

Diary Dates March:

Sun 1st 10am to 2:30pm.
Scottish Interest Group
Sun 8th 10am to 2:30pm.
Computer Interest Group
Mon 9th 7pm to 9pm.
North Brisbane Branch Guest
Speaker.
Wed 11th 6pm to 9pm.
Wednesday Night Opening.
Thurs 12th 7:30pm to 9pm.
Bayside Branch Meeting.
Sat 14th 9am to 10:30am.
Management Committee
meeting.
Sat 14th 10:30am to 12noon
Meeting and Morning Tea for
Interest Group Convenors.
Sun 15th 12:30pm to 2:30pm
Scandinavian Interest Group
Mon 16th 6.45pm to 9pm
Southern Suburbs Guest
speakers.
Fri 20th 10am to 12noon
State Archives Seminar
"Harmony Day Seminar"
Sat 21st 9am to 11am GSQ
Class "Getting Online"
Sat 21st 10.30am to 12noon
State Library Presentation
"Introduction to family history"
FREE, bookings qtix 136 246
Mon 23rd 7pm to 9pm.
North Brisbane Branch
Monthly Meeting.
Wed 25th Beaudesert Branch.
Wed 25th 6pm to 9pm.
Wednesday Night Opening.
Sun 29th 10:00am to 2:30pm
German Interest Group

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From the Editors

Hello and welcome to the March 2009 issue of GSQ's e-newsletter. Everyone at the society continues to be busy with the many projects and regular activities happening so it has been hard to squeeze all the news into this newsletter.

This is our second edition using the shorter text format – what do you think? Would you prefer to see longer articles or would you like a more condensed style? As always, contributions to this e-newsletter are welcome. Please send any items for the April issue to the Editorial Team c/- Paul at ciscoshell@hotmail.com or c/- GSQ at gsq1@optusnet.com.au. Deadline is 25th of each month. Pauline, Paul and Josephine, your Editorial Team.

From the President

February 2009 will go down as a sad time in the history of Australia as it will for genealogists. The Management Committee was very saddened to hear of the passing of our great supporter Joan Reese on 9 February 2009 from lung cancer. For over 20 years Joan assisted GSQ members as our NSW Research Officer, with little or no personal benefit. Joan will be a significant loss to the family history community.

The family history community experienced further loss this month with the deaths of Errol Morgan, Harley Morgan and Laurel Lewis in the devastating Victorian bush fires. Our sympathies go to all those with friends or family experiencing heartbreak from the fires or those in the Queensland floods, particularly our members.

I am hoping that March will be a happier month for GSQ and its members.

GSQ News

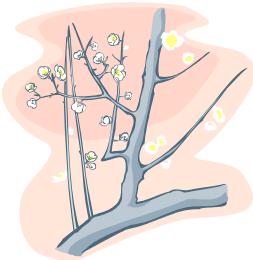
- ☞ A vacancy still exists on the Management Committee; anyone interested should contact Marg Doherty at presidentgsq@optusnet.com.au
- ☞ Members visiting the library recently will have noticed some more rearrangements. We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused. We are attempting to make space for more bookshelves and resources so resources that are used less frequently are now located in the metal cabinets in the storeroom, with access from the computer area. Some of the relocated resources include the Films of the St Catherine's House indexes (UK Civil Registration from 1837 (England & Wales)). If you have any questions or concerns regarding these changes please email us at gsq1@optusnet.com.au.
- ☞ GSQ has accepted an offer to buy a number of specially designed film storage cabinets from the LDS. These should also relieve some of our space problems.
- ☞ The Film Printer/Reader was working as at last week, although still not as reliably as we would like, with some occasional problems with the electronics or something technical. Please ring to check the current status if you are planning on coming in especially to use this machine.



For information on other events sponsored through the Q150 Community Grant Program, visit www.q150.qld.gov.au.



Only a Genealogist regards a step backwards as progress.



Branch News

Sub-Committee Reports

✚ Q150 Project Update

6,000 of the green forms from the 1988 Muster Roll have been sent to our Data Entry Volunteers – and already some of them have come back in! The return of the forms means that we will now be moving on to another phase in the Q150 Muster Roll Project; this involves checking the completed data entry. Can you help? We are always ready to recruit more volunteers to this project so, if you have a few hours to spare, please let Josephine know at josephine.nolan@bigpond.com

As well, we have many people who are busy submitting new entries that relate to their ancestors. Anyone who would like to submit information can have forms (require Microsoft Word) emailed to them on request, or they can be downloaded from the GSQ Website. See our new project page at: <http://www.gsq.org.au/services/qmr2009.htm>

Many thanks to all those who are working hard to make our Q150 Muster Roll Project a huge success

✚ Library sub-committee

The Library sub-committee is always looking to purchase new resources to meet the needs of members. If you spot something you think we should get then contact GSQ at gsq1@optusnet.com.au or (07) 3891 5085.

Out in the Branches

Bayside Branch

Bayside Branch of GSQ meets on Thursday 12th March at 7.30 - 9pm in the Staff Room of the Wynnum Central State School at Florence Street, Wynnum Qld 4178. Further details are available from Elma O'Toole on ashelm@bigpond.com.

Southern Suburbs

Southern Suburbs Branch will meet on Monday 16th March and our guest speaker will be Paul Mann who will be speaking on 'Legacy Family Tree'. The meeting commences at 7.30pm at the Upper Mt. Gravatt Scout Den, 1873 Logan Rd., Upper Mt. Gravatt (down Carson Lane between Upper Mt. Gravatt State School and the Progress Hall). All welcome. For further information please contact Noele Alexander at npalexander@optusnet.com.au or Ph. No. 3208 2518.

North Brisbane

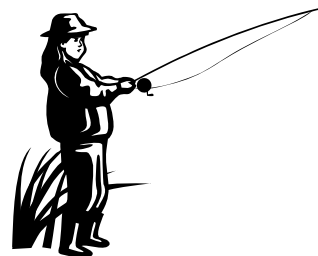
The next meetings of the **North Brisbane Branch** are on:

- ☞ Monday, 9th March 7-9pm. Monthly Speaker
- ☞ Monday 23rd March 7-9pm. Monthly Meeting

The Branch meets at Fallon Cottage, Fallon Street, Everton Park 4053 (behind the Everton Park Library). More details from Margaret Holding at holding@powerup.com.au.

Net Nibbles

- ✦ The people responsible for UKBMD <http://www.ukbmd.org.uk/> have opened a new website called UKGDL or UK Genealogical Directories and Lists on the Internet at <http://www.ukbmd.org.uk/>. While the UKBMD site provides links to help you find out who your ancestors were, the UKGDL aims to help you find info about how your ancestors lived. The latter site is brand new yet it already contains an impressive number of links for school lists, trade directories, electoral rolls, passenger lists, old photographs etc.
- ✦ The Clergy of the Church of England database was re-launched last month at <http://www.theclergydatabase.org.uk/index.html> with a new design and search engine. If you have an ancestor who was a member of the clergy between 1540-1835, then you should be able to find out more information about them. A quick search of one of my distantly related ancestors revealed his education, ordination events, appointments and date of death.
- ✦ New Zealand has just put their Birth, Marriage and Death Indexes online at <http://bdmhistoricalrecords.identityservices.govt.nz/Home/>. Their website provides this information about the service "The search results include, where recorded, birth surnames, previous surnames and current surnames for an individual. The current name or previous name will appear at the top of your search results before records matching the criteria of your searching, e.g. using the search criteria of Esther Jones, the list will show the current names or previous names before the birth names." For example, a search for an individual's death may also give their date of birth as well.



*Fishing for ancestors?
Maybe these net nibbles
will help*

Raffles

The Jan/Feb Raffle was drawn on the 28th February and the winner of the Scratch-its was Fred Martin with Ticket Black E30. Happy scratching and good luck!

The next raffle prize is an Epson Copier, Scanner, Printer with a value of over \$60.00 and tickets are still only \$1.00. Raffle will be drawn on 2 May 2009. We will happily post tickets to country members - Stamps, Money Orders & Cheques accepted.

Interest Group Meetings

Interest Group meetings scheduled for March are:

- 1st Scottish Group;
- 8th Computer Group;
- 15th Scandinavian;
- 29th German Research Group.

These meetings are open to all members. A gold coin donation is appreciated. Doors open 10.00am to 2.30pm, except for the Scandinavian Group, which commences 12.30pm.

Events

Last week GSQ participated in the "**Shake Your Family Tree**" Seminar at the National Archives at Cannon Hill. Thanks to Barbara, Josephine, Margaret and Russell for helping out on the day.

Dates to note in the future include:

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| Saturday 21 st March 2009 | GSQ Class "Getting on-line and making the most of your Internet searching" |
| Week 10 th to 17th May 2009 | Queensland Heritage Festival |
| Saturday 16 th May 2009 | GSQ Open Day at Fisher Street Library. |
| Saturday 29 th August 2009. | Annual Seminar to be held at Queen Alexandra House. |



*Mark these dates in
your diary so you don't
miss out*

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GSQ's opening hours are:

Monday - closed

Tuesday - 10am - 3pm

Wednesday - 10am - 3pm

Thursday - 10am - 3pm

Friday - 10am - 3pm

Saturday - 12 noon - 4pm

2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the
month - 6pm-9pm.

We're on the Web!

See us at:
www.gsq.org.au

Volunteer Update

We are currently preparing a booklet containing the names and duties of our many volunteers –close to 100 volunteers work for the Society at either GSQ East Brisbane or one of the Branches – Bayside, Beaudesert, North Brisbane, Redlands and Southern Suburbs. Many thanks to all of you as you go about your various duties! We encourage any member who can give some time to helping the Society to do so. We have now received several new funeral records that have to be indexed – a very big job, which will require many hands. Our regular indexing days are held on a Monday (fortnightly). If anyone is free to give some time to this project, please contact GSQ on gsq1@optusnet.com.au or 3891 5085. I have heard that there may be a possibility of some of this work being done from home!

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LDS Films currently on loan at GSQ - available to all! Individual GSQ members hire films from the LDS to help them in their research. These may be of interest to other members as well. If you are interested, you are also able to look at the films although we ask for a small donation to support the service. Please note that the person who ordered the film will have priority access.

- * Iron Action Bishop's Transcripts 1602 - 1812
- * Death Certs 1869 No. 1076-3050
- * Dissenting Church Registers
- * Kilbarchen Births
- * Parish Registers Ednkillie 1702 - 1854
- * Boizenburg Elbe Kirche Heiraten 1837 - 1872
- * Ev. Kirche Hagenow Tarfen 1835-58 and Kongfirmatiolen 1825 - 1867
- * Chetwyn and Related Families FH Data & Lineage Charts
- * St. Botolph without Aldgate - London
- * Genealogy Ireland, 3, 4 and 5
- * Index to Baptisms, Marriages and Burials - St Michael's Crooked Lane
- * Armachiana
- * Bishop's Transcripts for Binfield 1607-1835
- * Birth Baptism and Burials 1806 - 1857 Market Rasen and Middle Rasen
- * Bishop's Transcripts, St Mary Magalene, Woolwich, UK 1819-1826
- * Item 23 Hardwick, Cowley, Page Eli Hardwick Author (film 673291)
- * Births, Baptisms Burials etc Various Parishes - Hertfordshire
- * Elland, Yorkshire Parish Registers Baptisms 1714-1864
- * Elland, Yorkshire Parish Registers Burials 1714-1860, 1765-1812
- * Elland, Yorkshire Parish Registers Marriages 1715-1766
- * Halifax, Yorkshire - Register of Burials - Halifax Gen. Cemetery Lister Lane
- * Index of Irish Marriages 1938-47 (three films)

Classes at GSQ

Courses are available for people who want to begin their family history research, for those unsure about what to do next and for those who are ready to move into more detailed areas of research. Throughout 2009 GSQ will be offering a series of courses ranging from full-day introductory classes for those just starting out or wanting a refresher, to shorter courses on specific topics. Look out for the new schedule soon to be posted to our website at: <http://www.gsq.org.au/services/Classes.htm> Classes may be repeated at different times subject to demand. If there's a topic that we don't have covered just contact Pauline (pstirland@hotmail.com) and we'll see what we can do for you.

Deadline for copy

Copy for inclusion in the GSQ e-news should be sent by the 25th of each month to either:

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