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Newsletter

Number 215

WANTED FOR YOUR JOURNAL—see page 2

The September Journal continues the theme of Military Matters
- more stories and photos are welcome

Deadline for articles: 6 August 2022

July 2022

July Monthly Meeting

Tuesday 7 June—2.00pm

Note: 2.00pm, not 7.30pm, for June, July, August

Peter Cave

Mystery Story

Meeting will be held in the Rooms and via Zoom

Member Peter Cave, retired ABC Foreign Affairs Editor and Journalist will share a mystery with us. His great-grandfather George Cave, the patriarch of the Cave family who settled in Carrington, has always been something of a mystery. He disappeared in 1898 leaving his 'wife' Jane to bring up their eight surviving children. Jane occasionally told people he was lost at sea. Many family trees had him dying on the goldfields at Hill End. With the help of two other of George's descendants, Peter finally tracked down the startling truth but then a DNA test opened a whole new mystery.

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 for July's meeting is below. Please note the link to join the Zoom meeting changes each month.

Mel Woodford (Vice-President)

Topic: **July Monthly Meeting**

Time: **Jul 5, 2022 02:00 PM** Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86276123741?pwd=emoweUdvL25tR285bnIxQkFxQ2lIQOT09>

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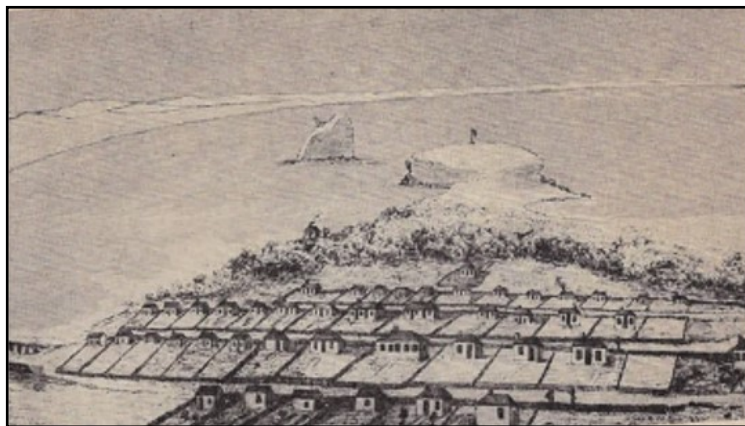
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June General Meeting

Our June monthly meeting was very well attended with the Society rooms full and a number joining via Zoom. Everyone was keen to hear from our member Julie Keating, who presented us with an extremely interesting talk on the 1800s Government services provided in Newcastle for the convict penal settlement and later the free city. For an overview of some of the services mentioned by Julie, see page 9.

Thank you to Julie for this very informative presentation.



Brown's view of Newcastle 1810



Gaol 1818 by Charles Martin (Hunter Living Histories)

Christ Church 1817—
artist unknown

These photos are from
Julie's presentation

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. While it is recommended that we work in a well ventilated area while indoors, if the weather dictates that the air conditioning be used, please close the doors to contain the heat/cold and wear a face mask to limit spread of diseases.

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. The eTeam is always happy to receive articles about your family of a research interest to add to our award winning Journal. You never know when a fellow descendant will read them. Please share your family or local history story.

Remember that YOU retain your own copyright for anything that you write but we hope that you will sign and return the Copyright Agreement to better enable your articles to be shared through the Society. The Agreement is attached to this newsletter email.

Please remember to collect your Journals when you visit the library.

June Journal

Your June Journal 238 is ready to be collected from the Society or you should have it if you receive a digital copy.

September Journal

Due to the large number of articles with a military theme, September Journal 239 will also be about 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 your family? How did you uncover your connections? We already have some articles, however your contribution on all things Military will be greatly appreciated.

Please send your submissions to 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 nfhseeditor@gmail.com by **5 November**. The eTeam always appreciates your valuable contributions.

Receipt of your Journal

Our Journal is sent to many members as a PDF. Five advantages of receiving your Journal as a PDF.

1. All your Journal will in colour
2. A digital copy is good for the environment
3. You can use the search function 'Ctrl F' to find subjects quickly
4. Hyperlinks will work immediately
5. You can adjust the size of your print for easier reading

If you would like to change your preference so you receive your Journal as a PDF, please send a message to our Member Coordinator on nfhsmembership@gmail.com.

Journal and Newsletter Deadlines

	Newsletter	Journal
August	16 July	
September	13 August	6 August
October	10 September	
November	15 October	
December	12 November	5 November
February	14 January	
March	11 February	4 February
April	11 March	

Events and Outings

Future events

1 July—Luncheon—Minmi Pub—see below
3 July—Course—How to Produce a Family History Book—see page 6
17 July—Course—How to Produce a Family History Book—see page 6
5 August—Visit to Maitland Gaol—see below
7 August—One-hour appointments re DNA results—see page 4
7 August—One-hour appointments re creating your book—see page 4
7 August—Scrapbooking Sunday—see page 4
14 August—Sandgate Commonwealth War Cemetery tours—see page 4
21 August—Seminar Sunday 6—see page 3
28 August—One-hour appointments re DNA results—see page 4

28 August—One-hour appointments re creating your book—see page 4

28 August—Scrapbooking Sunday—see page 4

2 September—Outing to be advised

16, 17, 18 September—NSW/ACT Conference—see page 13

7 October—Outing to be advised

15 October—Convict Open Day

4 November—Outing to be advised

20 November—Seminar Sunday 7—topic to be advised

2 December—Christmas lunch

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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Minmi Lunch Friday 1 July 2022

As only four members booked for Christmas in July at Linton Gardens, I have cancelled our booking. Instead we will meet at the Minmi Hotel for lunch. Meet at 11.30am. Choose from their winter menu, available online or their Facebook page. I will book the covered area, with the overhead heaters on for us. You can have an entree, two entrees, a main, and cake and coffee or any combination of the above you desire.

Please let me know by Tuesday 28 June if you are attending and I will book the venue. Contact Pat via nfhsevents@gmail.com or by texting on 0427 577 598.

Pat Healion (Events Organiser)

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Maitland Gaol Visit Friday 5 August 2022

Friday 5 August will see us meeting at 10.00am to visit Maitland Gaol. You will need to book your ticket online and as it is a self-guided tour, you will need to download the tour onto your smart phone or tablet through the app and bring your own earphones, headphones, etc. The ticket costs \$19 for an adult or \$13 for a concession. Children's tickets are also available.

If we escape the Gaol, we will have lunch at the Hunter River Hotel. Can you let me know if you are interested in lunch and I'll book a table or two, or three. If memory serves me right, there is a seniors or maybe a pensioner discount.

Contact Pat via nfhsevents@gmail.com or by texting on 0427 577 598.

Pat Healion (Events Organiser)

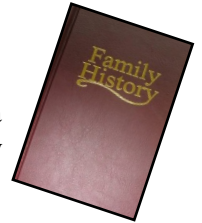


Events and Outings continued

What's on at NFHS during August: Family History Month Activities

August is Family History month. To celebrate this event, a number of courses and opportunities will be presented by the Newcastle Family History Society. Each Sunday in August, there will be opportunities to explore:

7 and 28 August 2022 To have individual tuition in preparing your family history for publication, you can book a one-hour appointment with Laraine Cross. Laraine will work with you to format your family history stories, including photos, maps, charts, etc for publication.



7 and 28 August 2022 Have a member of the DNA SIG walk you through your DNA results. You can book an appointment for either 10.00am or 11.00am. You will need to bring your DNA results and a copy of your family tree. This is an introductory opportunity for beginners.



7 and 28 August 2022 Scrapbooking Sunday. You can book yourself into an afternoon of scrapbooking, starting at 1.00pm and finishing by 3.00pm. You need to book a place and bring your scrapbooking materials.



14 August 2022 Tour of the Commonwealth War Cemetery at Sandgate. Those who were previously booked in April, will be contacted directly for confirmation. For enquiries, please email: nfhssandgategroup@gmail.com.



21 August 2022 Engage with others at Seminar Sunday 6. We will have three or four talks, starting at 10.00am and finishing by 4.00pm. To date, I have finalised two talks and am waiting on responses from others.

Talks to date:

- 'What did you say they died from?' - causes of death on earlier death certificates
- Photographing graves, Find a Grave and a Billion Graves websites
- Using updated FamilySearch website to enhance your research (awaiting a response)
- A century of Polish History and exploring your family history (awaiting a response)



Booking

If you wish to attend any of the events, please contact nfhsevents@gmail.com or text 0427577598 to book your place (except for the Sandgate tour, please use the Sandgate group email above).

Costs

\$20.00 for members, \$40.00 for non-members

- Explore your DNA
- Publishing your family history stories
- Seminar Sunday

All other events require a donation to the Society.

Prizes

Each event you attend will place you in the draw for a prize, drawn on the afternoon of 28 August.

Pat Healion (Events Organiser)

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. 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

*Could you volunteer
to run one of these
courses?*

- 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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Orientation Courses

Our Orientation Sessions are continuing and members on our 'Interested' list are contacted in turn. We're almost at the end of the list, but along the way many members haven't replied to our email invitations. We don't know why that is. If your name is on the list but you haven't seen an email, would you please check your Spam/Junk folders? If you find it there or are interested but don't remember whether your name is on the list, please let Marg know by emailing nfhsorientation@gmail.com.

Orientation Leaders

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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	
Scrapbooking	4 th Thursday	Pat Healion	pat.healion1@gmail.com

Please email the facilitator to join a group. Any questions, please contact Pat at pat.healion1@gmail.com or text 0427 577598.

Courses and Learning continued

Have you wanted to produce a book to showcase your family history ?

New

Don't know where to start ?

We'll look no further ...

On Sunday 3 July from 2.00-4.00pm and Sunday 17 July from 10.00am-12.00noon, workshops will be run at your Newcastle Family History Society Rooms. Laraine Cross will give you hints and tips as to how to build your book to showcase your chosen stories and photos, design it using an online printer and then upload and order. Laraine will work with you as a group and individually as required, to help you edit your material for publication.

The need to knows ...

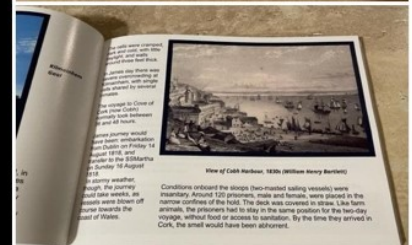
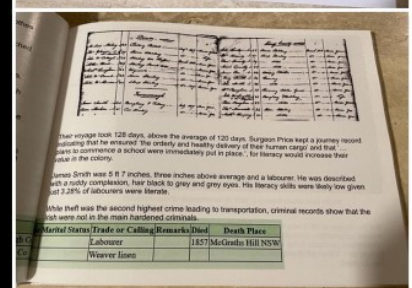
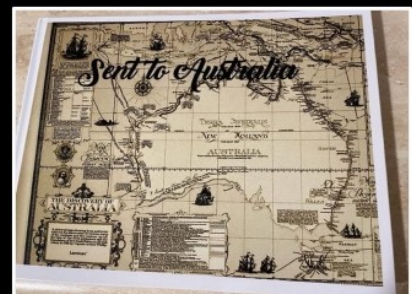
- Bring:** A fully charged laptop (due to insufficient number of power points)
Text and photos you would like to include in your book
- Cost:** Members - \$10
Non-members - \$20

Each workshop is limited to 6 attendees

To book, contact Pat by email at pat.healion1@gmail.com or by text on 0427577598.
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



Sample pages from one of Laraine's books

Email address for Librarian

The Librarian now has a new email address. For any Library matters, please contact Jim on:

nfhslibrarian@gmail.com



Recent Library Acquisitions

Hordern, Leslie *Children of one family* [1985] A4/HOR/01 [Sue Woods]
Hicks, Shauna *Australian genealogy online* [2022] A2/10/33
Tynan, Patrick J *The Liverpool embroiderer* [2011] A4/RIG/01
Ellis, Robert *The sesquicentennial history of Molong's P and A Society* AN8.866/39/01 [Trevor Howard]
Sisters of Charity *Impelled by Christ's love: 175 years serving in Australia* A7/85/05 [Alison Morris]
Williams, Carolyn *The Singleton, Campbell, Dines and Blaxland families of the Hunter Valley, NSW* [2022] A4/SIN/05 [Carolyn Williams]
Coan, Cecile *McIntyre/Hay/family history* [2022?] A4/MCI/01 [Cecile Coan]
Oates, Jonathan *Tracing your London Ancestors: a guide for family historians* [2013] NLo2/10/05

Jim MacDougall (Librarian)

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Library Roster

Date	Librarian 1 (get key)	Librarian 2
Saturday Library Roster		
Morning 9.45am-12.30pm		
Afternoon 12.30pm-3.00pm		
2 July am	Lea H	
2 July pm	Lea H	
9 July am	Sharyn B	Nouvelle T
9 July pm	Sharyn B	Nouvelle T
16 July am		
16 July pm		
23 July am	Marie H	
23 July pm	Marie H	
30 July am		
30 July pm		
Thursday Library Roster		
1.00-3.00pm		
7 July	Alison M	Clelia P
14 July	Jane I	Rosalie B
21 July	Marilyn M	Pat H
28 July	Karen S	

Library duty

We do have a few gaps in the Library roster for July. 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.

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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Note to Volunteer Librarians re Publications

When on Library duty try to find time to look through the display copies of our Publications available for sale. These books are displayed in the front section of the reception desk. Information on most of our Publications is in the white folder in these shelves. If you have to sell one of our Publications, instructions and everything else you need is in the folder in the sales pigeon hole. It contains many important hints and also my mobile number should you need to contact me with any enquiry.

Jane Ison (Publications Group Coordinator)

Used Books for Sale—July 2022

For purchase or more information, email nfhslibrarian@gmail.com. Jim or Margaret will contact you re payment and collection. The books are donations from members and others, not needed in the library.

Title	Author	Condition & Info	Price
Eureka The Unfinished Revolution	P Fitzsimons	Very good condition. 'Brings to life the Australian legends on both sides of the rebellion.'	\$8
Lambton 1862-1872 Life in a Colliery Township	G R Hubbuck	Excellent condition 60 pp booklet - people, buildings, events in Lambton	\$5
The Crimes of the First Fleet	John Cobley	Good condition	\$10
Book of Historic Australian Towns	Readers Digest	Good condition; beautiful picture book	\$10
Chambers Biographical Dictionary		Excellent condition; 20,000 profiles. International	\$10
Tobruk	P Fitzsimons	Very good condition. 'Definitive account' of Tobruk and the Rats.	\$8
Between the River and the Sea	B Lovett; N Barney	Newcastle Harbour photos from 1801 and commentary. Very good condition.	\$10
Photos of Old Newcastle: Down to Lake Macquarie	J Turner, J Sullivan	Good condition. Photos and descriptions.	\$20
Discovering Historic Australia	D Baglin, B Mullins	Good condition. Photos and commentary of colonial Australia	\$5
The Romanovs 1613-1918	S S Montefiore	Good condition. Comprehensive history of the dynasty.	\$10
Treasures of Britain and Ireland	Auto Association	Very good condition. Beautiful illustrations; 'grand tour of the most treasured possessions.'	\$10
London Under	P Ackroyd	Excellent condition. Archeological treasures of London.	\$5
Lake Macquarie Past and Present	LMCC	History of Lake Mac suburbs. Very good condition.	\$10
1881 British Census and National Index	Family Search	21 CDs. Excellent condition.	\$2
Families of Molong and District	A Roberson	Excellent condition. Alphabetical listing and info about many, many local families.	\$10
Ark in Your Pocket	W Henry	Excellent condition. How to preserve your family history	\$7
Wyong Shire in Story and Verse	B Shackleton	Excellent condition. Stories and Poems, 1948-1988	\$5
Men and a River	L Daley	History of Richmond River District 1828-1895. Very good condition.	\$5

June monthly meeting overview

Overview of June's monthly meeting presented by Julie Keating

Penal settlement – after an attempt to establish a penal settlement was unsuccessful in 1801, a successful attempt was made in 1804. An increasing number of convicts had been escaping from Sydney into the bush so an alternative location was required for re-offending convicts that was far enough away from Sydney that they couldn't return.

Newcastle Gaol – the first gaol was built about 1814 by Lt James Thompson. In 1817-18, Captain Wallis had a new gaol built near where Fort Scratchley is today and the old gaol was converted for hospital use. The new gaol was used until 1848 when prisoners were relocated to East Maitland.

Christ Church – around 1812 a slab hut was constructed for church services, being demolished in 1817 and replaced with a more permanent structure which survived till 1884. 1882 saw the commencement of the present cathedral.

Parsonage – located in Church Street, was first occupied in 1821 and used till 1899.

Court House/Post Office/Customs House – the first Court House (or Sessions House) was built in 1822 (demolished 1890). It also housed the first Post Office (1828) and Customs House (1839). The purpose-built Customs House was completed in 1876 however was unoccupied for a year as there was no money for fittings and furniture.

Post Office and Telegraph Office – Post Office moved to the former Commissariat Depot c1853. Telegraph Office opened in 1861 and also housed the Post Office. Purpose built Post Office opened in 1873. Post Office moved to corner of Hunter and Bolton Streets in 1903. The previous Post Office was then occupied by the Public Works and the Telegraph Office by the Police.

Military Barracks – erected in 1842 on the Parsonage site. After soldiers left the area, the AA Company used the facility for accommodation until 1853. It was then used by the Police and Department of Works. In 1867 it was used for a girl's reformatory before being taken over in 1871 by James Fletcher Mental Hospital.

Fort Scratchley – named after one of the Government advisors Col Peter Scratchley, was operational by 1886 and has been enlarged over time. In June 1942 a Japanese submarine shelled Newcastle and the guns on Fort Scratchley returned fire, being "the first time in Australian history that heavy guns were fired at hostile vessels from an Australian coastal defence".

Macquarie Pier – constructed between 1817 and 1872 to connect Nobbys to the headland to improve safety for vessels entering the harbour.

Pilot Service – was introduced in 1812 to assist with entering and navigating Newcastle Harbour, with the station initially located in the Stockade buildings. The first official Government pilot was Robert Whitmore, a convict. In 1866 the pilot station moved closer to Nobbys and remained there until 1946 when the service was terminated.

Hospital – the first building used as a hospital was purchased from Sir Henry Brown Hayes c1810. A newer hospital was erected in 1866 funded by public subscription, a major benefactor being James Hannell, the first Mayor of Newcastle. The Hannell wing opened in 1884.

Lea Harris (Newsletter Editor)

Publications

Publications Group meets: 3rd Friday of even months
(except December) from 10.00am to 12.00noon—may
be held by email or Zoom depending on the need

The next meeting of the Publications group will be held on Friday 15 July at 10.00am in the Newcastle Family History Society rooms. (This is the meeting which was scheduled for 17 June.) We will continue to discuss how we manage our publications to make them available online. If you are interested in attending you will be welcome.

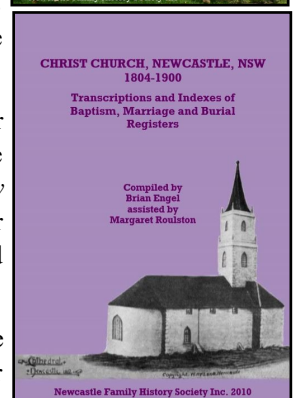
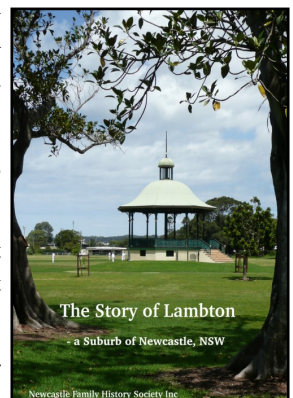
Anyone with an interest in editing or writing is welcome to attend, as is anyone who has any ideas or suggestions for future publications. For further details, contact Jane via email on nfhspublicationsofficer@gmail.com.

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Remember that members receive a 10% discount on their first purchase of any of our Publications that cost \$10 or more. This means if you purchase a copy of say three different Publications, you will receive 10% off each of the Publications. For example, if you purchase *The Story of Lambton* and *Christ Church Cathedral* today, then *They Sent Me North* next week, you will receive 10% off each of these. Then if at some stage you purchase a further copy of one of these publications, you would not receive a discount on the second copy. However, you would continue to receive 10% off any other Publication that you have not previously purchased.

Our most popular Publications are *The Story of Lambton* and *Christ Church Cathedral*. These Publications are available as books or on USB. You can pick up a copy of our Publications Catalogue at the Society Rooms or have a look on our website under [Publications](#).



They Served Their Country



Do you have a serviceman or woman in your family whose story deserves to be shared with others? If so, you might like to start writing or collecting appropriate images now for submission to our Society's new publication!

We are looking for stories of service either on the home front or in any theatre of war. There is no limit in time or country – you might have a French ancestor who was involved in the Resistance for example, or maybe your ancestor was a prisoner of war at some stage and you are the family custodian of an artefact he made during that period. Perhaps you have submitted a story for our Society's Journal on a military theme but now, with a limit of eight pages or less per story for this new work, it would be a great opportunity to expand a little on that story.

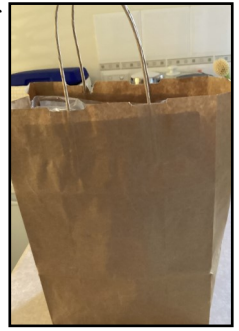
It matters not the country, nor the war, – your contribution to our next publication, *They Served Their Country*, will expand our understanding of the past and hopefully lead to a more tolerant future.

Any submissions or enquiries please email Ken or Maree Shilling

kenandmaree@gmail.com

Notes from the Management Committee

As you would know, the use of single use plastic bags has been banned from 1 June. We need to turn to paper bags, if needed, when sales of books occur. So, if you have any strong paper bags with handles at your place and they have no logos or insignia on them, could you recycle them to the Society for use with book sales.



The air conditioning is installed. Our thanks go to Sharyn who organised quotes, wrote and submitted the grant application and organised the installation. There are two units in the top room, one in the front office area and one in the computer room. They have been set at 23 degrees. To turn them on, press the power button (it's an orangey colour) and they will begin heating the rooms. Please do not play with the settings on the remotes. All remotes are beside the doors but the one in the blue room is behind the door. You will need to close the doors for them to operate effectively and turn the fans on in the blue room and office area to distribute the heat. While it is recommended that we work in a well ventilated area while indoors, if the weather dictates that the air conditioning be used, please close the doors to contain the heat/cold and wear a face mask to limit spread of diseases.

There will be a Newcastle Family History trade table at the conference in September. We are looking for some volunteers to spend an hour or two, selling books and answering questions from the public on Sunday 18 September from 10.00am-4.00pm, at Maitland and Beyond's grounds in East Maitland. If you can give the Society two hours of your time that day, we would be very grateful. Can you let us know which 2-hour block you can manage by contacting the Secretary at nfhsinc@gmail.com or ringing the Society rooms and leaving your details. Thanks in advance.

You might notice that the fluorescent lights in the Reception area and entrance hallway have been upgraded to LED's. We were able to use a NSW Government scheme to have the lights changed for a cost of \$33.00, under a small business scheme available at the moment.

That's all the news from this month's meeting.

Management Committee

Miscellaneous

Raffle

Grab your tickets to win one
of 4 great prizes



Tickets - \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00
On sale from Wednesday 1 June
Purchase in person at the Society rooms
or by direct debit
Drawn Saturday 23 July 2022

Direct debit details

Account Name: Newcastle Family History Society

BSB: 650 000

Account Number: 501 652 808

Please ensure you put your name and the word Raffle in the description

Miscellaneous continued

Thank you

The Society wishes to thank all those members who have renewed their membership. It is very much appreciated as it is the membership fees which help to keep our Society viable. To date we have close to 100% renewal. If you haven't yet renewed, we would encourage you to do so.



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Snippers Group

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

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Book launch by member Roland Bannister

In partnership with the Newcastle Museum, our member Roland Bannister will be launching his book *Hunter Valley Ancestors: An Incomplete Chronicle of the families - Burns, Puxty, Hewitt, Longworth, Poile, Pascoe, Kenny, and Hancock*. The launch will be held during National Family History week on Sunday 7 August at 10.30am in the McIntyre Theatre, Newcastle Museum. Further details about the book as well as pricing and ordering information are in the pdf flyer attached to your newsletter email.

Congratulations Roland on the publication of your book and we wish you all the best for the launch.



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Newcastle Family History Society Inc. Copyright Licencing Agreement

The May newsletter gave an explanation about our new Newcastle Family History Society Inc. Copyright Licencing Agreement and a copy of the actual Agreement. This is again attached to this newsletter.

Thank you to all those who have already signed and submitted the Agreement. A reminder to those who have not as yet done this, you still can.

Pat Healion (President)

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Password for Member Area of website

As from Monday 6 June 2022, the new password for the Member area of our website will be **FamilyHistory**.

Note: FamilyHistory is all one word.

"If you cannot get rid of the
family skeleton, you may
as well make it dance."

—George Bernard Shaw

NSW/ACT Conference

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**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 FH
Check website, Facebook, & Conference Newsletter**



Newcastle Family History Society Inc. nfhs.org.au

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

ridingthewavesofhistory.com.au

NFHS Mini-Conference



**On Friday 16 and Saturday 17 September
we will be holding our own Mini-Conference
at the Mechanics' Institute**

**We would love you to come and join us for some or all of these
days so we can watch the presentations together and enjoy each
other's company**

NFHS will register and pay the Society Fee

You can then register with us to attend in the NFHS rooms

**Registration with us will cost you \$30 for the 2 days and you can come and
go to the sessions as you wish**

**You will also receive the link to view the presentations for up to a week on
YouTube**

**Book your place by visiting the NFHS or by direct debiting your
\$30 with the reference 'Mini-Conf' and your name to:**

BSB: 650 000 Account: 501 652 808

**Our NFHS 2022 Conference Committee together with MBFH
has worked hard to bring you a wonderful State Conference**

Please come along and support your Society

CONFERENCE RAFFLE

Get your tickets now to win wonderful prizes in
our 2022 Conference online raffle

Thanks to our generous sponsors, we have some fabulous prizes

(and they are still coming in!!)

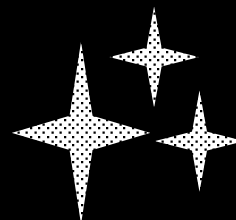
To date we have:

- 2 x Ancestry 12 month World subscriptions
- 2 x Ancestry DNA kits
- 2 x My Heritage 12 month subscriptions
- 2 x My Heritage DNA kits
- 1 x \$500 cash prize for a NSW/ACT Member Society holding a mini-Conference (from NSW Family History Transcriptions)
- 1 x \$200 cash prize to an individual conference attendee (from NSW Family History Transcriptions)
- 1 x annual SAG membership
- 1 x SAG Webinar season ticket
- 1 x SAG virtual conference ticket
- 1 x Momento \$100 gift voucher
- 2 x NSW Colonial Secretary's In Letters Index 1826-1896 (Pastkeys Genealogical Indexers)
- Free transcription certificates (Turtle Consolidated Services)
- 1 x *Family History for Beginners Beyond* (Publication—Family History ACT)
- 1 x *Every Family Has a Story* (Publication—Family History ACT)
- 1 x annual subscription to Geelong Family History Group
- 1 x annual subscription to Illawarra Family History Group
- 1 x annual subscription to Lake Macquarie Family History Group
- 1 x annual subscription to Newcastle Family History Society
- 1 x free enrolment in either *The Beginning Genealogy Course* OR 1 x *Seminar Sunday Course* (from Newcastle Family History Society)
- 2 x 12 month distance memberships from Botany Bay FHS
- 1 x 12 month memberships from Family History Group of the Parramatta & District Historical Society
- 1 x \$50 Visa Credit Card from Tea Gardens Family Research & Local History Inc

Please Note:

**You DO NOT need to
be attending the
Conference to
purchase raffle
tickets online**

After purchasing your raffle tickets we will send you an email with the numbers of your tickets and then we will place your physical tickets in a container ready for the draw (which will be taped so you can watch). The lucky winners will be notified by email with instructions on how to claim their prize.



To purchase your tickets

Visit www.trybooking.com/BZXZQ

Or tickets are also available at the NFHS rooms

Tickets from \$2.00 each

**Various packages up to 20
tickets for \$20.00**

July

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
Red—SIG Groups Blue—Volunteer Groups Green—Courses Purple—Meetings Black—Library Open Brown—Events					Luncheon—Minmi Hotel	10am-3pm—Library Open
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2-4pm—How to produce a family history book		10am—Convicts in Australia 1-1.55pm—Library Open 2pm—Monthly Meeting	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Researching Family History 1-3pm—Library Open	10am—2022 Conf Comm Meeting—NFHS rooms	10am-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		10am-3pm—Library Open Submissions due for August newsletter
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
10am-12noon—How to produce a family history book		10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Management Committee 1-3pm—Library Open		10am-3pm—Library Open
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group	10am—Irish Ancestors 1pm—FTM Users	10am—Legacy Users	10am—Scrapbooking 1-3pm—Library Open		
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August

Family History Month

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Red—SIG Groups Blue—Volunteer Groups Green—Courses Purple—Meetings Black—Library Open Brown—Events		10am—Convicts in Australia 1-1.55pm—Library Open 2pm—Monthly Meeting	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Researching Family History 1-3pm—Library Open	Maitland Gaol visit	10am-3pm—Library Open Articles due for Journal 239
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
One-hour individ appts—create your book One-hour individ appts—DNA Scrapbooking Sunday	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 239 10am—2022 Conf Comm Meeting—'The Barracks' - M&BFH rooms	10am-3pm—Library Open Submissions due for September newsletter
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Commonwealth War Cemetery Tours—Sandgate		10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Management Committee 1-3pm—Library Open	9.30-12.00—Cover printing—Journal 239 10am-12noon—Publications Group	10am-3pm—Library Open
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Seminar Sunday 6	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 239	10am-3pm—Library Open
28	29	30	31			
One-hour individ appts—DNA One-hour individ appts—create your book Scrapbooking Sunday						

September

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
Red—SIG Groups Blue—Volunteer Groups Green—Courses Purple—Meetings Black—Library Open Brown—Events				10am—Researching Family History 1-3pm—Library Open	Outing to be advised	10am-3pm—Library Open
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		10am—Convicts in Australia 6-7.25pm—Library Open 7.30pm—Monthly Meeting	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Ancestry Users 1-3pm—Library Open	10am—2022 Conf Comm Meeting—NFHS Rooms	10am-3pm—Library Open Submissions due for October newsletter
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group	10am—Military Family History 1pm—Scottish Fam Research		10am—Management Committee 1-3pm—Library Open	NSW/ACT Annual Conference	NSW/ACT Annual Conference Library closed due to conference
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
NSW/ACT Annual Conference Local Trade Fair—'The Barracks' - M&BFH rooms		10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Scrapbooking 1-3pm—Library Open	9.30-12.00—Feedback/Planning—Journals 239 and 240	10am-3pm—Library Open
25	26	27	28	29	30	
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group	10am—Irish Ancestors 1pm—FTM Users	10am—Legacy Users			

October

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						Library Closed due to public holiday weekend Public Holiday Weekend
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Public Holiday Weekend	Public Holiday Weekend	10am—Convicts in Australia 6-7.25pm—Library Open 7.30pm—Monthly Meeting	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Researching Family History 1-3pm—Library Open	Outing to be advised	10am-3pm—Library Open
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	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 Convict Open Day Submissions due for November newsletter
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Management Committee 1-3pm—Library Open		10am-3pm—Library Open
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group	10am—Irish Ancestors 1pm—FTM Users	10am—Legacy Users	10am—Scrapbooking 1-3pm—Library Open		
30	31					