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WANTED FOR YOUR JOURNAL—see page 2

The June and September Journal themes are both Military Matters—stories and photos welcome

Deadline for articles: 6 August 2022

May 2022

May Monthly Meeting

Tuesday 3 May—7.30pm

Annual General Meeting

**Meeting will be held in the Rooms
and via Zoom**

The Annual General Meeting of the Newcastle Family History Society Inc. has been called for Tuesday 3 May 2022 commencing at 7.30pm. The meeting will be held in the Society rooms at Elder Street, Lambton as well as by Zoom.

All positions on the Management Committee will be declared vacant and nominations are now sought for the following elected positions:

President
Vice-president
Treasurer
Secretary
General Member 1
General Member 2
General Member 3

Nomination forms for the above elected positions have been sent to members, are available at the Society's rooms and on our website. Forms must include the signature of the nominee, proposer and seconder as well as the date. Reminder that nominations close on 26 April 2022 and forms should be emailed to the Secretary or placed in the provided envelope and left in the Secretary's pigeon hole at the Society.

Our Society depends on people volunteering for roles not only such as those mentioned above, but also for the many non-elected positions which keep the Society running. You are encouraged to self-nominate for any of the following:

Assistant Secretary	Assistant Treasurer
Librarian	Assistant Librarian
Publications Officer	Journal Editor
Research Coordinator	Maintenance Officer
IT Officer	Membership Registrar
Facebook Administrator	Courses Coordinator
Sandgate Group Coordinator	Website Coordinator
Guest Speaker Coordinator	Snippers Coordinator
Cleaning Coordinator	Newsletter Editor
Events Coordinator	Publicity Officer

Forms for the non-elected positions are available with the elected position forms with the self-nominee required to sign, date the form and return to the Secretary by 26 April 2022.

Email to Newcastle Family History Society Secretary on:

mailto:nfhsinc@gmail.com

Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the 3 May AGM meeting.

If you would like to join by Zoom but feel you need some assistance, please contact our Secretary.

The Zoom meeting connection is below. Please note the link to join the Zoom meeting changes each month.

Topic: NFHS AGM

Time: **May 3, 2022 07:30 PM** Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83926809154?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83926809154?pwd=V0h0eDVvT0FVSURPK2NwREI2ZWxkdz09)

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Meeting ID: 839 2680 9154

Passcode: 263410

April Monthly Meeting

April's monthly meeting was very well attended and enjoyed. We had 25 participants joining via Zoom to hear a fabulous presentation by member Jill Ball who spoke to us about Geneablogging. We certainly learnt a lot and some members have already been putting their new found knowledge into practice. Thanks so much Jill for taking the time to present to us on a subject many have probably wondered about but not attempted. For an overview of Jill's presentation, see page 9.

Covid update and Duty of Care

Covid update

You will need to sign in with your membership number, name, time of arrival and phone number. You will need to sign out when leaving. Your temperature will be checked. Be prepared for limited numbers in the building. All computers will be in use. You must wear a face mask at all times whilst in the building.

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

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 an 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 wear two masks 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.



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 family or local history story.

To better enable your articles to be shared through the Society, could everyone who has contributed to the Journal in the past, please read the explanatory letter from our Management Committee and return the completed Copyright agreement attached to the email with this newsletter (see page 10 for more details). This will enable us to more easily reprint treasures submitted by our writers in the past. Remember that YOU retain your own copyright for anything that you write.

June and September Journals

The themes for Journals 238 (June) and 239 (September) will both be Military Matters. This has been a very popular topic and as Journal 238 has been filling fast, articles that have not yet been received may need to be held over to Journal 239. 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 your family? How did you uncover your connections? We already have numerous articles, however your contribution on all things Military will be greatly appreciated.

Please send your submissions to [nfhseditor@gmail.com](mailto:nfhseeditor@gmail.com) by **6 August**.

December Journal

The theme for the December Journal 240 will be Creative Arts. Nearly every family has a creative or artistic member. Is this true of your family? Was this their occupation or did they simply 'dabble'? So many families treasure the art or craftwork that was completed by their ancestors as part of a time when this pastime filled the time we now spend with electronic media. Can you share your stories?

Please send your submissions to [nfhseditor@gmail.com](mailto:nfhseeditor@gmail.com) by **5 November**.

The eTeam always appreciates your valuable contributions.

Jane Ison (eTeam)

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Emailed newsletters

Could members who receive their monthly newsletter via email, please ensure they add the email address of [nfhsnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:nfhnewsletter@gmail.com) to their safe senders list. Each month I get numerous bounce backs on the newsletter email. One bounce back response states "Too much spam from Google. Try again later." I resend them numerous times and worry that the email never ends up going through. If you have signed up to receive your newsletter via email and do not always get it, please contact me on the above email.

Lea Harris (Newsletter Editor)

Events and Outings

Future events

6 May—Rookwood Cemetery Tour—see below

15 May—Seminar Sunday 5—DNA—see page 6

26 May—Cancer Council Daffodil Day Fundraiser—see page 4

3 June—Dungog Trip—see page 4

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—see page 5

7 October—Outing to be advised

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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Rookwood Cemetery Friday 6 May 2022

Friday, 6 May, we will travel to Rookwood Cemetery and will be met by a guide for a tour of the cemetery. Each participant is asked to bring a donation of \$20 for the Friends of Rookwood Cemetery for the upkeep of the Cemetery.

We will meet at the Rookwood Cafe at 9.30am for coffee or tea. Breakfast can be ordered if needed. Turn right off Centenary Drive into Weeroona Rd and enter Rookwood Cemetery. The cafe car park is the first on the left.

The tour will focus on Ships and Shipwrecks. In the 19th Century, hundreds of thousands of convicts and immigrants made the always hazardous voyage at a time when an average of one ship a week was lost in Australian waters. Well into the 20th century, ocean travel was the only way in and out of Australia. Headstones at Rookwood bring to mind some of those journeys and disasters.



Names of the famous and less-known wrecks are recorded on many family monuments.

Hear too, about the early years of the Australian Navy and the Sydney Squadron of the Royal Navy on the Australia Station.

To enable private research, both the General Cemetery and the Catholic Cemetery have online deceased search engines and staff can be contacted to answer your questions regarding family and friends' grave sites, maps, etc.

We will have lunch at the cafe. Also, the place to pick up a coffee before the tour. We will meet at the cafe at 9.30am and later at 12.30pm for lunch.

The Sydney War Cemetery and Garden of Remembrance are situated next to the cafe and well worth a visit. The Books of Remembrance are available to look up a loved one.

We will leave for Newcastle no later than 2.30pm for our trip home.

This is a self-drive tour and will be held unless it is raining cats and dogs. I will post on NFHS Facebook page if cancelled by 7.00am on the day.

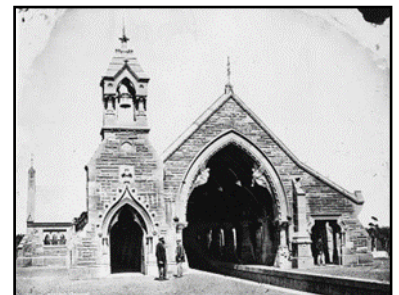
If you wish to attend, please contact me on nfhsevents@gmail.com and book your place or text me on 0427 577 598.

Pat Healion (Events Organiser)

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Social Sunday

At this stage, Social Sunday will no longer be held. It may be reinstated at a later date.



Mel Woodford (President)

Events and Outings continued

Daffodil Day Fundraiser Thursday 26 May 2022



On Thursday 26 May at 11.00am, we will hold a fundraising morning tea for the Cancer Council's Daffodil Day. That is the same day as the Scrapbooking SIG group, so Scrapbooking will commence at 9.30am so the Morning Tea can commence at 11.00 am. A donation of at least \$5.00 for morning tea would be appreciated. \$260.00+ was raised last year, so we would like to meet, or better, that amount this year. You are asked to indicate if you can contribute cakes, slices, biscuits, etc, and if you will be attending the morning tea. If unable to attend, you are free to send in a donation for the charity. A notice will be placed on the notice board and you can contact nfhsevents@gmail.com or phone the Society and leave a message. All welcome but please let us know so we can have enough morning tea available. Thank you in advance for your involvement.

Pat Healion (Events Organiser)

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Dungog Trip Friday 3 June 2022

On Friday 3 June we will travel to Dungog, meeting at 10.00am at the Dungog Museum, 105 Dowling Street. There is a small coffee shop across the road if you need to fuel up. After viewing the Museum, we will meet a guide who will give us the history of the buildings. There will be a cost of \$8.00 - \$5.00 for entry to the museum and \$3.00 for the street ramble with the guide.

We can view the history of the area, check out burials and the local newspapers covering the area. The main street is basically a two-block walk and the local Historical Society has placed plaques on the buildings of interest.

We will then have lunch at one of the local cafes, pubs or clubs and then we are free to visit a number of specialist boutiques and shop to your heart's content.

If you wish to attend, please contact nfhsevents@gmail.com or text me on 0427577598. It should be a great day. You might need a warm jacket or jumper, depending on the weather. Hope to hear from you.



Pat Healion (Events Organiser)



Dungog

Events and Outings continued

NSW/ACT Conference



NSW & ACT Association of
Family History Societies Inc.



Annual Conference

16, 17 September 2022

Via Zoom & YouTube

18 September Local Trade Fair

“The Barracks” Maitland & Beyond FHS

Check website, Facebook, & Conference Newsletter

Riding the Waves of History

Newcastle Family History Society Inc. nfhs.org.au

Maitland & Beyond Family History Group Inc. mdgs.org.au/

ridingthewavesofhistory.com.au

Many genealogists neglect telling
their own stories, while in the
midst of telling the stories about
others. Don't let that happen to
your family.

*Remember as far as
anyone knows we're a nice,
normal family.*



@therandomvibez

Seminar Sunday 5

Our next Seminar Sunday will be held on

15 May 2022 — 3 fabulous sessions

10.00am-11.00am—An introduction to DNA and its use in genealogical research—Kirstie Carrick

11.30am-12.30pm—Using colours to group your DNA results, for Ancestry and My Heritage users—
Janelle Collins

12.30pm-1.30pm—Using DNA results and Mirror Trees to find missing ancestors—Sandra Jones

The need to knows

When: Sunday 15 May 2022

Who: Members and friends

What: Three one hour sessions—30 minute break at 11.00am for tea/coffee

Session Times: 10.00am; 11.30am; 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

\$15 per session for NSW/ACT Societies 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

Courses were planned in 2019 and after a few courses were run, Covid meant that many planned courses could not be run. To run a course, I need someone to volunteer to provide the input.

The Beginners course over two days has been run a number of times and hopefully will be run again mid-year. Other courses have been presented individually or presented as part of Seminar Sunday. So, to date the following courses have been presented:

- Citing your sources
- Births, deaths and marriages (BDM site)
- BDM Desktop NFHS rooms
- Using Evernote
- Trove
- Google
- Finding convict ancestors
- Contribution of Fort Scratchley towards Newcastle
- Military ancestors
- Criminals in the family
- Finding English ancestors
- Finding Scottish ancestors
- Irish records: Northern Ireland, The Republic
- Ryerson Index
- Using your digital equipment
- DNA
- Microsoft Basic Word, Intermediate Word, Excel, PowerPoint

To be presented when we can find a volunteer:

- Introduction to Family Search
- Introduction to Find my Past
- Aboriginal family research
- Torres Strait Islander relatives
- Shipping records
- Publicans in the family
- Medical terms and what they mean
- German ancestors
- Occupations from the past
- Old photographs: types, dating them using fashion, etc
- Introduction to Legacy
- Introduction to My Heritage
- Introduction to Ancestry
- Using land records to find Irish ancestors
- Writing your story: historical context, writing styles, writing packages to help you write your book

We will organise to run these courses face to face and via zoom, for members near and far, once we find a volunteer to run them.

If you can offer a course or a suggestion for a course, please contact Pat at nfhscourses@gmail.com or text Pat on 0427577598.

Pat Healion (Courses Coordinator)

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Roots Magic SIG Group—Cancellation

As the Society's general meetings are held at 2.00pm on the first Tuesday of the month for June, July and August, and the Roots Magic SIG group is held at 1.00pm on the same day, the Roots Magic SIG group will be cancelled for June, July and August.

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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:

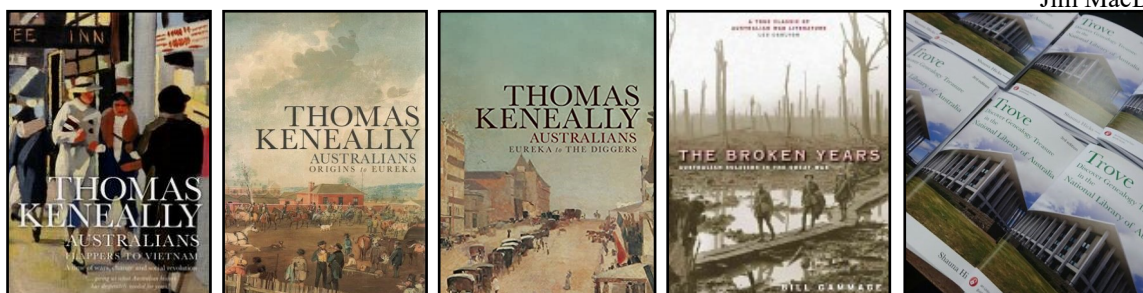
Group	Meeting date	Facilitator	Contact email
Convicts in Australia	1 st Tuesday	Laraine Cross	larainecross2@bigpond.com
RootsMagic Users	1 st Tuesday – 1.00pm	Laraine Cross	larainecross2@bigpond.com
Military Family History	2 nd Tuesday	Kirstie Carrick	kirstie.carrick@gmail.com
Scottish Family Research	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.

Recent acquisitions

- Kopittke, Eric *Researching in German Civil and Church Records* [2015] SGe2/10/6
- Fox, Len, ed. *Depression down under* [1992] A7/25/8/c.2
- Roulston, William J. *Researching Presbyterian ancestors in Ireland* [2020] R2/10/16
- Hicks, Shauna *Trove: discover genealogy treasures in the National Library of Australia* 3rd. [2021] A2/10/31
- St Matthew's Parish Council *The Cathedral of the Hawkesbury* AN7/85/10
- McIntyre, Perry & Reid, Richard *Irish Workhouse Orphan Emigration to Australia 1848-1850* [2021] A2/10/32
- Tickle, Rob *St. Heliers Convict Register* AH5/50/3
- Scanlon, Mike *The hidden Hunter: a collection of articles by Mike Scanlon on the Hunter Region* [2021] AH7/01/78
- Pointon, Rick *Hey rock 'n roll* [2020] AH7/35/03
- Brouwer, David *Who was C B Alexander?* [2007] A4 ALE/01 [Marilyn Bridges]
- Bickle, June Isobel *The history of the Newcastle War Widow's Guild Club 1951-2001* [2002] AH7/39/21 [Marilyn Bridges]
- Snippers *Sports reports & results: Apr-Jun 1934* [2021] NLP/08/1934b
- Snippers *NMH 1934 Apr-Jun Suburban & Hunter News* [2021] NLP/06/1934c
- Snippers *NMH 1934 Apr-Jun Suburban & Hunter News* [2021] NLP/06/1934d
- Snippers *NMH 1934 Apr-Jun Domestic notices & accident reports* [2021] NLP/03/1934b
- Snippers *NMH 1933 Jan-Jun: Miscellaneous news from Australia & overseas* [2021] NLP/02/1934
- Snippers *NMH 1934 Jan-Jun: Court reports* [2021] NLP/04/1934
- Snippers *NMH 1934 Apr-Jun: Newcastle news* [2021] NLP/05/1934c
- Muswellbrook Shire L&FHS *Campbells Corner: Muswellbrook landmark* [2016] AH8.333/55/01 [Margaret Ashford]
- Australian Jewish Historical Society Journal Vol. XXII 2015 Part 2* A9/60/01 [Marilyn Bridges]
- Gammage, Bill *The broken years: Australian soldiers in the Great War* [2010] A7/82/19 [Marie Hughes]
- Heaton, Barbara *Jim Comerford: working class warrior* [2019] A4/COM/01 [Barbara Heaton]
- Vaux, James Hardy *1818 dictionary of criminal slang: and other impolite terms as used by the Convicts of the British Colonies of Australia* [2019] A9/25/02
- Snippers *Newcastle Herald: Jan-Jun 2021 domestic notices and index of deaths, funerals, in memoriam & probate notices only* [2021] NLP/03/2021a
- The Hunter Valley Co-Operative Dairy Co Ltd *The Hunter Valley: an anniversary tribute 1903-1953* [1953] AH7/62/02
- The Heraldry & Genealogy Society of Canberra *Every family has a story: short stories from the 2020 E. M. Fletcher Writing competition* [2021] A3/80/01 [Beverley Richardson]
- Ulster Genealogical & Historical Guild *Familla: Ulster Genealogical Review* Numbers 18, 20, 23 [2002-7] R9/60/01a [Val Anderson]
- Whitelaw, Mabel *The family of Andrew James Whitelaw of Singleton 1862-1950* A4/WHI/04 [Pauline Forster]
- Fidlon, Paul G & Ryan, R J, ed. *The Journal of Philip Gidley King: Lieutenant, R.N. 1787-1790* [1980] A7/01/44 [Daphne Allington]
- Minert, Roger P. *German census records 1816-1916: the when, where and how of a valuable genealogical resource* [2016] SGe5/20/01
- Newcastle Region Art Gallery *East End: before & after November 8 - December 8, 1985* [1985] AH8.300/01/06 [Annette Barker]
- Keneally, Thomas *Australians: origins to Eureka* [2009] A7/01/45 [Marie Hughes]
- Keneally, Thomas *Australians: Eureka to the Diggers* [2012] A7/01/46 [Marie Hughes]
- Keneally, Thomas *Australians: flappers to Vietnam* [2014] A7/01/47 [Marie Hughes]
- Snippers *NMH 1935 Jan-Mar Domestic notices & accident reports* [2022] NLP/03/1935a
- Snippers *NMH 1935 Jan-Mar: Newcastle news* [2022] NLP/05/1935a
- Snippers *Sports reports & results: Jan-Mar 1935* [2022] NLP/08/1935a

Jim MacDougall (Librarian)



Library Roster

March	Librarian 1 (get key)	Librarian 2
Saturday Library Roster		
Morning 9.45am-12.30pm		
Afternoon 12.30pm-3.00pm		
7 May am	Lea H	
7 May pm	Lea H	
14 May am	Sharyn B	Neville H, Nouvelle T
14 May pm	Sharyn B	Neville H,
21 May am		
21 May pm		
28 May am	Marie H	
28 May pm	Marie H	
Thursday Library Roster		
1.00-3.00pm		
5 May pm	Alison M	Clelia P
12 May pm	Jane I	Rosalie B
19 May pm	Marilyn M	Pat H
26 May pm	Karen S	

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.

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Library duty

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

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Note to Volunteer Librarians re Publications

There is a Publication sales folder in the pigeonholes for use for counter sales. It contains many important hints and also my mobile number should you need to contact me with any enquiry.

Jane Ison (Publications Group Coordinator)

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April monthly meeting overview

Jill Ball certainly knows her stuff when it comes to blogging. You might ask what is blogging? Jill explained that a blog is basically an online journal or diary, the word blog being short for Web Log. A blog is comprised of multiple items called posts arranged in chronological order. It is a fabulous way to publish and share information online that has the ability to reach thousands and allows others to post comments in response to your information. You can make your blog public or private so you choose how far-reaching it is.

A blog allows you to record, publish and preserve information, photographs, resources, etc. A genealogical blog is a great way to write stories about your ancestors and have them preserved for future generations. Who knows who might read your blog and you may be surprised to find distant relatives who can assist with your research. And let's face it, the majority of young people would rather read something online than read a book!

If you can use a word processor, then you can blog. There are numerous platforms for you to set up your blog such as Wordpress, Wix, Weebly, Tumblr, Squarespace and Blogger. If you YouTube or Google search the platforms, you will find information on how to set up your blog using your preferred platform. You can also YouTube to find out how to set up a blog in general—just go into YouTube and type “how to start a blog”. Many tutorial videos will come up.

Jill pointed out that when setting up your blog it is important to take the following things into consideration: purpose; content; audience; the blog title, subtitle and description; whether you wish it to be public or private; what you are going to write as your introductory post; and setting up a profile or about me page.

Some tips given by Jill to create a beautiful blog are: keep your text concise and engaging; edit your text to ensure the spelling and grammar is correct; check your links to ensure they work; cite your sources; when wanting to start a conversation, ask a question; try to hook the reader with your opening sentences; and re-edit.

A couple of Jill's blogs can be found at <https://geniaus.blogspot.com/> and <https://ballau.blogspot.com/>

Lea Harris (Newsletter Editor)

The next meeting of the Publications group will be held on Friday 17 June 2022 at 10.00am in the Newcastle Family History Society rooms. A special discussion will be held about Digital Publications.

A very successful Publications meeting was held with Carol Duncan in April. The aim was to learn more about establishing better opportunities to download our publications and pay online. As a result of this meeting, a small group will meet at 1.00pm on Friday 20 May to begin to establish some processes to better enable digital payments and publishing. Anyone who feels that they can contribute ideas to this meeting is welcome to attend and should contact Jane on the Publications email nfhspublicationsofficer@gmail.com.

To better enable your articles to be shared through the Society, could everyone who has contributed to the Journal in the past, please read the explanatory letter from our Management Committee and return the completed Copyright agreement attached to the email with this newsletter (see page 10 for more details). This will enable us to more easily reprint treasures submitted by our writers in the past. Remember that YOU retain your own copyright for anything that you write.

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)

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Research Guides

Did you know that NFHS now has four Research Guides? The newest guide about Servicemen and Women is now available (see below). It has been printed in full colour (thanks to our upgraded printer) and with a thicker cover so it may be purchased for \$12 (and for their first purchase, members will pay \$10.80). Guide 1 (Family Research), Guide 2 (Convicts) and Guide 3 (Using Photographs) are still available for \$8 while stocks last. Once current stock is sold, they will also be reprinted in colour and with a thicker cover and will sell for \$12. No member discount applies for these black and white guides as they cost less than \$10.

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Research Guide No 4

Is There a Serviceman or Woman in the Family?

This 32-page booklet in full colour, guides the reader to places for finding information about service personnel from the well-known to the lesser-known local resources.

As well as describing various research centres, the guide offers information about:

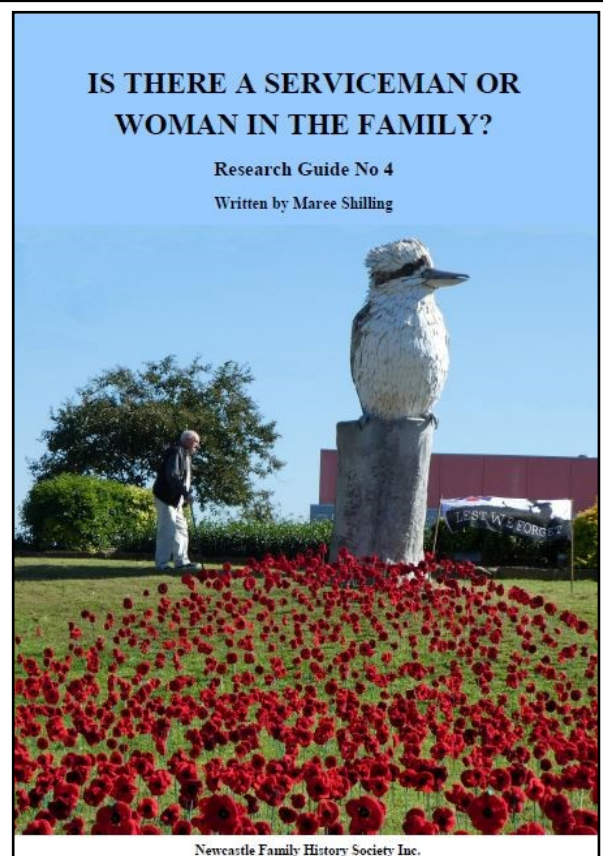
- The structure of the Australian Army
- What a colour patch can tell us
- The role of women in wartime
- The Commonwealth War Graves Commission
- Places of military interest in and around Newcastle
- Looking for United Kingdom records
- A page of websites

This well-illustrated guide is available from the Society's rooms in Elder Street, Lambton for \$12 or you can place an order by contacting our Publications Officer, Jane Ison. Details are available on the Society's website www.nfhs.org.au



Maree Shilling

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Miscellaneous

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These days there are many legalities to consider. In an effort to safeguard our ability to republish publications which have been prepared especially for the NFHS we have sought help from the University Legal Centre, a free legal service available through the University of Newcastle, to prepare a document which will ensure we have the correct permission to do this in the future.

Attached to this Newsletter you will find information explaining our new NFHS Inc. Copyright Licencing Agreement and a copy of the actual Agreement. If you are someone who writes (or has written) something for our NFHS publications, Journals, course notes and the like, we are asking if you will assist us by completing the form and sending it back to us via email, post, or bringing it in to the rooms. I have already signed mine!!

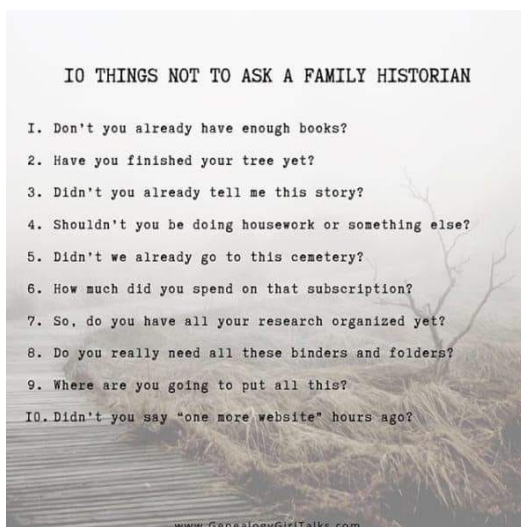
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Snippers Group

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

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Member Interests Directory (MID)

Due to unforeseen circumstances the MID booklet has been postponed until 2023. If you have already completed your form, it has been saved. Any member who missed out on completing their form, you now have time to submit. The closing date is now 1 June 2023. A copy of the MID form is attached to the email. The form is also on our website.

Sharyn Boyce (Membership Registrar)

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Wyang Family History Group Invite to Monthly Meeting

are inviting us to attend their monthly meeting on Saturday 14 May 2022 at 12.30pm. Their guest speaker is Trish Cavanagh, the little girl from the 1959 Vegemite television commercial. Full details are attached to the email.

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Password reminder

The password for the website members' area is Ancestors.

May

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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—Annual General Meeting	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Researching Family History 1-3pm—Library Open	Rookwood Cemetery tour	10am-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	9.30-12.00—Editing meeting—Journal 238 10am—2022 Conf Comm Meeting—NFHS rooms	10am-3pm—Library Open Submissions due for June newsletter
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Seminar Sunday 5		10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Management Committee 1-3pm—Library Open	9.30-12.00—Cover printing—Journal 238	10am-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	9.30-12.00—Journal printing—Journal 238	10am-3pm—Library Open
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June

2022

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Red—SIG Groups Blue—Volunteer Groups Green—Courses Purple—Meetings Black—Library Open Brown—Events			10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Researching Family History 1-3pm—Library Open	Dungog trip	10am-3pm—Library Open
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		10am—Convicts in Australia 1-1.55pm—Library Open 2pm—Monthly Meeting		10am—Ancestry Users 1-3pm—Library Open	10am—2022 Conf Comm Meeting—'The Barracks' - M&BFH rooms	Library closed due to Queen's birthday long weekend Submissions due for July newsletter June long weekend
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
June long weekend	June long weekend	10am—Military Family History 1pm—Scottish Fam Research	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Management Committee 1-3pm—Library Open	9.30-12.00—Feedback/ Planning—Journals 238 and 239 10am-12noon—Publications Group	10am-3pm—Library Open
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		10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA	10am—Legacy Users	10am—Scrapbooking 1-3pm—Library Open		10am-3pm—Library Open
26	27	28	29	30		
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group	10am—Irish Ancestors 1pm—FTM Users				

July

2022

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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		10am-3pm—Library Open
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		10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Management Committee 1-3pm—Library Open	9.30-12.00—Cover printing—Journal 239	10am-3pm—Library Open
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