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## OPEN

Monday • Closed  
Tuesday • 10am - 3pm  
Wednesday • 10am - 3pm  
Thursday • 10am - 3pm  
Friday • 10am - 3pm  
Saturday • 12noon - 4pm  
2nd & 4th Wednesdays of  
the month • 6pm-9pm.

Hi everyone

I know that Christmas is just around the corner and the Christmas decorations are appearing. If you are starting to do your Christmas shopping please think about a family history gift from GSQ. We have gift vouchers and a new stock of books including some from Australian genealogist Graham Jaunay, Chris Paton and the Genealogy Guy's (Drew Smith and George G Morgan) *Advanced Genealogy Research Techniques*. Just remember to let Santa know what you are wishing for.

GSQ officially closes for the Christmas/New Year break on Saturday 20 December and reopens on Tuesday 13 January. However as GSQ has done over the last seven or so years, volunteers will open on special days. These are Tuesday 23 December and then Saturday 3 January, Wednesday 7 January and Saturday 10 January. Special thanks to Pauline Williams and Janice Wellard for opening on these days.

Before the year ends, GSQ has one more education event on Saturday 20 December when Lyndall Magg will present *Did they swim? Non-government immigration schemes*. Hope you can come along and hear about the immigration options.

For 2015, the Management Committee has decided to increase the price of the short education sessions. These will be \$12 for members and \$17 for non-members. There has been no increase in this price since the sessions started about seven years ago, so it was necessary. There will also be a new way to book for the sessions using Eventbrite. Details are included in the January Enews.

I think I have covered the news for the moment. I hope you and your family have a happy and safe Christmas and a great 2015.

Happy researching

**Marg Doherty, President**  
president@gsq.org.au



## Wanted: AFFHO Webmaster

The Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations (AFFHO) is looking for someone to manage the association's website. If you are interested in finding out more about this role, please contact me at [secretary@affho.org](mailto:secretary@affho.org). I hope someone is interested in assisting the association.

**Marg Doherty**  
**Secretary, AFFHO**

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## From Your Management Committee

Christmas is coming. The year seems to have flown, GSQ has been busy as usual and I am sure people are looking forward to the Christmas break. I know I am.

The project to digitise the General Index Cards is continuing with committed volunteers. The cards are scanned at GSQ, then the images renamed and entered into a table. There is a need for volunteers to check the renamed files for typographical errors, this may be done at GSQ or at home. Please contact me on [secretray@gsq.org.au](mailto:secretray@gsq.org.au) if you are able to help. Remember many hands make light work.

The Technical Advisory Group (TAG) is well underway with the redevelopment of the GSQ website. This will be available early in the New Year. As Marg said in the From the President piece there will be a new way to register for classes. GSQ will be using Eventbrite on the new website and details will be in the January eNews. Eventbrite will make it simpler to register and easier for GSQ to see who is registered for any particular course or event.

That's all for this year. May I wish you and your family a happy & peaceful Christmas and success in the New Year with your family history.

Take care  
Helen Connor, Hon. Secretary

## Monday Morning Natters

Next chat will be 10am Monday December 1 at 38 Fisher St East Brisbane. Christmas Theme. Bring something to share for morning tea.

## Special Opening Days over Christmas/New Year Period

The GSQ is officially closed from Saturday 20 December to Tuesday 6 January 2015, but will be opened Tuesday 23 December 2014, Saturday 3 January, Wednesday 7 January and Saturday 10 January 2015



## Redlands

The December meeting of the Redland Genealogical Society will be preceded by a Christmas Lunch at the Donald Simpson Centre, Bloomfield Street, Cleveland commencing at 12.15pm on Wednesday, 10 December. No Guest Speaker has been engaged for this meeting. \$2.00 entry with Lucky Door Prizes. Homebaked Christmas Cake Raffle.

Our Library will be unattended from 6 December 2014 until 6 January 2015. Keys to the facility will be available for members from the Cleveland Library's Help Desk at any time the Cleveland Library is open.

## Southern Suburbs

Southern Suburbs Branch's first general meeting in 2015 will be held on Monday January 19 followed by our guest speaker Helen Smith who will be speaking on 'Digitising and organising your Family 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@optusnet.com.au](mailto:southernsuburbs@optusnet.com.au) or contact Noele Alexander on Phone No. 3208 2518. Visitors are always very welcome.

## 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/>

## 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 5 December at 9.00am and it will be the Branch's Christmas breakup. Meetings will resume on Friday 6th February 2015.

Merry Christmas to everybody.

## Bayside

The breakup for Christmas will be held at the home of Pia Crook for a Christmas luncheon on December 12 at 12 noon. All members welcome

## Beaudesert

There is no meeting in December.

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.

## GSQ in your local BCC library

Please make bookings on 3403 8888  
**New Farm** Convict ancestry  
Saturday, 17 Jan 2015 11am-1pm



## 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



## 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](mailto:info@gsq.org.au) or phone 3891 5085 for further information.

### Saturday 20 December • 9.30am - 11.45am

#### Did They Swim: *Non-Government Immigration Schemes* - Lyndall Maag

Did they really swim? We often think so if we cannot find mention of our ancestors in records of government immigration programs. Lyndall takes a look at the records for immigration programs run by non-government organisations and to assist with breaking down brickwalls!

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

### Date Claimer – The 1st education event at GSQ for 2015.

17 January • “Give me land, lots of land...” Navigating Queensland land records  
– Geoff Doherty, historian

# SAVE THE DATE Saturday 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.**

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## Net Nibbles



Click on the links in this document to go straight to the article.

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

<http://britishgenes.blogspot.com.au/2014/11/caernarfonshire-and-york-parish.html>  
<http://britishgenes.blogspot.com.au/2014/11/new-south-wales-quarter-sessions-court.html>  
<http://britishgenes.blogspot.com.au/2014/11/new-publications-from-aberdeenshire-ne.html>  
<http://britishgenes.blogspot.com.au/2014/11/guide-to-irish-titles-added-to-british.html>  
<http://britishgenes.blogspot.com.au/2014/11/devon-records-and-dublin-directories-on.html>



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

The following articles are from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter and are copyright by Richard W. Eastman. They are re-published here with the permission of the author. Information about the newsletter is available at <http://www.eogn.com>

<http://blog.eogn.com/2014/11/20/st-johns-cemetery-albany-ny-interments-1841-1887-now-online/>  
<http://blog.eogn.com/2014/11/20/irish-artifacts-infographic-summary/>  
<http://privacyblog.com/2014/11/21/facecrooks-finds-the-crooks-on-facebook/>

**3. James Tanner <http://genealogysstar.blogspot.com.au>**

<http://rejoiceandbeexceedingglad.blogspot.com.au/2014/11/search-strategies-in-familysearch.html>

**4. Family search <https://familysearch.org/>**

<https://familysearch.org/blog/en/120-years-pioneering-genealogy/>  
<https://familysearch.org/blog/en/restoring-damaged-photographspart-1/>  
<https://familysearch.org/blog/en/restoring-damaged-photographspart-2/>  
<https://familysearch.org/blog/en/scanning-film-negativespart-3/>

**5. My Heritage**

<http://blog.myheritage.com/2014/11/myheritage-announces-to-dutch-partnerships-and-more/>

**6. Find My Past**

<http://blog.findmypast.co.uk/fridays/>  
Note that transcripts of Scottish Births death marriages now on Findmypast.

**7. From Jill Ball <http://geniaus.blogspot.com.au>**

<http://localhistorynews.blogspot.co.uk/2014/11/newcastle-nsw-christ-church-cathedral.html?m=1>  
<http://www.muswellbrookchronicle.com.au/story/2694896/st-albans-anglican-church-to-mark-150-years/>

**8. Durham on line <http://www.durhamrecordsonline.com/>**

Benfieldside (Consett/Blackhill) Cemetery 1920-1981  
West Hartlepool St. James baptisms 1923-1952, marriages 1906-1956  
Seaham & Murton marriages updated with details  
Wingate Grange 1851-1862 baptisms updated with occupations & abodes

**9. Other Interesting blogs**

<http://travelgenee.com/reading-magazines-on-the-ipad/>  
<http://travelgenee.com/nzbdm-ancestry/>  
[http://www.theroot.com/articles/history/2014/11/cousin\\_relatedness\\_how\\_much\\_dna\\_do\\_they\\_actually\\_share.html](http://www.theroot.com/articles/history/2014/11/cousin_relatedness_how_much_dna_do_they_actually_share.html)  
<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/finding-your-roots/blog/dna-confirms-paper-trail/>



## Net Nibbles Continued

### 10. On a lighter note

[http://geneapalooza.blogspot.com.au/2014/11/blog-post\\_21.html](http://geneapalooza.blogspot.com.au/2014/11/blog-post_21.html)

### 11. Irish Family History Foundation

More Co. Waterford records available

<http://waterford.rootsireland.ie/generic.php?filename=sources.tpl&selectedMenu=sources>

### 12. Queensland Births, Deaths & Marriages

New certificate for grieving parents

<https://www.qld.gov.au/law/births-deaths-marriages-and-divorces/birth-death-and-marriage-certificates/fill-in-an-early-pregnancy-loss-recognition-certificate-application-form/>

### 13. Brisbane City Council

Bookings necessary for all

Lady Teviot is an international speaker on genealogy, has been involved in family history research for 43 years and was president of the UK Federation of Family History Societies for 10 years. Also an international lecturer, Lady Teviot has been featured on BBC's *Heir Hunters* and operates a professional genealogical research company, Census Searches Ltd.

This is a unique opportunity for family historians to hear from a renowned expert on English genealogy. Each talk is followed by a Q&A session.

Date & time	Library	Presentation title
Wednesday 3 December 2-3pm	Sunnybank Hills Library Ph 34070571	Wills and Administrations
Thursday 4 December 10-11am	Kenmore Library Ph 34070258	Census Returns
Friday Dec 5 10-11am	Carindale Library Ph 34071490	Shipping and Migration

## Interest Groups



### English/Irish Group

The English/Irish group will meet again on the first Sunday in December. The doors of GSQ will open at 9.30 a.m. and the library will be available for research until 2.30 p.m. The formal part of the day commences at 10.30 a.m. and on 7 December we will have presentations on the county of Lancashire (in England) and on "*Debtor's Prisons*" by two group members.

All members of GSQ are welcome to join us (for a gold coin donation) when we learn more about family history research in England, Ireland and Wales. See you at GSQ on 7 December, our last meeting for 2014. Bring along your lunch and enjoy some interesting conversations.

### Writing Your Family History Group

The Writing Group next meets in February 2015. Program details and dates will be published in eNews. More details from convenor, Pauline Williams on [pstirland@hotmail.com](mailto:pstirland@hotmail.com)

### Scandinavian Group

Merry Christmas to all. No guest speaker for our January meeting on January 18.

### Military Interest Group

The Military Interest Group had its last meeting for 2014 with Louise Coman presenting on General Monash. The first meeting for 2015 is on Saturday 24 January commencing at 10am at the Resource Centre, 38 Fisher St, East Brisbane. More details will be available in the January eNEWS.



## Interest Groups



### Scottish Interest Group

The next meeting of the Scottish Interest Group will be the Hogmanay meeting and will take place at 10.00 at GSQ, on 4 Jan 2015. Members attending should bring a 'plate' appropriate for a Hogmanay gathering. 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.

### Legacy Family Tree Users' Group

Next meeting will be Sunday January 11, 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.

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.

### Family Tree Maker Users' Group

The FTM User's Group meets at the GSQ Library on Sunday 11 January 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](mailto:mcfadzen@bigpond.net.au) of your problem(s) will assist in setting the Agenda. Visitors, or those contemplating purchasing a family history programme, are welcome.

### German Interest Group

We have come to the last of our meetings for the year. I thank all who have helped to keep the German Group up and running this year. I feel much has been accomplished to add to our library and the restart of having Guest Speakers. The information gathered by our Newsletter Editor Lesley has given many helpful hints for researchers.

Our meetings start again on January 25, 2015. I realise this is a long weekend, but maybe some that could not otherwise take the time may hopefully take this day to give yourselves valuable research time you would not otherwise have.

Happy Christmas and a successful research New Year.

Froche Weihnachten und ein erfolgreiches Forschung neues Jahr.

### Convict Connections Group

Everyone is invited to our final meeting for the year on Sunday, 14 December 2014. There will be nothing formal but rather a gathering to celebrate the festive season.

The theme for this year's event is 'Bushrangers'. Val will have worked her magic again and we should go home knowing more about our bushrangers and their exploits. Please bring a small plate of food to share and join us for lunch at Noon. Even if you are unable to stay for lunch please call in and enjoy a 'coffee'.

The doors will be open as usual from 9:00am to 3:00pm, so there will be time to do some research, if necessary.

Christmas Greetings and Best wishes to all for a happy, healthy and successful (with research of course) 2015.

Val, Lyn & Carlene



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## DECEMBER Dates to Remember

<b>Monday 1</b> • 10.00am to 12.00md	Monday Morning Natters. GSQ - Gold Coin Donation
<b>Friday 5</b> • 9.00am to 11.00am	North Brisbane Branch Meeting
<b>Saturday 6</b> • 10.00am to 12.00md	New Members Meeting
<b>Saturday 6</b> • 12.00md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 7</b> • 10.30am to 2.30pm	English/Irish Group
<b>Wednesday 10</b> • 12.15pm to 3.00pm	Redlands Branch Meeting
<b>Wednesday 10</b> • 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening
<b>Friday 12</b> • 12.00md	Bayside Christmas Breakup Luncheon
<b>Saturday 13</b> • 12.00md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 14</b> • 9am for 10am to 3.00pm	Convict Connections
<b>Saturday 20</b> • 9.30am to 11.45am	<i>Did They Swim: Non Government Immigration Schemes</i> with Lyndall Maag - GSQ - \$10 (M); \$15 (NM)
<b>Saturday 20</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>Tuesday 23</b> • 10am to 3.00pm	GSQ Open

## JANUARY Dates to Remember

<b>Saturday 3</b> • 12.00md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 4</b> • 10.00am to 2.30pm	Scottish Group
<b>Wednesday 7</b> • 10am to 3.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Saturday 10</b> • 12.00pm to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 11</b> • 10.30am to 12.00md	Family Tree Maker Users' Group
<b>Sunday 11</b> • 1.00pm to 2.30pm	Legacy Family Tree Maker Users' Group
<b>Tuesday 13</b> • 10am to 3.00pm	GSQ normal opening hours
<b>Wednesday 14</b> • 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening
<b>Saturday 17</b> • 9.30am to 11.30am	<i>"Give me land, lots of land" Navigating Qld Land Records</i> with Geoff Doherty - GSQ - \$12 (M); \$17 (NM)
<b>Saturday 17</b> • 12.00md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 18</b> • 12:30 to 2:30pm	Scandinavian Group
<b>Monday 19</b> • 7.30pm to 9.30pm	Southern Suburbs Branch Meeting
<b>Saturday 24</b> • 10.00am to 12.00md	Military Interest Group
<b>Saturday 24</b> • 12.00md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 25</b> • 10.00am to 2.30pm	German Interest Group
<b>Wednesday 28</b> • 10.00am to 2.00pm	Beaudesert Branch Meeting
<b>Wednesday 28</b> • 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening
<b>Saturday 31</b> • 12.00md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open

