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JULY 2015

Hi everyone

Hello from Glasgow where Geoff and I are investigating our family history prior to heading off on the next Unlock the Past cruise with a number of other GSQ members.

So far we have been to Perth and we also drove around Fifeshire. I am geographically challenged so I didn't realise how close Fife was to Perth so we covered Dad's Porter family and Mum's Brown family all in one go. I think I am only now getting a sense of how close the various towns and villages are here. It is totally different to home.

I haven't had any generational breakthrough but today in Tarbolton in Ayrshire I found my 3 x great grandmother's grave in the churchyard. I knew a gravestone was there at sometime but was really excited to find it still existed, a little worn but still legible and upright.

I knew that Catherine Stewart Creighton had a monumental inscription as GSQ holds many books of Scottish Pre 1855 grave inscriptions which were purchased many years ago by the Scottish Interest Group. These are worth looking at if you have Scottish ancestors. Catherine was the wife of a gardener so don't think because your ancestors were working class there will be no monumental inscription. You never know until you look.

We had a further find as well. We knew from the monumental inscription that Catherine died at Afton Lodge. As we were driving away from the church we passed a sign that said Afton Lodge so we did a quick U-turn and went back. We took a quick photo of the gatehouse and another of the house and set off again.

Back in Brisbane, on Saturday 18 July at GSQ, Val Blomer is presenting *Exploring Your Convict Ancestry*. I am sorry to miss this as Val is a good speaker and very knowledgeable on colonial Australia. Val's talk is the sole GSQ education event in July but in August we have a Saturday talk on mining ancestors; one on Monday morning 17 August on oral history as well as the mini seminar on technology titled *It Doesn't Rain in the Cloud*. This is on **Saturday 29 August** with speakers, Shauna Hicks, Judy Lofthouse and Geoff Doherty. The various presentations are because August is National Family History Month which GSQ is supporting to highlight genealogy.

Also on **Saturday 1 August** at Fisher Street, GSQ is holding an **Open Day** between 10am and 2pm. If you know anyone who is interested in family history please let them know about Open Day.

That's all from sunny Glasgow. (This is our first <u>warmish</u> day on the trip so far.)

Happy researching

Marg Doherty, President president@gsq.org.au



BRANCH NEWS

From Your Management Committee

Well the shortest day has been and gone (and hopefully the coldest) and Spring is on the way. Spring is a time of re-growth so hopefully that will inspire you to "grow" your family tree using the resources available at GSQ.

The Management Committee has been busy also making decisions which they consider to be in the best interests of members. The Committee decided not to renew the subscription to the National Archives in Kew (UK) as many of the libraries in Queensland now have subscriptions to this resource. For instance it is available in any of the Brisbane and Logan Libraries, and it was felt that it was not in the best interests of our members financially for GSQ to also offer access to the Archives.

You would have received with the June edition of Generation a request to volunteer your services if you have any spare time available to support the Society. We were extremely grateful to those members who responded, but please don't hesitate to contact GSQ if you are able to assist us as without our willing volunteers the Society couldn't operate.

We are also extremely grateful to Carlene Harris who has taken on the role of Acting Financial Officer, and to Michelle Moore who has replaced Elma O'Toole as our Membership Officer.

The first on-line only edition of Generation which will be released in September will focus on the younger generation and children in your family tree, so please send in your stories and photos to editor@gsq.org.au no later than 20 August.

Our next Education Session on the 18 July is about exploring your convict ancestor/s, so come along and find out what resources are available to locate and learn more about convicts.

GSQ is having another Open Day on 1 August 2015 between 10.00am and 2.00pm at the Resource Centre in Fisher Street. It is for new members or those interested in learning about researching their family history. If you have any friends who fall into these categories please encourage them to come along.

The Management Committee agreed to hold the 2015 Annual General Meeting on the morning of 10 October so put this date in your diary. Further details will be provided prior to this date.

In the meantime, happy researching.

Helen Connor

Hon. Secretary

Redlands

The July monthly meeting of the Redland Genealogical Society will be held on Wednesday, 8 July at the Donald Simpson Centre, Bloomfield Sreet, Cleveland. The monthly meeting will be preceded by the Annual General Meeting which will commence at 12.15pm. No Guest Speaker has been engaged. Visitors very welcome. \$2.00 admission with Lucky Door Prize.

Southern Suburbs

Southern Suburbs Branch's July meeting will be held on Monday 20 followed by our guest speaker Lisa Jones who will be speaking on 'History of Women in the Queensland Police'. 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 or contact Noele Alexander on 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 note of these 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 Street stop 11/15 and walk down Fisher Street. See http://translink.com.au/

12 July, 25 July

North Brisbane

The North Brisbane Branch 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 3 July.

Because we had to cancel our May meeting due to the bad weather, our May Guest Speaker Greg Hallam will return at our July meeting on Friday 3 and speak on 150 years of Railway in Queensland. Visitors are welcome.

Bayside

The next meeting for the Bayside Branch is on 10 July at the home of Val Hanlon at 10am. For further details 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.

Monday Morning Natters

Come to enjoy a cuppa on Monday July 6 and learn about Organising your files on your computer. Do you have trouble finding your files or remembering where you put them? Then this discussion is for you. Gold coin donation for morning tea appreciated.

GSQ in your local BCC library - Booking Required

Date, time & Presentation	Library
Friday, 17 July 10:00-12:00pm	Mt Gravatt - 07 3403 7775
Exploring Ancestry.com	
Thursday, 30 July 10:00-12:00pm	Mt Ommaney - 07 3407 7011
Enhancing your family tree with Google	

EVENTS

Bookings are essential for all GSQ education sessions and courses.

Use the Calendar of Events on the home page of www.gsq.org.au 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 18 July • 9.30am - 11.45am

Exploring your convict ancestry

- Val Blomer, from the Convict & Colonial Connections

If you had an ancestor in Australia during the colonial period, the resources at GSQ may reveal that you have a convict in your family tree. You may have hit a 'brick wall' and not been able to trace an ancestor. Could covering up a convict past be the reason why? Your ancestor may have arrived as a free person, but was there a colonial conviction which may have resulted in incarceration? Find out what resources are available to locate and learn more about convict ancestors. Book Here

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

Saturday 15 August • 9.30am - 11.45am

Mining the earth's riches: Digging into the records

- Pauline Williams.

From coal to tin to gold to other minerals - the earth has a vast range of riches. This course will explore the lives of those who often risked life and limb to extract these riches and examine the records available.

The focus is on Australia and the UK. Book Here

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

Monday 17 August • 10.00am - 12.00md

Oral History: A vital tool for family historians Jan Partridge, Oral History of Society (Qld)

Family stories can be intergenerational or the reminiscences of an older person living through interesting times. These stories can open the door to other directions for research. Come and hear from the Oral History Society of Queensland as they provide expert advice and tips on using oral history in your family history

Book Here

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

Huguenot Society of Australia

Robert Nash will talk about the "Huquenots of Scotland" on 26 July, at the Toowong Library meeting room. Entrance with a gold coin and refreshments will be provided.

OPEN DAY

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

Saturday 1 August 10:00am—2:00pm

- 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







Queensland State Conference 3-4 October 2015

Riverglenn, 70 Kate St, Indooroopilly, Brisbane.

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

For local historians; for family historians.

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

Affordable accommodation is available at Riverglenn, the site for our conference. However, they will only hold a block booking of a minimum 15 rooms for 'In Time and Place' registrants. Therefore we are seeking expressions of interest from anyone who is thinking of attending the Conference and considering convenient and affordable accommodation. The extent of interest will determine whether we can make a block booking.

> **Accommodation options at Riverglenn** Bed and continental breakfast single beds at \$65 per person Bed and continental breakfast double bed at \$95 per person (limited number)

> > Your expression of interest will not be considered as a firm booking.

If you are interested in this accommodation option for the Conference weekend of 3/4 October 2015, make contact through conference@historyqueensland.org.au or through History Queensland at

PO Box 399, Mt Gravatt, Qld 4122 by 31 March 2015.



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Longhorsley baptisms & burials 1769-1837, marriages 1791-1837

Bishopwearmouth Cemetery burials 1925-1929

MINI SEMINAR Saturday 29 August 2015

It Doesn't Rain in the Cloud!

(Technology and Genealogy)

Queen Alexandra Community Centre,

347 Old Cleveland Road, Coorparoo 4151 (parking on-site)

Morning Session 9:00am - 12.30pm

Speakers: The best apps/blogs for Family history – Shauna Hicks,

respected family history presenter

YouTube: Education for genealogists, history for genealogists and

other interesting bits - Judy Lofthouse, GSQ

Using Family History in the Cloud – Geoff Doherty

Costs: (including morning tea) \$20 members \$30 non-members

BOOK HERE



English/Irish Group

The English/Irish Interest Group will meet again on the first Sunday in August – 2 August.

At this meeting we will look at maps, which can help place our ancestors in place. Bring along addresses (e.g. from census records) and we can look at finding where your people were when a census was taken. GSQ has wireless internet connection available for members so you are welcome to bring along your own laptop or other device.

The doors will open at 9.30a.m. and the formal part of our meeting will start at 10.30a.m. After the meeting, the library will remain open until 2.30p.m. for those who want to share family history successes and challenges. Bring along your lunch and chat or explore the GSQ resources which are available for use. Everyone is welcome to join us for the English/Irish group meeting. See you on Sunday 2 August.

Legacy Family Tree Users' Group

Next meeting will be Sunday July 12, from 1pm to 2:30pm

Let's look at the Legacy Virtual Users Group

Bring along your laptops so we can help you with your problems.

Don't forget to watch the webinars that Legacy provides. Checkout http://www.legacyfamilytree.com/webinars.asp#archives

Military Interest Group

The next meeting is on Saturday 25 July at 10am. Members are asked to bring any WWI or military research they have produced, to discuss. If you have not completed your research come anyway and see what other members bring along. You may find some new source to assist in your research. We will also be discussing the Member's Interest form and the latest releases of military resources.

Scottish Interest Group

The next meeting of the Scottish Interest Group will take place on 5 July 2015, at 10.00am. Our normal meeting will include a help session for those with research problems. A computer & projector will be available to look at the Scotlandspeople web site. On completion of the meeting the library will be open for research. 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.

German Interest Group

We had a lovely group of people turn up to listen to Noel and Del Bergmann talking on the Prussian Military. It was enjoyed by all. It was great to learn something new about our Prussian ancestors. We look forward to a visit from Eric Kopittke on the last Sunday in September to talk on German Church Records - Finding Baptisms, Marriages and Burials. Eric has just published a new book on this subject. So it will certainly be up to date information. The talk will take about an hour. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Convict Connections Group

Come along to our next meeting on Sunday August 9, 2015 at 10:00am.

This gives plenty of time for your own research and to get help with any problems you may be having regarding convict or early colonial history.

Remember that we also have a small lending library available to members of the Group to borrow. Take it home and read it at leisure.

All GSQ members are welcome.

Writing Group

The next meeting of the Writing Group is scheduled for 16 August. Details of the guest speaker will be included in August eNews. More information from convenor Pauline at pstirland@hotmail.com

Family Tree Maker Users' Group

The FTM User's Group will meet as usual at the GSQ Library on Sunday 12 July from 10.30am until midday. This group is a networking group that 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. Visitors to GSQ and those members contemplating purchasing a family history programme, are welcome to attend our meeting.

DNA Interest Group

It was a fantastic inaugural meeting of the DNA SIG and our next meeting is on August 23.

The big news in the DNA arena is that Ancestry has started selling their autosomal DNA kits in Australia and New Zealand.

This kit helps you to find cousins rather than following just the male line or just the female line (see http://dna.ancestry.com. au/ for more information)

With the number of kits being sold in England and it now becoming available here, by the August meeting, there could well be a number of success stories to relate! Mark the date in your calendar now. August 23 Doors open at 10. Meeting starts at 10.30 Everybody is welcome!

Scandinavian Group

Next meeting will be Sunday 19 July. 12:30pm to 2:30 pm.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

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Friday 3 • 9.00am to 11.00am	North Brisbane Branch Meeting
Saturday 4 • 12.00pm to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
Sunday 5 • 10.00am to 2.30pm	Scottish Group
Monday 6 • 10.00am to 12.00md	Monday Morning Natters.
Monday 6 • 1.00pm to 3.00pm	Getting your hands dirty with Ancestry - GSQ - SOLD OUT
Wednesday 8 • 12.15pm to 3.00pm	Redlands Branch Meeting
Wednesday 8 • 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening
Friday 10 • 9.30am to 11.45am	Bayside Branch Meeting
Saturday 11 · 12.00pm to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
Sunday 12 · 10.30am to 12.00md	Family Tree Maker Users' Group
Sunday 12 · 1.00pm to 2.30pm	Legacy Family Tree Maker Users' Group
Saturday 18 • 9.30am to 11.45pm	Explore your convict ancestry - Val Blomer - GSQ - \$12 (M); \$17 (NM)
Saturday 18 · 12.00pm to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
Sunday 19 • 12:30 to 2:30pm	Scandinavian Group
Monday 20 · 7.30pm to 9.30pm	Southern Suburbs Branch Meeting
Wednesday 22 • 10.00am to 2.00pm	Beaudesert Branch Meeting
Wednesday 22 · 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening
Saturday 25 • 10.00am to 12.00md	Military Interest Group
Saturday 25 • 12.00pm to 4.00pm	GSQ Open

AUGUST 2015	
Saturday 1 · 10.00pm to 2.00pm	GSQ OPEN DAY
Sunday 2 • 10.00am to 2.30pm	English/Irish Group
Friday 7 • 9.00am to 11.00am	North Brisbane Branch Meeting
Saturday 8 • 12.00pm to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
Sunday 9 • 10.00am to 3.00pm	Convict Connections
Wednesday 12 · 12.15pm to 2.30pm	Redlands Branch Meeting
Wednesday 12 · 6.00pm to 9.00pm	GSQ Wednesday Night Opening
Saturday 15 • 9.30am to 11.45pm	Mining the earth's riches: Digging into the records – Pauline Williams - GSQ - \$12 (M); \$17 (NM)
Saturday 15 · 12.00md to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
Sunday 16 • 10.00am to 12.30pm	Writing Group
Monday 17 • 10.00am to 12.00md	Oral History: A vital tool for family historians – presenter from Oral History of Society (Qld) - GSQ - \$12 (M); \$17 (NM)
Monday 20 · 7.30pm to 9.30pm	Southern Suburbs Branch Meeting
Saturday 22 • 12.00pm to 4.00pm	GSQ Open
Sunday 23 • 10.00am to 2.30pm	DNA Interest Group
Wednesday 26 · 10.00am to 2.00pm	Beaudesert Branch Meeting

German Interest Group



Wednesday 26 · 6.00pm to 9.00pm

Saturday 29 • 9.00pm to 12.30pm

Saturday 29 · 12.00pm to 4.00pm

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Mini Seminar-Using Technology for Family History - GSQ - \$20 (M); \$30 (NM)

GSQ Wednesday Night Opening

GSQ Open