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#### **From the President**

#### November 2021

A very big Thank You to the Organising Team for the *"Finding Family in England and Wales Records"* seminar on 23 October. The Team consisted of Helen Connor, Ailsa Corlett, Judy Lofthouse, Rhoda Copeland and Helen McKinnon. This seminar was hugely successful with many overseas high calibre presenters. While there were 60 participants, only 34 of these were GSQ members – a little disappointing that more GSQ members did not avail themselves of the opportunity to participate in such a wonderful learning experience!

During September GSQ received notice from the Public Trustee that former member, Janice Godfrey's Will specified that GSQ is to receive a \$2000 Bequest. Our sympathy and appreciation is extended to Janice's family.

Our Facebook Group is up and running! Thank you Rhoda Copeland for your work in setting this up. Rhoda is heading up a group which has been tasked with designing a social media strategy for GSQ. GSQ's Facebook Page is continuing to operate, and very successfully, I might add, and will continue to be managed by Bobbie Edes and Catherine Thompson.

Welcome to two new coordinators – Rhona Pickering has offered to convene GSQ's Bookshop. Thanks Rhona! Marg Doherty will be taking over from me as Education Coordinator in 2022. Thank you, Marg!

I realise that members are concerned that there has not been an announcement about the location of our new premises. Negotiations are still underway – this process has taken much longer than anticipated, but it is important that we get it right. Members will be advised as soon as a decision has been made.

Thanks to all who have offered to help with the packing up of the Library in the week commencing Monday 15 November and for the boxes which will be used for this task. Remember the boxes need to be 350mm high to accommodate the books and should be flattened, so to take up the least amount of space until packing commences. The more boxes members are able to provide, the fewer GSQ will need to purchase!!

A closing Sale is being organised at 25 Stackpole Street, Wishart commencing at 10.00am on Saturday, 4 December. All books from the Bookshop (apart from those being sold on commission) will be on sale at a discounted price. As well, we anticipate having a number of other items that will be offered for sale.

Helen Veivers, President



### Save the date!

There will be four (4) tables of GSQ books and odds and ends for sale ranging from 5% - 50% discount off.

It will be held at 25 Stackpole St Wishart on *Saturday 4 December*, commencing at 10am.

Open to both Members and the Public.

# GSQ Notices



### Information from Management Committee Meeting 18 October 2021

- Non-perishable Items for the Christmas Raffle are currently being collected in baskets at GSQ;
- Revised Budget to be posted in MyGSQ on GSQ website;
- Margaret Coleman Volunteer Award Legal Agreement to be signed;
- Application to be made for a Gaming Commission Grant for the purchase of Pro Scanners to enable rapid digitisation of microform items;
- Social Media Report received;
- Scanners set up and available for use in our Resource Centre – many thanks to Ailsa Corlett for performing this task.

#### September 2021 Year to Date:

Revenue	\$ 23,141
Expenditure	\$ 20,021
Current Assets	\$ 91,677
Fixed Assets	\$232,530
Total Assets	\$324,207
Liabilities	\$ 20,903



### News from the TAG Scanning

If you are wanting to scan photos, slides, and negatives of various sizes (35mm; 120 and plate glass size) the Epson V800 scanner has now be set up again with a computer ready for you to use. It is down near the lunch tables.

The equipment to use for slides and negatives is in a box on the table. Please return the holders back into the protective sleeves when finished as it helps to protect from dust and damage. Please ensure that the scanner remains dust free at all times.

There is No printed manual, as the information to use is available via the Help in regards to the Epson Program.

The other scanner is a Fujitsu Scansnap scanner in which you can scan up to 10 pages at a time. There are some instructions on how to use this in the box.

> How can we know where we are going if we don't know where we came from? Becky Williamson-Martin

### GSQ in your local BCC library

GSQ presents topics at your local Brisbane City Council Libraries These presentations are free but you need to book at the library. The Council pays GSQ a fee for presentations so tell you friends about them as Council monitors the popularity of the presentations and decides how many will be offered. Talks are free but booking is essential.

Library	Торіс	When	Time	Booking
Banyo	Introduction to Family History	Saturday November 27	`10:30am to 12:30pm	3403 2201
Ashgrove	Irish Immigration	Saturday December 4	1:00pm to 3:00pm	3407 1940
Coopers Plns	Beginners Guide to DNA for Genealogy	Saturday January 3	10:00am to :30am	3403 1530

# GSQ Notices

# Did you know that GSQ has an active & informative Facebook page?



Last eNews I explained about out GSQ Facebook Page and how it is a public page ie you don't have to be a Facebook member to see what we post there. Remember that to find our Page, it's as simple as going to the GSQ Website and down the bottom you will see the Facebook logo; clicking on that will take you there, and once the Page opens, go to the left menu and click Group for that link. Two or three easy steps - how good is that!

In the last couple of month our GSQ Page has featured a series 'Did you know' - it's giving both members and prospective members an idea of exactly what benefits joining GSQ holds for them. Each article published on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays, features a different section of our GSQ webpage, Library or membership benefit. Our GSQ Group has theme days ie Military Mondays, Trove Tuesdays etc. follow both to keep in touch. Additionally, there's a Twitter account broadcasting our events and blogs regularly.

If you have any questions about our Facebook presence then please email Bobbie on <a href="mailto:facebook@gsq.org.au">facebook@gsq.org.au</a>

#### Did you know that GSQ now has an active & informative Facebook group?

GSQ has both a Facebook page, and now we have a Facebook group. The Facebook GROUP- GSQFB is a private group so only the members of the group can see what you post. Here you can ask questions, share your genie successes and frustrations. It is an interactive space where you will also learn more about the resources GSQ has and how to continue your research. Here we will continue to build our GSQ community and encourage more to join us. Do tell your friends about GSQFB Group.. You don't need to be a GSQ member to join the group.

If you have any questons about the GSQFB Group, then please email Rhoda on gsqfbgroup@gsq.org.au

To join the group click on the link, and answer THREE questions. <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/548139069596908</u>.



There have been another five interesting blogs published since the last eNews. On 20 September Sue Bell wrote on 'Jane Gunn's Book', a tiny momento passed down to her, on 27 September Peter Cass told us about '*Changes' reminiscing on the past years events*, on 4 October Sharon Merkley wrote '*From Veteran to Victim: An Unfortunate Life*' which was quite a sad tale, on 11 October we had Marg Doherty's '*The Wreck of the Quetta and the family of Thomas McGladdery*' and finally on 18 October Meg Carney wrote on '*Two Weddings*' a family story of her parents and grandparent's weddings.

Our weekly blogs are published each Monday, this is the link: https://gsq-blog.gsq.org.au/ to their page on our GSQ Website. Almost all our 2021 bloggers have committed to our GSQ Blog 2022 calendar which now has only a few vacancies left.

If you would like to be considered as one of our great occasional bloggers team, then please email Bobbie on <u>blogs@gsg.org.au</u>

### STOP PRESS FindMyPast are launching the 1921 Census 6th January 2022

For more information please go to: https://www.findmypast.co.uk/1921-census



### **Christmas Raffle**

We're collecting items for a Christmas Hamper Raffle. Please place donated non-perishable items in baskets provided at GSQ.

## GSQ ZOOM Meetings

### Research Support and Chat for GSQ Members Only Put it in your Diaries Monday 11am - 1pm – Weekly except 1st Monday



As of 1st November 2021 the Zoom sessions will now only be held on a Monday at 11am, and no longer on the Thursday.

This will enable both myself and Helen to have a break and concentrate on doing some research for ourselves.

**GSQ e-NEWS** 

Monday has been chosen as GSQ is not open that day and more members are able to join in.

We have been running the two sessions each week for more than 18mths - since Covid started.

Many are returning to GSQ to do research now and all have learnt lots during this time period to help with their own research.

But it is time for a few changes. As the 1st of Nov is a Monday, we attend Judy Lofthouse's Monday Morning Natters.

#### So the first Monday meeting will be 8th of November.

We want to thank everyone who has participated in both of these Zoom sessions during this time. It has been fun, informative and lots of new friends made, and hope to see you all on Monday 8th November. Everyone is welcome to join in, but you must send your name and email to Ailsa Corlett, so that we can then send you the link to join in. Email: <a href="mailto:mtzoom@gsq.org.au">mtzoom@gsq.org.au</a>

### Research Support and Chat for GSQ Members Only Put it in your Diaries

#### 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month starting at 11am

During the October meetings we welcomed several new members to the group which is always great to do. Many thanks to Pauline Williams for convening the Topic meeting on 6 Oct and presenting on Maps, using both those within our GSQ collection and ones available online. There are plans afoot to extend this into a future Saturday morning presentation with a wider scope.

Another brick wall toppled on 20 October when we tackled Robyn Fletcher's Irish line from Co. Clare. With many christian & surname spelling variations and a large family from both before and after civil registration in this Catholic family, it was an interesting exercise which demonstrated the difficulties many folk had with calculating their ages during that period. It was great to see those new to Irish research enjoying the task and learning at the same time in the smaller environment.

Any GSQ member who wishes to join the Zoom sessions can email Bobbie Edes, the Convenor on <u>wedmornzoom@gsq.org.au</u> to ask for the invite. We're a small friendly group which gives all the opportunity to learn more about genealogy in general and ways of researching. On the 3rd Wednesday we go into breakout rooms to help another member with their brick wall problem with everyone participating.

### Wednesday Nights at GSQ via Zoom 7 - 9 pm - 2nd & 4th Wednesday

Second Wednesday of the month night Zoom: November 10 7-9pm Topic for this month is blogs. Following on from Jill Ball's Zoom on Saturday Oct 2nd about blogging, let's look at some blogs, but please do a Google search for genealogy or family history blogs to see how many you can find. Also look to see if your ancestors are mentioned in a blog. Perhaps you can find a cousin who is writing.

Get your friends to come along. Remember that the 2nd Wednesday nights of the month are free for all to join as long as you apply to get the link. Just send an email to wedpmzoom@ gsq.org.au before the day so you can be sent the link. We have discussions about family history related topics and you can ask for help with your family history problems.

The **4th Wednesday** of the month @ 7pm is when Ailsa Corlett hosts a Zoom meeting introducing a Guest Speaker talking on specific topics.

On **Wednesday 24 November** there is a DNA Clinic so no Zoom that night.

These meetings are open to anyone to join in, email Ailsa at wedpmzoom@gsq.org.au to obtain the link.

## SIG Notices

Subject to the restrictions regarding the Covid-19 situation, some interest groups will be holding their meetings at GSQ. There is a limit of 20 people attending the groups. Some groups are conducting virtual meetings through the use of the Zoom platform.

## **Family History Technology Group**

The first session of the FHT SIG got off to a rocky start with the cancellation due to a Covid-19 matter. However, we had a Zoom session days later. We sorted out the concept and how the FHT session would be conducted and how to participate.

We will be sending out regular notices to all the email addresses I have. If you would like to be part of this SIG and wish to receive information please send your email address to the convenor at <u>FHTech@gsq.org.au</u>

The next session is **Sunday 14 November** at the Wishart address. Graeme Moulton

### **Convict Connections Group**

The next meeting for ConvictConnections is on **Sunday 12 December** at Stackpole Street.

Our lending library contains a good variety of resource books. A list is available at <u>http://www.convictconnections.org.au/main/</u>lending-library/.

If you cannot attend our meetings and would like to borrow books, please email <u>convictconnections@yahoo.com.au</u> and we will make further arrangements.

### **German Interest Group**

The next meeting is on **28 November 2021** we will have our usual meeting. There also will be time to answer any questions re your research

- Lesley Roebig, Convenor
- The German Group

## **English/Irish Interest Group**

Come and join in our Irish/English and Welsh Group! A lovely group of family history researchers who offer much insight and advice which will help you trace your history back to the Mother country. We have been exploring the divide between the English and the Irish and how it may relate to your family. Gain insight into the nature of the Irish people, and as an Irish person myself, how it shaped the destiny of so many Irish and English people.

**Sunday 5 December at 9:30am at Wishart**. Everyone is welcome to come so bring your friends and join us.

If you wish to stay and explore our online services we will be open to 2 pm. So come armed with names, places and birth dates of your Great or Great Great or Great Great Great grandparents.

A gold coin donation is greatly appreciated and a mug of something hot can be purchased for only 50 cents.

Looking forward to hearing your story!

Lorraine Adey 0435 466 820 – IF you have any questions.

## **Scottish Interest Group**

The next meeting will be on Sunday 7 November at GSQ.

The schedule for our talks this year was decided at the meeting, and it is as follows:

7 November Argyll (lan Miller)

Thanks to those members who have generously agreed to speak at our meetings this year.

Meetings start at 10:00 am, with the centre open by 9:30 am. All members are welcome, and the centre remains open after the meeting for research. We follow the GSQ COVID-Safe Plan to ensure everyone's safety at our meetings.

Contact Alistair Henderson at <a href="mailto:scotgroup@gsq.org.au">scotgroup@gsq.org.au</a>

## SIG Notices

### Writing Group

SQ e-NEW

We are in recess until February 2022.

Contact Pauline at <u>writing@gsq.org.au</u> if you would like to be added to the Group's mailing list.

**Pauline Williams** 

Email: pstirland@hotmail.com

### **Military Group**

The next meeting of the Military Interest Group will take place on **Sunday 14 November 2021 at 12:30 pm**. The meeting is subject to no Coronavirus changes and will follow the new Family History Technology group meeting. A projector & screen will be in use for AWM, NAA, DVA & CWGC research.

The Military Interest Group is a networking group that can help members discover information about military records. The group is interested in all conflicts in all eras. It does not matter if it is Army, Navy or Air Force. If you have a military ancestor and you have some questions regarding the conflict or units they may have served in or questions about the person themselves, come along and ask your question of like-minded researchers.

Les McFadzen [ConvenorMilitary Interest Group} contact Les on militarygroup@gsq.org.au

### **Monday Morning Natters**

**Monday Morning Natters November 1** we will have a Zoom Meeting 10am to 12noon

Topic for November: What clothes did your ancestors wear? If you don't have photos of them the Google to see what clothes you can find for the times of your ancestors.

## **Scandinavian Interest Group**

At the last meeting of the Scandinavian Group we decided to have our next meeting at a Scandinavian Café in West End. *Lokal* + *Co* has Scandinavian waffles and akevitt (strong liquor). If anybody would like to join us on **Sunday 14 November,** please let me know, so I can book for the correct number of people. It will be at the same time as our normal meetings..

Steinar can be contacted on scangroup@gsq.org.au

### **DNA Interest Group**

Our meeting on 24 October was a great example of members contributing with several presentations; remember the DNA Admin Team has requested that all are welcome to play an active role in the talks, with help available to put a talk, brief or involved, together. Greg Carlill did our DNA Update, and David Barnes covered his method of keeping track of the DNA companies' changes in Ethnicity results using a spreadsheet. Many members liked this so much that David has prepared a template to start us off; this will be available in our closed GSQ Facebook group as well as distributed on request. Gary Lambrides showed his many uses of OneNote, where he keeps track of not only his ethnicity but matches, contacts and many varied subjects demonstrating just how useful a program it can be for holding info together.

We had our Breakout Rooms in smaller groups covering Beginners, Ancestry/MyHeritage, Y-DNA/FTDNA, DNA Painter and Clustering. The meeting closed then to those who were more familiar with DNA and Ailsa, Judy & Bobbie each did presentations covering how to export a Gedcom from all the software & online programs and then how to import the Gedcoms into the various DNA sites. These talks were recorded and hand-out notes are in our Facebook group and mailed to group members.

The next **DNA Clinic takes place on 24 November**, all GSQ members are welcome to request a one-on-one session during that evening, which will be via Zoom. Anyone who wants help will need to email presentations@gsq.org.au with 'DNA Clinic' in the Subject header, stating what their DNA problem is and what they'd like help on so we know who to allocate to assist you during the clinic.

Our next DNA Group meeting will be on **Sunday 24 November** at 9:30am via Zoom and we have a special Guest Speaker. As the meeting falls a couple of weeks after Remembrance Day, Michelle Leonard is doing a presentation titled '*The Fromelles Genealogy Project: From WW1 Unknown Grave to 21st Century Named Grave'*. GSQ Members are reminded that if you're not on our mailing list and would like to attend this meeting please email <u>dna@gsq.org.au</u> and request the invitation link which usually goes out a few days before the meeting.

## Upcoming GSQ Education Events



### A Presentation by Oral History Queensland November 13 @ 9:00 AM - 11:00AM Presenters: Elizabeth Gondwe & Pat Ryan

This presentation will cover the following:

- Oral History Basics: Creating an audio recording with a relative. Interactive workshop session
- Unmasking Mary tracing a revolutionary grandmother through oral history, family history and State Archives.
- Questions and general discussion BOOK HERE



Google Earth Pro and Map Overlays November 20 @ 9:00AM - 11:00AM Presenter Sharn White

With Google Earth, you can visualise your family history in a geographical context. You can see the places where your ancestors lived and understand the landscape where they lived.

This presentation will demonstrate how you can use Google Earth Pro in conjunction with historical map overlays, Google Earth's Historical Map Collection and Historical Imagery to complement and enhance your family history. BOOK HERE



### Lucy Door Prize Winners Finding Family In England & Wales Records

	Prize	Winner's Name
1.	HELP Historical and Genealogical Truth Carol Baxter. Value \$24.00 from GSQ Bookshop	Ailsa Corlett
2.	HELP Why Can't I Find My Ancestor's Surname Carol Baxter Value \$24.00 from GSQ Bookshop	Di Edelman

## FHDU ONLINE

#### Family History Down Under ONLINE

**GSQ e-NEWS** 

On demand webinars available now:

- Googling your ancestors with Helen Smith AU\$19. Learn how to use the power of Google to enhance your research and seek out the story of your ancestors.
- Writing intriguing family histories with Carol Baxter AU\$39. Learn how to turn your family history research into an exciting narrative that keeps your readers hooked.
- *Video magic with Susie Zada* FREE. How to produce a promotional video using PowerPoint for your society, organisation or a hundred other uses.
- Deciphering & Digitising Old Photos with Maureen Taylor -AU\$39. Learn how to organise, decipher, and preserve your old photos without being overwhelmed.
- Finding the Irish with Fiona Fitzsimons & Brian Donovan -AU\$49. Learn how to find Irish women, as well as the poor, and clues surrounding death to further your Irish family history.

For more information: go to https://www.fhdu.online/

#### Rootstech 2021 videos

Rootstech 2021 has these videos about how to *Discover, Tell & Share Your Story.* 

Connect with your family and loved ones in new and powerful ways through the power of storytelling, photography, and more. In this series, you'll discover the tools you need to bring your ancestors to life in personal and meaningful ways, while discovering connections across generation.

#### Powerful and Connective Storytelling

Bring your family stories to life by telling, sharing, and learning about the experiences your ancestors shared. In this series, you'll learn to recognize the importance and power of your personal story, and discover the connections that come from sharing our stories.

# Leveraging Photos and Photography to Enhance Your Family Story

Share your unique lens and perspective with generations to come! In this series, you'll learn how to document your personal life experiences by uploading your photos and attaching the stories that go with them. You'll also receive great photo scanning tips!



#### FREE Family History Webinars from Legacy Family Tree

What is the cost: There is no charge to register and view the live webinar. However, the recording is 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 everything.

#### Some November offerings:

- November 3 Uncovering the lives of your London (England) ancestors by Cathie Sherwood - 11:00AM AEST
- November 4 Investigative Genetic Genealogy the Use of DNA for Law Enforcement by Diahan Southard - 4:00AM AEST
- November 10 An overview of the massive new record collection from France by Elisabeth Zetland 5:00AM AEST
- November 17 Planning Research by LaBrenda Garrett-Nelson - 11AM AEST
- November 18 How to Build Your Genealogy Website on WordPress by Marc McDermott 5:00AM AEST

#### December

Webinars

- December 1 Genealogy a la carte Using Australian historical maps in your research by Benjamin Hollister 11:00AM AEST
- December 2 The Top Ten DNA Do's and Don'ts! by Michelle Leonard - 5:00AM AEST
- December 8 Documenting Families or Communities Lost in the Holocaust by Bullets by Ellen Kowitt 11:00AM AEST

Legacy Webinars has a brand new website available HERE

The new site is vastly improved and now shows webinar times in AEST, so no more having to work out the times for the live presentations!

#### NOTE: Two presentatons at 11:00AM AEST

- November 3 Uncovering the lives of your London (England) ancestors by Cathie Sherwood
- December 1 Genealogy a la carte Using Australian historical maps in your research by Benjamin Hollister

Go to the Series page HERE

## Family History News



follow us on Facebook @SandsOfTimeConference







FamilySearch Family Tree Search Memories

Did you know that you can view a Fan Chart of your family tree on FamilySearch? Of course you need to have a FamilySearch Tree for this.

To access the Fan Chart you need to use the drop-down box under TREE and select Fan Chart. There are options to se up to 7 generations and they can by coloured as to birth place etc.

Fan Charts are great for seeing your gaps in research - try it out if you have a FamilySearch Family Tree.



#### RAFFLE PRIZE LIST FOR "Finding Family in England and Wales Seminar"

No	Prize	Donor	Winner's Name	Ticket No
1	Voucher for \$50.00	Archival Survival	Robyn Dean	Green E 54
2	Voucher for FTM19 Family Tree Program	Helen McKinnon (from DNA Discovery Day)	Betty Lee	Orange F10
3	Voucher for FTM19 Family Tree Program	Family Tree Maker	Kerry Collins	Orange E 54
4	Voucher for FTM19 Family Tree Program	Family Tree Maker	Lorri Digney	Green E 26
5	Voucher for Legacy Family Tree Deluxe Software (download version)	Legacy Family Tree Program	Rhona Pickering	Green F 07
6	Voucher for One Year Free Membership at Family Tree Webinars.com	Legacy Webinars	Paul Cummings	Orange E 03
7	1 X 12-month Subscription	The British Newspaper Archives	Helen Smith	Green F 78
8	1 X 1 month Subscription	The British Newspaper Archives	Kim Davis	Green E 37
9	Genealogy e-books (UTP and Archive Digital Books) to value of \$50.00	Gould Genealogy	Catherine Thompson	Green D 24
10.	FHDU Online Discount Coupon – value up to \$49.00	FHDU – Family History Down Under Conference	Kate Peters	Orange F 19
11.	1 X Full My Heritage Subscription	My Heritage	Linda Ely	Green E 75
12.	1 X Full My Heritage Subscription	My Heritage	Anne Mobbs	Green F 38
13.	1 X Full My Heritage Subscription	My Heritage	John Allen	Green E 71
14.	1 X My Heritage DNA Kit	My Heritage	Pauline Williams	Green F 19
15.	1 X My Heritage DNA Kit	Donated by Ailsa Corlett from DNA Discovery Day	Jan Bimrose	Orange F 42
16.	1 X 12 Month Subscription to FindMyPast	Find My Past	Judy Lofthouse	Orange E 21
17.	1 X 1 Month Subscription to FindMyPast	Find My Past	Kerryn Dixon-Ward	Green D 38
18.	1 X 12 month World Subscription to Ancestry	Ancestry	Catherine Thompson	Green D 21
19.	1 X DNA Kit	Ancestry	Claire Rodwell	Orange F 90
20.	1 X Copy of TreeView for Windows and Mac (download version)	The Genealogist	Lorri Digney	Green E 27
21.	1 X 12 month Top Level Diamond subscription to TheGenealogist	The Genealogist	Sally Romano	Orange F 41