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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.

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Hi everyone

Happy New Year to all our members and I hope you had a happy and healthy festive season.

GSQ will officially re-open on Tuesday 7 January. However, volunteers will open the library on Friday 3 from 10am to 3pm and Saturday 4 January from midday to 4pm. If you are on holiday you can take advantage of the special openings to do some research.

Congratulations to past President of Redlands Branch, Les McFadzen who was made a Life Member of Redlands late last year. Les was president for twelve years before stepping down at the last Redland's AGM. Les has also been President of GSQ so he is a very worthy recipient of the award. Well done Les!

The Justice Department is commencing a review of the Births, Death and Marriage Registration Act 2003. GSQ will be making a submission to the review at <https://www.getinvolved.qld.gov.au/gi/consultation/1522/view.html> but you may want to consider using this process to provide feedback yourself on the Act in the new year. The problem for family historians is that the Registrar General has to find a point where identity and privacy are secured while still meeting the wish list for family historians. We can at least try to influence, but I believe privacy will be the over arching consideration.

The Society commences its education program for 2014 on Saturday 18 January with Helen Smith's presentation on *Understanding the Context: Why Social History is Important to Genealogical Research*. This topic will have something for the newest to the most experienced family historian, so I hope to see you at the library. If you are very new, you might like to book for the Introduction to Family History course in February. Management Committee member and family history expert, Janice Wellard, will lead this course in 2014. Our previous presenter, Pauline Williams will concentrate on her library commitments in the future so Janice is taking over. Pauline will continue to open the library on Wednesdays which is great and we thank her for her many years of running the beginners' course.

Unlock the Past is holding a seminar on 1 February at the Bronco's Club House at Red Hill. GSQ will have a stand there. There are some great presenters including Chris Paton and Thomas MacEntee who will present in Brisbane, before the next Unlock the Past cruise later that week. Come along and say hi to those on the GSQ stand. Bookings can be made at <http://www.unlockthepast.com.au/events/chris-paton-and-thomas-macentee-downunder>.

I think that is all for the start of the year,

Happy researching

**Marg Doherty, President**

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## From Your Management Committee

The Management Committee approved a new special interest group in December. The new First World War/Military interest group will commence on Sunday 23 March and a number of experienced members will provide their assistance. With the centenary of the commencement of the First World War in 2014, this group will offer assistance to members who are researching in this area.

The Technology Advisory Group (TAG) has tested the remote use of the ScanPro film reader to allow members to view microfilms from home. There is some more work to be undertaken before we start offering the service but hopefully that will be soon. We hope this will be useful to our members outside Brisbane.

GSQ has organised to have a visit to the Queensland State Archives on 4 March. There will be a presentation by QSA and then members will be able to undertake their own research at the Archives. We will organise to car pool from Fisher Street so if you have never been to the QSA this will be a wonderful opportunity. The only cost will be a gold coin donation by those wanting a lift and this will go toward the drivers' petrol costs. More information will be provided in the February eNews. If you are interested please leave your name at GSQ.

## Monday Morning Natters

**3 February - 10am-12noon**

We are having a holiday in January. Next meeting is Monday February 3, 10am to 12 noon. Topic for discussion: TROVE – What's on this site and how to use this resource effectively. Come along for a chat and a cuppa.

## The Inside History Magazine



# Branch News

## Redlands

Redland Genealogical Society's next meeting will be at The Donald Simpson Centre at 12.15pm on Wednesday 12 Feb 2014.

Guest speaker is Marianne Ross. Her topic is on Redland City Cemeteries.

Visitors are welcome. \$2.00 entry applies. Society members are on duty in Cleveland Library on Tues & Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm also Saturday 12.30pm-3.30pm.

Further information available from Helen Viewers 3206 3760.

## Southern Suburbs

Southern Suburbs Branch's January meeting will be held on Monday 20 followed by our guest speaker, Greg Cope from National Archives, who will be speaking on 'British Child Migration'. 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 information please email southernsuburbs@optusnet.com.au or contact Noele Alexander on 3208 2518.

Visitors are very welcome.

## 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 7 February 2014 at 9.00am and the Guest Speaker on the morning will be Dr Jennifer Harrison.

Visitors are welcome.

## Bayside

The first meeting for the Bayside Branch of GSQ will be held on February 14 at 9.30am in the library of the Leisure Centre, Tingal Road, Wynnum. All welcome.

## 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.



is available for purchase at GSQ!



## Net Nibbles

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

#### Forthcoming ScotlandsPeople BMD update

News on the forthcoming BMD update from ScotlandsPeople ([www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk](http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk)), due January 1st 2014:

#### Release of the New Year's images on ScotlandsPeople – birth images for 1913, marriage images for 1938 and death images for 1963

The arrival of 2014 also means that the New Year's images will be made available on the ScotlandsPeople website. So just after you've seen in the bells at midnight on the 1st of January, you'll be able to view the images of the statutory records for births in 1913, marriages in 1938 and deaths in 1963.

The total number of BMD images that will be released on the website on 1 January is 94,537, comprising 46,109 birth images, 23,310 marriage images and 25,118 death images. We've been looking at some of the BMD records that will be published on New Year's Day, and have uncovered some terrific personal stories behind the documents. Some highlights - and some fascinating statistics - from the New Year images will be featured in our January 2014 newsletter.

The latest ScotlandsPeople newsletter (Dec 2013) is available at <http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk/Content/Help/index.aspx?r=2231>

*(With thanks to ScotlandsPeople)*

#### Irish Newspaper Archive site has welcome revamp

The Irish Newspaper Archives ([www.irishnewsarchive.com](http://www.irishnewsarchive.com)) has recently had a bit of a redesign, with some very welcome new developments. Apart from a new blog, one of the most useful additions is an interactive map that allows you to search titles available for each of the island's thirty two counties, in the north and the south. Another major change is that the site now seems to return searches much faster also - there have been many times in the past when I have given up on searches when my patience finally snapped!

#### Tank Corps records 1919-34 & English rate books on FindmyPast

FindmyPast ([www.findmypast.co.uk](http://www.findmypast.co.uk)) has released two new collections.

The first is a collection of 19 million rate book records from England, as follows:

- Manchester Rate Books, 1706-1900
- Plymouth & West Devon Rate Books 1598-1933
- Southwark Rate Books
- Westminster Rate Books, 1634-1900

There's a bit of blurb on the site's blog at <http://blog.findmypast.co.uk/2013/search-19-million-new-british-rate-book-records/#sthash.DLNIIJSx.dpbs> about the collection. The records include:

- Name of occupier (head of household)
- Name of owner
- Description of the property (house or business)
- Street address/township/parish
- Rate to be paid (e.g. poor rate, water rate)
- Amount to paid
- Date paid or any default on payment

The second release is **Royal Tank Corps Enlistment Records 1919-1934**, as sourced from original enlistment ledgers held at The Tank Museum Archive & Reference Library. These include information such as the following:

#### Service history

- Date of enlistment
- Details of previous service, including any First World War service
- Service number
- Campaigns fought in
- Date of discharge and reason for it
- Medals awarded

#### Biographical information

- Name
- Age
- Date and place of birth
- Place of residence
- Occupation
- Name and address of next of kin
- Marriage details
- Names and dates of birth of any children

#### Essex and Norfolk records added to FamilySearch

Two new additions to FamilySearch (<http://familysearch.org>)

**England, Essex Parish Registers, 1538-1900** - <https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1465709>

The collection has been sourced from East Sussex Record Office, Lewes, England.

**England, Norfolk Register of Electors, 1844-1952** - <https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1824705>

The source is given (on the wiki page accompanying the database) as Record Office, Central Library, Norwich.



## Net Nibbles Continued

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

#### London, England, Selected Rate Books, 1684-1907 on Ancestry

Ancestry has added a new collection, London, England, Selected Rate Books, 1684-1907, as sourced from London Metropolitan Archives.

UKMFH.org.uk concentrating on WW1 websites for 2014

Full website addresses : [www.UKMFH.org.uk](http://www.UKMFH.org.uk) [www.UKBMD.org.uk](http://www.UKBMD.org.uk) [www.UKGDL.org.uk](http://www.UKGDL.org.uk)

These three websites have continued to grow since their respective launches. UKBMD.org.uk began first with just over 250 links to other websites - it now has over 2,400. Similarly UKGDL.org.uk and UKMFH.org.uk have also grown since their initial launches.

2014's 100 year anniversary of World War 1 has prompted a lot of interest in researching the many topics of WW1 on the Internet and so the team behind these three websites has been concentrating their efforts within UKMFH.org.uk into adding many more links to websites that have online information for WW1.

As with UKBMD.org.uk and UKGDL.org.uk , the website links within UKMFH.org.uk are all categorised by content and by county, but UKMFH.org.uk also has keywords.

On the UKMFH.org.uk menu the Category and County menu buttons will list links to websites relevant to your selection, but as the topic of Military Family History is so vast, it is often better to make use of the Keyword menu button. On the Keyword page the list of keywords is over 8,000 in length, so you have the option to refine the list by entering your interest. For example, enter Somme and click on the Refine the keywords button and the Keywords list will be reduced to those relevant to the various battles on the Somme. You can then select the keyword of specific interest and when you then click Search, the page that will be displayed will be links to all the sites that we know of relevant to this keyword topic.

Our aim with UKBMD.org.uk , UKGDL.org.uk and UKMFH.org.uk is that we do the searching so that the users do not have to. Many websites have useful information, but they do not appear at the top of Google's search results. We dig down past Google's (and other search engines) first page of results to find these websites and add links to them on the appropriate pages within our websites. In searching for WW1 related sites we are finding many sites with other military related themes and adding them too, so as always UKMFH.org.uk is not just for WW1 research.

So, we hope that as the interest in WW1 grows, UKMFH.org.uk can be of service to family historians researching their ancestors who played a part in the 1948-1918 war. It's free to use too!

#### Surrey and West Yorkshire electoral registers on Ancestry

Ancestry ([www.ancestry.co.uk](http://www.ancestry.co.uk)) has released two new English electoral records collections:

**Surrey, England, Electoral Registers, 1918-1945** - <http://search.ancestry.co.uk/search/db.aspx?dbid=4829>

Supplied by Surrey History Centre in Woking, Surrey

**West Yorkshire, England, Electoral Registers, 1840-1962** - <http://search.ancestry.co.uk/search/db.aspx?dbid=3057>

Supplied by West Yorkshire Archive Service in Leeds.

#### PRONI - additional Valuation Revision Books now online

From PRONI ([www.proni.gov.uk](http://www.proni.gov.uk)) in Belfast, news on the Valuation Revision books which act as a follow up to Griffiths Valuation of the mid 19th century:

*PRONI is pleased to announce that a further 39 volumes of Valuation Revision books have been added to the existing online application. The database has also been updated with a number of corrections relating to missed pages, duplicates, typos etc which members of the public have identified.*

#### Ayr Advertiser - BMD index 1803-1835

South Ayrshire Libraries has launched a new database online of all births, marriages and deaths as recorded in the Ayr Advertiser from 1803-1835. It can be accessed at [www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/libraries/bmd.aspx](http://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/libraries/bmd.aspx). You need to register to access, though registration is free.

#### Isle of Man indexes on Ancestry

Ancestry ([www.ancestry.co.uk](http://www.ancestry.co.uk)) has recently added three databases from a third party site, that of the Manx Museum on the Isle of Man. The databases are

Isle of Man, Baptism Index, 1600-1981 - <http://search.ancestry.co.uk/search/db.aspx?dbid=9217>

Isle of Man, Marriage Index, 1606-1984 - <http://search.ancestry.co.uk/search/db.aspx?dbid=9218>

Isle of Man, Burial Index, 1598-2003 - <http://search.ancestry.co.uk/search/db.aspx?dbid=9219>

The databases are free to search.



## Net Nibbles Continued

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

#### Armagh records added to RootsIreland

The following transcribed records for County Armagh in Northern Ireland have been added to the RootsIreland website at [www.rootsireland.ie](http://www.rootsireland.ie):

- Armagh Methodist (Baptisms 1844-1846)
- Lurgan (High Street) Methodist (Baptisms 1813-1864 + Marriages 1842-1844)
- Moira Methodist (Baptisms 1827-1844)
- Newry Methodist (Baptisms 1824-1865 + Deaths 1835)
- Portadown (Thomas Street) Methodist (Baptisms 1824-1864 + Marriages 1839-1841)
- Tandragee Methodist (Baptisms 1800-1866 + Marriages 1838-1845)
- Portadown Primitive Methodist (Baptisms 1847-1878)
- English Church of Ireland (Baptisms 1803-1865 + Deaths 1803-1805)
- Kilmore (St Saviours) Church of Ireland (Baptisms 1843-1863)
- Richhill Congregationalist Church (Baptisms 1845-1867 + Marriages 1850-1876)
- Lurgan (Quaker) Society of Friends (Baptisms 1607-1862 + Marriages 1634-1848 + Deaths 1697-1898)
- Richhill & Grange (Quaker) Society of Friends (Baptisms 1812-1878 + Marriages 1816-1836 + Deaths 1747-1920)

There's a full listing of Armagh offerings on the site (compiled by Armagh Ancestry) at

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

#### Caerphilly civil registration records indexes online

Caerphilly County Borough Council's registration service has placed a new facility online granting free access to historical indexes for civil registered births, marriages and deaths for the region. The coverage available is currently as follows:

- Births 1837-1920, and 1998-March 2007
- Marriages 1837-2011
- Deaths 1998-March 2007

To access the new index service visit [www.caerphilly.gov.uk/application.aspx?s=kfGdY1t+m+cQdlRzQjGoWxgMn3XbV8Lkkr/4lzmGN4I37K77Ct+Og==](http://www.caerphilly.gov.uk/application.aspx?s=kfGdY1t+m+cQdlRzQjGoWxgMn3XbV8Lkkr/4lzmGN4I37K77Ct+Og==). Copies of historic certificates can be purchased from the registrar for £10 each.

#### Bedfordshire added to Manorial Documents Register

Manorial records from Bedfordshire are the latest catalogued addition to the online **Manorial Documents Register**, available at [www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/mdr/](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/mdr/). The work has been carried out by Bedfordshire and Luton Archives and Records Service, Royal Holloway, University of London, and the National Archives at Kew.

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

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

**Hint: Remember to back up your family history files on the first of the month.**

#### Italian Prisoner of War Camp Records Available Online

The following announcement was written by Forces War Records:

Forces War Records, military genealogy specialists, have exclusively released the World War II Italian Prisoner of War Camp nominal rolls for you to search online.

For anybody researching a Prisoner of War, this could prove to be a crucial source of information, perhaps offering a missing jigsaw piece to your genealogy puzzle. The newly transcribed records are likely to include: name, initials, rank service number, regiment/corps, and final Italian camp location. The vast and ever-growing Forces War Records database is cross-referenced — so you may even find out further nuggets of information from this one search.



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

### London Poor Law Abstracts 1581-1899 Online

The following announcement was written by Origins.net:

Abstracts of over 22,400 London Poor Law records, covering over 300 years and 66 City of London parishes, now online at Origins.net.

Poor Law records are a major source for those interested in both local and family history and touched almost every aspect of the lives of those who had fallen on hard times or whose predicaments drew them to the attention of the parish officers.

The parish officer / overseer of the poor was expected when necessary, to feed, clothe, house and find work for his poor inhabitants. He apprenticed pauper children and diligently pursued the fathers of illegitimate children born in the parish. But ultimately he protected his parish from the claims of paupers who were not his responsibility.

### Online Database Lists Union and Confederate Civil War Soldiers

The **Civil War Soldiers and Sailors System** (CWSS) is a computerized database created by the National Park Service that contains very basic facts about servicemen who served on either side during the Civil War. Genealogists, historians, and Civil War buffs can now go to a single source to find 6.3 million service records of Union and Confederate soldiers.

### Jamaican Family Search Research Library Online

A significant resource for Jamaican genealogy has been available online for some time but always required a paid subscription for access. The site's owner, Patricia Jackson, has now announced, "The entire site <http://jamaicanfamilysearch.com> is now FREE for EVERYONE. You no longer need a User Name and Password to access the pages in the Members Directory. This was my goal when I first started setting up the site over 14 years ago. Being able to achieve that goal is thanks to both subscribers and contributors."

### MyHeritage Adds Millions of Nordic Records

If you have Scandinavian ancestry, you will want to check this out. MyHeritage today added more than 32 million records from Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Finland, dating back to the early 1600s.

Additionally, MyHeritage is investing millions of dollars to digitize more Nordic historical content and has signed new agreements that will result in a wealth of Nordic historical records to be added during the next few years.

### Euclid, Ohio, Public Library Digitizes Decades of School Yearbooks

Do you have an ancestor or other relative who graduated from Euclid (Ohio) High School? If so, you may be interested to know that the Euclid Public Library just digitized decades worth of school yearbooks. They can be found at <http://www.euclidlibrary.org/research/euclid-yearbooks> or with a quick Google search.

## 3. [www.FamilySearch.org](http://www.FamilySearch.org)

FamilySearch has added more than 10.6 million indexed records and images to collections from Brazil, China, Czech Republic, Ecuador, England, Italy, New Zealand, Peru, South Africa, South Korea, and the United States. Notable collection updates include the 4,490,808 indexed records from the England, Norfolk Register of Electors, 1844–1952, collection, the 1,626,044 images from the new Italy, Bari, Bari, Civil Registration (Tribunale), 1866–1929, collection, and the 1,203,960 images from the U.S., Texas, El Paso Manifests of Arrivals at the Port of El Paso, 1905–1927, collection. See the table below for the full list of updates. Search these diverse collections and more than 3.5 billion other records for free at FamilySearch.org.

FamilySearch has added more than 1.2 million indexed records and images to collections from BillionGraves, Bolivia, Germany, and the United States. Notable collection updates include the 512, 388 indexed records and images from the BillionGraves Index, the 230,873 images from the U.S., North Carolina, Civil Action Court Papers, 1712–1970, collection, and the 79,078 indexed records from the Germany, Prussia, Pomerania Church Records, 1544–1945, collection. See the table below for the full list of updates. Search these diverse collections and more than 3.5 billion other records for free at FamilySearch.org.

## 4. Jill Ball Google+

### More than 12 million records available on SoG Data Online

- Tim Lawrence
- 17.12.2013
- 0 Comments

Another milestone has been reached in the number of online records made available by the Society of Genealogists. The 12 millionth record added to the website was a christening entry for William Gudgeon in the parish of Bugbrooke, Northamptonshire.

Those with Northamptonshire ancestry will be pleased to know that 16 parish registers for the county have recently been added to the fast-growing site, thanks to prolific transcriber Derek Allen. Notes in the registers often give poignant reminders of a place's history – the Northampton registers refer to the "dreadful fire that consumed to ashes in a few hours 3 parts of our town" in 1675.



## 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 [gsq1@optusnet.com.au](mailto:gsq1@optusnet.com.au) or phone 3891 5085 for further information.

**Saturday 18 January • 9.30am - 11.45am**

### **Understanding the Context: *Why Social History is Important to Genealogical Research* - Helen Smith**

When doing genealogical research, knowledge of the world as it was at the time the event occurred, aids in your research. What legislation, what social conditions influenced decisions, what was happening in the world - the large events like war and the smaller local events such as floods or droughts - all influenced your ancestors and their lives.

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

**Saturday 15 February • 9.30am - 11.45am**

### **Exploring [www.thegenealogist.co.uk](http://www.thegenealogist.co.uk) - Judy Lofthouse**

TheGenealogist boasts the largest collection of military records so come to see what they have. Judy will also show other records the Genealogist has that will assist your family history. .

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

**Sunday 23 February • 9.00am - 4.00pm**

### **Introduction to Family History - Janice Wellard**

GSQ's flagship course—Introduction to Family History—is a full 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
- Civil Registration (births, marriages and deaths)
- Census records
- Parish Registers
- Immigration
- Help and guidance

The presenter will focus on research in Australia, England, Ireland, and Scotland but is able to provide guidance on research in other regions. The cost includes notes and morning and afternoon teas. Participants need to bring their own lunch and a notebook and pencil if required.

Janice Wellard's passion is for 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.

**Cost:** \$50 for GSQ members and \$60 for non-members **Venue:** GSQ, 38 Fisher St, East Brisbane **Bookings are essential.**

**Saturday 22 February • 10.00am - 4.00pm**

# OPEN DAY

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



## GSQ in your local BCC library

If you missed any of these at GSQ they are now being presented at your local library. Please make bookings on 3403 8888

**Ashgrove:** Exploring Irish Ancestry, Tues 4 Feb, 5:30-7:30pm

**Kenmore:** Exploring Ancestry.com, Thurs 6 Feb, 10am -12noon

**Fairfield:** Finding Scottish Ancestors, Tues 11 Feb, 10:30am to 12:30pm

**Bracken Ridge:** Introduction to Family History, Tues 11 Feb, 1-3pm

**Carina:** Exploring Ancestry.com, Mon 10 Feb, 1-3pm

**Stones Corner:** Exploring Ancestry.com, Thurs 20 Feb, 11am-1pm

**Carindale:** Choosing a Family Tree Program, Fri 21 Feb, 10am-11:30am

**Indooroopilly:** You've collected all the information about your family history but don't know how to write it down, Sat 22 Feb, 1:30-3:30pm

**Brisbane Square:** Australia and WW1, Sun 23 Feb, 10:30am-12:30pm

**Everton Park:** Exploring Irish Ancestors, Tues 25 Feb, 1:30-3:30pm

**Mt Omaney:** Finding Scottish Ancestors, Tues 25 Feb, 10am -12pm

**Zillmere:** Exploring FindMyPast UK, Ireland and Australia, Wed 26 Feb, 10am-12pm

**Chermside:** You've collected all the information about your family history but don't know how to write it down, Wed 26 Feb, 1-3pm

**Ashgrove:** Finding Grandma: tracing the female line, Tues 4 Mar, 5:30-7:30pm

**Mt Gravatt:** Researching the UK, Wed 5 Mar, 11am-1pm

**Brackenridge:** You've collected all the information about your family history but don't know how to write it down, Wed 5 Mar, 1-3pm

**Garden City:** Australia & WW1, Fri 7 Mar, 10:30am-12:30pm

**Carina:** Enhancing your Family Tree with Google, Tues 11 Mar, 10am-12pm

**Corinda:** Australia & WW1, Wed 12 Mar, 1-3pm

**Sunnybank Hills:** Australia & WW1, Sat 15 Mar, 10am-12pm

**Indooroopilly:** Exploring Ancestry.com, Thurs 20 Mar, 10:30am-12:30pm

**Bulimba:** Introduction to Family History, Sat 22 Mar, 10am-12pm

**Nundah:** Australia & WW1, Sat 22 Mar, 1:30-3:30pm

**Brisbane Square:** Nursing as a Respectable Profession, Sun 23 Mar, 10:30am -12:30pm

**Fairfield:** Exploring Irish Ancestry, Tues 25 Mar, 10:30am-12:30pm

**Stones Corner:** Enhancing your family tree with Google, Fri 28 Mar, 1-3pm

**Chermside:** Finding Grandma-Tracing the female line, Sat 29 Mar, 1-3pm

**Holland Park:** Australia & WW1, Sat 29 Mar, 10:30am-12:30pm

## Queensland State Archives

For What's on at the Archives check

<http://www.archives.qld.gov.au/Whatson/Pages/Seminars.aspx>

**Using microfilm and indexes workshop** 28 January 2014 & 25 February 2014

8.30 am - 9.30 am at the Queensland State Archives, Public Search Room.

New microfilm equipment and Public Search Room computers have been installed by Queensland State Archives to provide enhanced functionality for researchers.

Learn to use the Archives' new microfilm equipment, including scanning and saving records to USB from microfilm.

The session will also teach you how to use our new Public Search Room computers which will provide access to the catalogue, the Archives' website, the Internet and our indexes.

You will be required to bring your own USB device.

**Entry is free. Bookings essential due to limited places for a maximum of eight attendees.**

**To book, please call 07 3131 7777 or email [info@archives.qld.gov.au](mailto:info@archives.qld.gov.au)**







## Interest Groups

### English Irish Group

The next meeting is on February 2. This first English/Irish Group for 2014 will include two short presentations. One will be on Leicestershire, England with the second on County Down in Ireland. Everyone is welcome to attend with the doors opening at 10am and the meeting commencing at 10.30am.

### Scandinavian Group

The next meeting of the Scandinavian Interest Group will be held on Sunday 19 January 2014 at 12:30pm. Guest speaker will be Odd Steinar Dybvad-Raneng, talking about Scandinavian emigration to USA from a Norwegian perspective.

### Writing Your Family History Group

The Writing Group's 2014 program will include a mix of guest speakers, advice on technical issues such as referencing, and discussion of material provided by members. We are an active and engaged group and our aim is to support those who have already embarked on the process of writing their family history, as well as those who are yet to start and would like some inspiration, advice, or guidance. The first meeting for 2014 is scheduled for Sunday 16 February and more details will be included in the February 2014 e-news. Contact Pauline Williams, on [pstirland@hotmail.com](mailto:pstirland@hotmail.com) if you would like more information on the Writing Group.

### Convict Connections Group

Come join us at the first meeting for 2014. Sunday 9 February 2014. Doors open from 9:00am Meeting and AGM at 11:00am. There will be a short meeting at 11:00am, which leaves plenty of time for research or to ask for help. Look forward to seeing there. The Group contact is [convictconnections@yahoo.com.au](mailto:convictconnections@yahoo.com.au)

### German Interest Group

The German Interest Group will meet on Sunday 26 January from 10am to 2.30pm.

### First World War/Military Interest Group

**NEW**

With the commemoration of the commencement of the First World War in 2014 and the resultant interest in our ancestors' experience at war or on the home front, GSQ is commencing the First World War/Military Interest Group. All members are welcome and a discussion will occur at the first meeting on the 23 March, 10.30am to 2.30pm to determine the final format for the group. GSQ members Russell Fraser, Les McFadzen and Geoff Doherty will assist with the group so come along to the meeting with your military interests.

### Scottish Interest Group

Our next meeting will be at 10.00 am on Sunday 5 January, everyone welcome.

### Family Tree Maker Users' Group

Next meeting will be Sunday Jan 12 from 10:30am to 12pm Angela Hawes will coordinate and Helen Connor will help with a new style of Users Group. Those people with laptops and using Family Tree Maker bring them along so the participants can help those with the laptops. If you haven't got it installed, bring it along and Angela will help you install it. There will be support for FTM 2011 and 2012. Those with a Mac are also welcome.

**From Chris Paton:** Family Tree Maker Mac 3 released  
The US wing of Ancestry ([www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com)) has announced the release of an updated edition of Family Tree Maker for Mac users, entitled Family Tree Maker Mac 3 - for further details visit <http://blogs.ancestry.com/ancestry/2013/12/13/just-released-family-tree-maker-for-mac/>

### Legacy Family Tree Users' Group

Next meeting will be Sunday Jan 12. At last Legacy 8 is released. Judy has purchased the upgrade so you can see it live. 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.

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## JANUARY Dates to Remember

<b>Friday 3</b> • 10.00am to 3.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Saturday 4</b> • 12.00md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 5</b> • 10.00am to 2.30pm	Scottish Group
<b>Tuesday 7</b>	GSQ reopens for normal days and hours.
<b>Wednesday 8</b> • 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening
<b>Saturday 11</b> • 12md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 12</b> • 10.30am to 12.00noon	Family Tree Maker Users' Group
<b>Sunday 12</b> • 1.00pm to 2.30pm	Legacy Family Tree Maker Users' Group
<b>Saturday 18</b> • 9.30am to 11.45am	<i>Understanding the Context: Why Social History is Important to Genealogical Research</i> with Helen Smith - GSQ - \$10 (M); \$15 (NM)
<b>Saturday 18</b> • 12md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 19</b> • 12.30pm to 2.30pm	Scandinavian Group
<b>Monday 20</b> • 7.30pm to 9.30pm	Southern Suburbs Branch Meeting
<b>Wednesday 22</b> • 10.00am to 2.00pm	Beaudesert Branch Meeting
<b>Wednesday 22</b> • 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening
<b>Saturday 25</b> • 12md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 26</b> • 10.00am to 2.30pm	German Interest Group

## FEBRUARY Dates to Remember

<b>Saturday 1</b> • 12md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 2</b> • 10.00am to 2.30pm	English/Irish Group
<b>Monday 3</b> • 10.00am to 12.00noon	Monday Morning Natters. GSQ - Gold Coin Donation
<b>Friday 7</b> • 9.00am to 11.00am	North Brisbane Branch Meeting
<b>Saturday 8</b> • 12md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 9</b> • 9am for 10am to 3.00pm	Convict Connections
<b>Wednesday 12</b> • 12.15pm to 3.00pm	Redlands Branch Meeting
<b>Wednesday 12</b> • 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening
<b>Friday 14</b> • 9.30am to 11.45am	Bayside Branch Meeting
<b>Saturday 15</b> • 9.30am to 11.45am	<i>Exploring <a href="http://www.thegenealogist.co.uk">www.thegenealogist.co.uk</a></i> with Judy Lofthouse - GSQ - \$10 (M); \$15 (NM)
<b>Saturday 15</b> • 12md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
<b>Sunday 16</b> • 10.30am to 2.30pm	Writing Group
<b>Monday 17</b> • 7.30pm to 9.30pm	Southern Suburbs Branch Meeting
<b>Saturday 22</b> • 10.00am to 4.00pm	GSQ OPEN DAY
<b>Sunday 23</b> • 9.00am to 4.00pm	<i>Introduction to Family History</i> with Janice Wellard - GSQ - \$50 (M); \$60 (NM)
<b>Wednesday 26</b> • 10.00am to 2.00pm	Beaudesert Branch Meeting
<b>Wednesday 26</b> • 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening

For more external events check out these links: • <http://www.archives.qld.gov.au/Whatson/Pages/Events.aspx>  
• <http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/whats-on> • <http://www.naa.gov.au/visit-us/events/index.aspx>