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Thurs: 1.00pm – 3.00pm
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Newsletter

Number 216

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

August 2022

August Monthly Meeting

Tuesday 2 August—2.00pm

Note: 2.00pm, not 7.30pm, for August

Janice Wilton

Jewish Cemetery—Maitland

Meeting will be held in the Rooms and via Zoom

The Maitland Jewish Cemetery dates from the late 1840s. It is now a state heritage listed site that provides insights into the history and nature of the Jewish community whose members settled, worked in and helped to develop Maitland and the Lower Hunter in the nineteenth century. The cemetery also provides an example of the ways in which research and sensitive conservation work have highlighted and confirmed the significance of the site and helped to ensure its future and stability. This talk will provide a brief history of the site, introduce people buried there, appreciate the work of the local stonemasons who crafted the gravestones with their Hebrew inscriptions, explain the nature of the inscriptions, and showcase some of the conservation and interpretation work supporting and communicating the state significance of the cemetery.

Janis Wilton will Zoom in from Canberra and may be joined by Joe Eisenberg. Janis is an Adjunct Associate Professor in History at the University of New England, and Joe is Emeritus Cultural Director of the Maitland Regional Art Gallery. Janis and Joe first encountered the cemetery in about 2008 and subsequently played a part in drawing attention to its state of neglect and to its significance.

Here is a link to Janis' bio on our 2022 Conference website:

<https://ridingthewavesofhistory.com.au/speakers/>

Also a link to an article in Traces magazine about Janis's work:

<https://tracesmagazine.com.au/2014/03/saving-maitlands-jewish-cemetery/>

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 August's meeting is to the right. Please note the link to join the Zoom meeting changes each month.

Mel Woodford (Vice-President)

July General Meeting

Member Peter Cave held our attention at our July monthly meeting when he shared the mystery of his great-grandfather George Cave, a mystery which has not yet been fully solved. Peter told us how George 'disappeared' from the Carrington area in 1898, before later being found in South Australia. All those who attended either in the rooms or via Zoom were fascinated listening to the story. But Peter has not yet finished as DNA testing has left Peter and his cousins with a whole new set of questions to attempt to unravel.

Thank you to Peter who made the journey from Sydney on a very rainy, stormy day to entertain us with George's story.

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Welcome to our rooms

A reminder to our members that our rooms are now air-conditioned and are very comfortable. We would like to encourage you to visit the rooms to take advantage of the many resources that are available to you only by visiting.

We look forward to seeing you in the near future.

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Condolences

We sadly report the passing of our member Neville Holahan. Neville has been a member for a number of years and spent many Saturdays volunteering in the Library.

Our condolences go to his wife Margaret and family.

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Topic: **August Monthly Meeting**

Time: Aug 2, 2022 02:00 PM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87569184158?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87569184158?pwd=RHVCMU9mbEt2MExHQURKdW9abStqdz09)

[pwd=RHVCMU9mbEt2MExHQURKdW9abStqdz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87569184158?pwd=RHVCMU9mbEt2MExHQURKdW9abStqdz09)

Meeting ID: 875 6918 4158

Passcode: 819001

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 and sign out when leaving. Your temperature will be checked. Be prepared for limited numbers in the building and all computers will be in use. You must wear a face mask while in the building.

As the Delta and Omicron forms of the virus are aerosols, doors will have to remain open and so create a draft to allow through ventilation and the upright fans will be used to ventilate the computer area. If the temperature in the rooms warrants it, close the doors and turn on the AC. Please turn off when you leave the room. A face mask must be worn in air-conditioned areas.

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. Contact the Librarian to organise click and collect on nfhslibrarian@gmail.com

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 nfhseditor@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 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 be 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 Membership Registrar on nfhsmembership@gmail.com.

Journal and Newsletter Deadlines

	Newsletter	Journal
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 August—Course—How to run a meeting/SIG course virtually—see page 5

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

10 August—Course—How to run a meeting/SIG course virtually—see page 5

14 August—Sandgate Commonwealth War Cemetery tours—see page 4

21 August—Seminar Sunday 6—see pages 4 and 6

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—Rookwood Cemetery—see below

16, 17, 18 September—NSW/ACT Conference—see pages 14-16

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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Maitland Gaol Visit

Friday 5 August 2022—10.00am

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)

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Rookwood Cemetery

Friday 2 September 2022—10.00am

We will be visiting Rookwood Cemetery on Friday 2 September. We will meet at the coffee shop just left of the entrance on Weeroona Road, which is off Centenary Drive/Homebush Bay Road, at 10.00am for coffee, breakfast or a snack. Back to the café at 12.30pm for lunch.

We will travel to the four cemeteries at Rookwood for the purposes of private research.

- Rookwood General Cemetery
- Rookwood Catholic Cemetery
- Rookwood Crematorium
- Sydney War Cemetery and Garden of Remembrance

The staff of the General Office and the Catholic Office will research your relatives if you supply sufficient information for them to find the grave, and provide a map for you to discover your relative's grave. They will need: date of death, portion of the Cemetery person may be buried in (Baptist, Catholic etc), their date of birth or age at death to identify your John Smith from a dozen others. Also, if there are alternative spellings of the name, they may be helpful. If you email your requests to the appropriate office they will be able to supply maps and details to find your relatives grave. The three cemeteries have deceased search sites online.

- Catholic Cemetery office (02) 9649 6423—www.catholiccemeteries.com.au
- General Cemetery office (02) 8575 8100—www.rookwoodcemetery.com.au
- Rookwood Memorial Gardens & Crematorium (02) 9746 8945—www.rookwoodcrem.com.au
- Sydney War Cemetery and Garden of Remembrance Rookwood—www.cwgc.org

For the history buffs, I have a self-drive tour of the Catholic Cemetery.

Any questions and to book your spot for the event, please email nfhsevents@gmail.com or text Pat on 0427577598.

See you there.



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 (also see page 6). We will have three talks and an open forum, starting at 10.00am and finishing at 3.30pm. The talks are:

- ‘What did you say they died from?’ - causes of death on earlier death certificates
- Photographing graves, Find a Grave and a BillionGraves websites
- Using updated FamilySearch website to enhance your research



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

How to Run a Meeting/SIG Course Virtually

For Management Committee/SIG Coordinators and interested members

This course will cover how to set up the data projector, connect it to the Courses Laptop, run a PowerPoint/computer file/USB/www link or video from the laptop to the screen via the data projector. We will look at how to log into our NFHS Zoom Pro account, set up a meeting and send out invitations. We will then see how to connect the Zoom side of things to run through the data projector/how to change screens/alter views/use the chat function/record etc. We'll also touch on troubleshooting techniques such as managing 'frame lock', volume, hot spotting from a phone when our internet is playing up, etc.



Monday 1 August from 1-3pm

Wednesday 10 August from 10am-noon

If you would like to attend one of these sessions, please email your name and session preference to Mel at nfhsvicepresident@gmail.com

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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	Lea Harris	leaharris5@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.

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Family Tree Maker Special Interest Group

Do you use the genealogy software Family Tree Maker? Or would you like to learn to use this software?

Family Tree Maker is an easy-to-use program that has proved to be very popular since it was released in 1989. It allows you to keep track of the information that you collect during your research. It allows you to insert photos and documents, then create reports, charts and books that are compiled from the data you have entered in your tree. All this information is able to be synced to Ancestry and saved in the Cloud ensuring you don't lose your hard work.



The Family Tree Maker SIG meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 1.00pm at the Society's rooms. We would love you to come along and join with us. Over the next few meetings, we will be looking at some video tutorials on using various aspects of the program.

Contact [Lea](#) to let her know if you are going to attend. Please bring your laptop, fully charged, as there are not enough power points.

Seminar Sunday 6

Our next Seminar Sunday will be held on

21 August 2022 — 3 fabulous sessions

10.00am-11.00am—“What did you say your ancestor died from? Archaic medical terms”

11.30am-12.30pm—Photographing graves, using Find a Grave and BillionGraves websites

1.30pm-2.30pm—“Using the Family Search to enhance your family history research” presented by
Family Search

2.30pm-3.30pm—Open forum. Please send questions in advance to nfhsevents@gmail.com for
discussion at the forum

The need to knows

When: Sunday 21 August 2022

Who: Members and friends

What: Four one hour sessions—1/2 hour break 10.30am; 1 hour lunch break 12.30pm

Session Times: 10.00am; 11.30am; 1.30pm; 2.30pm

Where: NFHS Rooms, Elder Street, Lambton

Also on Zoom—details sent after registration and payment

Cost: \$5 per session for members—\$20 for the day

\$15 per session for friends and visitors—\$60 for the day

\$15 per session for NSW/ACT Societies—\$60 for the day

Notes: Notes will be given to participants at each presentation

Zoom participants will be emailed notes a few days before

BYO: Your lunch as well as a 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: 3.30pm

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

Recent Library Acquisitions

Library Group has accessioned a lot of books recently- both purchases and donations. You'll see a wide range of topics here. Some of these you will see on the new-book shelf in the library already; others will appear there soon. Remember, many of these can be borrowed for a month at a time. Happy reading!

- Snippers *NMH 1935 Jan-Jun: Court reports* [2022] NLP/04/1935a
- Snippers *NMH 1935 Jan-Mar Suburban & Hunter News* [2022] NLP/06/1935a
- Snippers *NMH 1935 Apr-Jun Domestic notices and accident reports* [2022] NLP/03/1935b
- Snippers *NMH 1935 Apr-Jun: Newcastle News* [2022] NLP/05/1935b
- Snippers *NMH 1935 Apr-Jun: Newcastle News & Index* [2022] NLP/05/1935c
- Snippers *NMH 1935 Jan-Jun: Miscellaneous news from Australia & overseas* [2022] NLP/02/1935a
- Snippers *NMH 2021 Jul-Dec Domestic notices* [2022] NLP/03/2021b
- Snippers *NMH 1935 Jan-Mar Suburban & Hunter News & Index* [2022] NLP/06/1935b
- Snippers *NMH 1935 Jan-Jun: Industrial & Mining news* [2022] NLP/07/1935a
- Singleton Historical Society *Shingles, slabs and sandstone* [2008] AH7/36/22
- Singleton Historical Society *Great floods of Singleton* [2001] AH7/99/04
- Walsh, Brian *Woodville Uncovered* [2021] AH8.321/01/13
- Raymond, Stuart A *Tracing your poor ancestors: a guide for family historians* [2020] N2/10/09
- Blake, Paul *Discover Protestant Nonconformity in England and Wales 2nd Ed.* [2018] N2/10/10
- Hay, John & Piggford, George *Cricket found a fresh frontier: Newcastle's female pioneers* [2021] AH7/30/35
- Singleton Historical Society and Museum Inc. *Personalities from Singleton's past:* [2007] A3/60/10a
- Singleton Historical Society and Museum Inc. *Personalities from Singleton's past Part 2* [2009] A3/60/10b
- Singleton Historical Society and Museum Inc. *Personalities from Singleton's past Part 3* A3/60/10c
- Snippers *NMH 1935 Jan-Mar: sport reports & results* [2022] NLP/08/1935a
- Gray, Nancy *Compiling your family history: a guide to procedure* [1969] A2/10/34 [Clelia Park]
- Cooper, Janice *Unimaginable futures: Lamb, Ezzy, Irwin and Skuthorp families: the first generation in Australia* [2022] A4/LAM/1 [Janice Cooper]
- Maxwell, Ian *Tracing your Glasgow ancestors: a guide for family and local historians* [2017] Pst2/10/01
- Tickle, Rob *South Muswellbrook Section two: Sydney Street - northwest side: Mill Street to the subway* [2022] AH8.333/10/02
- Ahearn, Lionel & Meissner, Gary *Four more cemeteries of the Upper Hunter:* [2021] AH5/15/125
- Hughes, Gary *Bumpy ride: great journey* [2021] A4/HUG/02 [Gary Hughes]
- Dunn, Frances, Hughes, Marie, Latham, Elizabeth *Snapshots in time: 1833-2021 a focus on schools in the Catholic Diocese of Maitland - Newcastle* [2022] AH7/48/15 [Marie Hughes]
- Brown, Martyn *Australia bound: the story of West County connections 1688 - 1888* [1988] A7/18/30 [Vicki Williamson]
- Aitken, Katharine et.al., ed *Beneath the valley: mining stories, poems and memories* [2005] A7/65/03 [Vicki Williamson]
- Joseph Bridge FHS *Joseph Bridge Family Historian: No.11 Spring 1992* [1992] A4/BRI/05 [Vicki Williamson]
- Watts, Alfred Bridge (Ed.) *With whip and reins: stories of the Hunter Valley and beyond from long ago* [1993] AH7/01/79 [Vicki Williamson]
- Paterson, Donald *Carved in stone forever: Redhead* [2006] AH8.290/80/01 [Vicki Williamson]
- Redhead SLC *Redhead Surf Lifesaving Club: 1908 - 2008 a century of service* AH8.290/39/04 [Vicki Williamson]
- Hunter Development Board *Hunter Region Directory 1981* AH5/89/06 [Vicki Williamson]
- Sharp, W. Watson *Australia's early dwellings and churches* [1983] A7/36/10 [Vicki Williamson]
- Bull family history* [1970] A4/BULL/01 [Vicki Williamson]
- Roads and Traffic Authority *F3 Sydney - Newcastle Freeway* [1989] AH7/50/21 [Vicki Williamson]
- Main roads *Old coaching days in New South Wales* [1951] AN7/50/08 [Vicki Williamson]

Email address for Librarian

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

nfhslibrarian@gmail.com



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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		
6 August am	Sharyn B	Nouvelle T
6 August pm	Sharyn B	Nouvelle T
13 August am	Lea H	
13 August pm	Lea H	
20 August am		
20 August pm		
27 August am	Marie H	
27 August pm	Marie H	
Thursday Library Roster		
1.00-3.00pm		
4 August	Alison M	Clelia P
11 August	Jane I	Rosalie B
18 August	Marilyn M	Pat H
25 August	Karen S	Carolyn C

Library duty

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

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the library. Just bring
your own container.**

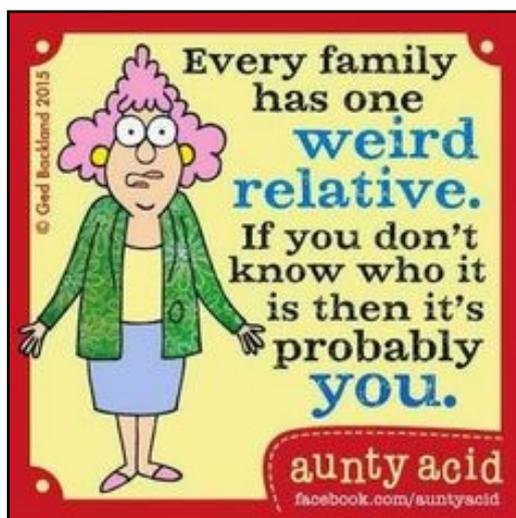
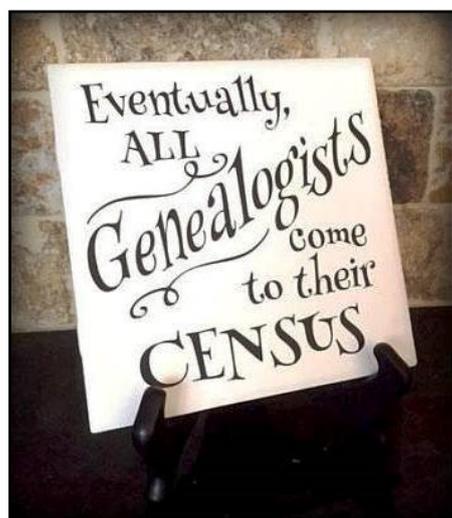
<https://www.quotemaster.org/Library>

Used Books for Sale—August 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
1778 The Brutal Truth of the First Fleet	David Hill	Based on journals, letters, reports; a narrative history	\$10
An Eyewitness History of Australia	Harry Gordon	Tells stories of Australian events from point of view of witnesses, as reported in various newspapers	\$5
Bush Born City Bred	Bob Bush	Poetry telling the author's story	\$5
Early Industries in the Mittagong District	R Else-Mitchell	Reprint of historical information	\$3
Family Tree Memory Keeper Workbook	Allison Dolan	Workbook to write family history information into or use as a guide	\$2
Irish Holdings of the Society of Australian Genealogists	Heather Garnsey et al	List of their holdings, with descriptions, 1995	\$5
Murder, Misadventure & Miserable Ends	Catie Gilchrist	Tales from a colonial coroner's court	\$10
Newcastle and the Hunter Valley	Katherine Bell	Beautiful photos with commentary on various locations in the Hunter	\$5
The Battle of Mont St Quentin-Peronne 1918	Michele Bomford	Story of an almost entirely Australian operation, freewheeling manoeuvre of large formations and quick attacks	\$10
The Floating Brothel	Sian Rees	The story of the <i>Lady Julian</i> , her 'cargo' of women and some of the individual stories about them	\$15
The History of Ebenezer - Australia's oldest church	Alan Russell	<i>Coromandel immigrants; biogs of pioneers of the 1809 church</i>	\$5
The Irish in Australia	Patrick O'Farrell	History and impact of Irish immigration to Australia	\$10
Viking Age Archaeology in Britain and Ireland	Richard Hall	Description and illustration of sites and artefacts	\$5
Walking with Anzacs	Mat McLachlan	Guide to Australian Battlefields on the Western Front	\$10

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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 19 August at 10.00am in the Newcastle Family History Society rooms. 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.

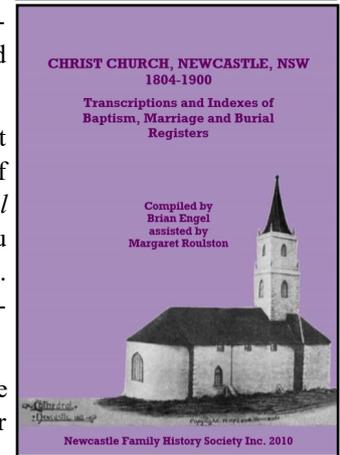
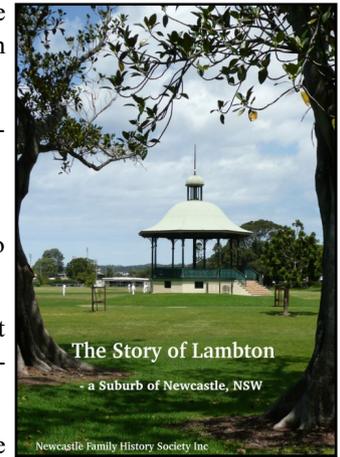
Thanks to the work of the Publications group and our IT Officer and Webmaster, NFHS is nearly ready to launch our online shop that will permit payments and purchases through the website.

To better enable your articles to be shared through the Society, please sign and return a completed Copyright Agreement. The Agreement is attached to this newsletter email. Remember that YOU retain your own copyright for anything that you write.

If you are 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.

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](#).



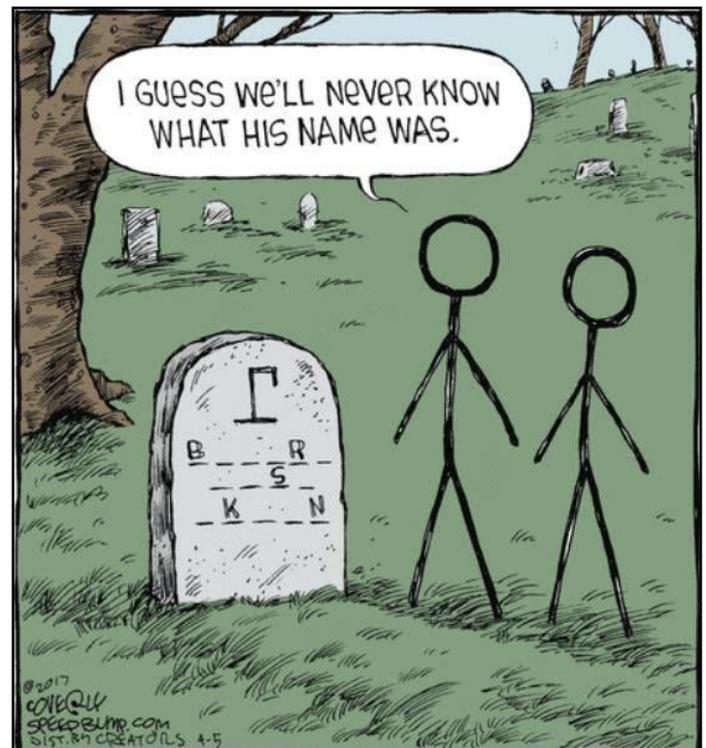
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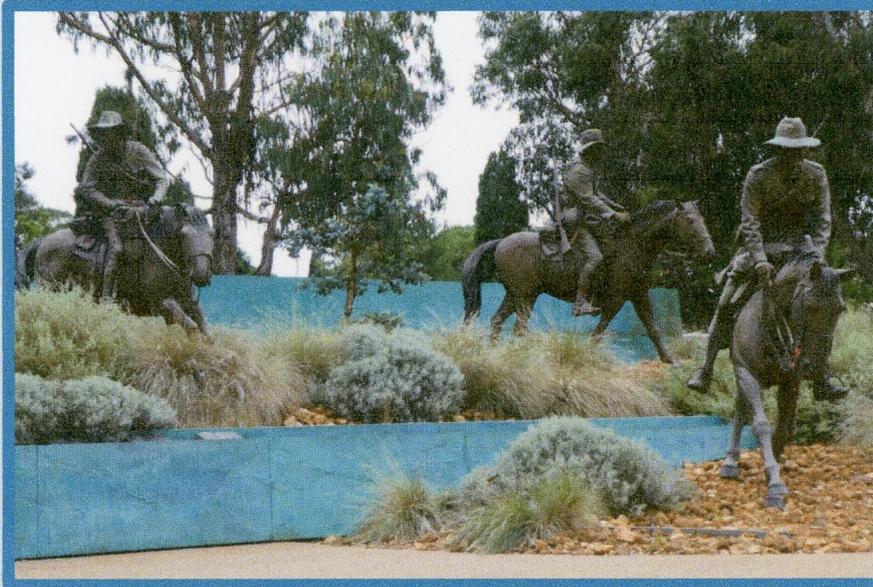
Joke of the Month

A man checked into a hotel. There was a computer in his room, so he decided to send a mail to his wife. He accidentally typed the wrong email address, and without realising he sent the mail to a widow who had just returned from her husband's funeral. The widow decided to check her mail, expecting condolence messages from relatives and friends. After reading the first message she fainted. The son rushed into the room, found his mother on the floor and saw the computer screen which read:

To my loving wife, I know you are surprised to hear from me, they have computers here and we are allowed to send mails to loved ones. I've just checked in. How are you and the kids? The place is really nice but I am lonely here. I have made necessary arrangement for your arrival tomorrow. Expecting you darling. I can't wait to see you.



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 an expanded limit of 3000 words or less per story for this new work, it would be a great opportunity to further develop 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

The NSW-ACT Conference

The NSW-ACT Conference is being hosted by NFHS and Beyond Maitland FHS in September 2022. We will be hosting a gathering of members at the rooms for the Conference presentations.

If you would like to be part of the Society gathering, please contact the [Treasurer](#) Marie and pay the Conference fee of \$30 to her. At the time of the Conference, you will receive various links connected to the presentations. We are limited to 20 at any one time in the rooms.

On the Sunday, we are hosting a trade table at the Maitland site, in the grounds of the old police barracks. If you can volunteer two hours at either 10-12 or 12-2pm, to assist in the sale of publications, enquires about membership or general enquires about family history, we would be grateful for your support. Please email the [Secretary](#) with the time you will be available to help. Thank you.

Mid-year Financial Report

Our Treasurer has prepared the mid-year financial report, copy of which is attached to your newsletter email.

Family History Month

Family History Month is fast approaching. During August there are a number of activities planned and we hope members and their friends will support them. (See page 4 for full information.)

Library Opening Hours

We note that the Library is not being used by many members, with some weeks having only one or two users on a Thursday and sometimes no users on a Saturday afternoon. A sub-committee of the Management Committee will be reviewing Library usage over the coming weeks and reporting to the Management Committee. Illness means that the number of members available for Library duty has decreased. Please understand that if Library volunteers cannot be found to open the Library, then the Library will have to be closed on those days.

Wish List for New Equipment for the Library

To help with budgeting for the Society, would facilitators of groups email the [President](#) with requests for new equipment or equipment replacement items. Please include details of the equipment request and approximate costs. This does not mean we can purchase all that is requested but will allow us to budget for essential items and to prioritise requests for possible future purchase. If any member sees a need, could you also bring it to our attention. Thank you.

Using Zoom

Mel will present two sessions on How to Run a Meeting/SIG Course Virtually. These will be held on 1 and 10 August (see page 5 for more details). Suggested attendance is for facilitators of SIG's, other Society groups and anyone interested in learning to run a Zoom session.

Future Events

Some future events that might interest you:

Convict SIG open day on Saturday 15 October. If you have some research, stories, or items that you wish to contribute to the display, please contact the Convict SIG facilitator, [Laraine Cross](#), or [Pat Healion](#). Some members have already indicated their wish to contribute and a member of the ACT FHS has volunteered to speak on "Early Romani Convicts". What can you contribute?

Scottish SIG is proposing an open day in late January 2023.

Management Committee

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There's a fine line between a packrat
and a serious family historian

Genealogy isn't just a pastime;
it's a passion!

Miscellaneous continued

“Descendants’ Day at Dalwood”

INVITATION

The Dalwood Restoration Association, whose members include both Wyndham and convict descendants, cordially invites the descendants of the convicts, Indigenous people, German vine-dressers, free immigrants, and colonial born employees who worked at any of the Wyndham properties at Dalwood (Branxton), Mahngarinda (Merriwa), Colly Blu (Liverpool Plains), Bukkulla and Nullamanna (McIntyre River) or Keelgyrah (Richmond River) between 1828 and 1900, and during Dalwood’s later ownership by Penfolds and Wyndham Estate Wines, and anyone interested in history to join them for:

Lunch

at

Dalwood Cellars

Saturday 3rd September 2022 at 12.00 noon

\$67.50 per person

(This will also mark the 192nd anniversary of the planting of the first vines at Dalwood)

Art Exhibition

Work by well-known local Wonnarua artist Debbie Becker

Speakers

‘The Convicts Who Built Dalwood House – 1828 to 1836’ – Don Seton Wilkinson

‘The Contribution of German Vinedressers to Dalwood and the Hunter Valley’ – Dr Paul Kime

‘The Importance of Marion Wyndham’s 1891-1928 Wollong Weather Observations’ – Professor Howard Bridgman

Bookings

Please use the link below to make your booking.

[Descendants' Day at Dalwood 2022](#)

For further information: secretary@dalwood.org.au

Snippers Group

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

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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

The password for the Member area of our website is **FamilyHistory**.

Note: FamilyHistory is all one word.

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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!!)

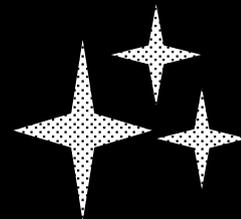
To date we have:

- 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
 - 2 x Find My Past 12 month subscriptions
 - 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
 - 20 x individual tickets to SAG's *First Look at Ancestry DNA* course
 - 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)
 - 8 x 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 Newcastle Family History Society
 - Annual subscriptions from various Family History Societies
 - 1 x free enrolment in either *The Beginning Genealogy* Course OR 1 x *Seminar Sunday* Course (from Newcastle Family History Society)
 - 1 x \$50 Visa Credit Card from Tea Gardens Family Research & Local History Inc
 - 5 Gift Certificates for Probate Packets (NSW State Archives)
 - Gould Genealogy & History prizes
- For full list of prizes, see <https://ridingthewavesofhistory.com.au/raffle/>

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

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/912590/sessions/3212611/sections?date=2022-09-16&eid=912590>

Or tickets are also available at the NFHS rooms

Tickets from \$2.00 each
Various packages up to 20
tickets for \$20.00

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	1-3pm—Run a meeting virtually	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-12noon—Run a meeting virtually	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	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	Rookwood Cemetery	10am-3pm—Library Open
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		10am—Convicts in Australia 1pm—RootsMagic 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
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Public Holiday Weekend	Public Holiday Weekend	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	Outing to be advised	10am-3pm—Library Open
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	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-12noon—Publications Group	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		
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November

2022

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		10am—Military Family History 1pm—Scottish Fam Research		10am—Ancestry Users 1-3pm—Library Open	9.30-12.00—Editing meeting—Journal 240	10am-3pm—Library Open Submissions due for December 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	9.30-12.00—Cover printing—Journal 240	10am-3pm—Library Open
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Seminar Sunday 7		10am—Irish Ancestors 1pm—FTM Users	10am—Legacy Users	10am—Scrapbooking 1-3pm—Library Open	9.30-12.00—Journal printing—Journal 240	10am-3pm—Library Open
27	28	29	30			
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group					