigo, Ebor, Gleniffer, etc).

It gives details of where units were sent, lists Gallipoli casualties, deaths and awards, chronological battle information and an alphabetical list of volunteers with a brief description of each.

Writing Family History Templates and Guide
Dr Noeline Kyle 2009



PRICE: \$10.00
(Book & CD)

If you would like to purchase any of these items, please ask the Duty Monitor when in our Research Room or phone or email the Society