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

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Hi everyone

I simply cannot believe it is February already. I had a great January watching the cricket and researching First World War Queensland nurses. I have over 300 nurses so am being kept very busy. However, I spent some time looking for nurses on the funeral directors' indexes on *MyGSQ* on the website. I was amazed at how many I found. Once I found the indexed name I went to GSQ to find the actual record. The records vary by company but sometimes include date and place of death, next of kin and if you are really lucky, cause of death. Also on *MyGSQ* are the Queensland Muster Roll, the index to unrelated certificates and also indexes to five generation pedigree charts and to family tree charts. More will be added to *MyGSQ* in future but what is there already is worth a look.

There is a lot happening at GSQ in February. Janice Wellard is presenting **Locating your ancestors in records from Victoria** for the Saturday morning session on 21 February with Helen Smith presenting **Gallipoli Health** on the evening of Wednesday 25 February. Both these presentations should be excellent. I hope to be at both.

Janice Wellard is also leading the *Introduction to Family History* on Sunday 22 February. This is the beginners' course which is held three times a year. Janice has taken on board the feedback that a whole day workshop is too much so she has revised the course. It will be a formal session from 9am to 12.30 and then participants can use what they have learnt in the morning and do research in the GSQ library in the afternoon, if they wish. So if you are new to family history this will be a great learning experience.

Apart from the usual interest groups in February, GSQ has organised a visit to the State Library of Queensland on Friday 13 February. If you are interested in attending please let us know so we can give numbers to Stephanie Ryan at the State Library. We will be meeting outside the State Library entrance at Southbank at 9am.

Finally the Queensland State Archives is commencing a series of webinars and they are wanting family history societies to participate. The first webinar is on *Maps for local and family history*. If you are interested in watching the webinar with company, GSQ will be showing the session at 10am on Thursday 26 February. Again this is a great time to try a webinar for the first time or if you already watch webinars come along and join us. We will have light refreshments on hand.

As you can see it will be very busy at GSQ in February so I hope you can join us for some of these events. As usual we will be open for members' research and you can also attend the Writing, English/Irish and Convict Connections interest groups through the month.

Happy researching

Marg Doherty, President president@gsq.org.au



BRANCH NEWS

From Your Management Committee

February already, where did January go? I hope you managed to find some time to do some of your family history over the holiday season. GSQ is well and truly open for business and members are flocking in to find some answers to their genealogy puzzles. On that note Monday Morning Natters (MMN) on Monday 2 February is on Brickwalls, so come along and see what we may be able to solve. MMN is from 10:00am – 12 midday.

Have you sampled GSQ's social media? GSQ has a Blog – **Tapping your roots@ GSQ**, Facebook page – **Genealogical Society of Queensland-GSQ**, and Twitter account - **@GSQPresident**. If you put any of these into a Google search you will come up with GSQ's social media. The GSQ Blog is posted each Monday, Facebook and Twitter is updated regularly with hints and tips about family history and kept up to date with what is happening in the genealogy and family history world. Let us know what you think of GSQ's social media presence.

The new GSQ website is almost ready to go online. It will be easier to navigate for members, so keep tuned we will let you know when the site is launched.

GSQ Open day will be held Saturday February 28 from 10am to 2pm

Don't forget you can contact the Management Committee by email at secretary@gsq.org.au with any suggestions you may have that can improve the way GSQ offers services to members. We hope to hear from you soon.

Take care

Helen Connor

Hon. Secretary

Redlands

The first meeting of the Redland Genealogical Society for 2015 will be held on Wednesday, 11 February, at the Donald Simpson Centre, Bloomfield Street, Cleveland, commencing at 12.15pm. In place of a Guest Speaker, time will be spent exploring various websites useful in Family History with members research, being encouraged to contribute and/or suggest sites to be examined. Visitors very welcome. \$2.00 admission with Lucky Door Prize.

Southern Suburbs

Southern Suburbs Branch's February meeting will be held on Monday 16 followed by our guest speakers, Tracey Olivieri and Chris Dawson, who will be speaking on 'Ipswich and South Brisbane Cemeteries'. The meeting commences at 7.30pm at the Upper Mt. Gravatt Scout Den, down Carson Lane which runs off Logan Road between the Upper Mt. Gravatt State School and the Progress Hall, Upper Mt. Gravatt. For further details contact Noele Alexander at southernsuburbs@optusnet.com.au or on Phone No. 3208 2518. Visitors are very welcome.



Monday Morning Natters

Bring along your brick walls and see if others can help you. Monday February 2 at 10am.

North Brisbane

The North Brisbane Branch of GSQ holds its meetings on the first Friday morning of each month (except January) at the Brisbane North Area Scouting Centre at 23 Sicklefield St Alderley. Doors open at 8.45 am.

North Brisbane Members are able to borrow from our extensive library of books, magazines, fiche and CDs for a small fee.

The next meeting of the Branch will be on Friday 6 February 2015 at 9.00am. Visitors are welcome.

Bayside

The Bayside Group will meet on Friday 13 March at the Roger's home at 9.30am. For further information phone Elma on 3893 1841

Beaudesert

Meetings are held at our rooms 15A William Street, Beaudesert, on 4th Wednesday of each month, commencing at 10.00am.

The library is open each Wednesday from 10.00am to 2.00pm.

No meeting in December.



Gabba Event Days

Remember that on Gabba event days parking around GSQ in non-signed areas is 15 minutes. Take a note of these days. Public transport is the best way to reach the GSQ. From the city, catch buses 184, 185, 210 or 212 and alight at the Rosslyn Street stop 11/15 and walk down Fisher Street. Check at http://translink.com.au/

21 February, 25 February, 1 March, 4 April, 18 April



EVENTS 3

Bookings are essential for all GSQ education sessions and courses.

You can book online at http://www.gsq.org.au/index.php/events Alternatively send a cheque to GSQ at PO Box 8423, Woolloongabba, Q 4102 or call in at Fisher Street. Email info@gsq.org.au or phone 3891 5085 for further information.

Saturday 21 February • 9.30am - 11.45am

Locating your ancestors in records from Victoria

- Janice Wellard

Experienced family historian Janice Wellard will provide information on where to look for your ancestors who settled or lived in the state of Victoria.

Cost: \$12 for GSQ members and \$17 for non-members

Venue: GSQ, 38 Fisher St, East Brisbane.

Bookings are essential.

Sunday 22 February • 9.00am - 12.30pm

Introduction to Family History - Janice Wellard

Janice's passion is family history research. She has over 30 years' experience using records from Australia, England, Scotland, Ireland, Canada and the United States to discover family history, and enjoys sharing family history with others. This class will be offered three times during 2015.

GSQ's flagship course—Introduction to Family History is a half day course that provides participants with the foundations for undertaking their own research into their family history. Topics to be covered include:

- Introduction to genealogy/ family history/GSQ;
- Census records;
- Immigration;
- Civil registration (births, marriages and deaths);
- Parish registers;
- Help and guidance.

Janice will focus on research in Australia, England, Ireland and Scotland but is able to provide guidance on research in other regions. The cost includes morning and afternoon teas. Participants need to bring their own lunch and a notebook and pencil as the library will remain open from 1:00pm – 3:00pm for you to do some of your own research with help from Janice.

Cost: \$35 for GSQ members and \$45 for non-members **Venue:** GSQ, 38 Fisher St, East Brisbane. **Bookings are essential.**

Wednesday 25 February • 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Gallipoli Health

- Helen Smith, President, Southern Suburbs

In this commemorative year of the ANZAC landing: What was life like for our soldiers at Gallipoli? How did they live? What happened when they were wounded? What medical care was available? What diseases were prevalent? Come explore life at Gallipoli

Cost: \$12 for GSQ members and \$17 for non-members

Venue: GSQ, 38 Fisher St, East Brisbane.

Bookings are essential.

Saturday 21 March • 9.30am - 11.45am

Using One Name and One Place Studies in your genealogical research

- Helen Smith, President, Southern Suburbs

Family historians are always looking for new resources and an under utilised resource is One Name and One Place studies. In these, people collect either all references to a Surname, or all references to a location. This means those people have a large collection of data available and they are keen to link with other interested people. Doing a One Name or One Place study entails collecting large amounts of data and there are a number of ways of organising this data using computer programs. The data can also be published in a variety of ways. Come join me and I'll show you the joys of a One Name and a One Place study.

Cost: \$12 for GSQ members and \$17 for non-members **Venue:** GSQ, 38 Fisher St, East Brisbane. **Bookings are essential.**

State Library of Qld Visit

Friday 13 February at 9.00am

Have you been to the State Library recently? Have you *ever* been to the State Library? If you answered no to either question then please come along to a visit arranged by GSQ and Stephanie Ryan to see the wonderful resources of your State Library. Stephanie plans to cover material such as: Recent newspapers including indexes, Letters received re Moreton Bay (primary source material for the period), Special indexes, Parliamentary papers, Cutting files, Photographs and other documents. If you are attending and have suggestions on particular things you want to address please let Marg know by email at presidentgsq@optusnet.com.au and you need to bring a USB and have a state library card or be willing to get a card on the day.

If you are attending please let GSQ know as have to give numbers to the State Library. On the day of the visit, Fri 13 February, please be at the State Library near the entrance by 9am. I hope to see you there.

State Archives Webinar

Thursday 26 February 10.00am - 11.00am

The QSA is commencing webinars with the first being on Thursday 26 February between 10-11am at the GSQ. The topic is **Maps for family and local historians**. GSQ will be showing the webinar at the request of the QSA so come along and enjoy the webinar at GSQ. A light morning tea will be served. Gold coin donation appreciated.



4 EVENTS

2015 Joan Reese Memorial Short Story Competition

The topic for 2015 is **Newspapers: a treasure trove of information about ancestors.** The prize of \$100 is to be redeemed for GSQ publications, membership or research, and maximum story length should be 2500 words.

Closing date for entries: 1 June 2015 (no entries will be accepted after this date).

The winner will be announced at the GSQ seminar in August 2015. We look forward to receiving your stories. Do read entries from previous years if you would like some inspiration.



Queensland State Conference 3-4 October 2015

Riverglenn, 70 Kate St, Indooroopilly, Brisbane.

Co-organised by History
Queensland Inc, Genealogical
Society of Queensland Inc,
Queensland Family History
Society Inc and The Royal
Historical Society of Queensland.

For local historians; for family historians.

Come to hear prominent speakers drawing connections between family and local history

Wheeler Project: Volunteers Wanted

The Wheeler Project would like some additional volunteers to research First World War Soldiers, mainly from central Queensland. The project has about 3000 soldiers but these are divided into spreadsheets of 100 names. We could even do smaller numbers if requested. Volunteers can research the soldiers at home using websites. If you can provide assistance please contact Marg Doherty by email at presidentgsq@optusnet.com.au



SAVE THE DATESaturday 18 April 2015

FORENSIC GENEALOGY



with Colleen Fitzpatrick in Brisbane

Forensic science *is fascinating*, Genealogy *is fun*, Forensic genealogy *is fascinating fun*

What is Forensic Genealogy? Forensic Genealogy emphasises the creative parts of a genealogical investigation over the mechanics of a search. Forensic scientists and genealogists share the same goal: to find out who was who, and who did what, and when. Forensic genealogy, however, includes the analysis of photographs, the mining of databases, and the analysis of DNA to reveal family history.

More details to follow; mark the date in your diary now.

Presented by:





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GSQ in your local BCC library - Booking Required

Date & time	Library	Presentation title
Saturday 28 Feb 10am -12noon	Sunnybank Hills - Ph 3407 0571	Using Newspapers for Family History



English/Irish Group

The first meeting of the English/Irish group for 2015 will be held on Sunday 1 February.

Following a suggestion from one group member, there will be a presentation on the topic "How to get into Irish research" at this meeting. Another member will also provide some practical assistance helping people to locate their relatives in Irish land records. You are encouraged to bring along your own laptop if you have a wireless dongle, so you can follow on your own computer. Also bring along details of where your ancestors lived in Ireland.

The doors of GSQ will open at 9.30am and members are encouraged to join us, share problems and solutions and pursue their own research interests. The library will remain open until 2.30pm on these first Sundays. See you there!

Military Interest Group

The next meeting of the Military Interest Group will be on Saturday 28 March commencing at 10am. At the meeting Les McFadzen will speak on Underage Service. There will also be a discussion on the Royal Navy. New members are welcome so if you are interested in military matters or are researching your military family come along and join us.

Scandinavian Group

At our last meeting, we welcomed Wendy Poulsen as our new Secretary of the Scandinavian Group (Hurra!). Jeanette has temporarily had that position for several years, since? Reid left Brisbane. Jeanette is our Treasurer, and can now concentrate more on that task.

Our next meeting is 15 March. Hope to see you all then.

Scottish Interest Group

The next meeting of the Scottish Interest Group will take place at 10.00am at GSQ, on 1 March 2015. The Group's Annual General Meeting, for the purpose of electing office bearers, will be followed by our normal meeting. If possible advise the Secretary or President in advance of any research problems you have as it will assist in setting the agenda. Visitors are welcome.

Writing Your Family History Group

The next meeting of the Writing Group is on Sunday 15 February. Doors open at 10am, with the meeting running from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Members are welcome to stay until 2.30pm. For more details, or to be placed on the mailing list, contact Convenor, Pauline Williams, on pstirland@hotmail.com

German Interest Group

25th Anniversary of the German Group Newsletter "Die Zeitung"

We are planning a luncheon to celebrate this milestone at The German Club Restaurant on Sunday the 29 March at 416 Vulture Street, East Brisbane. The Club opens from 11am-5pm, but the Restaurant is open from 12-2pm so we will need to be seated by 12md.

They have an A-La-Carte Menu plus Daily specials, so we will order as we wish. Spouses, Partners and friends all welcome. The menu is online for you to check, so that you know what is on offer and prices. Looking forward to seeing new as well as familiar faces.

I will need to confirm numbers by the 22nd. You can contact me on my dwandmmnicholson@gmail.com or home 3351 3793 or mobile 0438 901 672.

Legacy Family Tree Users' Group

Next meeting will be Sunday March 8 from 1pm to 2:30pm

Bring along your laptops so we can help you with your problems. Let's start the New Year with good resolutions to tidy up our family trees. What will yours be?

Don't forget to watch the webinars that Legacy provides. Checkout http://www.legacyfamilytree.com/webinars.asp#archives There are 58 planned for next year.

If you are having any family tree program problems before the next meeting please email GSQ and we will try to answer your questions.

Family Tree Maker Users' Group

The FTM User's Group meets at the GSQ Library on Sunday 8 March from 10.30am until midday. This networking group can help beginners and assist more experienced members overcome any FTM problems they may face. People with laptops should bring them along as power is available on the tables. It may be necessary to show the other members your particular problem(s) to make it easier for someone to advise a solution. We provide support for earlier FTM versions as well as the current 2014 Version. Those with the Mac version are also welcome. Advance notice of your problem(s) to the convenor on mcfadzen@bigpond.net.au will assist in setting the Agenda. Visitors, or those contemplating purchasing a family history programme, are welcome.

Convict Connections Group

Next meeting will be February 8. Have a happy New Year.



DATES TO REMEMBER

FEBRUARY 2015

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Monday 2 • 10.00am to 12.00md	Monday Morning Natters.
Friday 6 • 9.00am to 11.00am	North Brisbane Branch Meeting
Saturday 7 • 12.00pm to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
Sunday 8 • 9am for 10am to 3.00pm	Convict Connections
Wednesday 11 • 12.15pm to 3.00pm	Redlands Branch Meeting
Wednesday 11 • 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening
Friday 13 • 9.00am	State Library of Qld Visit - SLQ Cultural Precinct, Stanley Place, South Bank.
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Wednesday 25 · 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening
Wednesday 25 • 6.30pm to 8.30pm	Gallipoli Health - Helen Smith -GSQ - \$12 (M); \$17 (NM)
Thursday 26 • 10.00am to 11.00am	Webinar - Maps for family and local historians - GSQ - Gold Coin donation
Saturday 28 • 10.00am to 2.00pm	GSQ OPEN DAY
MARCH 2015	
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German Interest Group - The German Club Restaurant 416 Vulture St, East Brisbane **Saturday 29 •** 12.00md