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Welcome to August eNews

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

August is Family History Month and something that GSQ members should be celebrating is the arrival of the new Scan Pro. This is a significant event for GSQ – with this machine we'll be able to digitise so many of our microfiche records quickly and easily and so make them more accessible to you, our members! What a way for Family History Month 2022 to begin at GSQ!!

Another recent arrival is a HeartSine Samaritan 360P Defibrillator purchased from Bequest funds from Janice Godfrey (Member Number 5280). Through Janice's generosity GSQ will now have the capability of helping members who have the misfortune of suffering a heart attack whilst at GSQ. While we hope this never occurs, members should feel a certain amount of reassurance with this equipment within our premises. While we've been advised that the equipment offers oral instructions as to what to do in case of an emergency – the machine will lead the user through the steps to be undertaken - the Management Committee felt that some members may like to have some prior knowledge. A brief Instruction

"Course" is available at **Defibrillator** On-line Training (Start) - Integrity Health & Safety (integrityhs.com. au). (Select HeartSine 500P for the type of Defibrillator.) If you complete the Quiz associated with the "Course" successfully and are granted a Certificate, please advise GSQ Secretary, Claire Rodwell, who will maintain a list of members who have completed the "Course". However, if the Defibrillator is needed, as mentioned above, all that is needed is the ability to follow oral instructions - the user does not need to have completed the "Course".

Open Day (Saturday 27 August) is now just a few weeks away. Please tell your friends about it and encourage them to come along: 10.00am – 2.00pm. (Better still, bring them along with you.) There are to be Displays from State Library of Queensland and the Queensland State Archives, along with stands operated by our Special Interest Groups. There'll be a Book Sale – new and second hand Family History related books, and some brief education sessions, along with the opportunity for research. The friend you bring along may just

discover some intriguing information! The Quilt Raffle will also be drawn on this day. Have you



purchased your tickets yet?? The winner will take home a beautiful Hanging Gardens designed Quilt made by Gail Dean. Tickets are just \$2.00 each and available online through our website and will, of course, also be available on the day.

Our Education Committee is organising a wonderful seminar titled "Life in Victorian Britain" to be held via Zoom on Saturday, 24 September, 9.15am – 5.00pm. Early Bird Tickets (priced at \$50 for Members and \$65 for Non Members) are available now via the website until 31 August. From 1 September tickets will be priced at \$60 for Members and \$75 for Non Members.

Happy Family History Month everybody – may your month be filled with lots of exciting new "finds". Helen Veivers, President

Open Day Raffle Beautiful Handcrafted Queen Size Quilt Hanging Gardens Design

Drawn at 1:00 PM 27 August 2022 at 25 Stackpole Street, Wishart 4122

Tickets \$2 each - Get tickets HERE

Helpers for Open Day - We Need You!

OPEN DAY: Saturday 27 August 10.00 am - 2.00pm

GSQ needs assistance in the following areas for Open Day.

Small Cakes/Slices for sale in the Café
 Helpers to work in the Café

Sausage Sizzle helpers
 Book Sales assistants

• General assistance with setting up, starting at 8.00am and taking down after 2.00pm

Raffle Ticket Seller/s

If you are able to help with any of these tasks, please advice Secretary, Claire by emailing secretary@gsq.org.au.

COMMITTEE SNIPPETS

Points from July Management Committee:

- Various Fundraising ideas

 a Car Boot Sale to be
 organised on 8 October,

 2022;
- Advice that GSQ's Gambling Community Benefit Fund Grant Application was unsuccessful;
- All SIG Convenors are to be invited to participate in meetings with various Management Committee members, with the first of these 6 monthly meetings to be held in September 2022;
- GSQ had a membership of 617 on 30 June 2022;
- An Orientation Video prepared by Helen Connor and Ailsa Corlett was available for viewing.
 Thanks for the great work, Helen and Ailsa.

Book review

Lives in Letters: The Barncleuth Letters of William Alfred Cribb and his Family by Patsy Jones

The author wrote this book when family letters were discovered unexpectedly after a family death. The Barncleuth letters, named after a family property, Barncleuth, are from and to various family members and somehow managed to be retained in the family's possession. I loved that the author persuaded her grandchildren to transcribe the resource, subtly exposing them to their family history.

A group of the letter were from William Cribb, who was touring Europe. His future wife, Jessie, kept them as mementos. There was an occasional letter from Jessie to William. Other letters relate to the properties William owned or wanted to possess. The book carries the reader through the marriage of William and Jessie, the death of a son, Jessie's early death, William's insolvency and later unsuccessful marriage. During these events, the author discusses various background factors in Queensland and their effect on the family. These include the prickly pear problem and how farmers had to clear their land of this irritant. Such discussion would be of interest to researchers that had families who dealt with this pest.

Patsy, the author, discusses her research processes and is upfront about her grandfather being a flawed person, as are most people. In one part of the book, the author had to identify the appropriate dates of letters and their sequence. She did this with exemplary research skills. To build a picture of the family's life, the author included many images of various letters, family photos, and transcriptions of interviews with living relatives. At the beginning of the book, Patsy has included family trees listing William and Jessie's parents, their children and siblings, which I used to remind myself of who was who and their relationship to the key characters.

I found the book interesting from a Queensland perspective. Including images of the letters gave them a context that readers could access. Oh, to have a similar cache of family letters.

Marg Doherty

Volunteers for Sands of Time - 21-23 October, 2022.

GSQ will be having a table at the conference and will need Volunteers to man the table which will have both our bookshop and information on GSQ. Once we have a number of Volunteers then we will be able to create a roster

that will allow everyone time to access to the conference.

This sounds a long time away but those that might be interested should mark it in their diaries.

If you are interested, or going to the conference, email Claire at secretary@gsq.org.au

Like all "special interests" groups (think photography clubs, bushwalking clubs, car enthusiasts and so on) GSQ depends on volunteers to continue to exist and thrive. Your President and the Management Committee are all volunteers. As are the people who open the Resource Centre (currently five day a week) to enable members to use the facilities on offer in the building. The person who edits and puts together the eNEWS you are reading now is also a volunteer, not to mention the people on the Editorial Committee who prepare the quarterly Generation magazine. Then there is the person who is responsible for getting these two documents (and other missives) into your in-box.

I won't name all the volunteer roles that exist in GSQ, but I will reinforce that all these people are volunteers, giving their time freely to enable GSQ to function for the benefit of its members. In an organization like GSQ, we can't have too many volunteers. If you put your hand up, we will find a volunteer role that suits your skill sets (maybe from your occupation – present or past) and interests. On the GSQ website, under Volunteer on the

home page you will find a link which takes you to a document listing the types of volunteer roles we have.

Now, we do have a need for volunteers in a few particular areas that I would



like to tell you about. Not in any order as they are all important.

Do you have an interest in researching? Obviously, you do, or you wouldn't be reading eNews! GSQ is looking to boost its Research Group. The aim is to make it more efficient and more profitable. Family History research is our intellectual property, and we need to make better use of it. The aim is to spread the work around, hence we want to develop a bank of researchers. Could that be you?

Do you have entrepreneurial skills? We are looking for a new Bookshop Coordinator. It is a very important role – another area where GSQ is looking to make more profitable. Briefly the role among other things involves considering new stock and arranging the purchase of said stock, looking after online orders and their dispatch, and arranging for reviews of books on our website.

Last, but not least, we are looking for people who have IT skills to join and be part of a technical team that will allow GSQ to reduce or eliminate expenditure on IT maintenance. If you have web site expertise, we are looking for you too.

I will finish on this note. The saying goes: "Many hands make light work". If you can spare only an hour or two a week, we are looking for you as well as those people who can spare day or more a week. If you would like to discuss any of the above roles (or any other that appeals to you) please contact the Volunteer Co Ordinator (Kim Davis) at volunteer@gsq.org.au

POSITION VACANT: FUNDRAISING FOR GSQ

GSQ is seeking somebody to coordinate Fundraising activities. The Management Committee has recently discussed a number of options, but there are many others that that could be considered by a dedicated fundraising coordinator. The ones discussed included a Car Boot Sale, Wine Tasting, Containers for Change (implemented), Banquet Dinner.

If Fundraising is something that appeals to you, please contact President, Helen Veivers at president@gsq.org.au for discussion and further information.

Great News - Society of Genealogists (UK) online data available

I write this eNews report the morning after the free members Zoom by Else Churchill, titled Society of Genealogist at a distance – using the catalogue and digital collections. Most who attended would agree that it was a great session and that the Society certainly has a huge collection of some 11 million online items listed in their catalogue, with an incredible number still to be added to this.

With one licence available at our GSQ Wishart rooms, it is hoped many will take advantage of this site sponsored by those attending our Wednesday morning Zoom sessions donating a gold coin to the SIG for funding something special, such as this. For anyone new to GSQ who is not familiar with our Special Interest Groups (SIGs), for many years whilst holding their meetings physically in the GSQ rooms, those attending donated a gold coin into that groups account. Since going virtual, it was decided to continue this scheme by doing a bank transfer to the individual group's SIG account; once a quarter, half yearly or annually, whatever the person preferred. Our group voted on, and sponsored this site; the Monday/Thursday Zoom group have done likewise sponsoring John Grenham's Irish Ancestors online site for two or so years, unlike the terms of the SoG site, that particular arrangement is available from home as well.

Bobbie Edes, convenor Wednesday Morning Zoom

More Great News!

Everyone will be pleased to know that the new ScanPro and New Computer have arrived and been installed. It is now a matter of training on how to use it as it is rather different to use compared to the old one that died.

This ScanPro can scan fiche and rolls of film in minutes or seconds even. In fact, it can do up to 100 frames per second depending on the medium. It can save the image in normal tif;png;jpg and pdf format. But what it will be used for

at GSQ is to scan and index as many of the current microfiche that we currently have in our cabinets. Many of these fiches are not available anywhere else to use. So, scanning using pdf and OCR will make this job so much quicker and easier for our indexing team.

The concept is to scan the fiche/film then put the details onto our NAS storage so that you as members will be able to access at home or at GSQ via MyGSQ on our website.

Unfortunately we were not successful in the grant we had applied for in relation to the purchase of a ScanPro but the Management Committee considered this to be an essential purchase, along with a high spec computer to cope with the demands of the new ScanPro.

Research Projects Update

The Research Group is desperately is seeking somebody to coordinate Fundraising activities. The Management Committee has discussGSQ, we would very much like to hear from you. You do not have to be an expert because you can ask other researchers for advice. We work collaboratively so no one person becomes snowed under. Such research has the potential to be a lucrative revenue earner for the Society."

Contact Graeme Moulton on research@gsq.org.au if you can assist or for more information.

Photos of London and Londoners from the 1950s

The Rook Collection has some wonderful photos from 1950s London – browse the collection HERE.

Upcoming GSQ Education Events

Pictorial Power: finding and using images

August 13 @ 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Presenter: Stephanie Ryan

Cost: Members \$20.00 Non-members \$30.00

Virtual via ZOOM

In recent years there has been a sharp increase in what is available digitally. This includes documents, maps and photographs of people, places, objects and events which can bring a history or a story to life and into immediate focus. This presentation will look at what is available and where, and what needs to be considered in using this material. BOOK HERE

Where is everywhere? Have you really looked everywhere?

October 1 @ 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM AEST

Presenter: Michelle Patient

Cost: Members \$20 Non-members \$30

Virtual via ZOOM

We often hear family historians saying they have looked everywhere. So where is this "everywhere" place? How can using checklists, mind mapping, timelines, reviewing your research and keeping up to date help make sure you have looked "everywhere"? Join us on Saturday 1 October 2022 from 9am as well known presenter Michelle Patient shares her insights and research tips to help you find that place called everywhere. BOOK HERE

Record of Daily LIfe in Ireland

August 23 @ 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM AEST

Presenter: Chris Paton

Cost: Members \$20 Non-members \$30

Virtual via ZOOM

Going beyond the basic resources that we can use to establish the genealogy of our Irish families, additional record sets exist that document their role and status in society, and often their fate.

In this session Irish Genealogist Chris Paton will look at the resources that can place our families in context, including, for example, freeholders lists and absent voters lists, the administration of the poor law and the role of the poorhouse in Ireland, and education records. <u>BOOK HERE</u>

Historic maps of Great Britain – a window into the past

October 11 @ 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM AEST

Presenter: Laragh Quinney

Cost: Members \$20 Non-members \$30

Virtual via ZOOM

Discover detailed historic mapping of Scotland, England and Wales from county maps and town plans to national mapping by the Ordnance Survey. This session will showcase the types and scales of historic mapping available, and the information these maps can provide for genealogists. The National Library of Scotland has digitised over 250,000 historic maps of Great Britain. BOOK HERE

A Gift that keeps on Giving: NSW State Archives Resources at SLQ

September 17 @ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM AEST Presenter: Jennifer Harrison Cost: Members \$20 Non-members \$30

Cost: Members \$20 Non-members \$30 Virtual via ZOOM

Many researchers are aware of the SLQ's one-page listing of their holdings of material housed at the New South Wales State Archives. While this useful document enumerates the film numbers, any indication of their contents must be gleaned from various NSWSA guides, in books, on fiche, CDs or on-line sites. As a 'shut-down years' project, a much more comprehensive descriptive list has been compiled by this inveterate library-hound. BOOK HERE

Using GSQ computers

October 22 @ 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM AEST Presenter: Ailsa Corlett Cost: Members ONLY \$10 Hands on at GSQ

The Genealogical world is changing all the time. Is your knowledge on how to use the computers and programs installed at GSQ up to date? Do you know what programs we have for you to use at GSQ? Not just the subscription databases! Have you looked at or used any of the other icon links on the Start Menu page?

Course is limited to 10 people, to ensure each person can be assisted when using the computers so be in quick as usually gets booked out. BOOK HERE



Life in Victorian Britain Seminar

Program

Janet Few. - Madness, Mania and Melancholia: life in the Victorian asylum. (Recorded)

Charlotte Sale - Religion in Victorian Britain. (Live + recorded)

lan Waller - Canals, Railways and Trams of the Victorian Era. (Recorded)

Maggie Gaffney - Schooling the Victorians. (Live + recorded)

Sue Swalwell - The Good, The Bad and The Ugly. The story of one family living under the laws of Queen Victoria. (Recorded)

Susannah Coster - Family history and the busy world of the 19th century British Post Office. (Recorded)

Live Q&A with all speakers

All sessions will be recorded and available to registered participants for one month after the seminar.

For more information and to book, click HERE

Bookings & payment

Early Bird Price if booked by 31 August 2022:

GSQ/QFHS Members \$50 Non-members \$65

Price from 1 September 2022:

GSQ/QFHS Members \$60 Non-members \$75

Book online at: www.gsq.org.au/events

Payment may be made by:

Credit card (online, by phoning GSQ 07 3349 6072 or at GSQ)
Cash (at GSQ)
Bank transfer (note details at time of ordering) OR
Cheque by post:
GSQ, PO Box 1467, Carindale, QLD 4152

Special Interest Groups

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.

Convict Connections Group

The next meeting for Convict Connections is on Sunday 14 August at Stackpole Street.

DNA Group

The DNA Group will meet on Sunday 28 August from 9:30am via Zoom.

The DNA Special Interest Group held its last meeting on 17th July. This was a Q&A Session with no specific focus, apart from applying to DNA research. Some of the questions related to Y-DNA and haplogroups. The convenors are looking for suggested topics from DNA SIG group members. So, if you have a burning question, want an in depth training on an aspect of DNA technology or methodology, or need some further information on working with DNA drop us an email to dna@gsq.org.au.

Two of the future topics suggested in the meeting were: how to support the DNA outcome/research in the tree; and who you should be testing, apart from yourself, siblings and children. Our next meeting is 28th August from 9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

The next DNA Clinic is 31st August. If you want help in this Clinic you need to register with Judy Lofthouse at presentations@gsq.org.au by Sunday 28th August so that the most appropriate person can be matched with you.

English/Irish Group

The English/Irish Group will meet on Sunday 7 August at Stackpole Street from 10:00 AM.

The next meeting of the English Irish SIG will be Sunday 7th August 2022 at GSQ premises. The doors will open at about 9.30am with the meeting commencing at 10.00am. The doors will remain open till 2.30pm for research.

There will be a presentation on the Irish county of Limerick (the October meeting will feature an English county).

If you intend to come to the meeting and have an English or Irish (or both!) problem if you could email the details of your problem to irisheng@gsq.org.au I will forward the email on to the members of the group and we can get a head start on solving (hopefully) it.

So if you have an interest in English and Irish research, I look forward to seeing you on the 7th August.

Kim Davis, Convenor

Family History Technology Group

The Family History Technology Group will meet on Sunday 11 September via Zoom, this will be Family Tree Maker meeting.

We would like to see more people at the FHTech SIG. Even if you are a beginner at either Legacy or FTM please join us, and we may be able to quicken your learning curve. Remember that the aim of the Special Interest Group is exactly what it sounds. We discuss and learn about our special interest. Please contact Graeme Moulton on fhtech@gsq.org.au to find out more about how we operate

Military Interest Group

The next meeting of the Military Research Group which was due to take place on Sunday the 11th September 2022 at 12.30 pm has been cancelled due to the lack of interest by GSQ members.

The Military Research Group is a networking group that can help members discover information about military records for members interested in all conflicts in all eras, however, we have changed our method of operation.

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, you can contact the group convenor on militarygroup@gsq.org.au for one-onone assistance.

If interest in the Military Research Group changes in the future, we will revert to our previous meeting system.

Les McFadzen, Convenor

German Group

The German Group will meet on Sunday 25 September @ the GSQ premises from 10:00 AM.

Monday Morning Natters

Monday Morning Natters is on Monday August 1 @10am (by Zoom)

The theme for August Natters is Oxygen. Oxygen is essential for life. Were your ancestors farmers, divers, doctors, nurses, ambulance workers? Perhaps someone was a miner that was buried in a mine collapse. Just think about all the times it was necessary to have oxygen in their work.

Come along and share your stories and have a virtual cuppa.

Special Interest Groups

Scandinavian Group

The next meeting is on 18 September @ **12:30 PM.** At this meeting of the Scandinavian Group we will talk about the latest news from the Scandinavian archives and internet pages.

We have an email group for people interested in hearing about our meetings and other news of interest. Email Steinar if you would like to be in the group. scangroup@gsq.org.au

Writing Group

The next meeting is on Sunday 21 August via Zoom.

The next Writing Group meeting is scheduled for Sunday 21 August via Zoom. As a follow-up to the Writing mini-seminar held in June, we are inviting some speakers to come along to future Writing Group meetings. Their talks will expand on their mini-seminar presentations. First up is Judy Lofthouse who tells part of her family's story using photobooks.

An agenda will be circulated to members closer to the date. Contact Pauline on pstirland@hotmail.com or writing@gsq.org.au if you would like to be added to the Group's mailing list.

Scottish Group

The next meeting is Sunday 4 September at GSQ and via Zoom.

Well, we have sent Alistair off to Scotland with a large and long list of books to look at purchasing for us to use at GSQ. Hoping he has enough room in his suitcases to bring them all back.

All the Lanarkshire booklets regarding school records, monumental inscriptions and death/burial records, plus poor law rolls have been acquisitioned and are now on the library shelf. About 100 books all in total, so I am sure you will be bound to find something of interest amongst them.

Many thanks to Kaye and her team for spending the time doing this.

The September meeting will be about the Kirk Sessions. Ailsa Corlett will do this presentation, so if you want to know what you can find and all the hidden gems that you can uncover then please come along to the meeting.

To receive a link to join via Zoom email scotgroup@gsq.org.au

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.

Library	Торіс	When	Time	Booking
Everton Park	Populate or Perish	Saturday August 13	10am -12noon	3403 7400
Inala	Dating Old photos and how to care for them	Saturday September 10	10:30am -12:30pm	3403 2205
Bulimba	Finding Female Convict Voices	Saturday October 29	10:30am -12:30pm	3407 8223
Corinda	Families at War	Thursday November 17	9:30am -11:30am	3407 7702

GSQ Notices

GSQ Facebook Page & GSQ Facebook Group

GSQ Facebook Page is a public page so you don't have to be a Facebook member to see what we post there. Each Monday we publish the GSQ Blog for the week and interesting genealogy news and articles from all around the world are published on the other days of the week.

Additionally, the GSQ Education program is published for the year, so we post the Events coming up in the next month or so. These presentation advertisements always includes a 'Find Tickets' button which takes you directly to the GSQ Events webpage for the particular event.

Feel free to Like or Follow us and also to leave a comment on any of our posts. Contact enquiries to Bobbie Edes on facebook@gsq.org.au

GSQFB was set up to provide a Facebook presence where GSQ members and non members can interact. We have had a Facebook page for a long time but only recently set up the new private group. Only the members of the group can see what you post. Here you can ask questions, and share your genie successes and frustrations. No question is too dumb,; someone else will be pleased you asked. SIG leaders can post information and Library assistants can talk about their favourite resources too. 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. You don't need to be a GSQ member to join the group. Do tell your friends about GSQFB but they must apply to join. To join the group, sign in to Facebook, use the magnifying glass to search for "GSQFB", and answer THREE questions. To create a shortcut to find GSQFB next time you log in to Facebook, on your home page you will see the option to "Edit Shortcuts" on the left side of your computer. Click this and follow the prompts.

If you have any questions then please email Rhoda at gsqfbgroup@gsq.org.au

GSQ Blogs

Our GSQ blogs update begins on 4 July with Pauline Williams writing an update on our June mini-seminar, Writing and sharing family history stories at GSQ. This was followed by Sue Bell explaining how she decided to introduce her love of family history to her grandson with a picture book, this article was titled 'Little Daddy'. The next story was on 18 July by Sharyn Merkley 'Out in the weather'; asking us to think about how differing weather conditions may have affected our ancestors. Our last tale for the month was on Monday 25 July by Bev Murray 'The China Cabinet'. If you have any precious items passed down to you, have you thought about

writing a short piece (maybe print it out and place with or in the item) so that whoever ends up with it next knows the significance of the item? If you'd like to ensure your heirloom is appreciated then perhaps read this explanation by Bev of how she goes about doing just that.

Our GSQ blogs are released early on each Monday morning and are also published on our GSQ Facebook Page and GSQ Facebook Group. This is a direct link to the blogs page: https://gsq-blog.gsq.org.au/

Getting Started Workshop - Using Online Resources - Public Record Office of Northern Ireland (PRONI) - Tuesday 23 August 9:30 PM AEST

Join us on zoom for a workshop that will show you how to get started doing research online.

Whether you are trying to do your own family tree online, researching for study or planning to visit PRONI and want to know how to find your references in advance - this workshop will have something for you!

It will detail how to use PRONI's own online applications such as our e-catalogue and also show you how to use other online sources such as Griffith's valuation and census records.

You will have a chance to see our staff members and ask them your burning questions directly! A zoom link will be issued to the e-mail address you register with one hour in advance of the workshop.

We look forward to (virtually) seeing you!

Register **HERE**.

GSQ ZOOM Meetings

Monday Morning ZOOM for GSQ members only, starting at 11:00 AM AEST

We have had an enjoyable month with everyone helping in doing lots of research. Ideas flowing back and forth to give the member some extra ideas and thoughts to consider. Plus lots of possible results from having a group of people looking for the same sort of record. The more eyes looking creates a better result.

Have you thought about coming along and joining us. We have the Zoom meeting every Monday at 11am – 1pm, except the first Monday of the month as we then join in with Judy in Monday Morning Natters. Contact Helen and Ailsa on

<u>mtzoom@gsq.org.au</u> and make sure you come along with your cuppa and pets are welcome to join in as well. This is a member only attendance.

We would like to thank all who have contributed to the MTZoom funds; this has allowed us to renew the subscription of John Grenham's Irish Ancestors for another year. Many thanks to everyone — it is appreciated.

Wednesday Night ZOOM, open to everyone & FREE starting @ 7:00 PM AEST

Get your friends to come along. Remember that the 2nd Wednesday and 4th Wednesday nights of the month are free for all to join. To attend 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.

Wednesday August 10

Exhibition Holiday- having a break. No Wednesday pm Zoom is scheduled.

Wednesday July 27 Zoom 7pm to 9pm

Presenter for this month is author Peter Dunn

History of Eagle Farm Airfield from convict era through to current days

Convict Era
 Free Settlement
 WW11 aviation Era

Post WW2

aviation era • What's there now

About the Presenter, Peter Dunn OAM

Peter Dunn OAM is a retired electrical engineer who worked in the electricity industry in Queensland for 45 years.

Peter is the Webmaster of the popular "Australia @ War" web site which contains everything you would want to know about military activities in Australia during WWII.

Peter's research has made him realise that very few authors and historians have covered much details about events that actually occurred inside Australia during WWII.

Come and listen and talk to Peter about the History of Eagle Farm Airfield.

Peter was in the past also involved in the establishment of the 1st Computer Group at GSQ and a leader in the days when we used Bulletin Boards to communicate overseas – before emails. We were known as the Brisbane DPS – or Brisbane Dead Person's Society. – Lots of fun.

Research Support and Chat for GSQ Members Only 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month starting at 11:00 AM AEST

Our first meeting on 6 July was a topic theme with a short PowerPoint titled Searching efficiently using wildcards which was followed by a roundup discussion of all attending explaining their primary use of a wildcard. Many advised that although they tended to stick to the most well known one, they learnt a lot more including initially structuring the fact of what they were looking for. During our following meeting on 20 July, as a group we sought answers for another brick wall, but this time we focused more on the person's Australian life.

On 3 August we have another topic meeting with a detailed PowerPoint running through the various treasures found

after logging into MyGSQ as well as explaining the huge breadth of information on our great GSQ website, which has certainly expanded tremendously in the past twelve months. This session is particularly recommended for those who have recently joined or those who haven't ventured into this treasure trove as yet.

Our meetings are on the 1st and also the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 11am and usually go for about 90 minutes. Anyone is welcome to join us by emailing wedmorningzoom@gsq.org.au and ask to go onto the mailing list.

What's news - updates from the Genealogy Community ...

'From restricted to assisted: Maltese migration to Australia'

From the National Archives of Australia, the seminar will be held on **Tuesday 16 August and Friday 19 August at 10:00 AM** at the National Archives - 16
Corporate Drive, Cannon Hill.

Did you know that migration from Malta was once heavily restricted because the Maltese were seen as a threat to 'white Australia'. Yet after the Second World War, Malta was one of the first countries Australia signed an assisted migration agreement with. This seminar will explore the intriguing history of Maltese migration to Australia during the twentieth century, using case studies from the National Archives' collection to highlight how perceptions and policies changed over time.

The research centre will be open

on Friday 19 August. Bookings are essential and can be made via the links below.

Tuesday 16 August Friday 19 August

Sydney Snapshots 1900s - 1940s

A new exhibition by State Records (NSW) has been developed in partnership with Sydney Living Museums, Sydney Snapshots, showcases images from a treasure-trove of images taken by the NSW Government Printing Office (GPO) Photographic Branch.

The images in series <u>NRS 4481</u> cover a diverse range of subjects: roadworks and wharf construction, fleet visits,

suburban soldier settlements, factory workshops, tourist sites, opening ceremonies for departmental buildings and significant state events

Stock brand cards digitised

State Records (NSW) have recently added digitised copies of the series NRS 122 Large stock brand registration cards to our online catalogue, Collection Search.

This series consists of cancelled stock brand registration cards. The cards cover New South Wales brands, and are arranged alphabetically, according to name of owner of brand. Details are given of holding, location, brand application number, date of registration and the actual brand.

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 August/September offerings:

Aug 3 – Finding Mob: Researching Indigenous Australian Family History by Ben Hollister – 12 noon AEST

Aug 10 - New Records on MyHeritage by Mike Mansfield – 4:00 AM AEST

Aug 11 – Need help with grammar and punctuation? There's a tool for that! by Cathie Sherwood - 10:00 AM AEST

Aug 17 – Finding Fayette's Father: Autosomal DNA Reveals Misattributed Parentage by Jennifer Zinck, CG – 10:00 AM AEST

Aug 18 – FamilySearch.org – 5 More Links You Have to Try by Devin Ashby – 4:00 AM AEST

Sep 3 – 10 Best Self-Publishing Tips for Family Historians by Lisa Alzo – 12: 15 AM AFST

Sep 3 – Changing Places, Changing Borders: Overcoming geographic challenges by Dave Obee – 1:30 AM AEST

Sep 7 – Shackles, shekels and shrapnel: the exodus to the Southern seas by Michelle Patient – 12:00 PM AEST

Sep 8 – mtDNA and YDNA in 2022 by Diahan Southard – 4:00 AM AEST Sep 17– The Pros and Cons of Collaboration on Geni.com by E. Randol Schoenberg – 2:45 AM AEST

Sep 21 – Abstracting Documents: An Essential Skill for All Genealogists by Julie Miller, CG, CGL

Sep 24 – Mastering Digital Filing for Genealogists by Cyndi Ingle – 3:00 AM AEST

Legacy Webinars has a brand new website available <u>HERE</u>

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!

A reminder that MyHeritage is available at GSQ and from home via MyGSQ.

Family History News

Starts Tuesday 6 September @ 7 PM for 4 weeks

Start your family history research on a solid foundation. Presenters are experienced GSQ researchers. All sessions to be recorded and available until 2 weeks after the Q&A session on 27 September.

Virtual event via Zoom





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Conference News 2022

Riding the Waves of History

37th Annual Conference of the NSW & ACT Association of Family History Societies

When: 16 - 18 September 2022

All Presentations Via ZOOM and YOUTUBE

Hosted by the Newcastle Family History Society with Maitland & Beyond Family History

Conference website: https://
ridingthewavesofhistory.com.au/

Sharing Shetland

Discover your ancestors' place in Shetland history

When: 22 October 2022

Where: Free Virtual

Conference

Conference website: https://www.shetland-fhs.org.uk/

Sands of Time

Local and Family History Conference

When: 21 - 23 October 2022 Where: Redcliffe Dolphins League Club, Redcliffe 4020

Conference website: https://sandsoftime.org.au/

Family History Down Under (FHDU)

When: 8 - 11 November 2022 Where: Castle Hill RSL Club, Castle Hill, NSW 2154

Conference website: https://www.fhdu22.com/#overview