

# Newcastle Family History Society Inc.



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## Newsletter

Number 217

### WANTED FOR YOUR JOURNAL—see page 2

The theme for our December Journal is  
Creative Arts

Deadline for articles: 5 November 2022

September 2022

### September Monthly Meeting

**Tuesday 6 September**

**Note: Back to 7.30pm start time**

### Members' Memorabilia Night

**Meeting will only be held via Zoom this month**

What is hiding in your treasure chest at home? What do you have that is special to you and your family? Your fellow members would love to see and hear about something that you cherish. Maybe it is a piece of furniture, perhaps a tool or kitchen item. Possibly a photograph, document or medal.

Have your item ready to show on Zoom to our September meeting and share its story with our members. We all love seeing family treasures held by others. Some items shared at our memorabilia night last year were a mini Gurkha sword, a silver tea set with a fascinating story, a handmade copper kettle, embroidery samplers dating from 1887 and c1893, handmade lace, beautiful bookends of ladies, and a glass goblet from a Venetian glass factory.

Hunt around and see what you could bring and regale us in a 5-minute segment. We look forward to seeing what you have. Let Mel know that you'd like to participate and be ready at our meeting on Zoom. Contact Mel on [nfhsvicepresident@gmail.com](mailto:nfhsvicepresident@gmail.com).

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

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

Mel Woodford (Vice-President)

#### Topic: September Monthly Meeting

Time: Sep 6, 2022 07:30 PM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

#### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84125464706?pwd=bEdBVnhoTnlhSm9lcENPVHFTK0c4QT09>

Meeting ID: 841 2546 4706

Passcode: 488012

### August General Meeting

Our August monthly meeting, attended by 16 on Zoom, was extremely interesting. Janis Wilton, Adjunct Associate Professor in History at the University of New England, and her husband Joe Eisenberg, Emeritus Cultural Director of the Maitland Regional Art Gallery, presented a fascinating overview of the Maitland Jewish Cemetery. Most of the attendees admitted to knowing nothing or very little about this cemetery (myself included).

Maitland Jewish Cemetery, being the most intact dedicated Jewish cemetery in NSW, was founded in 1846 with the first burials in 1849, with 55 identified burials between 1849 and 1934 and one burial 76 years later in 2010 of Leah Abadee, a centenarian who expressed her desire to Rabbi Mendel Kastel that she wished to be buried with her family named Lewis. The headstones feature Hebrew inscriptions along with some English (although the English translation doesn't have as much information as the Hebrew).

We learnt of some Jewish burial customs: burial must be within 24 hours; the cemetery needs to be outside the city; for a burial or other official Jewish service, a minyan (or quorum) of 10 men 13 years of age or older must be present to recite the kaddish prayer; most headstones are very similar as all people are considered equal.

Janis and Joe first encountered the cemetery when Joe, born in Israel, became Emeritus Cultural Director at the Maitland Regional Art Gallery. For many years since 1934, the cemetery had been extremely neglected. In 1978 a working bee was held and the cemetery was reconsecrated in August 1979 before being taken into the care of Maitland City Council in 1989. In the 1990s another huge clean up was carried out where many of the headstones were found basically buried. The headstones in the cemetery are made of fine sandstone, most probably from the Ravensfield Colliery.

In 2014 the cemetery was closed and listed on the State Heritage Register. A huge amount of conservation work, landscaping and maintenance has been carried out including fencing the cemetery.

Janis and Joe then told us about some of the people who are buried at Maitland. There are a variety of birthplaces; convicts and descendants of convicts; babies, children and young adults; intra-marriage; practising Jews; criminals; rich and poor; people active in local and Jewish communities. Some of the families buried there include Cohen, Levi, Freidman, Goulston.

Thank you so much to Janis and Joe who took the time to present to us via Zoom from Canberra. We thoroughly enjoyed your presentation and learnt so much. I would encourage members to visit the cemetery next time you are in the area. It is located at 112-114 Louth Park Road, South Maitland.

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### Also see

Page 5 for some interesting information by Margaret Ashford that supplements our August meeting.

# 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](mailto: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.

Make sure that you collect your Journal (and any back issues) from the Society unless you get them posted or sent by email. Also consider having your Journal emailed if you have difficulty getting to the rooms.

### Journal and Newsletter Deadlines

	Newsletter	Journal
October	10 September	
November	15 October	
December	12 November	5 November
February	14 January	
March	11 February	4 February
April	11 March	
May	15 April	

### December Journal

What an excellent response to our latest Journal 239 Military Matters. It is always good to see new writers share their family history. Our theme for Journal 240 is Creative Arts and we would love to have some stories about things you have that were made by members of your family or of any stories that you can share about connections to artists/poets/craftsmen—anything creative. 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. Articles may be left at the rooms and you can email your submissions to [nfhseditor@gmail.com](mailto:nfhseditor@gmail.com) by **5 November**. The eTeam always appreciates your valuable contributions.

### Receipt of your Journal

Reminder that our Journal is sent to many members as a PDF. 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](mailto:nfhsmembership@gmail.com).

Jane Ison (eTeam)

## New Members

We welcome the following new/past members to our Society and we encourage you to enjoy your research in our Library. You are welcome to join any of our Special Interest Groups (SIG) to help with your research

#814 Ruth Purvis (previous member rejoined)

#1262 Lois Clout (new member)

Sharyn Boyce (Membership Registrar)

# Events and Outings

## Future events

**2 September**—Rookwood Cemetery—see below

**16, 17, 18 September**—NSW/ACT Conference—see pages 9-11

**7 October**—Maitland Jewish Cemetery and town tour—see below

**15 October**—Convict Open Day—Society rooms—see page 4

**4 November**—Outing to be advised

**20 November**—Seminar Sunday 6—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.

## 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 relative's grave. The three cemeteries have deceased search sites online.

- Catholic Cemetery office (02) 9649 6423—[www.catholiccemeteries.com.au](http://www.catholiccemeteries.com.au)
- General Cemetery office (02) 8575 8100—[www.rookwoodcemetery.com.au](http://www.rookwoodcemetery.com.au)
- Rookwood Memorial Gardens & Crematorium (02) 9746 8945—[www.rookwoodcrem.com.au](http://www.rookwoodcrem.com.au)
- Sydney War Cemetery and Garden of Remembrance Rookwood—[www.cwgc.org](http://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](mailto:nfhsevents@gmail.com) or text Pat on 0427577598.

See you there.

Pat Healton (Events Organiser)



## Maitland Jewish Cemetery and Town Tour

**Friday 7 October 2022—10.00am**

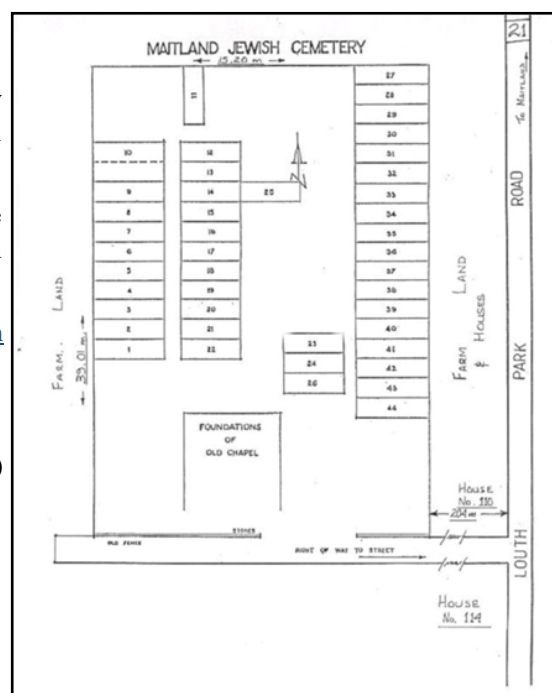
Friday 2 October 2022, will be an opportunity to visit and explore the Jewish Cemetery and then walk the streets of Maitland visiting sites which were important to the original Jewish Community of the nineteenth century.

Meet at the cemetery, off Louth Park Rd, Maitland by 10.00am. We will wander the site before returning to Maitland to visit the major places important to the original Jewish Community. Lunch will be somewhere along the way.

Any questions and to book your spot for the event, please email [nfhsevents@gmail.com](mailto:nfhsevents@gmail.com) or text Pat on 0427577598.

See you there.

Pat Healton (Events Organiser)





## Convict Open Day

**Saturday 15 October 2022**

**10.00am – 3.00pm**

**Newcastle Family History Society Rooms  
68 Elder Street, Lambton**



Displays of Female Convict Bonnets

Information on Hulks and Ships

Where to find information about your  
convict ancestor

Stories of convict ancestors, from the  
Hunter and beyond

Where did your convict come from?

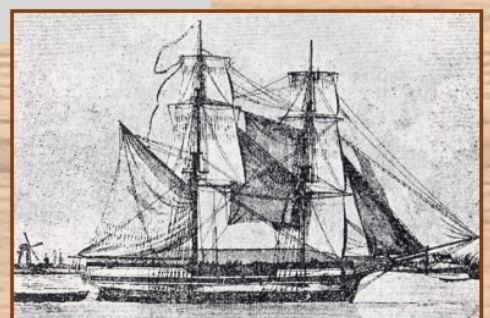
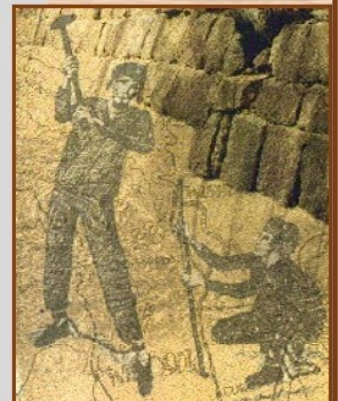
Genesis of Australian Convicts

Convict Love Tokens, Tickets of Leave  
and more

Display of books

Sale of books

Presentation on Romani Convicts



# Courses and Learning

## Sunday Seminar 6

It was very disappointing that due to lack of interest, Sunday Seminar 6, which was scheduled to be held on 21 August, had to be cancelled.

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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 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday	Laraine Cross	<a href="mailto:larainecross2@bigpond.com">larainecross2@bigpond.com</a>
RootsMagic Users	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday – 1.00pm	Laraine Cross	<a href="mailto:larainecross2@bigpond.com">larainecross2@bigpond.com</a>
Military Family History	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	Kirstie Carrick	<a href="mailto:kirstie.carrick@gmail.com">kirstie.carrick@gmail.com</a>
Scottish Family Research	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday – 1.00pm	Vicki Osborn	<a href="mailto:vicki_osborn@outlook.com">vicki_osborn@outlook.com</a>
English Ancestors	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	Karen Smith	<a href="mailto:abc26715@bigpond.net.au">abc26715@bigpond.net.au</a>
DNA	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday – 1.00pm	Sandra Jones	<a href="mailto:sjones11@bigpond.net.au">sjones11@bigpond.net.au</a>
Irish Ancestors	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	Pat Healion	<a href="mailto:pat.healion1@gmail.com">pat.healion1@gmail.com</a>
Family Tree Maker Users	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday—1.00pm	Lea Harris	<a href="mailto:leaharris5@gmail.com">leaharris5@gmail.com</a>
Legacy Users	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday	Marie Hughes	<a href="mailto:mariehuges24@gmail.com">mariehuges24@gmail.com</a>
Researching Family History	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	Pat Healion	<a href="mailto:pat.healion1@gmail.com">pat.healion1@gmail.com</a>
Ancestry Users	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday	Mel Woodford	
Scrapbooking	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	Pat Healion	<a href="mailto:pat.healion1@gmail.com">pat.healion1@gmail.com</a>

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

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## September—Ancestry Users and Scottish Family Research SIG Groups

Due to Mel having a heavy workload in September with preparations for the NSW/ACT Annual Conference, these SIG groups will not be held.

Ancestry Users would have been on Thursday 8 September—now cancelled—next meeting will be Thursday 13 October.

Scottish Family Research would have been on Tuesday 13 September—now cancelled—next meeting will be Tuesday 11 October.

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## Rabbi in Newcastle

During discussion at our August meeting about the Maitland Jewish Cemetery, a question was asked as to whether there is currently a rabbi in Newcastle. I have researched this and am providing the following information for interest.

Rabbi Yossi Rodal and Malki Rodal and their family came to Newcastle in 2020 as the first rabbi here after 60 years without one. He now covers Newcastle and the Central Coast. There was an article in the local paper about them at the time and I think I even put it in the PAM files!

There are two interesting stories I found on the internet:

[www.australianjewishnews.com](http://www.australianjewishnews.com) - the story about them coming to Newcastle after 60 years of there not being a rabbi here

[vinnews.com](http://vinnews.com) - story called Miles and Miles of Shlichus - which tells the story of how Yossi was a travelling rabbi then came here to settle. It's dated 24 June 2022 so is obviously current.

There's also a Newcastle Hebrew Congregation Facebook group which was still active very recently

Margaret Ashford



## Book launch and accessions

One of our latest acquisitions is *Hunter Valley Ancestors*, a book produced by Society member Roland Bannister. It was launched at Newcastle Museum a couple of weeks ago at a very entertaining event, with many delightful anecdotes about the development of the book and the people included in it. I was invited to attend the launch where Roland presented copies of his book to various people, including me as the NFHS Librarian. Several other members of our Society were there also.

The book was launched by Cameron Archer from the Paterson Historical Society who also gave me a copy of the Paterson Society's latest publication, *Before and After 1822*. It tells the history of the Paterson district from both the Indigenous and colonial perspectives.

The two books aren't accessioned yet but will soon be on the new-book shelves for us to enjoy.

Jim MacDougall (Librarian)



Jim and Roland after the launch and presentation

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## Library Roster

Date	Librarian 1 (get key)	Librarian 2
<b>Saturday Library Roster</b>		
<b>Morning 9.45am-12.30pm</b>		
<b>Afternoon 12.30pm-3.00pm</b>		
3 Sept am	Lea H	
3 Sept pm	Lea H	Clelia P
10 Sept am	Sharyn B	Nouvelle T
10 Sept pm	Sharyn B	Nouvelle T
17 Sept am	Library closed	Conference
17 Sept pm	Library closed	Conference
24 Sept am	Marie H	
24 Sept pm	Marie H	
<b>Thursday Library Roster</b>		
<b>1.00-3.00pm</b>		
1 Sept		Clelia P
8 Sept	Jane I	Rosalie B
15 Sept	Marilyn M	Pat H
22 Sept	Karen S	
29 Sept	Marilyn M	Pat H

## Library duty

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

## General

The next meeting of the Publications group will be held on Friday 21 October 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](mailto:nfhspublicationsofficer@gmail.com).

The Publications group is working hard to have all our publications available from our website. All our meetings this year have been working towards this objective. Publications written by members earn our Society money and provide a keepsake for the history of families and the local area. You might be able to assist the group in some capacity. If you are interested or have ideas please contact the group on [nfhspublicationsofficer@gmail.com](mailto:nfhspublicationsofficer@gmail.com).

## New publication

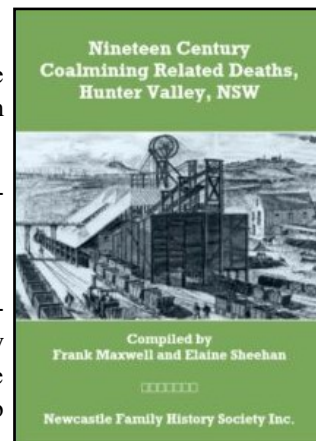
Newcastle Family History Society Inc. (NFHS) has completed its newest publication *They Were Here: The People of Newcastle*. The publication includes details of the residents and property owners of Newcastle from the Newcastle Council and Water Board Rate Books from 1885, 1892 and 1898-1900.

You can pre-order your USB/s by completing the form attached to this email. Once you have completed the form, you can either leave it at the Society rooms or email it to Jane on [nfhspublicationsofficer@gmail.com](mailto:nfhspublicationsofficer@gmail.com). Pre-order forms are also available at the front desk at the Society.

For NFHS members it will cost \$31.50 for your first copy and after that each copy will be \$35.00. This USB would make a fabulous birthday or Christmas gift. USBs can be collected from the Conference on Sunday 18 September at Maitland or during library opening hours AFTER the Conference.

Jane Ison (Publications Group Co-ordinator)

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## Sandgate group

What a great day was had at Newcastle War Cemetery (at Sandgate) on 14 August! Ed Tonks OAM ran three excellent tours over the day for groups of very interested people. As well as Ed's well-researched and interesting information, visitors were able to add to the enjoyment – amongst them were a World War II veteran of campaigns in New Guinea; a grandson of one of the men buried in the cemetery; an ex-RAAF member who added information from his experience; and a former student of Ed's who was able to become reacquainted with him. Despite the blustery wind it was a great day. Several times we were asked when we are likely to hold another General Cemetery Tour, so there will still be a lot of interest when we're able to organise those again.

Margaret Ashford (Sandgate Group Co-ordinator)



Mr Moymow standing behind the grave of his grandfather

Part of a group. The gentleman with the walking stick was a 98-year-old veteran of WWII

Another group shot

Photos courtesy of Maree Shilling



# Notes from the Management Committee

## Privacy Policy

Policies are being developed regarding the Society's use of data collected from members. Data collected by the Society can only be used for the reason it is collected. This means if it is collected for the purpose of emailing the newsletter, then it cannot be used for any other purpose. Because other groups are anxious to use email to publish their activities, a series of dot points will be prepared to educate the Society members regarding the Society's Privacy policy.

## Library closed on Conference weekend

Please mark on your calendar that the Library will not be open to members for research over the weekend of the Conference, that is Saturday 16 September.

## NSW/ACT Annual Conference—NFHS Mini-conference

If you are intending to attend the Society's rooms to participate in the online mini-conference, you need to register your intention. At this moment in time, no one has indicated they will be attending the

Elder Street rooms. We need to know who intends to attend the rooms and when they will be present. If no one indicates their intention to attend, then we need not open the rooms; however, if many of you are intending to attend the rooms, then you need to book your seat, as we don't have unlimited space. Please email [nfhsevents@gmail.com](mailto:nfhsevents@gmail.com) to book. Thanks.

## New members

New members and those who renew their membership after a lapse of time, will be named in the newsletter from this edition. Please welcome them if you meet them in the rooms.

## Survey re Society activities

There is a survey attached to the newsletter regarding continuing support of the Society activities. It will address library usage, courses and events. Last week, six people used the library on Thursday afternoon and Saturday. Five members were present to help with research queries. We will be asking you to comment on your support into the future.

Management Committee

# Miscellaneous

## Conference raffle tickets and registration

**Please note that conference raffle ticket sales and registration will end at midnight on Sunday 11 September—don't forget to get yours**

## Email Addresses

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Courses	<a href="mailto:nfhscourses@gmail.com">nfhscourses@gmail.com</a>
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## Snippers Group

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

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## Congratulations to our July raffle winners

1st prize—Sharyn Boyce      3rd prize—Noelene Lowes  
2nd prize—Visitor      4th prize—Pat Whitelaw

**\$120.00  
raised**

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## Newcastle Family History Society Inc.

### Copyright Licencing Agreement

Previous newsletters have given an explanation about our new Newcastle Family History Society Inc. Copyright Licencing Agreement and a copy of the actual Agreement.

**Thanks 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.



# NSW/ACT Conference

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 FH  
Check website, Facebook, & Conference Newsletter**



**Newcastle Family History Society Inc. [nfhs.org.au](http://nfhs.org.au)**

**Maitland & Beyond Family History Inc. [mdgs.org.au/](http://mdgs.org.au/)**

**[ridingthewavesofhistory.com.au](http://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**

**When you pay your \$30, please also send a booking email to  
Events Coordinator Pat Healion on [nfhsevents@gmail.com](mailto:nfhsevents@gmail.com)**

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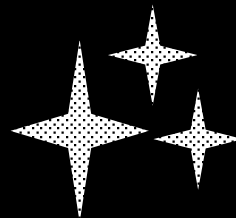
To date we have:

- 2 x Ancestry 12 month World subscriptions
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  - 2 x My Heritage 12 month subscriptions
  - 2 x My Heritage DNA kits
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  - 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
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  - 1 x Memento \$100 gift voucher
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  - 1 x \$50 Visa Credit Card from Tea Gardens Family Research & Local History Inc
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  - Gould Genealogy & History prizes
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be attending the  
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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.



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Tickets from \$2.00 each

Various packages up to 20  
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# 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 7.30pm—Monthly Meeting—via Zoom only	10am-2pm— Snippers	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		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
						1
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 1pm—RootsMagic 6-7.25pm—Library Open 7.30pm—Monthly Meeting	10am-2pm— Snippers	10am— Researching Family History 1-3pm—Library Open	10am—Maitland Jewish Cemetery and Town Tour	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-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		10am-3pm— Library Open
30	31					
			12			

# November

# 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
<b>Red—SIG Groups</b> <b>Blue—Volunteer Groups</b> <b>Green—Courses</b> <b>Purple—Meetings</b> <b>Black—Library Open</b> <b>Brown—Events</b>		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 Articles due for Journal 240
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		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 6		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					

# December

# 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
<b>Red—SIG Groups</b> <b>Blue—Volunteer Groups</b> <b>Green—Courses</b> <b>Purple—Meetings</b> <b>Black—Library Open</b> <b>Brown—Events</b>				10am—Researching Family History 1-3pm—Library Open	Christmas Lunch	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-3pm—Library Open
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	9.30-12.00—Feedback/Planning—Journals 240 and 241	Library closed for Xmas/New Year break
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Library Closed for Xmas/New Year break						
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	Library Closed for Xmas/New Year break					