



We Are Ready for 2022!

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to the New Year everybody! While it hasn't started on a great note with COVID infections in our community, the optimistic side of me is still hoping for a great year for us all – a year filled with opportunities for learning, research and socialising. At this stage the plan remains to open our premises for research beginning on Tuesday, 1 February, 2022. There will be a separate communication which will include guidelines for us all to help keep everybody safe and well.

The big news for this edition of eNews is that we'll be remaining at Wishart in the short term. While I haven't yet signed the new Lease, this action should occur within a reasonably short time. It is proposed that our new Lease will expire on 30 June 2024. **A Members' meeting has been organised for Monday, 14 February 2022, commencing at 7.00pm via Zoom** to discuss the reasons for this decision and any other matters members wish to raise.

As a fundraiser for GSQ a Morning Tea has been organized at the Aveo Village at Durack (356 Blunder Road, Durack) on Wednesday, 23 February, 2022, commencing at 10.00am. Those attending will be provided with Morning Tea and will participate in a

short presentation and perhaps a tour of the Village. All attendees must be double vaccinated and are to check in with the QR Code or sign in upon arrival. The only cost will be the cost of travel to Durack. We need a minimum of 15 people to attend for GSQ to receive a sizeable donation. Should you wish to attend, please book via GSQ's website. Bookings close on 20 February. Family and friends will be most welcome to attend.

At the January meeting the Management Committee decided to cease the practice of inserting GSQ's financial information in eNews. Instead, this information will now be available within MyGSQ on our website. This practice will commence as of now.

Many thanks to those members who contributed to the prizes for the 2021 Christmas Raffle. GSQ raised \$250 from the Raffle. Thanks to Bob Dean and Robyn Dean for their work in packaging the Hampers to look so attractive.

The Winners were as follows:
Mixed Hamper 1: Joanne Taviani, **Mixed Hamper 2:** Catherine Thompson, **Mixed Hamper 3:** Jennifer Lentell

Hamper donated by Corrine McMillan: Danette Eveleigh **Wine Pack 1:** Kerry Beeton **Wine Pack 2:** Jenny Baggaley.

The Family History community in Queensland lost a stalwart when Bob McAllister passed away suddenly on 7 January, 2022. I attended Bob's funeral on 25 January and delivered a tribute on behalf of GSQ. Rest in peace, Bob Helen Veivers, President



Hope you like the new format for eNews. Many thanks eNews editor, Helen Connor, for your proactive work. HV

NEXT MEMBERS' MEETING

Meeting to be held on Monday 14 February @ 7:00 PM via ZOOM.

Email Helen on president@gsq.org.au if you wish to attend so the link may be emailed to you



NEEDED: GSQ needs the services of a Structural Engineer for a small task. If you know of somebody who could fulfill this role, please contact Helen Veivers at president@gsq.org.au .

From the Treasurer

I have been asked to update the membership on the financial structure of GSQ at the turn of this year. I don't propose to supply numbers in this short piece but more focus on the broad-brush aspects of the Organisation.

As announced by the President earlier in e-news we have secured a continuation of our lease at Wishart. The assessment of potential other sites, right up until hours before the latest Management Committee, and the associated protracted negotiations with some potential landlords did make this a 12th hour decision. The main consideration for staying was that we have been able to negotiate a

rent at a reduced rate that, although more than we wished to pay, only made a move marginally attractive. Given that the landlord gave us a fixed lease until 30th June 2024 the process of finding a new home will need to start in 18 months' time by the then Management Committee.

Revenue streams: Currently the main Revenue streams are Membership, of course, followed by Education, Bookshop and Research.

There does not seem to be any adverse reaction to the Membership Fee increase as our membership has been steadily climbing over the last six months and the Management Committee have strategies in place to support all members and continue to increase the overall membership.

Education seems to have suffered most because of COVID and the limitation to online presentations rather than the convivial face to face presentations. I am aware that the Education Committee is taking active steps to

seek a wider reach of participants.

The Bookshop has been an ongoing source of income and was recently boosted by the "Moving Sale". The

bookshop is branching out to supply Family History Organisations throughout Australia & New Zealand with the *My Family History* book which it has acquired exclusive distribution rights to. In addition, it hopes

to launch, soon, a HUGE range of Genealogical books. Stay tuned.

Research is seen as a potential income stream that is yet to be fully developed and plans are in place to increase its profile.

The continued generosity of members making donations and bequests is also appreciated. Overall, the year to date has us ahead of budget principally due to cost limitation so we as an organisation need to continue to improve our revenue streams.

David Barnes Treasurer January 2022.

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GSQ
FINANCIAL
STRUCTURE"

COMMITTEE SNIPPETS

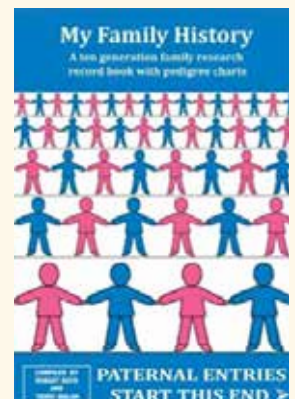
Points from January Management Committee:

1. Membership – 621 as at 31 December 2021
2. Education Program for February to June approved;
3. GSQ now has exclusive distribution rights for "My Family History" in Australia and New Zealand;
4. Revenue from Bookshop Moving Sale in December 2021, \$1388;
5. Paper on Digital Framework System for GSQ presented.

GSQ BOOKSHOP: MEMBERS ONLY special for *My Family History (Third Edition)*

A ten-generation family history research record book with pedigree charts. The new 2021 edition now includes a facility to record that the 1939 Register and 1921 Census have been interrogated in respect of appropriate ancestors, recording both paternal & maternal lines.

Order in February & receive 10% discount on the book & the additional pedigree charts.



Tribute to Robert (Bob) McAllister

23 February 1952 - 7 January 2022

Bob (Member Number 5806) joined the Genealogical Society of Queensland in 2014. He was an exceptionally helpful member of the Technology Advisory group, enjoying the challenges facing the Society's increased online presence. When second hand computers were purchased for use at GSQ's premises, it was Bob who created and enacted a plan for their best use. The interface created by Bob is still used on the bank of computers used by Society members at our premises today. His logical thinking and systematic planning contributed to the success of many GSQ activities.

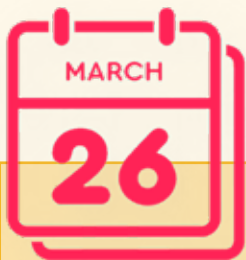
It was quite an effort for Bob to get to GSQ, at both East Brisbane and Wishart, via public transport, requiring him to catch a train and buses. This effort was greatly appreciated -those who shared his library assistant roster days, either as volunteers or visiting members, valued his extensive

knowledge of social and family history. On the rare occasions he didn't know the answer, those present benefited from his problem-solving skills. If he still couldn't solve the problem, he always knew someone who could!

Bob was a great presenter. I remember fondly his presentation at GSQ's "The Power of the Past" Seminar in June 2019 – his presentation, titled "Miegunyah – A house full of history" was enjoyed by the large group present. Family History research, for some, results in information being written on countless pieces of paper, with some data never to be found again. In 2019 and again in 2020 Bob provided GSQ members with the answer to this dilemma with his presentation "Organising Your Research – the Digital Way". Bob's methods are still used by many GSQ members today.

Members enjoyed and learned from Bob's informative and entertaining presentations, blogs, and webinars. GSQ members have used words such as "amazing", "always willing to help", "nothing ever too much trouble" and a "great listener" to describe him. Members of GSQ's German Special Interest Group indicated to me that Bob's presentation to that group was "one of the best talks they've ever had." Behind the scenes, Bob assisted with event planning, website design and newsletters. Such a lot of broad ranging tasks! Those who had the pleasure of exchanging emails with Bob will miss his witty, erudite, clever banter.

Thank you, Bob, from all at GSQ – the family history community has lost a kind and valuable friend.



Live Event with Cyndi Ingle

Back to basics: research planning & execution online

March 26 @ 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM AEST

Presenter: Cyndi Ingle, Cyndi's List

Virtual via ZOOM

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

You've been researching for years, but you find yourself repeating searches and looking at the same things over and over again online. You're either spinning your wheels or reinventing the wheel, but either way you go round and round. We will discuss some strategies for planning your research and executing it efficiently Featuring live Q & A with Cyndi from 10:30 AM [BOOK HERE.](#)

Upcoming GSQ Education Events

Introducing the 1921 Census of England & Wales

February 9 @ 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM AEST

Presenter: Mary McKee, Findmypast

Cost: FREE

Virtual via ZOOM

The 1921 Census of England and Wales is here. Join Findmypast for an unmissable exploration of the biggest new arrival in family history. After years spent digitising and transcribing this unique snapshot of our recent history, discover the stories and secrets contained within. Along with the historical context, tips for effective searching and using it to trace elusive relatives, we'll learn how the 1921 Census will help you understand your ancestors' lives better

[BOOK HERE](#).

What's new in Family Tree Maker: Q & A discussion

March 12 @ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM AEST

Presenter: Mark Olsen, Family Tree Maker

Cost: FREE – Members Only

Virtual via ZOOM

Join us for a live discussion and Q and A session to answer all your questions about Family Tree Maker, the latest version, updates, features and more. This is an interactive session. The presenters would love to see you and discuss all your Family Tree Maker questions. The speakers will also talk about Family Tree Maker partner products - Charting Companion and Family Book Creator. This class is for all levels of genealogists whether you are just getting started or very experienced. [BOOK HERE](#).

What's really in a Freemason's case

February 19 @ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM AEST

Presenter: Rob Hamilton

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

Virtual via ZOOM

Join us for a fun look at what the mason has tucked away in that regalia case he seems to carry with him whenever he goes out. The case has lots of really good stuff including, certificates, booklets, directories and jewels along with an assortment of regalia. If you would like a sneak peek into the life of a freemason, join us on ZOOM. Bring along your photos and questions for discussion. [BOOK HERE](#)

A Poldark in the Family

March 19 @ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM AEST

Presenter: Annaliese Nuttley

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

Virtual via ZOOM

This presentation traces the Pascoe family from Liverpool, NSW to the mining villages of South Australia and back across the ocean to Cornwall. This presentation aims to show you the steps you need to take to accurately trace your Cornish ancestors, while also giving you the tools to expand the story about their lives in the mines of Cornwall.

[BOOK HERE](#)

DNA Research Plans: using data & notes

February 26 @ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM AEST

Presenter: Greg Carlill

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

Virtual via ZOOM

Are you lost or puzzled about your DNA matches? Don't know where to start to sort your DNA matches? Have added DNA matches into random coloured dot groups? Looked at a DNA match multiple times? Lost an important DNA match in the list of 1000s? Can't remember if they are in your tree? Forgotten where they fit into your tree? This is aimed at you. In this lecture we will examine the tools available at the Ancestry and MyHeritage and how efficient use of Notes and the Coloured Dots to group DNA matches can help your research. [BOOK HERE](#)

Using GSQ computers & equipment

March 30 @ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM AEST

Presenter: Ailsa Corlett

Cost: \$10 – limited to 10 participants

Hands On @ GSQ – Members Only

As part of your membership, GSQ offers you access to many of the popular subscription sites including being an Affiliated Library for *FamilySearch*. Some of these sites are also in MyGSQ for you to access at home. This workshop will show you what you can access at GSQ, as our library is full of hidden gems that often are not on the popular subscription sites. We have many CDs on the side wall that may hold alternative information and therefore be extremely helpful in your search.

[BOOK HERE](#)

Did you know?

GSQ members get a 15% discount from Findmypast when joining for themselves.

The new code is available for members in the MyGSQ area of the GSQ website.

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 13 February at Stackpole Street. We welcome all those with an interest in convict and/or early colonial history.

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

If you cannot attend our meetings and would like to borrow books, please email convictconnections@gsq.org.au and we will make further arrangements

DNA Group

The last DNA SIG meeting by Zoom for 2021 was on November 21st. **Our next meeting will be Sunday 27 February 2022 starting at 9.30 am until 1.00 pm.** If any GSQ members, who are not already DNA SIG members, would like to join that meeting please email dna@gsq.org.au with your membership details and you will be added to the ZOOM email invitation.

The education content for the 2022 year is yet to be finalised, however the next meeting will have presentations by Cate Pearce about the mtDNA stolen generation and another which may be Autosomal Investigation using documentary evidence. Cate Pearce is an experienced genetic genealogist with a Graduate Diploma in Family & Local History from UNE and a Certificate in Genealogical Research from SAG.

English/Irish Group

No report received

The English/ Irish Group will meet on Sunday 6 February at Stackpole Street from 10:00 AM.

German Group

Due to Omicron and the closure of GSQ premises our meeting on the 30th January 2022 is cancelled **Next meeting will be 27th March 2022.** Perhaps some may be interested in the attending the following. *Robin Kleinschmidt OAM is giving a presentation on the Early German presence in the south-east Brisbane area to members and friends of the Coorparoo & Districts Heritage Group on Saturday 5 February 2022 Kingsbury Room of the Queen Alexandra Home Community Centre 347 Old Cleveland Road Coorparoo following the annual general meeting at 2.00 p.m. Gold coin donation. Enquiries: President Ron Baker OAM 0412944095 Vice-President Richard Jeffreys OAM 0411511369*

Family History Technology Group

The new FHTech SIG is beginning to grow and we hope that it can grow bigger during the year. **The next session is on Sunday March 13 from 10:00 am to 12:00pm.** It will be a Zoom session which gives us more flexibility to use breakout rooms for FTM and Legacy.

If anyone wants to be on the mailing list please send an email to Graeme Moulton at FHTech@gsq.org.au.

In the meantime feel free to ask any technical questions about your research and we will try to help."

Military Interest Group

The next meeting of the Military Research Group will take place on Sunday 13 March 2022 at 12:30 PM. The meeting is subject to no Coronavirus changes. 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 [Convenor]

Military Research Group, militarygroup@gsq.org.au

Monday Morning Natters

Monday Morning Natters meets on February 7 @ 10:00 AM, we will having a Zoom meeting again.

I did do the internet archive for the Wednesday Zoom in January but it is such a big site I think we need to have another look at it to see what others find on it. It is not just family history related but you can find old books-some free and some that you can borrow. Do have a look at it and see what sparks your interest. I really liked hearing old music. I also found old websites that had history of some old English regiments. What was your favourite part of the site? Did you see the electric sheep? [Internet archive](https://www.internetarchive.org/) Come along and tell us about your discoveries.

Contact Judy on mmn@gsq.org.au

Special Interest Groups

Scandinavian Group

We decided to cancel our January meeting, because GSQ was closed, and not many members were interested in Zoom. **We hope to have our next meeting at GSQ in March.** In March we do not have a guest speaker, so we will hear the latest news from internet for each Scandinavian country.

Our meetings usually start at 12:30 pm except the May meeting which is always at 2:30 pm, because it coincides with the celebration of Norway's National Day.

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 Writing Group had a great year in 2021 with many stories and discussions at each of our meetings. **Our first meeting for 2022 will be on 20 February via Zoom.** One of our projects for 2022 is a mini-seminar scheduled for June and more information will be available about that in due course. Several members took up the short writing exercise that convenor Pauline set them earlier in January and others have been progressing their writing activities. The agenda for the meeting will be circulated to members of the Group closer to the meeting. If you would like more information about the Group please contact Pauline at writing@gsq.org.au or pstirland@hotmail.com.

Scottish Group

With the pandemic starting to ramp up at the beginning of the year, we had a rather small Hogmanay meeting on 2 January, and we toasted in the New Year appropriately. We did decide on our program of talks for this year, which will be as follows:

6 March: Roxburghshire County Records
1 May: Dumfriesshire County Records
3 July: Angus County Records
4 September: Guest Speaker (topic to be advised)
6 November: Tricks for Using Scotland's People

We are a member of the Scottish Association of Family History Societies (SAFHS), and they will be holding their online conference on 9 April this year. The event will again be open to our Scottish Group members, with details to follow.

For registration and details, check the web site

www.safhs.org.uk.

To contact Alistair, email him on scotgroup@gsq.org.au

About Special Interest Groups

Do you access any of GSQs Special Interest Groups (SIGs)? If not, why not? The groups are friendly spaces where members can share experiences of their research, learn from each other and have a cuppa with like-minded people.

If you have questions about any particular SIG, contact the convenor on their GSQ email for more information, they will be more than happy to answer any group related questions.

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.

<i>Library</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>When</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Booking</i>
Mt Gravatt (not Garden City)	Family History in Action-showing the steps to research the first Mayor of Brisbane	Saturday February 5	10:30 to 11:30am	3403 7775
Wynnum	Dating old photos and caring for them	Thursday February 24	10am-12 noon	3403 2199
Grange	The largest free family history site FamilySearch.org	Saturday March 26	10:30-12:30pm	3407 2523

GSQ ZOOM Meetings

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

We will commence our normal Monday Zoom meetings on the 31st Jan 2022 starting at 11am.

We conduct a friendly but informative Zoom meeting for all members of GSQ each Monday apart from the 1st Monday of the month, as we join in with Judy Lofthouse and Monday Morning Natters.

Our zoom meetings cover a variety of topics of family history and genealogy, and we are particularly interested

in hearing from members what they would like research topics on. We also are a group that assists each other in relation to helping solve or share ideas on where to look next regarding a members genealogical problems.

The Zoom is hosted by Ailsa Corlett and Helen Connor and if you would like to join us (GSQ Members only) then email us on mtzoom@gsq.org.au and we will add you to the list.

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

GSQ runs two Wednesday PM Zooms each month. The 2nd Wednesday of the month is hosted by Judy Lofthouse who has some wonderful topics for you to research and bring together as a group to discuss that evening. Also, if you have a genealogical problem this is where you can also ask what to do next. As a group there is bound to be someone who has had the same issue, and many can help find a solution to your problem.

The 4th Wednesday PM Zoom for the month, is hosted by Ailsa Corlett and will feature a guest speaker. You need to check the GSQ Calendar to find out who it is going to be. **As we have had a speaker on Wednesday February 9, Wednesday 23 will be a general chat night.** For 2022 we will take our inspiration from the Periodic table and look at how the various elements are reflected in our family history.

It will not be in any particular order from the table. **Carbon** will be our first element. How do coal, graphite, diamonds, ash, soot and charcoal fit in your family history? Come along and tell us what you have found. I'm sure we can all take a different aspect of the topic-occupations, anniversaries, documents for example. If we are lucky, we may also have some international visitors attend this meeting.

Get your friends to come along. Remember The Wednesday night ZOOMs are FREE and OPEN to anyone to attend. They start at 7pm until approx. 9pm. You do need to email us your name and email address to be placed on the list. You can attend either of the evenings or both. Please email Judy and Ailsa on wedpmzoom@gsq.org.au

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

Our Wednesday Morning Zoom group kicked off the year with a well-attended casual meeting on 19 January to gently ease into 2022. Bobbie had lots of genealogy news to share from the news front as well as including the topics that the Convenors plan to present. Assisting them this year will be some of our group members sharing their particular expertise. In 2022 the plan is to continue running the 1st Wednesday of each month with a particular Topic which generally includes a short presentation then a discussion and Q&A from members.

On the 3rd Wednesdays our popular brick-wall sessions in small groups will be back; this has proven to be a popular way for all to learn more about how we each do our research.

On Wednesday 2 February, Charlotte Sale is giving us a brief overview on Welsh Patronymics; this is one of those subjects that are hard to get your head around, so hopefully Charlotte can assist us in our understanding of it. We welcomed new member Cynthia McNab at the meeting, if you'd like to join the group for our sessions which generally run about 90 minutes, then please email Bobbie on wedmorningzoom@gsq.org.au

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, now that the GSQ Education program is up and running for the year, we post the Events coming up in the next month or so. These always include a link 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 Bobbie on facebook@gsq.org.au

Did you know that GSQ now has an active & informative Facebook group? GSQ has had a Facebook page for a long time but only recently set up 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. No question is 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. Do tell your friends about GSQFB Group but they must apply to join. You don't need to be a GSQ member to join the group. If you have any questions about the GSQFB Group, then please email Rhoda on gsqfbgroup@gsq.org.au To join the group, sign in to Facebook, click on the link, and answer THREE questions.

GSQ Blogs

We have begun the year with a full calendar of blogs for 2022, in fact we had an extra so we started on Monday 10 January, a week earlier than originally planned. Our blogs for January include one jointly written by Pauline & Bobbie titled '*Going local often reveals interesting information*' highlighting the many benefits of searching in smaller family history or local history sites, especially when physically visiting an ancestor's location.

This is followed by two weekly blogs, initially by Bobbie '*Accentuate the Positive – 2021*' and then one by Pauline. This is a yearly challenge set by blogging guru, Jill Ball, to review the positives of the past year using 20 of so set headings, all relating to genealogy. In these difficult times, this challenge brought things more into perspective for both Bobbie & Pauline.

Our final blog for January is by regular blogger, Sharyn Merkley writing about '*Revelations from the Register*' detailing places to search for the early days of vessels in Moreton Bay.

For those members thinking about telling stories about their family, blogs are a great way to get going. GSQ is fortunate to have a talented team of bloggers so check out our GSQ blogs published weekly on our website as well as our GSQ Facebook public page.

Contact Bobbie at blogs@gsq.org.au

Technical Advisory Group (TAG)

TAG has had a restructure in which we are now a group looking at procedures and plans regarding GSQ's future IT needs. I will remain a contact in relation to issues with GSQ Computers and tech aspects at the Resource Centre.

News regarding FindmyPast at GSQ and the 1921 Census: FindmyPast have disabled the facility to purchase images of the 1921 Census within the library institutions. This is so that credit cards do not get compromised.

You can do FREE searches at the Resource Centre regarding the 1921 Census but to view the actual image or transcription you need to establish a FREE FindmyPast account yourself to use. This will also enable you to search and obtain the images from the comfort of your home.

Just a reminder to please remember to turn off the monitor when finished with the computer, as it not only saves power, but extends the life of the monitor itself.

Not just cat videos...

James Tanner (Genealogy's Star) wrote recently about the [Brigham Young University Family History Library](#) YouTube Channel, but pointed out that there are hundreds of other active genealogy related YouTube channels. Some of us learn through reading while others learn more graphically. Do you learn best by watching someone explain and then trying what you learn yourself?. You can, of course, also learn from books, but it takes longer, and you lose the ability to immediately try things yourself. People use YouTube for everything from fixing their car to solving questions while using a particular program. This applies to genealogy as well as any other subject.

Now, how do we get started with YouTube? Just ask a question and put the question in the YouTube search field. You may not want to view the first few videos, but scroll down, and see what you find.

Everything else on YouTube works the same way. You search to answer a question and then you will likely find someone who has posted a video discussing the answer.

I could do a long list of YouTube channels that talk about genealogy. Yes, [The Family History Guide](#) has a YouTube channel with almost 200 videos. Each of the genealogy companies also seems to have a channel also. You could keep watching for days if you had to recover from some illness or whatever.

I like YouTube because it has solved so many problems for me, both trivial and serious. Maybe you need to stop watching the news on TV and start watching something that will help you find your ancestors. Just a suggestion ...



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 February/ March offerings

- February 2 – *Education in Australia* by Cathie Sherwood – 11:00 AM AEST
- February 9 – *What's new in the MyHeritage photo world* by Tal Erlichman – 5:00 AM AEST
- February 17 – *The perfect back up plan for you: Backblaze* by Andy Klein – 5:00 AM AEST
- February 19 – *Genealogical Gold in British Columbia* by Dave Obee – 5:00AM AEST

- February 23 – *Printing Charts and Boks on MyHeritage* by Uri Gonen – 5:00 AM AEST
- February 24 – *From Piles to Files: Organise Your Genealogy* by Teresa Meinkamp McMillin, CG – 5:00 AM AEST
- March 2 – *Exploring the new 1921 Census* by Paul Milner – 11:00 AM AEST
- March 5 – *Using WikiTree's DNA Features in Your Family History Research* by Mags Gaulden – 5:00 AM 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!

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

From The National Archives (UK)

A face through time: Further opening up our prisoner of war records

While working on a project to open up the German-created prisoner of war (POW) record cards (WO 416), Ian Strawbridge felt drawn to a particular photograph. The individual who captured Ian's attention was Jeremiah Anderson, a merchant seaman. Ian traced his records and unfurled a story that, it felt, had been waiting over 75 years to be told. His POW records are in WO 416/7/200 and WO 416/407/26.

The POW medical cards reveal that Jeremiah was a migrant from Jamaica who settled in England many decades before the Windrush Generation. Though Ian was unable to determine why he came to England, he did learn that Jeremiah settled in Liverpool and married in May 1918.

On 8 June 1940, Jeremiah joined the *Duquesa* - his second voyage of the war. He was captured six

months later and became part of around 600 prisoners drawn from the crews of several ships attacked by raiders, including the German heavy cruiser *Admiral Sheer*. They were sent to Europe and by 7 April 1941, Jeremiah reached Bordeaux.

Medical cards were used by the Germans to determine which prisoners they were willing to exchange. Jeremiah was repatriated to the UK in January 1945, based in part on an assessment of his cardiovascular health. However, he continued to serve after the Second World War, with his final voyage on *Maria de Larrinaga* ending in July 1955. He passed away in 1957.

[Read the full blog](#) to discover the full story of Jeremiah Anderson, see his records and learn how to use POW records for your own research

Conference News 2022

RootsTech Connect 2022

When: March 3 - 5 2022

Where: 100% Virtual conference 100% Free

Hosted by FamilySearch

Sign up for information and to attend on the website: <https://www.familysearch.org/rootstech/next/>

History in Paradise

AFFHO Family History Congress 2022

When: 1 - 4 August 2022

Where: Norfolk Island

Hosted by Norfolk Island Museum

Congress website: <https://affhocongress2022.com/>

Riding the Waves of History

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

When: 16 - 18 September 2022

Where: Scarborough Function Centre, East Maitland Bowling Club

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

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

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>