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## GSQ e-NEWS

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#### Hi everyone

Welcome to August which is *National Family History Month* (NFHM) in Australia. GSQ is participating with a number of events during the month. We have Open Day on Saturday 2 August, please tell all your friends to come along so we can highlight the benefits of joining the Genealogical Society of Queensland. The Saturday session on the 16 August is when Judy Lofthouse will be talking about *GENUKI*, which is a free internet site with plenty of useful information on family history in the UK and Ireland. Come along, but don't forget to book. On the following Monday, Helen Smith is presenting *Housing for All*. This is about the great Australian dream of owning your own house, so this is a social history presentation worth attending.

As well as these presentations, also in NFHM, GSQ has the usual **Monday Morning**Natters on Monday 4 August with the topic of 'Using the Cloud' for data storage using

Evernote and Onenote. This is very topical. There are also the English/Irish Group, Convict

Connections, Writing Interest Group and the Military Group meetings this month. Details

are available for these events later in the eNews. As you can see, GSQ is supporting fully
the National Family History Month.

For further events go to www.familyhistorymonth.org.au Before moving off the topic of NFHM, congratulations to Shauna Hicks who has organised a great program as NFHM Coordinator.

As I am writing this for the eNews, Geoff and I are in Scotland and heading off to the latest Unlock the Past cruise around the UK, to complete our first visit to the UK and Ireland before heading home on 1 August. Over the last two weeks, I have visited the Highland Archives in Inverness and the Tay Valley Family History Society in Dundee. The Chair of the Tay Valley Society came and spoke to me when she heard I was President of GSQ. As in North America, societies in the UK are experiencing issues similar to those of their Australian counterparts. One difference with the Scottish societies is that they don't all have libraries for members to undertake research. I thought this was interesting as most Australian societies have libraries/resource centres.

Happy researching and Happy National Family History Month. I hope to see you at GSQ during August.

### Marg Doherty, President

president@gsq.org.au



From Your Management **Committee** 

It's hard to believe that it is August already, time

for the Brisbane EKKA and the usual cold westerly

winds. An ideal time to come into GSQ and do

some research in the warmth. Our Annual General

Meeting is being held on Saturday 27 September

at Fisher Street and all members are welcome.

Official notice of the AGM will be in the next edition

of Generation along with nomination and proxy

forms. The Management Committee meets at GSQ

on the second Saturday of the month from 9:00am

and I am more than happy to have a chat to anyone

who may be interested in joining the committee in

September. Becoming a part of the Management

Committee means that you have the opportunity to

Please give some thought about becoming more

involved in GSQ; there are a wide range of activities

and possible new projects that we need help with,

and it doesn't need to be a large amount of time. Perhaps you have recently retired, changed your

circumstances and are able to devote more time to

family history, and volunteering at GSQ is a great

A new index has been loaded onto MyGSQ. The

index to Family Tree Charts was compiled some time

ago by Jennifer Chandler and Sondra Stafford from those charts deposited at GSQ for safe-keeping.

Family Tree Charts are available for members as a

searchable PDF on MyGSQ and to access at Fisher

Your Management Committee remains committed

be a part of steering GSQ forward to the future.

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## **Branch News**

## **Redlands**

The August meeting of the Redland Genealogical Society will be held at the Donald Simpson Centre, Bloomfield Street, Cleveland on Wednesday 13 August at 12.15pm. Guest Speaker will be Helen Smith, President, Southern Suburbs Branch, with the very interesting topic of the British Newspaper Archive. Visitors very welcome to attend. \$2.00 admission.

As part of Seniors Week celebrations in the Redlands area the Society has organised a display at the Victoria Point Shopping Centre between 18 and 22 August to promote the Society and genealogy in general.

## **Southern Suburbs**

Southern Suburb Branch's AGM will be held on Monday 18 August followed by the general meeting then our guest speaker Helen Smith whose topic will be "Researching a health history". The meeting commences at 7.30pm at the Upper Mt. Gravatt Scout Den, down Carson Lane which runs between the Upper Mt. Gravatt State School and the Progress Hall, Logan Road, Upper Mt. Gravatt. For further information please email southernsuburbs@otusnet.com.au or

contact Noele Alexander on 3208 2518. Visitors are always very welcome.

## GSQ in your local BCC library

Please make bookings on 3403 8888

Wynnum **Exploring Irish Ancestry** Monday 4 August 1:30pm-3:30pm

Bracken Ridge Finding Grandma Thursday 14 August 1-3pm

Exploring Ancestry.com Corinda Tuesday 19 August 1-3pm

Sandgate You've collected all the information about your family history but don't know how to write it down. Wednesday 20 August 10:30am -12:30pm

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

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 the 1 August at 9.00 am and it will be the Branch AGM. At the next meeting on Friday the 5 September, the Guest Speaker will be Shauna Hicks who will be talking on Ancestors in Church Records.

Visitors are welcome.

## **Bayside**

The Annual General Meeting of the Bayside Group will be held on Friday 8 August at 9.30 am in the library at the Leisure Centre Tingal Road Wynnum.

### **Beaudesert**

Meetings are held at our rooms 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 Gabba event days. Public transport is the way to go these days. From the city catch buses 184,185,210 or 212 and alight at the Rosslyn St stop 11/15 and walk down Fisher Street. Check out http://translink.com.au/

Sun August 10, Sun Aug 24

to ensuring more of GSQ's resources can be accessed online where possible. I may be contacted at secretary@gsq.org.au or on 0417 782 554 should you wish to discuss any possible opportunities for you at GSQ.

Take care

Helen Connor, Hon. Secretary

way to learn new skills.

Street during library hours.

## **Monday Morning Natters**

Next meeting is Monday 4 August. Meeting starts at 10:00am. The topic will be 'Using the Cloud' for data storage using Evernote and Onenote.

Come and enjoy morning tea in an informal meeting and meet other members of the Society.



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## **Net Nibbles**

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#### 1. From Chris Paton at BritishGENES (Genealogy News and Events) http:// britishgenes.blogspot.com

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http://britishgenes.blogspot.com.au/2014/07/limericks-life-website.html

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#### 2. From Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter

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#### 3. From Jill Ball http://geniaus.blogspot.com.au

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#### 5. Family search https://familysearch.org/

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#### 6. Other Interesting blogs

http://worldwidegenealogy.blogspot.com.au/2014/07/killing-them-off-it-can-help-knock-down.html http://worldwidegenealogy.blogspot.com.au/2014/07/genealogy-csi-style-facial-recognition.html http://www.michiganfamilytrails.com/2014/07/photo-duplication-requests-on-family.html http://anglo-celtic-connections.blogspot.com.au/2014/07/survey-results-top-10-family-history.html

#### 7. Who Do You Think You Are magazine.

http://www.whodoyouthinkyouaremagazine.com/

#### 8. Findmypast http://www.findmypast.co.uk/

http://100in100.findmypast.co.uk/ Staffordshire Parish records http://blog.findmypast.co.uk/2014/an-introduction-to-findmypasts-search-tools/





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## **Net Nibbles Continued**

#### 9. Ancestry.com.au

 $http://blogs.ancestry.com/ancestry/2014/01/14/ask-ancestry-anne-my-ancestors-changed-their-names-what-now/?sf3611828=1&o\_xid=57458&o\_lid=57458&o\_sch=Social$ 

#### 10. Durham on line http://www.durhamrecordsonline.com

http://durhamrecordsonline.com/updates/2014/06/stranton-all-saints-baptisms-1901-1957/

#### 11. Site from Pauline Williams

http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/#gsc.tab=0 Ireland Genealogy Projects

#### Special note from our wandering president

If purchasing Irish records Irish banks apply extra charges to debit cards. Credit cards do not attract the extra charge.

#### **Events**

#### 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 16 August • 9.30am - 11.45am**

#### GENUKI- a gold mine of information about UK and Ireland records - Judy Lofthouse

Come and explore this website and see how it can give you an insight into genealogy in the UK and Ireland.

Cost: \$10 for GSQ members and \$15 for non-members Venue: GSQ, 38 Fisher St, East Brisbane Bookings are essential.

#### Monday 18 August • 10.00am - 12.00md

#### **Housing for All - Helen Smith**

The Great Australian dream of owning your home had a boost in Queensland with some early legislation including the Workers Dwelling Act of 1909 which enabled a number of our Queensland ancestors to buy their own homes.

Cost: \$10 for GSQ members and \$15 for non-members Venue: GSQ, 38 Fisher St, East Brisbane Bookings are essential.

#### Saturday 20 September • 10.00am - 12.00md

#### Finding your way around NSW records - Janice Wellard

With European settlement in Australia founded by convicts in 1788, the government commenced keeping detailed records. These early NSW records provide fascinating information about the lives of the people of the time. Janice will provide family historians with tips to make the most of the records available.

Cost: \$10 for GSQ members and \$15 for non-members Venue: GSQ, 38 Fisher St, East Brisbane Bookings are essential.

### **Qld State Archives**

#### Find your First World War soldier

• 4 November 2014 2 pm - 4 pm

A workshop to help you locate records on the life of your First World War soldier. Bring your wireless device – laptop or tablet – to join in research exercises presented during the workshop. Bookings essential as sessions hold a maximum of 15 attendees.

Entry is free. To book, please call 07 3131 7777 or email info@archives.qld.gov.au

## Helping to discover your family history

We have a large family history library
....come and see what resources are available to research your family tree!

Saturday 2 August 10:00am - 4:00pm, 38 Fisher St, East Brisbane

Free tours of the Library and Resource Centre every half-hour

Enjoy a cuppa and chat to our knowledgeable volunteers

Discover something new about your family

Displays by GSQ Interest Groups

Phone: 07 3891 5085 | Email: gsq1@optusnet.com.au | Web: www.gsq.org.au



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# **Interest Groups**



## **English/Irish Group**

The English/Irish group meets again on the first Sunday in August. GSQ will be open from 9.30am until 2.30pm that day with the meeting starting at 10.30.

At this meeting we will look at records available for the counties of Essex in England and Cardiganshire in Wales. We will also have a brief look at the records available through The National Archives in the UK. At the present time GSQ members are able to download these records (including wills) for free.

Please join us on Sunday 3 August if you are interested in English, Welsh or Irish research.

## **Scandinavian Group**

Next Scandinavian Group meeting at GSQ on Sunday 21 September at 12:30. Odd Steinar may be a speaker at this meeting.

## Writing Your Family History Group

The next Writing Group meeting is scheduled for Sunday 17 August. Tiggy Johnson's presentation *You have a first draft: now what?* will take us through the processes of revising and editing our written work. Doors open at 10am; we have a short business meeting at 10.30am with Tiggy's presentation at 11am. The meeting ends at 12.30pm, but members are welcome to stay and chat, or do research until 2.30pm. Contact Convenor, Pauline Williams, on pstirland@hotmail.com for more information.

## **Scottish Interest Group**

Our next meeting will be at 10.00 am on Sunday 7 September at the GSQ Library. Members and visitors are welcome. Our networking group will assist each other with our research problems. We will discuss our latest acquisitions, some little used websites, as well as the latest sources available.

### **German Interest Group**

The German Interest Group will meet on Sunday 28 September from 10am to 2.30pm.

## **Military Interest Group**

The next meeting is on Saturday 23 August commencing at 10am at the Library. The Military Group is developing a *Military Interest Register* on what members are researching and a Book/Source Register. The latter will be discussed at the meeting. There will also be a presentation from a member. Members and visitors are welcome to come along and share their passion and/or interest in military matters.

## **Convict Connections Group**

The next Convict & Colonial Connections meeting is on 10 August. Helen will be presenting a talk on the *1828 census on CD* and comparing it with the old hard copy on the shelf. The doors open at 9am and we have a short meeting at 11am followed by the talk and general discussion. Those with colonial ancestors who were not convicts, may find Helen's talk to be of interest.

## **Family Tree Maker Users' Group**

The FTM Users Group meets at the GSQ Library on Sunday 14 September 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 so the participants can help solve your particular problem(s). We provide support for earlier FTM versions as well as the current 2014 Version. Those with the Mac version are also welcome. Advance notice to the convenor on mcfadzen@bigpond.net.au of your problem(s) will assist in setting the Agenda.

## **Legacy Family Tree Users' Group**

Next meeting will be Sunday Sep 14. This Group will be from 1pm to 2:30pm. Don't forget to watch the webinars that Legacy provides. Checkout

http://www.legacyfamilytree.com/webinars.asp#archives
If you are having any family tree program problems before then
please email GSQ and we will try to answer your questions.

All Interest Groups meet at GSQ, 38 Fisher St, East Brisbane unless otherswise stated



## **AUGUST** Dates to Remember

Friday 1 • 9.00am to 11.00am	North Brisbane Branch Meeting AGM	
Saturday 2 • 10am to 4.00pm	GSQ OPEN DAY	
<b>Sunday 3 •</b> 10.30am to 2.30pm	English/Irish Group	
<b>Monday 4 •</b> 10.00am to12.00md	Monday Morning Natters. GSQ - Gold Coin Donation	
<b>Friday 8 •</b> 9.30am to 11.45am	Bayside Branch Meeting	
Saturday 9 · 12md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open	
<b>Sunday 10 ·</b> 9am for 10am to 3.00pm	Convict Connections	
<b>Wednesday 13 •</b> 12.15pm to 3.00pm	Redlands Branch Meeting	
<b>Saturday 16 •</b> 9.30am to 11.45am	GENUKI a gold mine of information about UK & Ireland records with Judy Lofthouse - GSQ - \$10 (M); \$15 (NM)	
Saturday 16 · 12md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open	
<b>Sunday 17 ·</b> 10.00am to 2.30pm	Writing Group	
<b>Monday 18 ·</b> 10.00am to 12.00md	Housing for All with Helen Smith - GSQ - \$10 (M); \$15 (NM)	
<b>Monday 18 ·</b> 7.30pm to 9.30pm	Southern Suburbs Branch Meeting and Annual General Meeting	
<b>Saturday 23 •</b> 10.00am to 2.00pm	Military Interest Group	
Saturday 23 · 12md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open	
<b>Wednesday 27 •</b> 10.00am to 2.00pm	Beaudesert Branch Meeting	
Wednesday 27 • 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening	
Saturday 30 • 12md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open	

<b>SEPTEMBER</b> Dates	to Remember
<b>Monday 1</b> • 10.00am to 12.00md	Monday Morning Natters. GSQ - Gold Coin Donation
Friday 5 • 9.00am to 11.00am	North Brisbane Branch Meeting
<b>Saturday 6 •</b> 12.00md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 7 ·</b> 10.00am to 2.30pm	Scottish Group
<b>Wednesday 10</b> • 12.15pm to 3.00pm	Redlands Branch Meeting
Wednesday 10 · 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening
<b>Friday 12 ·</b> 9.30am to 11.45am	Bayside Branch Meeting
<b>Saturday 13 ·</b> 12.00md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 14 ·</b> 10.30am to 12.00md	Family Tree Maker Users' Group
<b>Sunday 14 ·</b> 1.00pm to 2.30pm	Legacy Family Tree Maker Users' Group
<b>Monday 15 ·</b> 7.30pm to 9.30pm	Southern Suburbs Branch Meeting
<b>Saturday 20</b> • 10.00am to 12.00md	Finding your way around NSW records with Janice Welland - GSQ - \$10 (M); \$15 (NM)
<b>Saturday 20 ·</b> 12.00md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 21</b> • 12.30pm to 2.30pm	Scandinavian Group
<b>Wednesday 22 •</b> 10.00am to 2.00pm	Beaudesert Branch Meeting
Wednesday 24 · 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening
<b>Saturday 27 ·</b> 12.00md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 28 ·</b> 10.00am to 12.00md	AGM
<b>Sunday 28 ·</b> 10.00am to 2.30pm	German Interest Group