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Newsletter

Number 231

WANTED FOR YOUR JOURNAL—see page 6

Our March Journal theme is an old favourite:
Writer's Choice

Deadline for articles: **Saturday 27 January 2024**

December 2023

No General Meeting in December or January

February General Meeting

Tuesday 6 February—7.30 pm

General Meeting

Guest speaker—Jude Conway

Meeting will be held in the rooms and via Zoom

Our member, Dr Jude Conway, will be presenting to us on one of the notable Newcastle women she's researched. Dr Ethel Byrne (1895-1957) did an amazing amount of work to assist T.B. sufferers in Newcastle.

More information and the Zoom link will be in the February newsletter.

Mel Woodford (President)

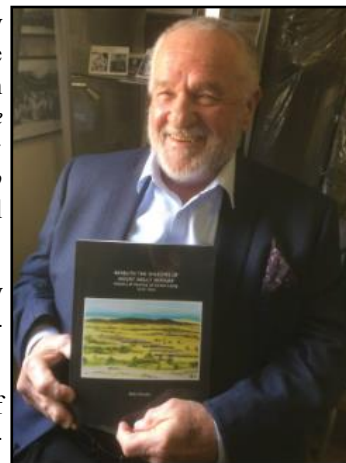


Congratulations to Newcastle Family History Society on 40 successful years of operation. A wonderful achievement. Here's to another 40 years!

Overview of November Meeting

Newcastle Family History Society is very fortunate to enjoy the knowledge and enthusiasm of so many wonderful guest speakers at our monthly meetings. November's meeting was no exception with an extremely interesting presentation being given by Alek Schulha on the history of Greta Migrant Camp. Alek had first-hand experience of the camp, being born there in 1951.

Alek commenced his presentation by reciting a few quotes that have prompted him to continue his research and writing for his book, *Beneath the Shadows of Mount Molly Morgan: History and Stories of Greta Camp 1939-1960*, published in 2020, as well as other books.



- 'Stories make us who we are' by Laurence Overmire, American poet, educator and peace activist
- 'A people without knowledge of their past history, origin and culture, is like a tree without roots' by Marcus Garvey, Jamaican political activist, journalist and orator
- 'The further back you look, the further ahead you see' by Winston Churchill, British statesman, soldier, writer, Prime Minister of United Kingdom

The outbreak of World War II heralded the need for Australia to increase its armed forces to protect its shores. As a result, areas like Greta became prime sites to establish army camps. Hence the Lower Hunter and western Sydney became major areas of army troop training. On the day WWII was declared, 3 September 1939, there were 8,000 trainees under canvas at the Rutherford camp. By early October a further 20,000 militia troops formed the new 6th Division. A further 3,000 troops were in the area by late October. By late 1939 Rutherford was the major training camp for the northern NSW militia units of the 1st infantry brigade which was headquartered in Newcastle.

On 10 October 1939 the then Minister for Defence, Mr Geoffrey Street, announced that a new training camp would be built at Lochinvar. Work was already underway however the people of Lochinvar strongly objected. On 31 October 1939 a new site was announced between Allendale and Greta, being about three kilometres from Greta township and very close to the railway station. The New England

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Highway also ran through the town providing road transport. It was 18km from Maitland and 22km from Cessnock.

The Department of Defence purchased considerable land in the area. On 14 November 1939, Mr JE Parry from Hamilton was awarded the first contract to build 138 wooden huts which had to be completed in 30 days at a contract cost of £40,000. This included sleeping huts, dining huts, kitchens, meat houses, officers' quarters and other buildings. A £24,000 contract was let for a five-building hospital complex including a 60-bed hospital building, an isolation ward, two dental clinics, a dispensary and a sterilising unit. This was to be completed in 15 days. The builder of the post office and postal quarters was only given 13 days to complete the contract. Another builder was given 14 days to complete 51 sleeping huts. These brief timespans were due to the Army's urgency to complete the camp as soon as possible. It is estimated 700-800 workmen were on the site in the early 1940s. Hundreds of others were employed putting down roads, water and sewer pipelines, electric lights and telephone lines. They worked 24 hours a day, 6½ days a week. The workers slept in tents on the site.

Most of the huts in Chocolate City were constructed of wood, brick piers, and asbestos roofing. Others were made of masonite cladding on timber frames with brick piers and asbestos roofs. Chocolate City was named because the timber was painted with creosote to help preserve it. Huts in Silver City were mostly made of corrugated iron and known as Nissen huts. There were 200 of these throughout the camp. By April 1940 it was estimated between eight and nine million feet of timber had been used. Wallsend Brickyard provided the majority of bricks where nearly two million were used. The bricks, known as Greta bricks, were developed to hasten the construction as they were double the size of a standard brick. Construction was still happening when the first soldiers marched into the camp in late 1939. Stage 2 expansion of the camp occurred in mid-1940. It is estimated that by the end of 1940 more than 450 separate buildings had been constructed at Greta army camp including 250 sleeping huts.

Greta became the largest army training camp in Australia and one of the most important of WWII. It housed up to 6,000 trainees at any one time and more than 60,000 overall. It was a self-contained city with the latest and most modern hospital, dental and x-ray facilities; water and sewerage; electricity; its own transport division including trucks, buses, ambulances and a fire engine; a post office, bank and telephone exchange; two cinemas; a large recreation hall; a library; three churches; a police force and lockup; sporting facilities; 32 kitchens and dining halls; laundries and showers with 24 hour hot water; an incinerator to dispose of the garbage and one of the largest refrigerated storage facilities in the country.

A Maitland builder was the honorary builder of the CUSA recreation hut (Catholic United Services Auxiliary) opened in July 1940. It was located on land at the foot of Mount Molly Morgan and provided spiritual wealth and recreation for the Catholic trainee soldiers. Between 1949 and 1960, the CUSA hut became St Anthony's Chapel and primary school for the migrants living in the camp. After the camp closed, the building was moved to the Newcastle Aero Club at Rutherford becoming its social club. It is still standing today.

When the war ended in 1945, the Greta camp still played a role in training troops and was renamed the Greta Recruitment Training Centre. By 1946 there were still almost 4,000 men in the camp. The last military personnel had left the camp by May 1949.

After WWII Europe was devastated. In 1947 there were 1.6 million people in 920 refugee camps throughout Europe. As a result of this conflict, these people became displaced persons under the control of the International Refugee Organisation (IRO) as their home countries had been overrun by Communism or no longer existed. Australia's first Minister for Immigration, Mr Arthur Calwell, helped change the face of Australia. In 1945 he promoted the policy of 'populate or perish'. He toured Britain and Europe with the view of bringing refugees or displaced persons to Australia to increase the population and workforce. In 1945 Australia signed an agreement with the IRO to take 12,000 displaced persons per year. By 1949 this had been revised to 75,000 per year. By 1970 some 2.5 million migrants had arrived in Australia. Mr Calwell is credited with being the father of multiculturalism in Australia, the father of immigration and the father of the first major immigration movement in the history of Australia. To house the migrants, the Government set up reception centres throughout Australia including the one at Greta. Most were former army camps or air force bases. Bonegilla near Albury was the largest with 320,000 migrants passing through its gates. Greta was next with 100,000 migrants passing through between 1949 and 1960.



Major changes had to be made to the Greta barracks with dormitories being converted into individual rooms, new doors and steps being constructed into each room. Extra timber huts were built in Chocolate City and more Nissen huts in Silver City. The first 600 migrants arrived in Greta on 7 June 1949 after travelling in a convoy of buses from Bathurst Migrant Camp. At that time there was a national coal miners' strike resulting in no coal for trains. Over 11,000 migrants arrived directly into Newcastle Harbour on ships which had sailed from Europe. The *Fairsea*, arriving on 19 August 1949, was the first of 13 ships to sail directly into Newcastle, being the first non-capital city landing in Australia. The migrants were taken by steam trains to Greta camp. Many were depressed when they saw the camp as the rows and rows of huts reminded them of the years they had spent in concentration camps. Some had to literally be dragged off the train, but for many it was a relief after living in the camps in Europe.

Upon arrival they were allocated a room and issued with two blankets, one toilet roll and cooking utensils. Their rooms were only 12 feet x 9 feet. External walls were lined but the internal walls were not, offering very little privacy. The dividing walls didn't even go to the top of

the roof. They slept on canvas beds. Ninety-five per cent of the migrants were separated, as a condition of the Government was that they had to work for two years to repay their sea voyage. Migrants went to work wherever the Government sent them. Men were sent to work for the State Railways, the Steelworks at Newcastle and Port Kembla, the Snowy Mountains Scheme and even the Queensland cane fields. Women and children remained at the Greta camp. In 1950 the Department of Immigration had to install 800 tents to cope with the influx of migrants. Greta became one of the largest migrant camps in Australia, at one stage having 17 different nationalities living there. The largest number of migrants recorded at any one time was in 1950 when 9,000 people gathered for Christmas. Food was plentiful at the camp – fruit, vegetables, milk and mutton, mutton and more mutton—so much mutton that many came to detest it for the rest of their lives!



Alek's parents, Peter and Nada, were among the earliest arrivals at Greta camp in June 1949. Upon arrival at Greta, Peter worked in the transport section located in Chocolate City, driving the bus between Chocolate City and Silver City. Nada worked at the hospital as an interpreter and could fluently speak six languages. Peter and Nada were the first couple to be married in the Orthodox Chapel at the camp on 16 April 1950. Alek was born on 24 February 1951 being born in the Greta Hospital and christened in that same church. There were 10,000 babies born in the camp between 1949 and 1960.

Alek's family left the camp in 1953 to live in Smith Street, Maitland. After the 1955 flood they had to return to the camp until the water in Maitland receded. They then moved their house to East Maitland.

Alek's presentation can be viewed on our Youtube channel and is well worth watching. He gives a lot of extra fascinating information about the Greta camp, people who lived there and the extensive processes he followed to complete the research for his books.

Thanks so much Alek for taking the time to present to the Society. I'm sure we all learnt a lot of information of which we were previously ignorant. If you missed Alek's presentation, you can view it [here](#).

Photo of Alek with his book taken from the [internet](#) and photos of the Greta Migrant Camp taken from <https://prezi.com/haiwehomf65l/the-history-of-the-greta-migrant-camp/>

Lea Harris

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Many hands make light work!!!

SPRING CLEAN

Sunday 14 January 2024—from 10.00 am

Before we reopen the Society rooms, we want to complete a spring clean. If you can spare an hour or two, please come along and help spruce up the rooms.

If you can assist, please send an email to the Secretary on nfhsinc@gmail.com with "Spring Cleaning Day" in the subject line



Christmas Raffle

Christmas is certainly getting close. Creeping up very quickly.
There is however still time to get your tickets in our fabulous Christmas raffle.
Details are below as to how you can be in the draw for some beautiful prizes.

Xmas Raffle

Grab your tickets to win some great prizes

Tickets - \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

Purchase in person at the Society rooms
or by direct debit

Drawn 2.00pm Thursday 14 December

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

Prizes **must be collected** from the
rooms at 68 Elder Street, Lambton



A beautiful
Australian
themed wreath

Christmas
candle

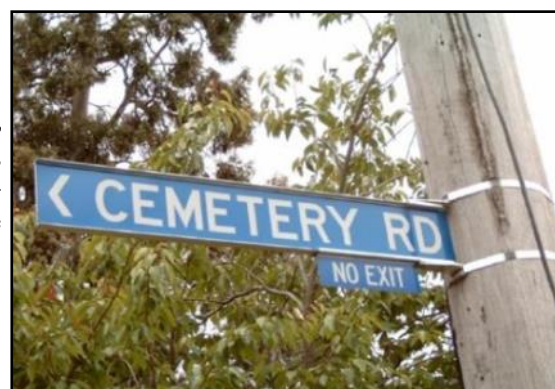


Did you know?

Have you heard of the word taphophilia?

The word comes from the Greek *tapho*, referring to 'the grave, funeral or tomb', and *philia*, meaning 'the love of'. Thus, taphophilia literally means a love of the grave, funerals and tombs. Taphophiliacs may feel compelled to visit, record and even photograph cemeteries and memorial monuments. This pastime may also accompany a love for local history or genealogy.

https://familytreemagazine.com/cemeteries/planning-cemetery-visits-for-genealogy/?fbclid=IwAR0dpg-VywDnkjqgcbIJA4cGFMct8BxsUjpLBrM4-63Onhn_-7tBuP_eTZs



Events and Outings

Future dates

1 December—Christmas lunch—11.30 am—Poppy's Verandah Café, Gateshead (see below)

21 December—Library closes for Christmas/New Year break

14 January—10.00 am—Spring cleaning (see page 3)

18 January—Library reopens for 2024 year

27 January—Articles due for Journal 245 (see page 6)

27 April—Articles due for Journal 246 (see page 6)

Every Monday (except public holidays) from 10.30 am—Coffee and Chat, Wests, Hobart Road, New Lambton. Anyone is welcome to attend. This is a great opportunity to have an informal catch-up with other members. Some great discussions occur about any number of family history topics.

Christmas Luncheon

Come along and join us for lunch on

Friday 1 December

at 11.30 am



Poppy's Home and Garden Centre

83 Oakvale Road, Gateshead

A booking has been made for 40 people and it's first in, best dressed.

Dietary requirements can be catered for.

To secure your spot at the table, send an email now to:

Secretary, Karen, on nfhsinc@gmail.com

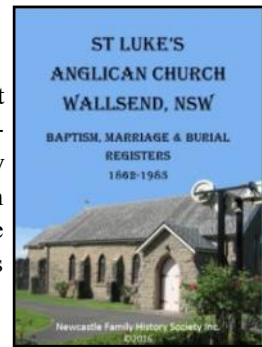


MERRY
Christmas



Christmas Gifts

With Christmas just around the corner, NOW is the perfect time to purchase one of the Society's publications as a gift for a friend or family member – or even spoil yourself! A complete list of our publications and all the necessary details can be found on our website at <https://nfhs.org.au/publications/>. You can purchase any of these publications by visiting the rooms during our opening hours on a Thursday afternoon or on a Saturday. We accept payment via cash or Eftpos. You can also order a publication to be posted to you or the recipient. Please remember to take a look at the links on the webpage about Ordering, Postage Notes and Postage Rates. Remember too that some of our publications are available as digital downloads.

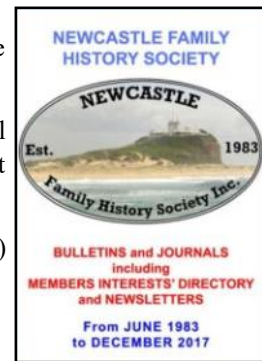


General

The year 2023 has been a busy one with the Publications group working enthusiastically behind the scenes and we look forward to new Publications in 2024.

Our first meeting for 2024 will be held on **Friday 15 March at 10.30 am** in the rooms at Elder Street, Lambton. All members are welcome to attend our meetings. Any ideas for future Publications will be very welcome and can be sent to the Publications Officer on nfhspublicationsofficer@gmail.com.

Jane Ison (Publications Group Coordinator)



Journal and Newsletter

December Journal (No 244)

Reminder to collect your December Journal from the rooms. It is full of extremely interesting *Memories* articles including the Society's 40th anniversary.

March Journal (No 245)

Writer's Choice is the theme for this Journal – we usually receive a wonderful variety of articles for this theme, so perhaps you can spend some time thinking and writing about your favourite topic or person. Please send your work by **Saturday 27 January 2024**. Before writing and submitting, please look at page 1 of your current Journal for helpful Advice for Contributors.

June Journal (No 246)

What do you know about all things medical? Perhaps you can write about practitioners, experiences in a medical setting (professional or personal), hospitals, a relative or friend. Be creative in thinking about what the topic might involve! We'll need those articles by **Saturday 27 April 2024**.

Journal and Newsletter Deadlines

	Newsletter	Journal
January	No newsletter	
February	13 January	
March	10 February	27 January
April	9 March	
May	13 April	
June	11 May	27 April
July	15 June	
August	13 July	
September	10 August	27 July

Submission of Articles

For all issues, you can send your typed item to nfhseditor@gmail.com or deliver it to the Society library addressed to the editor. We can also accept handwritten items if that's your preference.

Margaret Ashford (for the eTeam)

Newsletter—Heads Up

A heads up that I will be away next year for about three months. We will need someone to take over the newsletter preparation for this time. It does not need to be produced in the same format that I use. A basic Word document will be okay; just as long as the information is presented for the members. If you are able to help out with producing the newsletter for the months of June, July and August, please send me an email at nfhsnewsletter@gmail.com

Lea Harris (Newsletter Editor)

Courses and Learning

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 10.00 am unless otherwise stated. Groups and contact details are below. Please email the facilitator to join a group.

Group	Meeting date	Facilitator	Contact email
Convicts in Australia	1 st Tuesday	Laraine Cross	nfhsresearch78@gmail.com
Scottish Family Research	2 nd Tuesday – 1.00 pm—February to November	Mel Woodford	nfhspresident@gmail.com
English Ancestors	3 rd Wednesday	Karen Smith	abc26715@bigpond.net.au
DNA	3 rd Tuesday – 1.00 pm	Sandra Jones	sjones11@bigpond.net.au
Irish Ancestors	4 th Tuesday—will be meeting at West Leagues Club at New Lambton (no more in 2023, will reconvene in 2024)	Pat Healion	pat.healion1@gmail.com
Cemetery Research	1 st Thursday	Pat Healion	pat.healion1@gmail.com
Ancestry Users	2 nd Thursday—February to November	Mel Woodford	nfhspresident@gmail.com
Scrapbooking	4 th Thursday	Pat Healion	pat.healion1@gmail.com

Cemetery Research SIG

The Cemetery Research SIG will be meeting at 10.00 am on Thursday 7 December at Wests, New Lambton to organise their shared work on the Stockton Breakwall and plan 2024.

Pat Healion (Facilitator)

All things Scottish

Scottish SIG meets 2nd Tuesday at 1.00 pm
from February to November

Scottish newsletter



The next issue of the *Caledonian* Scottish newsletter will be emailed on 28 November 2023, being the Scottish quarter day of Martinmas.

Reminder that if you would like to be included on the email list for this newsletter, please send an email to Lea on nfhsnewsletter@gmail.com.

Podcast

An interesting Scottish SIG podcast has been recorded by Mel Woodford and Ken and Maree Shilling and is now available on our Newcastle Family History Society website under the Podcast tab (see also page 9). You can view it by clicking [here](#).

Scottish SIG group



Library Roster

Date	Librarian 1 (get key)	Librarian 2
Saturday Library Roster		
Morning 9.45 am to 12.30 pm		
Afternoon 12.30 pm to 3.00 pm		
2 Dec am	Lea H	Sandra J
2 Dec pm	Lea H	Carolyn C
9 Dec am	Sharyn B	Nouvelle T
9 Dec pm	Sharyn B	Nouvelle T
16 Dec am	Wendy G	Karen S
16 Dec pm	Carolyn C	Karen S
23 Dec	Closed for	Xmas/New Year
30 Dec	Closed for	Xmas/New Year
Thursday Library Roster		
1.00 to 3.00 pm		
7 Dec	Alison M	Clelia P
14 Dec	Jane I	Bert G
21 Dec	Marilyn M	Jane I
28 Dec	Closed for	Xmas/New Year

2023 Library Orientation Sessions—A Record

This year saw nearly 50 members of the Society (mostly new and with a few other members needing a refresher) enjoying our Library Orientation sessions in March, April, May, October and November. We were delighted with this response and the level of wonderful support and feedback, including having several of these members volunteer for library duty – they said how much more confident they would now feel about using our resources and helping others. For now, we're taking a break but currently planning to start up again in May, with Print Orientation on Saturday 11th and Digital on Saturday 25th.

Thank you to all those who came to the sessions and supported our efforts to make your membership more enjoyable and profitable.

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

Library Volunteers

First and foremost I would like to give a HUGE thank you to those who have consistently volunteered for library duty in our rooms throughout 2023. Your enthusiasm to help has meant we have been able to keep the rooms open for our members and visitors to continue with their family history research.

It's fabulous to see our Library roster complete for the remainder of 2023. We are finishing the year off with a bang by not having to close the Library. If you could spare three hours to assist anytime after we reopen on 18 January, please complete the volunteer form at this [link](#).

Once again, thanks to our wonderful volunteers. We look forward to seeing you and some new volunteers in 2024 to ensure another successful year for our wonderful Society.

Mel Woodford (President)

Merry Christmas



Podcasts

General

Some of our members, with the help of our experienced IT Officer Clive Maddocks, have been busy recording more interesting podcasts. These are available for you to enjoy on the Newcastle Family History Society website by either clicking [here](#) or visiting our webpage and selecting the Podcasts tab from the home page. Clive has let us know that you can also find these podcasts on services such as Spotify, Podbean, Google, Apple and Amazon.



‘Bad Girls’ of the Newcastle Industrial School and Reformatory

Our member Jane Ison has recorded two episodes in a series about the ‘Bad Girls’ of the Newcastle Industrial School and Reformatory. Jane describes life in NSW in the 1860s and 70s and the measures taken by the government and the courts to deal with ‘problem’ children. To listen to Jane’s first episode click [here](#).

Scottish SIG Introduction

Ken and Maree Shilling and I have recorded a podcast giving an overview of the Scottish SIG group. To listen click [here](#).

‘Felonious Females’ - convict women sent to Newcastle and the Hunter Valley

I have recorded two podcasts for the female convicts project. To listen to the first episode, visit our Society website or click [here](#).

Mel Woodford (President)

YouTube

A reminder that our monthly meeting guest speakers are now recorded and the presentations can be viewed on the Society’s YouTube channel. This is a fabulous way for those who are either distance members or just can’t make it to the meeting, to be able to still enjoy our speakers. Or even if you were at the meeting, you may wish to listen to the presentation again.

To view these, either go to our Society webpage and click on the YouTube tab or type ‘YouTube Newcastle Family History Society’ into your search engine.

Mel Woodford (President)

Western Finial



The western finial fell from the roof of the Mechanics Institute in Elder Street, Lambton during the Newcastle Earthquake on 28 December 1889. It smashed as a result of a two-storey fall. Any replacement will be so expensive it may be prohibitive. Once, when it was stored beneath the back building of the Mechanics Institute, this destroyed finial was a search item on the Lambton History Walk ... but no more. The pieces have been moved and can now only be viewed through the glass walkway between the front brick and stone building and the back wooden building at Elder Street. The plaque is affixed to the glass. Find it and look down!





New Members

We welcome the following new member 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 (see page 6).

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Marilyn Scanes

Sharyn Boyce (Membership Registrar)

Miscellaneous

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Snippers Group

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

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Attachments from other Societies

NSW and ACT Association of Family History Societies Inc.—November 2023 Newsletter

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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.

Mel Woodford (President)

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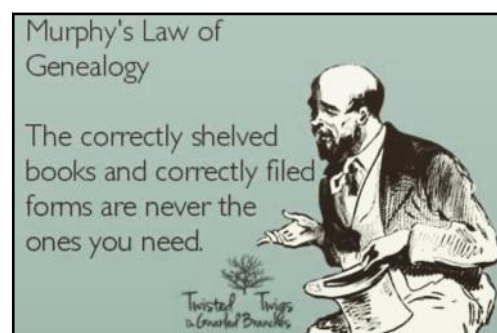
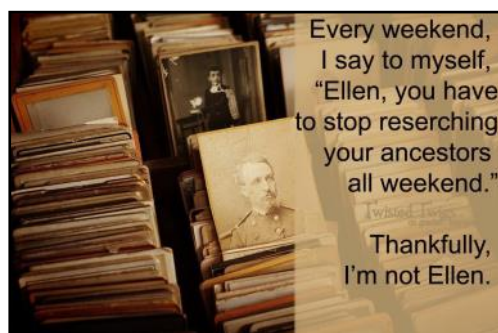
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Password for member area of website

The password for the Member area of our website is **68Elder**.

Note: 68Elder is all one word.



December

2023

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					11.30am—Christmas Lunch, Poppy's Verandah Café, Gateshead	10am-3pm—Library open
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	10am—Convicts in Australia	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Cemetery Research—Wests, New Lambton	9.30-12.00—Feedback/Planning—Journals 244 and 245	10am-3pm—Library open
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group 10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests		9.30am-12pm—Sandgate Group	1-3pm—Library open		10am-3pm—Library open
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA		10am—Management Committee 1-3pm—Library open	Library closed for Xmas/ New Year break	
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January

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	9.30-11.30am—Library Group 10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	10am—Irish Ancestors		10am—Scrapbooking 1-3pm—Library open		10am-3pm—Library open Articles due for Journal 245
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February

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	10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	10am—Convicts in Australia 6.00-7.25pm—Library open 7.30pm—General Meeting	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Ancestry Users 1-3pm—Library open	9.30-12.00—Editing meeting—Journal 245 12.00-4.00pm—Publications printing	10am-3pm—Library open Submissions due for March newsletter
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group 10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	1pm—Scottish SIG		10am—Management Committee 1-3pm—Library open	12.00-12.30—Cover printing—Journal 245	10am-3pm—Library open
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	9.30-11.30am—Library Group 10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	10am—Irish Ancestors	Caledonian news-letter to be emailed	1-3pm—Library open		

March

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Red—SIG Groups Blue—Volunteer Groups Green—Courses Purple—Meetings Black—Library Open Brown—Events						10am-3pm—Library open
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	10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	10am—Convicts in Australia 6.00-7.25pm—Library open 7.30pm—General Meeting	10am-2pm—Snippers	10am—Cemetery SIG 1-3pm—Library open	10.00—12.00—Feedback/Planning Meeting Journal 245/246 12.00-4.00pm—Publications printing	10am-3pm—Library open Submissions due for April newsletter
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	9.30-11.30am—Library Group 10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	1pm—Scottish SIG		10am—Ancestry Users 1-3pm—Library open		10am-3pm—Library open
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	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 10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	10am—Irish Ancestors	Caledonian news-letter to be emailed	10am—Scrapbooking 1-3pm—Library open		10am-3pm—Library open
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