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Tuesday • 10am - 3pm
Wednesday • 10am - 3pm
Thursday • 10am - 3pm
Friday • 10am - 3pm

Saturday • 12noon - 4pm Sunday • Interest Groups

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

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From the President

October 2019

Spring has well and truly sprung! While we're experiencing one of our driest starts to spring on record, if you look around, you'll see that people are still doing the usual things they do at this time of year – cleaning up, planning and planting new gardens – generally sprucing up!! Does this same phenomena apply to genealogical research? Have you suddenly started following a trail again, one that you almost "gave up on" earlier in the year? I'm almost certain this is what's happening. If you've found a Will or some other document prepared some time ago, the handwriting can sometimes be a stumbling block – a very frustrating stumbling block at that! There could be a solution at hand!

On 5 October (9.00am – 12.00pm) GSQ has invited renowned English expert, Dr David Wright, to conduct a hands-on workshop on palaeography (old handwriting). David has taught palaeography for many years, following a doctorate in Latin palaeography from University College, London. It was not until 1733 that English records were generally written in English, instead of Latin. If your subject of interest is in English, are you able to read the many different English handwriting styles from the Norman Conquest down to the English Civil War and beyond? In this hands-on workshop you will look at wills and other common types of documents and be guided by David through to a final explanation of the text - after you have made your own attempts at deciphering the handwriting. The cost for this Workshop is \$20.00 (GSQ members) and \$35.00 (non-members). A priceless opportunity!

We've had some response from my plea for new Research Assistants with two new Assistants starting work – it's not too late to indicate your interest, if you haven't set the ball in motion yet. If interested, please contact me at president@gsg.org.au

The September edition of "Generation", GSQ's Quarterly magazine, was released earlier this week and what a wonderful "read" it is. Congratulations are due to Russell Fraser and his team for the quality of this production – it's something about which all members of GSQ should feel justifiably proud – I received an email from a long term member soon after the release of this edition, indicating that she thought it was the best edition ever!

Helen Veivers

President, Genealogical Society of Queensland



Want to know more about old handwriting - paleography - then take advantage of the renowned English expert, Dr David Wright, at GSQ on Saturtday 5 October. A great opportunity to learn tips on how to read old documents.

Click HERE to register for this hands on workshop.



BRANCH NEWS

SIG's

Beaudesert Branch

Our Branch meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 10 am and our library is open for research each Wednesday between 10am and 2 pm.

The next meeting is on **Wednesday 16th October**.

North Brisbane Branch

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 Street Alderley. Doors open at 8.45 am.

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

The next meeting will be on **Friday 4th October**. It will be an ordinary meeting.

Redlands Branch

The next meeting of the Redland Genealogical Society will be held on **Wednesday, 9th October** at the Donald Simpson Centre, Bloomfield Street, Cleveland, commencing at 12.15pm.

The Guest Speaker is to be Maritime History Lecturer, Russell Twomey, with a talk titled "The Early Years of Passenger Sea Travel 1800 – 1945".

\$2.00 admission with Lucky Door prize. All welcome.

A visit to the Brisbane City Council Archives at Moorooka has been arranged for **Wednesday**, **30th October**. For further information, email the Society at <u>redlandgs@gmail.com</u>.

Military Interest Group

The aim of the Military Special Interest Group is to assist members with their research into their military ancestry through discussion, guest speakers and acquisition of resources. The Resource Centre is open for research from 12 noon to 4:00 pm after the meeting.

The next meeting of the Military Group is on **Saturday 23rd November** 2019 from 10.30 to 12.

Scottish Interest Group

Our next meeting will be held on **Sunday 3rd November** at 10.00 am.

All GSQ members are welcome to attend. and share their Scottish research and take advantage of the knowledge of others in solving a brick wall.

For more information or to contact the group, email GSQ at info@gsq.org.au.

Legacy User's Group

The next meeting is on Sunday 10th November at 1pm

Do come along with your questions and the group will try to answer them for you. If you have a laptop then bring it along as it is easier to solve the problem if you have it with you.

Convict Connections Group

The last 2019 formal meeting of the Convict Connections Group will be held on **Sunday 13th October**. The doors open at 9:00am, so if you want to do some extra research there is time to do it.

The meeting is held at 11:00am. This is fairly brief and will be followed by a talk on 'Sarah Island, Van Diemen's Land.'

New members are always welcome - maybe your ancestor wasn't a convict but nevertheless an early free settler into NSW before 1859. Then this is the time period we cover - maybe we can help you!

I might add that there is very little formality with this Group! We are there to help anyone who is stuck on their convict research (or other parts if we can).

Doors close at 3:00pm.

Also just a reminder that we hold a final meeting for 2019 on **Sunday 8th December** - it is a get together luncheon - just bring a small plate of food to share. Doors still open early but there is no 'meeting'. Everyone is welcome at this event.

Genealogy: Where you confuse the dead and irritate the living.

Unknown



Family Tree Maker Users' Group

The FTM User Group will meet on **Sunday10th November** 2019 at 10.00 am. The library will be open from approximately 9.00 am. This group is a networking group that can help beginners and assist both Mac & Windows users and hopefully overcome any FTM problems they may face. We will look at the new 2019 version and see what changes are proposed and whether the upgrade is worth purchasing.

People with laptops should bring them along so the participants can help solve your particular problem(s). GSQ members and researchers contemplating purchasing a family history programme, are welcome to attend our meeting. Advance notice to the convenor on <a href="mailto:lessmoother-lessmoothe-l

DNA Interest Group

The GSQDNASIG met on the 15th Sept 2019. This time it was our Short Meeting as we finished at 12 Noon. We had 35 members attend, which is great.

Helen gave a wonderful update on the latest events involving DNA for the month.

There will be a DNA Downunder in 2021, so start saving for this event as it will be great to attend. Will be somewhere on the Eastern Coast of Australia, perhaps even the Gold Coast. Will consist of Presentations from International and Local Speakers on DNA, UK and General Genealogical topics. So Something for everyone.

Runa Daniel from the Victorian police is running a survey, regarding ideas, thoughts and feelings regarding the Police Force in the future accessing DNA to help solve unknown crimes etc. email for further information Runa.Daniel@police.vic.gov.au

Helen has set up a GSQDNASIG Page (closed to our group only) Relative Finder which is based on information from your tree as part of the FamilySearch Tree. – Check out our Facebook Group to get the link or contact me personally. This is a bit of fun in discovering how YOU are related to prophets, presidents, and friends. I think Helen said she was something like 8th cousin 2/3 times removed from Blaine T Bettinger. I may have that wrong, but it was something like that. Just think how many of us could be related to each other!!!

The next DNA meeting will be on **Sunday 22nd October** from 9.30 am - 2 pm.

Writing Group

For our last meeting for the year on **Sunday 20th October** (10.30 to 12.30), we will welcome guest speaker, Ruth Bonetti. Ruth, the winner of the 2019 QFHS Book Award for 'Midnight Sun to Southern Cross', will speak on 'Writing life stories'.

Bring along the challenges you face in your writing for an interesting session. Enquiries to info@gsq.org.au

English/Irish Interest Group

The English/Irish group will meet again on **Sunday 6th October**. The doors of the GSQ Resource Centre will open at 10 o'clock, and the meeting itself will start at 10.30 a.m.

Bring along your English/Irish/Welsh knowledge and questions to share with other members of the group.

All GSQ members are invited to join us, for the cost of a gold coin contribution. We look forward to seeing you then.

Scandinavian Interest Group

The next meeting of the Scandinavian Group will be on **Sunday 17th November** from 12.30 - 2.30pm.

German Interest Group

The German Group next meets on **Sunday 24th November** @ 10:15 AM - 2:30 PM.

More information about the meeting, which will be the last one for 2019, Hands on workshop:

Monday Morning Natters

October Natters is on **Monday 7th October** 10am -12 noon Special Interest Group being featured this month is the German Group. Come along to hear what resources we have and how the group can help you.

Enjoy a natter with like-minded people over a cuppa. Gold coin donation for morning tea appreciated.



GSQ is holding a Christmas raffle that will consist of a hamper of goodies that will be useful for your Christmas celebrations. We are looking for donations for the hamper & a basket will be placed near the front reception desk for any goods you are able to contribute.

Some suggestions are:

- Wine/beer
- Nuts/snacks/nibbles
- Condiments/sauces
- Coffee/tea
- Puddings
- Sweets
- Olives
- Tins of shortbread/biscuits
- Christmas items e.g. bonbons, tea towels, potholders, tablecloth, placemats, decorations.

Just a couple of points, no perishables & please check use by dates.



Treasure Hunt in the GSQ Library

When: Wednesday 18 September 10am-12pm

Where: GSQ, 25 Stackpole Street, Wishart

For organisation purposes, email: secretary@gsq.org.au

Find the treasures in GSQ's library.



DO YOU HAVE NEW ZEALAND CONNECTIONS IN YOUR FAMILY HISTORY?

Many of us have family or branches of family that either went to New Zealand, or who were also in New Zealand before they came to Australia.

Many of us might be like myself, who have immigrated to Australia from New Zealand in the 1960-90's, therefore we are the first generation of Australians. Yes, my Granddaughters are Australians and Very proud of it.

Do you know what Records are available for searching in New Zealand regarding these ancestors? Do you know how best to get that particular information, and what information do those records actually contain to help you move backwards in your search? If these are some of the questions you would like answered then perhaps we could work out a plan with GSQ to help you get some of those answers.

I am considering doing Two things for next year 2020, depending upon the response:

- 1. Running a Workshop on "What Records are available and How Best to use them, in regards to New Zealand Research".
- 2. Is there enough Interest/ Need to Form a Special Interest Group regarding New Zealand?

At this stage I would just like numbers of who may be interested in either attending a Workshop as well as numbers who may be interested in forming another Special Interest Group of GSQ.

The approx. numbers indicated will then assist with any future Education events at GSQ. So, if you are interested in either, I am keen to hear from you, and what you would like to know about.

Please email me at ailsacorlett@gmail.com to let me know what you would be interested in.

Regards, Ailsa Corlett



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What's Coming Up in the Next Few Weeks?



Hands on workshop: Palaeography (old handwriting)

When: **October 5** @ 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Where: GSQ, 25 Stackpole Street, Wishart Cost: \$20 members \$35 non-members

Presenter: Dr David Wright

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In this hands on workshop you will look at wills and other common types of documents and be guided by David through to a final explanation of the text after you have made your own attempts at deciphering the handwriting. You will review the transcription or translation of English and Latin documents so that you gain first hand experience.

Book early as numbers are limited. Click **HERE** to register.

Wednesday night @ GSQ

DNA drop in clinic

When: October 23 @ 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Interested in DNA testing and want to know more about it before taking the plunge? Have you already done a DNA test and are unsure of what the results mean? Have a DNA problem? Come along to this DNA clinic session and let members of the DNA SIG help you with your questions.

For members only with a gold coin contribution.



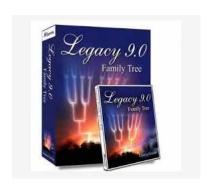
Pushing up daisies – researching in cemeteries

When: October 16 @ 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Presenter: Sharyn Merkley

Knowing where your ancestors are buried is an important part of your family history research. Headstones can provide information and family relationships and even if none can be found the cemetery records may show the location of the grave. In this webinar, you will learn about the online cemetery records and how to find the correct burial place for your ancestor.

Click **HERE** to register.



Using Legacy for your family tree

When: October 12 @ 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Cost: \$25 members \$40 non-members

Presenter: Judy Lofthouse

I didn't know it could do that!

If you have been using Legacy Family Tree to record your family history, then this is the course for you as Judy will demonstrate some of the usual and not so usual features. If you haven't yet decided on which genealogy program to use, why not take this course to find out more about what Legacy offers?

Click **HERE** to book.





Exploring the Past

35th Annual Conference of the

NSW & ACT Association of Family History Societies 11-13 October 2019 - (Friday to Sunday) at Knox Grammar School, Pacific Highway, Wahroonga Hosted by the Ku-ring-gai Historical Society

For more information on the conference, speakers, program etc. click HERE..

Annerley-Stephens History Group Inc In conjunction with The Royal Historical Society of Queensland and Yeronga Dutton Park RSL Branch Stephens RSL Sub Branch

A conference: Stephens at War

To be held at the Yeronga Services Club **Saturday 26 October 2019**

Papers will be presented on the history of Yeronga Park and its Memorials: The history of the RSL Clubs in the Shire, of military hospitals including the Greenslopes Hospital and Rhyndarra, the Annerley Army Reserve Depot in Dudley Street and the many WWII camps. 96 trees were planted in Yeronga Park to commemorate the deaths of the soldiers of the same number. Finally, the War Service Homes schemes will be considered.

Cost \$40pp including lunch and morning and afternoon tea. email Annerley-Stephens History Group <u>annerleystephenshistorygroupin@gmail.com</u> for ticketing details etc.



Australian treasures: the National Archives of Australia and Trove

When: Saturday, 1 February 2020 - 9 am - 12.30 pm

Where: Queensland Baptists Conference Centre, 53 Prospect

Road, Gaythorne

Presenter/s: Cara Downes and Sue Reid

Cost: \$25.00 members (QFHS and GSQ) and \$40.00 non-members

(includes morning tea)

Discover the National Archives - Cara Downes

Trove Digitised Newspapers - Sue Reid

Trove: but wait, there's more - Sue Reid

Click **HERE** to register for this seminar online.



FREE Family History Webinars from Legacy Family Tree

What is the cost: There is no charge to register and view the live webinar. BUT, the recording available to view for the next 7 days - for free! Watch it as many times as you would like, pausing and taking notes, during the free viewing period. If you cannot make the live event, downloads of the recording are just \$9.95 each or yearly memberships give you access to

Some October offerings:

October 2:

everything.

A Day Out With Your DNA by Diahan Southard.

October 9:

• 50 Records that Document Female Ancestors by Gena Philibert-Ortega.

October 22:

 Privacy: How to Protect Your Information Online by Judy G. Russell, JD, CG, CGL.

October 23:

 Top Tech Tips for the Technologist and the Genealogist: 2019 edition by Geoff Rasmussen

There are more coming up later in September & the rest of the year, to view the PDF flyer of all webinars click <u>HERE</u>. The Legacy Webinar website with more information is available HERE.





GSQ TAG

So what is TAG you ask? It stands for the GSQ Technical Advisory Group.

So what do we do? – We help to maintain the current computers/network and equipment at GSQ so that you can use them comfortably without any issues each time you come in to GSQ to do some research.

I would like to introduce you to the current team, Angela Hawes, Judy Lofthouse and myself – Ailsa Corlett – but we would like more to join us in helping to continue the maintenance, as well as some education and projects in mind for the future benefit of GSQ Members.

We are meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, from 3pm – 6pm to carry out some of these tasks and discuss means of helping GSQ members in regards to the technical resources we already have. It is also a great opportunity to stay after 6pm if you want to do some me time research, as that is also the night that GSQ is open for research.

If you have a basic understanding of how computers work, what a file Is, some understanding of networking within an organisation, and keen to help us at GSQ, I would love to hear from you.

Please contact me on ailsacorlett@gmail.com so that we can then discuss and talk.

Regards, Ailsa Corlett, Convenor of GSQ TAG



WHEN: 19 October: 9.15-10am (followed by Morning Tea)

WHERE: GSQ, 25 Stackpole Street, Wishart

Cathie Sherwood is one of only two Australians to have been selected to present at RootsTech in London; which will be held towards the end of October. She would like to have a practice run of her presentation and get feedback on content, timing, images used etc so is offering a free presentation to GSQ members ONLY.



Finding British Ancestors in India

Are you one of the many across the world who are actively rummaging through their ancestry looking for those elusive British ancestors who were in India? Since 1600, thousands of British people travelled to the Indian

sub-continent to carry out a multitude of roles in running the country – as military personnel, planters, civil servants accompanied by clergy and missionaries who came from both Great Britain and the United States of America. So where can you find the details of your ancestors' baptisms, marriages, burials, their careers or their work for various civil departments? Once located, how can you maximise your chances of finding your ancestor's details? This session will take you through the tips and tricks for searching various online records, in particular, those offered by Find My Past which has an extensive collection of India-related records from the British Library covering the period between 1698 and 1947.

Following the presentation, you can stay on to research before the rooms officially open at 12 noon.

GSQ in your local BCC library - Free But Booking Required

Library	Торіс	When	Time	Phone #
Garden City	Dating old photos and caring for them	Tuesday 22 October 2019	1-3pm	3403 7745
Sunnybank Hills	Beginners guide to DNA for genealogy	Saturday 16 November 2019	10-11am	3407 0571

Family History News

Norfolk Island Baptisms, Burials and Marriages 1801 – 1806

Cathy Dunn has researched further details to fill in the picture of Fulton's Birth, burial and marriage Register of Norfolk Island. Included are the details of the next generation of families whose antecedents are listed in the Register, as well as cross-references to names mentioned in other primary records, such as victualling books, population returns, land grants and shipping records along with journals and diaries, letters, musters, church records, population returns and much more.

In 2019 Norfolk Island Rev. Fulton Baptisms, Death and Marriages 1801 – 1806 CDrom was out of production but still with requests for the publication. I decided to reproduce the publication as an ebook, taking the opportunity to update information on some of the people along with photos of headstones I had taken during my visit to Tasmania in April 2019.

In 2019 this research has been re-published as an ebook.

Contents:

- Rev. Fulton Baptisms 1801 1806
- Rev. Fulton Burials 1801 1806
- Known Deaths not listed in the Rev Fulton's Burial List
- Rev. Fulton Marriages 1801 1806
- People of the Rev. Fulton Baptisms, Burials and Marriages 1801 1806 and the next generation
- Bibliography
- List of Images
- Index of Family Names
- 193 pages

For anyone who had a convict, free or military ancestor on Norfolk during the first settlement, the publication will be a must. Cost of ebook is \$15.99. Phone orders: 02 44554780 or for more info http://www.australianhistoryresearch.info/



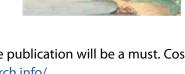
All of the MyHeritage LIVE 2019 Lectures Now Online

The September 24, 2019 MyHeritage Blog post contains links to all of the presentations from the MyHeritage LIVE Conference in Amsterdam, the Netherlands held on September 6th through the 8th.

These sessions, given by world-renowned experts and valued MyHeritage staff, are now available on MyHeritage Education. If you missed the conference or the live stream, now's your chance to take advantage of these fantastic recordings for free.

Enjoy watching them from the comfort of your own home, at any time, and at your own pace. We suggest taking notes!

See this link https://blog.myheritage.com/2019/09/myheritage-live-2019-lectures-now-online/



Norfolk Island

Genealogy and Genealogical Records in South Africa

Two good places to start your research are the short summary of sources in Rosemary Dixon-Smith's website page entitled, "A Research Guide for Beginners" and the South African Genealogy Page.

A more complete list of sources is available from the South Africa pages of <u>The Family History Guide</u>. Each of the major genealogical websites has a collection of records linked from The Family History Guide page.

Another good place to start is with the FamilySearch.org Research Wiki page for South Africa Genealogy.

You will need to remember to look for records in the country of origin of your ancestors and also remember the time periods when South Africa was under the control of the different European nations. For example, records of British South Africa may be located in Great Britain.

Once you begin to realize that genealogical records all fall into the same categories, you will find it much easier to do research in different countries. The initial orientation should always include the history but it is also important to begin with a survey of the types of records that are reasonably available and the records' location.

Thanks to Genealogy's Star - James Tanner for the information.