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Newsletter

Number 210

WANTED FOR YOUR JOURNAL—see page 9

March's journal theme is centred around the Port of Newcastle—stories and photos welcome

Deadline for articles: 12 February 2022

February 2022

February Monthly Meeting

Tuesday 1 February—7.30pm

Carol Duncan

Our February guest speaker will be the vibrant Carol Duncan. Carol was the speaker in September at our book launch of the Society's latest publication – *People of Newcastle and the Hunter Valley: Their Stories – Our Heritage* Volumes I and II, edited by Maree and Ken Shilling. Her presentation was eloquent, entertaining and informative.

Carol is the founder of the Lost Newcastle Facebook page which has over 65,000 members. This is a fabulous site building a collection of people's photographs of Newcastle through the generations.

Elected to Newcastle City Council in 2017, Carol continues to be very involved in the activities of the Council.

Carol is a media and communications professional in Australia in both commercial radio (1989 - 2001) and as the presenter of a daily program on ABC Local Radio (2001 - 2014). She is a highly experienced writer, interviewer, speaker, consultant, and multi-platform content creator in areas including news, health, education, science, politics and music.

She has a keen interest in health, education, social issues and politics, continuously inspired by the opportunities available to her within the digital content area, and frequently works as a freelance corporate writer, copywriter and content creator, public speaker, narrator and Master of Ceremonies.

If you would like to join by Zoom but feel you need some assistance, please contact our Secretary on nfhsinc@gmail.com.

The Zoom meeting connection is on this page. Please note the link to join the Zoom meeting changes each month.

Email Mel on nfhspresident@gmail.com to book your spot if you wish to attend at the Society rooms.

Mel Woodford

Membership Renewals

A reminder that membership renewals are due by 1 March 2022.

Your membership renewal form is attached to the email with this newsletter.

Sharyn Boyce (Membership Officer)

Zoom link for February meeting

Topic: February Monthly Meeting

Time: Feb 1, 2022 07:30 PM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

Join Zoom Meeting

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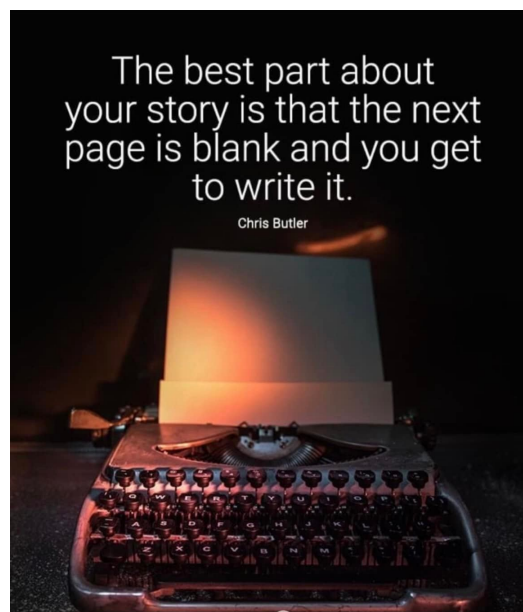
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December Monthly Meeting

Those who attended our December monthly meeting spent a great night entertained by the selection of trivia questions presented to us by John Mulhearn.

Judy and John have over many years, provided the NFHS with some wonderful end of year meetings. Although our attendance was down on most years, those who did attend had a fun evening which taxed their memories and powers of observation. A delicious supper and a friendly chat concluded the evening.

You will be delighted to hear that Judy and John have already agreed to make a return visit for our December monthly meeting this year! We thank them both for their generous support of the NFHS.



Covid procedures

***** COVID-19 UPDATE *****

NFHS now has a QR Code

Please enter by the front door ONLY

(The side gate will be unlocked if you park in De Vitre Street)

Upon entry please scan in and then sign our sign-in book as usual

(If you don't have a Smart phone, we will sign you in)

MASKS REQUIRED IN ALL ROOMS

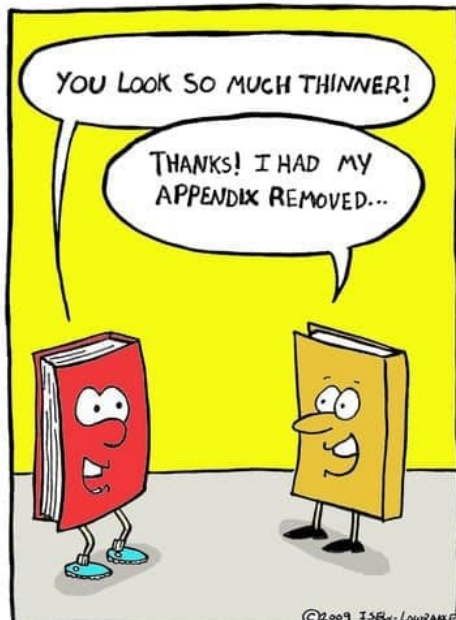
COVID-19 Safety Plan

Covid-19 means our lives are changing. We have devised a Covid-19 safety plan and this means the following:

- Members are able to visit the rooms on Thursday afternoons and Saturdays.
- On entry (wearing your mask), **via the front door only**, you are asked to QR Scan in (or ask for assistance from the volunteers on duty), write in the sign-in book, sanitise your hands, and have your temperature taken. If your temperature is above 37.4°C you will be asked to leave.
- The rooms are cleaned extensively with disinfectant wipes after use. All surfaces are cleaned, work tables, desk tops, computer mice, keyboards, door handles, blind cords, light switches, etc are wiped for your safety. The toilet area is cleaned before and after the rooms are used.
- There is individually wrapped tea, coffee and sugar but you will need to bring your own mug, spoon etc with you.
- Books, pamphlets etc are quarantined between usage.
- The rooms have been made as safe as possible to protect users.

When we host an event, a list of names and contact details must be completed for all participants and held for a minimum of 28 days. All participants are temperature checked and if your temperature is above 37.4°C you will be asked to leave the group. Group numbers are determined by the NSW Government through its health directives. Participants are now asked to bring a face mask and wear it when car pooling as well as at other times. Social distancing must be maintained. Failure to follow the Covid-19 plan can result in fines for individuals and the Society.

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More on Covid safe policy

We will QR scan into the building and provide proof of membership, so find your name badge. We will sign into the library. You will need to sign in with your membership number, name, time of arrival and phone number. You will sign out when leaving. Be prepared for limited numbers in the building and some computers not to be in use.

As the Delta and Omicron forms of the virus are aerosols, doors will have to remain open and so create through ventilation and the upright fans will be used to ventilate the computer area.

You will need to wear a mask at all times and any food and drinks should be consumed outside.

Cleaning of all surfaces will need to be done after each user. All books, CDs, maps, etc will need to be quarantined after use for 48 hours.

Remember you can always borrow books in person or via click and collect.

We aim to maintain as healthy environment as possible at the NFHS Rooms and all are welcome to attend. Remember to wear your mask at all times and socially distance. If you are still hesitant, wear an N95 mask or double mask to safeguard yourself from the aerosol droplets.

If you are unwell, then please stay at home until you are well. Organise click and collect to continue your research from home and have a friend collect the books for you.

Mel Woodford (President) and Pat Healion (Vice-President)

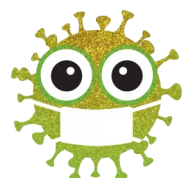
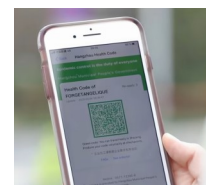
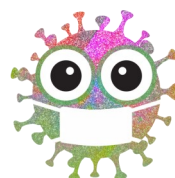
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Duty of Care

We have a duty of care for all our members and we care about your wellbeing. Therefore, if the temperature reaches 35°C, we will close the rooms at the NFHS and ask everyone to return home.

We now have a grant to air-condition our rooms, however the funding will not be released until early next year so until then we must still close when temperatures soar.

To protect our vulnerable members, we will continue to wear face masks at the rooms.



Events and Outings

Future events

4 February—Local Studies Library Tour—Newcastle City Library—see below

20 February—Seminar Sunday 4—Convict and Colonial Australia—see pages 4 and 6

20 February—Seminar with Jill Ball at Wyong Family History Group Inc—21st Century Genealogy—Using Old and New Tools to Connect and Communicate—see page 4

20 February—Social Sunday—see below

4 March—Waverley Cemetery Tour—see page 4

6 March—Seminar—Female Convicts of the Hunter Valley—see page 5

25, 26, 27 March—Windsor Long Weekend—see page 5

1 April—The Bay Area Tour

23 April—Anzac Day Open Day in the Society rooms

6 May—Rookwood Cemetery Tour

15 May—Seminar Sunday 5—DNA Day

3 June—outing to be advised

1 July—outing to be advised

5 August—outing to be advised

21 August—Seminar Sunday 6—topic to be advised

2 September—outing to be advised

16, 17, 18 September—NSW/ACT Conference

4 November—outing to be advised

20 November—Seminar Sunday 7—topic to be advised

2 December—outing to be advised

Further details will be provided as each of these events gets closer. Please understand that these are proposed plans, however things may change.

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Newcastle City Library Visit

Friday 4 February

10.00am

Friday 4 February will see us visit the Newcastle City Library for a tour of the library, stacks, rare books, art and posters and of course the Digitisation Lab, as well as the Local History section. There is a display in the Lovett Gallery which we will find fascinating.

We will meet at the library entrance at 9.50am and meet the librarian at 10.00am to commence the tour. Numbers could be limited due to COVID restrictions and we may have to split into smaller groups for various periods of time.

Bring a USB with you and save your research to take home. The photocopier works by loading money onto your Newcastle library card and using it to print from books, maps or microfilms. If you are not a member of Newcastle Libraries, please go online and apply for a valid library card.

Bring a picnic lunch and enjoy Civic Park or wander down and have lunch in one of the pubs or many cafes in the area.



Any questions contact Pat at pat.healion1@gmail.com or text 0427 577598 and leave a message. I look forward to seeing you there.

Pat Healion (Events Organiser)

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Social Sunday

Sunday

20 February

4.00pm

Topic: Social Sunday February 20

Time: Feb 20, 2022 04:00 PM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88990360659?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88990360659?pwd=ejBvcFNrb3VHVWRabVc5RHNvZkIBQT09)

[pwd=ejBvcFNrb3VHVWRabVc5RHNvZkIBQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88990360659?pwd=ejBvcFNrb3VHVWRabVc5RHNvZkIBQT09)

Meeting ID: 889 9036 0659

Passcode: 107084

Events and Outings continued

Seminar Sunday 4 Sunday 20 February 2022

Seminar Sunday 4 will be held both in the Society rooms and via Zoom. The face-to-face participation in the rooms is now booked out, however there is still availability via Zoom. Full details of this event are on page 6.

Mark Dunn will be present in the rooms that day. He is bringing some copies of his book, *Convict Valley*, to sell. They are \$30 each. If you wish to purchase a copy, could you please bring the correct money.

Pat Healion (Events Organiser)

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A Seminar with Jill Ball Sunday 20 February 2022

Wyong Family History Group Inc are presenting a one day seminar with Jill Ball titled *21st Century Genealogy—Using Old and New Tools to Connect and Communicate*. It will be held at Wyong Golf Club commencing at 10.00am.

The full details are attached to the email with this newsletter.

If you need further details, email wfhg06@westnet.com.au

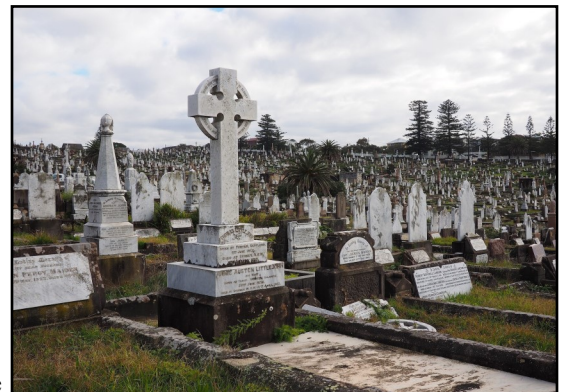
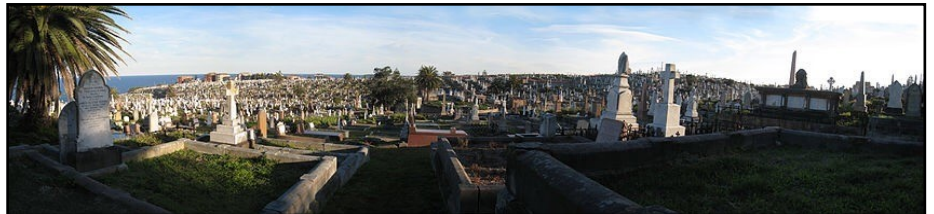
Mel Woodford (President)

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Waverley Cemetery—Friday 4 March 2022

March is a busy month. We start with a trip to Waverley Cemetery, overlooking the Pacific Ocean. We will meet on Friday 4 March at 10.00am, at the Cemetery gates to begin our walk around the cemetery, visiting some famous or infamous grave sites, including:

- Sir James Martin, Premier of NSW and Chief Justice of NSW
- Robert Campbell, Scott merchant
- Isobel Marion Dorothea Mackellar
- Sir James Dowling, Chief Justice of NSW
- Knox family graves
- Major General John Soame Richardson
- Johnstone Family vault, arrested Governor Bligh
- Henry Kendall
- Charles Kinsella, funeral director
- Submarine Corps
- Henry Lawson
- Father Julian Edmund Tension-Woods
- George Freeman
- Charles Peat, high diver
- John Sands, greeting cards fame
- Lawrence Hargrove
- The '98 Memorial
- Julian Francis Archibald
- Sarah Fanny Durack and others



Bring a picnic lunch, thermos of coffee and some cakes for morning tea, as there are no shops nearby.

There will be time to do your own family research.

Coming by car? Meet at corner of Macpherson and St Thomas Streets.

Public Transport? Train to Edgecliffe Station, New South Head Road, Oxford Street and Glenmore Road buses should take you near the cemetery.

Looking for a grave? iCemetery app or ring the Office to make enquires.

Book your place by emailing nfhsevents@gmail.com or message 0427 577 598.

Pat Healion (Events Organiser)

Events and Outings continued

Windsor and Surrounds

25-27 March 2022

We are hoping to go to visit the Windsor region, the region Governor Macquarie placed his stamp upon. The Macquarie Trail will take us to Pitt Town, Richmond, Wilberforce and Windsor. We will visit historical buildings, museums, marketplaces, cemeteries and churches, convict barracks.

Governor Macquarie was tasked with establishing suitable townships in the fledgling Colony: "to lay out townships of a convenient size and extent". He established the five townships of Windsor, Richmond, Wilberforce, Pitt Town and Castlereagh on the high ground in various parts of the district. This area will be the focus of our visit.

We can take walking tours of the townships of Windsor and Richmond. We can spend hours exploring the many historic cemeteries in the area, including:

- St. Matthew's Anglican Cemetery
- Windsor Presbyterian Cemetery
- Windsor Catholic Cemetery
- Richmond Catholic Methodist Lawn Cemetery
- Richmond War Cemetery
- Richmond Presbyterian Cemetery
- Pitt Town Old Cemetery
- Ebenezer Cemetery
- Wilberforce Cemetery

We can visit Ebenezer Church, Australia's Oldest Church, being established in 1809. As well as the Church and cemetery, there is the Schoolmasters House and for those feeling a little peckish, Devonshire teas. At Wilberforce, we can spend time wandering around the Australiana Pioneer Village. This village is set on 28 acres on the banks of the Hawkesbury River.

There is a multitude of things to do and see or you can simply relax overlooking the Hawkesbury River and watch the river pass on by.

Accommodations range from caravan parks to motels and everything in between, with more to come later.

We are planning on travelling on Friday 25 March 2022 and events will be planned for that day, Saturday and Sunday. For those who want, we will travel home on Sunday afternoon. Others may decide to stay on and do further research or just holiday.

Contact Pat at nfhsevents@gmail.com if you are interested in attending.

Pat Healion (Events Organiser)



Sandgate Group

Planning Group/Sandgate Group Update

After many years of ably planning activities such as our Sandgate Day each May, Orientation Sessions, and Volunteers' Thank You Morning/Afternoon Teas, the **Planning Group** has requested that a new direction be taken.

In response to this, the Planning Group has now been dissolved and a new group called the **Sandgate Group** is to be formed.

Orientation Sessions, both print and digital, will now fall under the banner of the Library Group and special activities such as the Volunteers' Thank You will be organised by ad hoc groups of interested members when the need arises.

We are very hopeful that once things settle down a bit with Covid, we may once again be able to conduct a Sandgate Cemetery Tour with assistance from Northern Cemeteries, as we have in the past.

If you would be interested in becoming a member of the soon to be established Sandgate Group, please make contact via our Secretary at nfhsinc@gmail.com

We look forward to hearing from you.

Seminar Sunday 4

**Our next Seminar Sunday will be held on
20 February — 3 fabulous sessions**

10.00am-11.00am—Hulks and Convict Transportation to Botany Bay—Pat Healion

11.00am-12.00noon—Finding your Convict Ancestor's Records—Laraine Cross

12.30pm-1.30pm—The Hunter Valley: A Convict Valley—Dr Mark Dunn

The need to knows

When:	Sunday 20 February 2022
Who:	Members and friends
What:	Three one hour sessions—30 minute break at 12.00noon for tea/coffee
Session Times:	10.00am; 11.00am; 12.30pm
Where:	NFHS Rooms, Elder Street, Lambton Also on Zoom—details sent after registration and payment
Cost:	\$5 per session for members or \$12 per day paid in advance \$15 per session for friends and visitors or \$40 per day paid in advance
Notes:	Notes will be given to participants at each presentation Zoom participants will be emailed notes a few days before
BYO:	Your own cup or mug for provided tea or coffee
Availability:	20 seats are available in the NFHS Rooms for face-to-face participants—masks must be worn in the rooms Unlimited via Zoom
Finish:	1.30pm

To register

Contact Pat by email at pat.healion1@gmail.com or a text to 0427577598
indicating whether you wish to attend face-to-face or via Zoom
Payments can be made in person prior to the day
or by direct debit

Direct debit details

Account: NFHS Society
BSB: 650 000
Account: 501 652 808

Courses and Learning

2022 Courses

A lot of the courses that were planned for 2021 were unable to be held due to the lockdowns. So these are now planned to be run in 2022.

- Finding your Irish Ancestors
- Finding your Convict Ancestors
- Finding your Military Ancestors
- An Introduction to Ancestry
- An Introduction to Findmypast
- An Introduction to Legacy
- An Introduction to FamilySearch.
- Restoring old photos
- Using Ancestry DNA results

We will look to see if these courses can be run face to face and via Zoom for members who wish to be involved but live at a distance or even next door. Please contact Pat by text message on 0427 577598 or email pat.healion1@gmail.com to book your spot.

Pat Healion (Courses Co-Ordinator)

Other SIG Groups

If you are willing to facilitate a SIG, please contact Pat at pat.healion1@gmail.com.

Pat Healion (Courses Co-Ordinator)



*"I am still learning."
Michelangelo*

*"Education is not the filling of a
pot but the lighting of a fire."
W.B. Yeats*

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Special Interest Groups

Members of the Society are welcome to join one or more groups and share their knowledge as well as learn something new. All the groups meet in the NFHS rooms, monthly at 10.00am unless otherwise stated. Groups and contact details are as follows:

Group	Meeting date	Facilitator	Contact email
Convicts in Australia	1 st Tuesday	Laraine Cross	larainecross2@bigpond.com
RootsMagic Users	1 st Tuesday – 1.00pm	Laraine Cross	larainecross2@bigpond.com
Military Family History	2 nd Tuesday	Kirstie Carrick	kirstie.carrick@gmail.com
Scottish Family Research	2 nd Tuesday – 1.00pm	Vicki Osborn	vicki_osborn@outlook.com
English Ancestors	3 rd Tuesday	Karen Smith	abc26715@bigpond.net.au
DNA	3 rd Tuesday – 1.00pm	Sandra Jones	sjones11@bigpond.net.au
Irish Ancestors	4 th Tuesday	Pat Healion	pat.healion1@gmail.com
Family Tree Maker Users	4 th Tuesday—1.00pm	Kirstie Carrick	kirstie.carrick@gmail.com
Legacy Users	4 th Wednesday	Marie Hughes	mariehuges24@gmail.com
Researching Family History	1 st Thursday	Pat Healion	pat.healion1@gmail.com
Ancestry Users	2 nd Thursday	Mel Woodford	nfhspresident@gmail.com
Scrapbooking	4 th Thursday	Pat Healion	pat.healion1@gmail.com

Please email the facilitator to join a group. You can also join by Zoom. Please notify the facilitator if you wish to join by Zoom. Any questions, please contact Pat at pat.healion1@gmail.com or text 0427 577598.



Library 'Click and Collect' to continue

Click and Collect is still available. Email [nfhscomm@gmail.com](mailto:nfhscmm@gmail.com) with your request and Jim or Marg will follow up.

Library Orientation Sessions

In the Society calendar you'll see that there are February and March dates for Library Orientation Sessions. At the moment it looks as though we can go ahead, following whatever Covid restrictions are current at the time.

The list of people wanting to take the sessions is quite long and the groups will have to be small.

We'll be in touch with people directly to invite them to a session and gradually work through the list so if your name is already there, watch out for an email from Marg Ashford on [nfhscomm@gmail.com](mailto:nfhscmm@gmail.com). If you haven't already said you'd like to be involved, please use the same address to let Marg know.

Mel Woodford, Jim MacDougall, Marg Ashford (Orientation Leaders)

Library Roster

February	Librarian 1 (get key)	Librarian 2
Saturday Library Roster		
5 Feb am	Lea H	
5 Feb pm	Lea H	
12 Feb am	Sharyn B	Neville H
12 Feb pm	Sharyn B	Neville H
19 Feb am		
19 Feb pm		
26 Feb am		
26 Feb pm		
Thursday Library Roster		
3 Feb pm	Alison M	Pat H, Clelia P
10 Feb pm	Jane I	Rosalie B
17 Feb pm	Marilyn M	Pat H
24 Feb pm	Karen S	Narelle M

USED BOOKS FOR SALE - NFHS November 2021 by Click and Collect

For purchase or more information, email [nfhscomm@gmail.com](mailto:nfhscmm@gmail.com). Jim or Margaret will contact you re payment and Click and Collect. The books are donations from members and others which are not needed in the library.

Title	Author	Date	Condition & Info	Price
1881 British Census and National Index CD-ROM collection	Family Search		Good	\$5
Australia From Dreamtime to the New Millennium, An Illustrated History	A K Mac-Dougall	1974	Good, slightly bent cover	\$10
Australia's Yesterdays	Readers Digest	1974	Good; text and illustrations	\$15
Between the River and the Sea	Bert Lovett	1989	Good; some pages loose	\$10
History as it Happened excerpts from Sydney Morning Herald 1831-1981	Ed. L V Keper	1981	Very good	\$15
Hunter Valley Sketchbook	Howells and Bishop	1980	Good, slightly torn dustjacket	\$12
Lambton 1862-1872 ... Colliery Township	G R Hub-buck		Excellent	\$5
Matron Ida Greaves	Christine Bramble	2021	Excellent; new; signed	\$25
The Ark in your Pocket: how to keep your family connected for thousands of years	Warren Henry	2015	Excellent	\$5
The Borough of Newcastle by WJ Goold	Ncle & Hunter HS	nd	Excellent	\$5
The Growth of Newcastle by WJ Goold	Ncle & Hunter HS	nd	Excellent	\$5
The Story of the Sydney Harbour Bridge	RTA	1988	Very good; 35 pp, soft,	\$2
This is Australia	Ed. Ziegler	1946	Worn, grubby	\$2
Two Hundred Years Issue 9 of a series	Bay Books	1988	Very good	\$2
Wyong Shire NSW in Story and Verse	Bert Shackleton	1988	Excellent	\$15

Can You Help?

Extra volunteers are needed to do library duty if our rooms are to remain open as COVID-19 restrictions have left us very short of help. The library roster is on our website—[calendar](#)—as well as on the clipboards in the office area. There is an area on the website at the top of the Library Volunteers page, where you can **submit your name** and available roster time. Alternatively, you can send an email to our [Newsletter Editor](#) if you can help out. Helping others can be very rewarding.

The Society thanks those volunteers who keep the Library open for members and visitors. If there are no names listed to volunteer on one of the Thursday or Saturday library rosters, please phone the Society just after opening time on that day to ensure someone is there on duty. A very small number of NFHS members are doing their best to fill in the vacant spots until we have more volunteers.

Library duty

We do have a few gaps in the Library roster for December. If you could spare a few hours, please complete and submit your interest on the form at <https://www.nfhs.org.au/2021-calendar>

Anyone who has completed the Library Orientation course would be more than capable of volunteering for Library Duty. You are always rostered with someone who is experienced and it is a great way to increase your knowledge and assist your Society. **Everyone** has something special to contribute.

Update

Our next meeting will be held on Friday 18 February 2022 at 10.00am. It will be held face-to-face and via Zoom. Mel will talk to Publications and all interested members on the introduction of the Copyright Licensing Agreement as outlined in the October newsletter and people who are not members of the publications group should ask Mel for the Zoom link if they are interested in hearing more about it.

A list of current and potential projects may be found in the reports in the Members' area of the Society's website in the file named [Current Publications](#). Remember you will need to use the member password to access this area of the website.

Anyone with an interest in editing or writing is welcome to attend, as is anyone who has any ideas or suggestions for future publications. For further details, contact Jane via email on nfhspublicationsofficer@gmail.com.

Jane Ison (Publications Group Co-ordinator)

Journal and Newsletter

General

The eTeam welcomes new members who enjoy writing to join us and help contribute to the quarterly journal. Everyone loves to read their journal, however without contributions it wouldn't exist. Please share your story.

The eTeam would like to thank Beth Keating, Greg Manning and Elizabeth James who have contributed to and worked to produce the Journal. We hope that they continue to contribute. We would most especially like to thank Stan Thompson, Ron Goodhew and his wife Enid who were the first members when the eTeam was formed over five years ago. Ron was a former editor who established our award-winning format.

The team would also like to welcome Janet Terry, Su Carter, Rosalie Bunn and Lea Harris who are joining the team. Their ideas and contributions will be gratefully received.

March Journal—Port of Newcastle

Do you have a story about the Port of Newcastle? Maybe you have an interesting anecdote about something that happened in the port area. Maybe you know of some history of the Port of Newcastle.

The eTeam would love to have your stories, and photos if you have some. The journal is filling fast and the closing date for submissions is **5 February**. Please send your article to nfhseeditor@gmail.com.

June Journal

The theme for the June journal will be Military Matters. What military connections can be found in the history of your family? Did any member serve as a soldier, sailor, airman or nurse, on the home front or in one of the many theatres of war throughout the history of

Journal and Newsletter Deadlines

	Newsletter	Journal
March	12 February	5 February
April	12 March	
May	16 April	
June	14 May	7 May
July	11 June	
August	16 July	
September	13 August	6 August

your family? How did you uncover your connections? A contribution on all things Military will be greatly appreciated and we have already received a couple of articles.

Please send your submissions to nfhseeditor@gmail.com by **7 May**.

December Journal

Reminder that your December journal is available for collection at the rooms or via 'Click and Collect'. There are some interesting and thought provoking articles to read and investigate.

The eTeam always appreciates your valuable contributions.

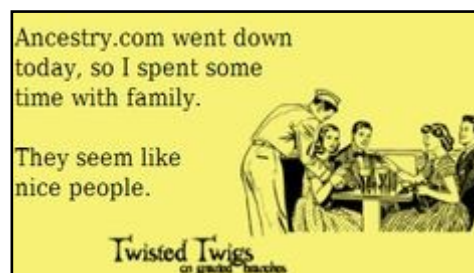
Jane Ison (eTeam)

Photocopy costs 2022

As from January 2022, new charges will apply for photocopies at the Society rooms as follows:

A4 copies—30 cents black; 50 cents colour

A3 copies—50 cents black; \$1.00 colour



If you think your family is normal, you probably aren't a genealogist!

Miscellaneous

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Publications	nfhspublicationsofficer@gmail.com
Research	nfhsresearcher@gmail.com
Sandgate group	nfhscomm@gmail.com
Used book sales	nfhscomm@gmail.com
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Snippers Group

Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday from 10.00am to 2.00pm

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Password reminder

The password for the website members' area is Ancestors.

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Useful websites

Mel and other members are often busy on the Society's Facebook page posting interesting and useful links to various sites. As there was some space available in this newsletter, some of those links are printed here for those who are not on the Facebook page.

How to write a genealogy research report

https://www.familytreemagazine.com/research/genealogy-research-report/?trk_msg=NU01ARSV8TJ4L7Q7NAQ91UIUUK&trk_contact=BGSK9152RHRTD5EI4ROCL41PPO&trk_module=new&trk_sid=NN7MKSUEI9KR875073BEI4HIH8&trk_link=4CUQFPGJAM04HB7AJN6EV8OPAC&utm_source=Listrak&utm_medium=Email&utm_term=How%20to%20Write%20a%20Genealogy%20Research%20Report&utm_campaign=FT%20Newsletter&fbclid=IwAR3QqJCja5dQ_7qDzjEOChkH4b2vv_HP3xexny1NADUIEiT256v4wfJwj0

Family Tree

Irish land records—top three resources for Irish land records

https://www.family-tree.co.uk/useful-genealogy-websites/top-three-resources-for-irish-land-records/?fbclid=IwAR2zlTmO0wt7SgLRliSvbQi_vl5OM-FXYqf0x_ygmBFnGRWA6Z78ByQSH3g

Trace your family tree back to Victorian times—six easy ways

<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/blog/help/6-tools-to-take-your-family-tree-back-to-the-victorian-period?fbclid=IwAR3jnTONhUqJdpug573TMOFejKtG3ToQwEZCBWxmFh1Mo0QTVKk7vLpSJaI>

Paleography

The English Ancestors Special Interest Group looked at old handwriting (paleography) and provided some useful links:

NSW State Archives & Records—tips for reading handwritten documents

https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/collections-and-research/guides-and-indexes/handwritten-documents?fbclid=IwAR0iIrz0TyKXWk_Hk6eTjMoYyXMBK_slsvjZQBtURWt_WhiDfB8Ylx6oUZg

The National Archives UK (TNA)—reading old handwriting

<https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/paleography/default.htm?fbclid=IwAR173xbmkvRrsSfr2rEAbBGFOQ-xVV-1cOoHVRxnkU8iHc9ms2nAEP1FY2E>

National Records of Scotland (NRS)—online tuition in paleography

https://www.scottishhandwriting.com/?fbclid=IwAR2_Dz80zcGX331yFGkUMrMLwa-b4zq6jPzBG9Z6lGW4tswXKLjDRkFnA7o

University of Glasgow Future Learn—Early Modern Scottish Paleography: Reading Scotland's Records—free course in paleography

https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/ems-paleography?fbclid=IwAR3TGkeonSW4DdQzAXVLTltjCHlBSPQjwnQS-h0RWHyq9cNH_w5MBSwhFaw

February

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
Red—SIG Groups Blue—Volunteer Groups Green—Courses Purple—Meetings Black—Library Open Brown—Events		10am—Convicts in Australia 1pm—RootsMagic 6-7.25pm—Library Open 7.30pm—Monthly Meeting	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Researching Family History 1-3pm—Library Open	Local Studies Library Tour	10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open Articles due for Journal 237
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		10am—Military Family History 1pm—Scottish Fam Research		10am—Ancestry Users 1-3pm—Library Open	9.30am—eTeam Journal 237 editing	9-11am—Orientation Session: Print 10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open Submissions due for March newsletter
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group	10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Management Committee 1-3pm—Library Open	9.30am—eTeam Journal 237 cover printing 10am-12noon—Publications Group	10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Seminar Sunday 4 Wyong FHG Seminar 4pm—Social Sunday		10am—Irish Ancestors 1pm—FTM Users	10am—Legacy Users	10am—Scrapbooking 1-3pm—Library Open	9.30am—e-Team Journal 237 printing	9-11am—Orientation Session: Digital 10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open
27	28					
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group					

March

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Red—SIG Groups Blue—Volunteer Groups Green—Courses Purple—Meetings Black—Library Open Brown—Events		10am—Convicts in Australia 1pm—RootsMagic 6-7.25pm—Library Open 7.30pm—Monthly Meeting	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Researching Family History 1-3pm—Library Open	Waverley Cemetery	10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Seminar—Female Convicts of the Hunter Valley		10am—Military Family History 1pm—Scottish Fam Research		10am—Ancestry Users 1-3pm—Library Open		9-11am—Orientation Session: Print 10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open Submissions due for April newsletter
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group	10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Management Committee 1-3pm—Library Open		9-11am—Orientation Session: Digital 10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
4pm—Social Sunday		10am—Irish Ancestors 1pm—FTM Users	10am—Legacy Users	10am—Scrapbooking 1-3pm—Library Open	Windsor Long Weekend	10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open Windsor Long Weekend
27	28	29	30	31		
Windsor Long Weekend	9.30-11.30am—Library Group		11	1-3pm—Library Open		

April

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Red—SIG Groups Blue—Volunteer Groups Green—Courses Purple—Meetings Black—Library Open Brown—Events					The Bay area tour	10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open
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		10am—Convicts in Australia 1pm—RootsMagic 6-7.25pm—Library Open 7.30pm—Monthly Meeting	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Researching Family History 1-3pm—Library Open		10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group	10am—Military Family History 1pm—Scottish Fam Research		10am—Ancestry Users 1-3pm—Library Open		Library closed due to Easter weekend Submissions due for May newsletter
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Management Committee 1-3pm—Library Open	10am-12noon—Publications Group	10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open Anzac Day Open Day
Easter Sunday	Easter Monday					
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Lest we forget 	10am—Irish Ancestors 1pm—FTM Users	10am—Legacy Users	10am—Scrapbooking 1-3pm—Library Open		

May

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Red—SIG Groups Blue—Volunteer Groups Green—Courses Purple—Meetings Black—Library Open Brown—Events		10am—Convicts in Australia 1pm—RootsMagic 6-7.25pm—Library Open 7.30pm—Monthly Meeting	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Researching Family History 1-3pm—Library Open	Rookwood Cemetery tour	10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open Articles due for Journal 238
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group	10am—Military Family History 1pm—Scottish Fam Research		10am—Ancestry Users 1-3pm—Library Open		10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open Submissions due for June newsletter
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Seminar Sunday 5 4pm—Social Sunday		10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Management Committee 1-3pm—Library Open		10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group	10am—Irish Ancestors 1pm—FTM Users	10am—Legacy Users	10am—Scrapbooking 1-3pm—Library Open		10-12 and 1-3pm—Library Open
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