



## Welcome to July 2023 eNews

### A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

With our hybrid meeting system now operational, GSQ is able to offer Special Interest Group (SIG) meetings, and all sorts of other meetings and events to those wishing to remain at home and to those participating in such activities in our Resource Centre. This system is another valuable item in our tool-box of GSQ resources, and greatly increases our ability to provide services to our members and others who reside in other parts of Australia, or overseas.

Special thanks are extended to Ailsa Corlett and Helen Connor for their work with the hybrid meeting system. A procedures manual has been prepared for use by SIG Convenors and is kept with the OWL.

It is not too early to start thinking about the Annual General Meeting (AGM) which will be held on 28

October – and whether you would be interested in nominating for a position on the Management Committee. All positions are declared vacant at each AGM. Being elected to the Management Committee provides the opportunity to contribute to the efficient operation of GSQ and to be part of decision-making about future actions.

Talking about future actions, the Management Committee has approved that a formal proposal be submitted to the Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations Inc (AFFHO) for GSQ to convene the 17th Australasian Congress on Genealogy and Heraldry in Brisbane on 21 to 24 March 2025. If this proposal is accepted by AFFHO, an adjunct proposal will be submitted to History Queensland to run the state conference in parallel with the national one.

If GSQ's proposals are accepted, David Barnes will take on the role of Conference Convenor. Yes, there would be a lot of work involved in putting together such a conference, but this would be a milestone achievement for GSQ. With the prospect of an exciting mix of international and national speakers participating in such an event being held in Brisbane, this conference will be of huge interest to GSQ members – and to genealogists and family historians throughout the Australasian area.

Our President will have returned from her well-deserved holiday in time for the next eNews. In the meantime, I am hoping the cooler temperatures are tempting you to stay rugged up and warm in front of your screens, exploring yet more of your family histories.



# OPEN DAY

Saturday August 26 – 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

25 Stackpole Street, Wishart 4122

Don't miss this opportunity to find out more about your family history!

## ROOTSIRELAND website

Could all members please note that we have two licences only for the RootsIreland website. Each licence has a specific log in, and each licence has a total of 1500 viewed records per month. This can easily be achieved if everyone uses the same log in detail each time, they use the site.

*We are therefore asking if when in at GSQ you please check in the Orange Booklet to see which Log In that computer is designated to use and just use that log in.*

*When using from home, can you please remember to try and alternate between what you used last time and what you are going to use this time.*

By doing this it will assist us in not receiving the messages "that we are about to reach our monthly limit" relating to one of the log in emails. If the limit is reached within that month, you will need to wait until the subscription period starts again.

There will be a change shortly to the website as well as desktop menu is set, to make choosing the correct log in email easier. This will be attended to over the next few weeks.

## COMMITTEE SNIPPETS

### Points from June Management Committee:

- Karma Hodgson will be joining the Management Committee.
- A Volunteer Agreement will be sent to all volunteers for signing.
- 147 books were missing from the library at the stocktake. Please note that the Library is not a Lending Library and the return box is for books that might have been removed in error.
- \$150 to be made up of membership and Education credits is being donated towards Family History Month.
- Open Day is being held on 26 August. If you are able to assist, please contact Kim on [volunteer@gsq.org.au](mailto:volunteer@gsq.org.au)

## SIG Hybrid Meetings

All our Special Interest Groups have been advised that they can now run Hybrid Meetings at GSQ if they wish. This means that if you are restricted due to distance, family, or mobility constraints in attending any of the group's meetings at GSQ, you can now participate via Zoom.

To do this, you need to contact your Special Interest Group Convenor via email – [see the Events Calendar](#) for meeting details and advise them you would like to attend the meeting but would like to have a link sent so that you can join via home.

## Did you know about the GSQ Exchange Journals?

The webcoordinators have spent time in updating and rearranging the exchange journals that GSQ receives on a regular basis from other Genealogical/Historical Societies.

Everything is now in Year order from 2021; 2022 and 2023. There are still many gaps which will hopefully be filled once journals are located or other copies obtained from contributing societies.

These journals are not just from Australia, but also England, Scotland, Germany and New Zealand. They are extremely interesting to read just like our own Generation Magazine.

Access to these journals is restricted to members only via MyGSQ - you must log into My GSQ to obtain access.

# Upcoming GSQ Education Events

## ***The Australian Joint Copying Project in TROVE***

**July 8 @ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM AEST**

**Presenter: Carmel Galvin**

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

**Virtual via Zoom**

The AJCP (Australian Joint Copying Project) resources now available through Trove provide a wealth of material for family historians. In this session we will examine the scope and range of records available and investigate a variety of ways of finding treasures in this huge collection.

Learn just what is available for you to access. [BOOK HERE](#)

## ***Convict research beyond Ancestry and Newspaper resources beyond Trove***

**Aug 12 @ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM AEST**

**Presenter: Stephanie Ryan**

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

**Virtual via Zoom**

Gaps in convict information and newspaper accessibility frustrate researchers. Find out about some lesser-known resources. Stephanie Ryan has been the Senior Librarian in Family History at the State Library of Queensland for over 23 years. For the last ten years she has been working more broadly across State Library's resources as a Research Librarian.

Learn just what is available for you to access. [BOOK HERE](#)

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## ***Editing and Indexing your Family History Book***

**July 22 @ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM AEST**

**Presenter: Jennie Fairs**

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

**Virtual via Zoom**

Jennie will show you how to edit your family history like a professional as well as providing tips on indexing your family history site as well. [BOOK HERE](#)

## ***Brisbane City Archives and family history resources***

**July 22 @ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM AEST**

**Presenter: Annabel Lloyd, City Archivist**

**Cost: Members Only – FREE**

**Virtual via Zoom**

This presentation from Brisbane City Archives will focus on house history and our records that document that history. The session will also mention researching family members who worked for Council and street names which often relate to original families. [BOOK HERE](#)

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## ***Getting to know you – adopt a source***

**August 5 @ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM AEST**

**Presenter: Jennifer Harrison**

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

**Virtual via Zoom**

Are you ready to take your genealogical studies one step further? Jennifer Harrison invites you to Adopt a Source. Select from your family history, a document or series of records some item which would take your investigations further and then forensically discover its origins and quirks – extend your family history research skills to the documentation. Get to know it thoroughly, the how, the when, the where, and especially, the why and by whom the material was created; what it was meant to achieve and any limitations to information or 'questions not asked' which might be revealed by its columns or on its pages.

[BOOK HERE](#)

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## ***Online sources for Midlands genealogy***

**Sep 9 @ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM AEST**

**Presenter: Shauna Hicks**

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

**Virtual via Zoom**

This presentation looks at online resources which are available for the Midlands area of England. The focus will be on how to make the most of archival catalogues with examples for Staffordshire, Leicestershire, Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire. [BOOK HERE](#)

# Special Interest Groups

***Subject to the restrictions regarding the Covid-19 situation, some interest groups will be holding their meetings at GSQ. Some groups are conducting virtual meetings through the use of the ZOOM platform.***

## English/Irish Group

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**The English/ Irish Group will meet on Sunday 6 August at Stackpole Street from 9:30 AM.**

The next meeting of the English Irish SIG will be Sunday 6th August at GSQ's Wishart premises. This meeting will be a hybrid meeting. If you are not on my mailing list, please email me at [irisheng@gsq.org.au](mailto:irisheng@gsq.org.au) so I can email you the link to the zoom meeting. That will be sent a day or two before the meeting.

The doors will open at 9.30am with the meeting commencing at 10.00am. GSQ will remain open for personal research till 2.30pm if members decide to stay on after the meeting.

If you have English and or Irish ancestors, this is the SIG for you. Do you have a bit of an Irish or English (or both!!) brick wall? Bring the problem ancestors with you – the group may be able to make some suggestions that may at least knock a brick off the wall, if not the entire wall!

I look forward to seeing everybody on Sunday 6th August 2023.

Convenor, Kim Davis [irisheng@gsq.org.au](mailto:irisheng@gsq.org.au)

## Writing Group

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**The next meeting is on Sunday 20 August 2023 via Zoom.**

The Writing Group's June meeting focused on the voice used when writing up stories about our ancestors. Voice can tell so much about the individual concerned and the author. This topic was the next instalment of taking group members from research to publication. Our next meeting is on 20 August when we will have a guest speaker and the topic is book design. More details will be provided in the August eNews.

If you would like to be on the mailing list for the Group contact Pauline on [pstirland@hotmail.com](mailto:pstirland@hotmail.com) or [writing@gsq.org.au](mailto:writing@gsq.org.au).

## German Group

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There will be **NO** meeting at GSQ Stackpole Street, Wishart for the German Group on the 30th July 2023.

We will be going to the German Club at South Brisbane for lunch at 12.30 pm. **RSVP by the 16th July 2023 to Lesley at [germangroup@gsq.org.au](mailto:germangroup@gsq.org.au)**

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## DNA Group

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**The next meeting is on Sunday 16 July 2023 via Zoom.**

The DNA SIG held it's meeting for June on Sunday 25th. We had up to 15 people during the meeting where we had a presentation from Judy Lofthouse on DNA Basics and a presentation from Greg Carlill on "Mary Toole Part 3". Greg showed us advanced methods to visually show relationships between DNA matches. The visualisation then helps the researcher know where to concentrate efforts to locate ancestors, or prove a relationship. Greg reminded us that genealogy research, involving DNA technology is 1/3 DNA analysis and 2/3 traditional research. You have to back up the DNA results with documentation.

We asked the attendees how they felt about holding hybrid meetings, i.e., face to face at GSQ HQ at Stackpole Street combined with "The Owl" which allows people to join via Zoom to participate in the meeting. It was discussed that hybrid meetings would be good, however it would present a problem at long meetings where separate mentoring sessions are offered. That is because the Owl can only be used for one meeting, not separate groups in one meeting. Convenor Greg Carlill will send an email to DNA SIG members to gauge support for hybrid meetings.

The next DNA SIG meeting is scheduled for 16 July 2023 at 9.30 a.m. It is a short meeting. ***The next DNA Clinic is Wednesday 27 August 2023 at 7.00 p.m.*** If you want a meeting with a DNA specialist, please email your request with the problem you need help on to Judy Lofthouse at [presentations@gsq.org.au](mailto:presentations@gsq.org.au).

## Scandinavian Group

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**The next meeting is on 16 July 2023 @ the GSQ premises from 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM**

The Scandinavian Group will have their next meeting on Sunday 16 July at 12:30 at GSQ. We will hear the latest news from the Scandinavian archives.

We have an email group with Scandinavian news and details about coming meetings. If you are not in the group and would like to be, please let me know, email Steinar on [scangroup@gsq.org.au](mailto:scangroup@gsq.org.au). The next email to the group will be sent around 10 July.

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# Special Interest Groups

## Family History Technology Group

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**The FHTEch group will meet on Sunday 10 July via Zoom @10:00 AM**

The FHTEch SIG is active and everyone who attends becomes involved. It is a forum to discuss any issue about your computer, the clouds (what are they?), ways of managing your computer files and any other technical issue you can think of. We often discuss features about Legacy and Family Tree Maker. However, at last session we reviewed "Family Historian" program. The latest version has just become available, and everyone agreed that it is a very impressive product

The intention of our group is to learn skills from other people. There is no right way in most cases, so to find out how to do something new is a good feeling. The next session is 10 July starting at 10:00 am. Normally our session is the second Sunday of the month. If there is an issue you would like to discuss, please drop me an email and we will include it in the session. Everyone who is on our mailing list will receive a communication prior to the session. Those of you who are not on the mailing list but would like to be, send Graeme an email at [fhtech@gsq.org.au](mailto:fhtech@gsq.org.au)

## Colonial & Convict Connections Group

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**The next meeting for Colonial & Convict Connections is on Sunday 13 August at Stackpole Street.**

This Group covers a lot of people in the period 1788-1850s, the Colonial period in Australia before the separation of Queensland from NSW.

This meeting will be a hybrid meeting using the new hybrid meeting equipment. If you are not on the mailing list, please email [convictconnections@gsq.org.au](mailto:convictconnections@gsq.org.au) so you can receive the link to the zoom meeting. That will be sent a day or two before the meeting.

All GSQ members will be warmly welcomed. Meeting other people may provide that unexpected information and Group members will be available to help with research ideas.

Next meeting date is Sunday August 13, 2023. Doors open from 09:00am until 03:00pm.

Talk at 11:00am. Plenty of time for personal research. Morning tea will be available but please supply your own lunch if required.

We look forward to seeing you there.  
Lyn Caldwell

## Scottish Group

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**The next meeting is Sunday 3 July at GSQ and via Zoom.**

Our upcoming meeting will be on Sunday 3 July at 10:00 am. We will conduct the meeting as a hybrid ZOOM and on-site meeting, so if anyone would like to join us remotely please contact us to obtain the necessary ZOOM credentials.

***Our regular county record lecture will be on the county of Aberdeenshire, and Stuart Neill will be our presenter.***

Our meeting and talk schedule for 2023 is as follows:

<b>3 July</b>	<b>Aberdeenshire County (Stuart Neill)</b>
<b>3 September</b>	<b>Peeblesshire (Marie Rosborough)</b>
<b>5 November</b>	<b>Caithness (Alistair Henderson)</b>

Contact Alistair on [scotgroup@gsq.org.au](mailto:scotgroup@gsq.org.au).

## Special Interest Groups

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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.

## DID YOU KNOW?

### **Australian & New Zealand History & Genealogy Groups & Pages on FACEBOOK**

There are 77 pages worth of Australian & New Zealand history & genealogy links ... just on Facebook. Alona Tester from South Australia has done a wonderful job on curating this list. [Click here](#) to download the list.

Alona also mentions two other incredible lists:

- Katherine Willson's worldwide [Genealogy on Facebook](#) list is enormous, and now has over 16,700 links.
- Gail Dever's Facebook for [Canadian Genealogy](#) list of over 1000 links is a must for everyone with Canadian connections.

So explore the links, you never know what you may find!



## Containers for Change update

We've got some exciting news! Today the Premier and the Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef announced that we'll be expanding our eligible drink containers to include wine and spirit bottles from **1 November 2023**.

That's less bottles going to landfill and more 10 cent refunds up for grabs - that's what we call a win-win!

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## 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 your friends about them as Council monitors the popularity of the presentations and decides how many will be offered.

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<b>Library</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Booking</b>
Annerley	<i>Family History in action</i>	Saturday 29 July	10:00 to 12 noon	3403 1735
Carina	<i>Immigration into Australia from 1788</i>	Saturday 5 August	1:00 to 3 PM	34071873
Mount Ommaney	<i>Researching your Scottish Ancestry online</i>	Saturday 9 September	10:00 to 12 noon	3417 7010

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## From the Bookshop ...

***Is there a certain book you would like to purchase but the price is too high?***

We can source current and past editions for your personal library and provide them at a competitive price.

Let the bookshop know what you require at [shop@gsq.org.au](mailto:shop@gsq.org.au) and see what we can do for you.

***\* Keep an eye out for our EOFY sale with reductions on current volumes.***

***"MY FAMILY HISTORY, A TEN GENERATION FAMILY RESEARCH RECORD BOOK WITH PEDIGREE CHARTS"***

Your family history at your fingertips ... contains space to record the details of more than 1000 ancestors with the pedigree charts and book fully cross referencing for ease of use. **Bookshop price - \$28.00**

If you have any queries or specific requests, please email Karma at [shop@gsq.org.au](mailto:shop@gsq.org.au).

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## Save the date

*Saturday 23 September – Annual Seminar – Scotland - here we come!*

*See the events calendar on the GSQ website & page 10 of this eNews*

## GSQ Facebook Page

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 link 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 & Catherine Thompson on [facebook@gsq.org.au](mailto:facebook@gsq.org.au)

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## GSQ Facebook Group

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](mailto:gsqfbgroup@gsq.org.au)

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## GSQ Blogs

Our GSQ Blogs in June were stories by Janice Cooper, Shauna Hicks, Jennifer Harrison & Christine Leonard with all submitting interesting stories. Well done to our bloggers who are raising considerable conversation on their stories.

Our GSQ blogs are released early 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 and we encourage you to comment on the blog itself: <https://gsq-blog.gsq.org.au/>

## Biographical Database of Australia

BDA is pleased to announce the addition of 12 new datasets to the site, which is reaching a critical mass in terms of creating a profile for most NSW convicts by linking transcripts of surviving archival records. New additions range from biographical profiles of the first convicts sent to Queensland, a major NSW transcription project adding the full text of ticket of leave, certificate of freedom and pardon documents from the years 1810-1833, full text of records of immigrants arriving in NSW in 1842, records of absconding NSW convicts up to 1841 from newspaper notices which include descriptions, residence and employer.

Full transcript of 5,723 records from the Randwick NSW Asylum for Destitute Children 1852-1915. Profiles of 1,149 soldiers of the 50th Regiment stationed in NSW 1833-1841: Sydney, Georges River, Longbottom, Parramatta, Windsor, Liverpool, Bong Bong, Berrima, Wingello, Illawarra + TAS: Ross, Flinders Island, Westbury, Avoca, Perth, George Town. Bathurst & Central West NSW Catholic baptisms & burials 1839-1844 + St Lawrence Sydney C of E baptisms 1838-1856, Biographies of 205 prominent 19th century members of the Free Presbyterian Church of Australia.

Other additions include: Catholic baptism entries for 1839-1840 and burials 1839-1844 from priests based in Bathurst who travelled across vast distances in NSW, ranging from Kings Plains (Carcoar-Blayney area), the Lachlan River, Cangooroo (aka Kangaroo near Gooloogong and Cowra), Tubbo (Dubbo), Vale of Clwydd (Hartley), Mudgee, Wattle Flat, Summer Hill (Orange), Cullin Roy (Cassilis), Breeza, Namoi River and Peel River.

**REMINDER:** BDA is a non-profit organisation with the only full online transcript of UNESCO nominated NSW 1828 census, 10,000 burials & inscriptions 1819-1901 from the Sydney Burial Ground, immigrants to NSW/Vic assisted/bounty 1832-1851, most convicts to NSW/Qld/Vic 1788-1840s, most Tasmanian colonists 1803-c1827, Norfolk Island 1792-1855, NSW muster/BDM records 1788-1830s+ most soldiers stationed in Australia 1788-1840, 160,000 NSW Colonial Secretary records + 31,000 full text biographies & full text of baptisms, marriages & burials 1788-1830s+ including marriage witnesses noting whether signed by name or X mark & names of Catholic baptism sponsors/godparents.

**ADVANCED SEARCH** is a finding aid allowing you to explore local history with a search by place & event year. A year search can be combined with birth, marriage, death, arrival, trial, ship of arrival, status (born in colony, free, convict, immigrant, military, seaman etc), ethnicity, religion, regiment or employment.

**AVAILABLE TO GSQ MEMBERS AT GSQ AND FROM HOME VIA MyGSQ!**

# GSQ ZOOM Meetings

## **Monday Morning ZOOM for GSQ Members Only, starting at 11:00 AM AEST**

What a month we have had in relation to the group doing great online research to try and figure out some mysteries and information regarding a convict and his wife who also happened to be a convict. Very strange occurrences in relation to changing from the Presbyterian religion of the first 7 children and then to the Church of England for the last 3 children. Also, the wife appears to have quite a number of names, and just what was her actual name, where was she born, and who were her correct parents? Questions we are

all still pondering on and lots and lots of question marks. Family trees do not appear to be much help as they seem to be stuck on the same details as we came across, and even getting full details of their convict records, still no closer to solving the issue.

This is a members only group and if you wish to join please send email to [mtzoom@gsq.org.au](mailto:mtzoom@gsq.org.au)

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

On the **28th of June**, we are having *Dr Hilda Maclean demonstrate to us how best to use "Trove"* for finding women and families with surnames that are common nouns, e.g. Street.

We all struggle with just what to put into Trove search engine to get the best result but also the least number for us to look through when we search for someone or a place, etc. This will be an extremely interesting evening, and Hilda is also a wonderful presenter.

This coming research night of 12th July, we will be looking at the UK Free sites for searching BDM, Census and Registrations; also, how to use the Govt website to search and find extra information regarding births and death. We also look at any research problems or issues that anyone wishes to discuss and needs assistance.

Unfortunately, the guest speaker for July is now unable to assist, but the topic for the evening of the 26th of July will be "Following the gold rush trail from the California 49ers to the Klondike." This will be an overview of the time periods, mostly covering the gold strikes in Australia and New Zealand. It is relatively difficult to find precise records that really pinpoint to your ancestor, but it is important if you have an ancestor who followed the gold rush trails to know when and where each strike was so that you can then follow up on other records of the area, they might be recorded in.

The Wednesday Evening Zooms are open to anyone to attend that has an interest in family history, but you must email [wedpmzoom@gsq.org.au](mailto:wedpmzoom@gsq.org.au) in order to receive the link to join.

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

*The next meeting of our Wednesday Morning Zoom Group is on 5th July* when our member Di Kennedy will be doing a presentation on explaining just who the White boys of Ireland were and specifically looking at her Galway ancestors (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Whiteboys>).

This will be followed two weeks later on 17 May with a session where we all investigate one of our members brick wall ancestors. In June our quest was to find a missing youngster from the 1921 census, which became another great learning aid for the group. Much to the joy of our member, not only was the girl found, despite a change in name and incorrect birth location of the close relative she was living with, but the marriage and subsequent family of that relative as well. Following that we looked at TheGenealogist census map of the location, and found the Google map street image to show the same historic cottages still standing. More virtual sightseeing displayed the distance

from their home to the girl's baptism church and the beautiful interior church images shown on Google maps.

Our meetings are on the 1st and also the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 11am and usually go for about 90 minutes. Any GSQ member can attend these Wednesday morning Zoom session by emailing [wedmorningzoom@gsq.org.au](mailto:wedmorningzoom@gsq.org.au) and asking to go onto the mailing list.

*Our Group convenor and TAG have arranged for the second GSQ subscription to TheGenealogist to be live from 1 July 2023 funded by our Gold Coin donations, thanks to the many members who have contributed in the past period.*

Remember that if you sign into MyGSQ, then you can also view the site at home, this applies to all GSQ members! Full instructions will be going up on the website and in the little books beside each PC in our rooms.



## What's news ...

### **New Records for Guilds, Societies and People of Note**

TheGenealogist's new release of the Guilds, Societies and People of Note collection includes records that reveal names, dates and information about ancestors who were Freemen, Liverymen, Aldermen, members of the Masons and Oddfellows, or people classed as Worthies.

The various records in this collection have been gathered together under our extensive Occupational Records and adds 65,000 names from fourteen new resources to this collection, fully searchable by name or keyword.

Use these records to reveal names, dates and information about ancestors who were Freemen of various towns and cities, Liverymen, Aldermen, members of the Masons and the Oddfellows, or who were Worthies in their circle.

### **Ancestry's New Records**

#### **FindAGrave Index for Ireland passes 1m milestone**

The UK & Ireland FindAGrave Index, 1300s-Current has been seeing regular additions over the past nine months. It now holds a total of 17,412,192 entries, an increase of more than 2.7million since last August.

Of these additions, some 101,000 entries relate to burials of individuals who may have been born on the island, died there, or both. All 32 historical counties are represented in the new total number of entries – 1,074,916 – for Ireland.

Total entries for Britain are:

- England: 13,612,154
- Scotland: 1,691,502
- Wales: 476,031

### **Northern Irish Record Sets**

Two of the Public Record of Northern Ireland's free-to-access online collections are now accessible via Ancestry. They are the Northern Ireland, Valuation Revision Books, 1864-1933 collection (with both search – by both search and browse options) and the Northern Ireland Freeholders Records collection (a search index with 129,894 entries linked to PRONI's site).

This gives these records, which are currently searchable and viewable in PRONI's ecatalogue, much greater exposure, and should allow an increased number of researchers to gather more information about their Northern Irish ancestors. The Revision Books in Ancestry's collection have also been name-indexed, rather than being searchable only by place, which is an excellent bonus of this latest development. It holds 3,193,180 entries.

## **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 July/August offerings**

July 6 – *Collateral Research – The Secret Sauce to Finding Family Records* by Cheri Hudson Passey – 4:00 AM AEST

July 12 – *See Your Family in a Whole New Light!* by Diane Henriks – 4:00 AM AEST

July 15 – *Celebrating 2,000 Webinars! Plus 10 tips you can use today* by Geoff Rasmussen – 4:00 AM AEST

Jul 19 – *Andiamo! Finding Your Italian Family* by Margaret R. Fortier, CG– 10:00 AM AEST

July 20 – *I Hate Conflict! Mediating Sources that Don't Agree* by Elizabeth Williams Gomoll, CG– 4:00 AM AEST

July 26 – *A Deep Dive into U.S. City Directories at MyHeritage* by Katherine Andrew – 4:00 AM AEST

July 27 – *Why We Should Look at In-Laws When Doing Genealogical Research* by J. Mark Lowe, FUGA – 4:00 AM AEST

Aug 2 – *Six Top Sites for Queensland Research* by Helen V. Smith – 12:00 PM AEST

Aug 3 – *How and When Did Our European Ancestors Get to Europe?* by David Dowell – 4:00 AM AEST

Aug 10 – *Finding Prussian Ancestors in Online Archives* by Nancy E. Loe, MA, MLS

Aug 16 – *What Happened to Uncle Walter? Evidence Analysis and Correlation Uncover a Man's Dual Identities* by Sharon Hoyt, CG 10:00 AM AEST

Aug 23 – *Diving into the Newly Released 1931 Canada Census* – Mike Mansfield – 4:00 AM AEST

Aug 31 – *YDNA Discover Tool – What News Can Your Haplogroup Reveal?* by Roberta Estes – 4:00 AM AEST

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**23 Sept**

**12:30pm – 6:30pm  
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## Program

- *Chris Paton – Discover your Scottish Ancestors. (Recorded)*
- *Brian Donovan – Scottish Records on Findmypast. (Recorded)*
- *Lorna Steele-McGinn – Jacobites, the Clearances & Emigration from the Highlands. (Recorded)*
- *Emma Maxwell – Locating Scottish Burial Records. (Recorded)*
- *Alistair Henderson – The inexhaustible Source – Scottish Deeds, the forgotten source for family history. (Recorded)*
- *Laragh Quinney – Discover Historic Maps of Scotland. (Live + Recorded)*
- *Live Q & A with all speakers*
- *Drawing of Raffle & Door Prizes*

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