

# **THE LAMBING FLAT LEADER**



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**MEMBERSHIP:** Single member \$30.00 per year; Family Membership \$40.00 per year;  
Student 12 – 18 years \$10 per year. Joining fee \$5.00.

**LIBRARY:** The Research Centre is situated in the Margaret Newcombe Room of the Community Arts Centre, 2 Campbell Street, Young (under the Bell Tower). Normal opening hours are:

**WEDNESDAY: 10.00 am - 2.30 pm**

**SATURDAY: 10.00 am – 1.00 pm.**

**Contact Kay McDonald 0409 606 429 or Margaret Hall 0408 290 694**

**NEWSLETTER:** Each member shall receive three copies of the group Newsletter per year. Newsletters are distributed each January, May (or June) and September.

*Interesting research and family histories are welcomed for inclusion.*

**RESEARCH ENQUIRIES:** Non-resident financial members may have two specific enquiries of a single nature answered free of charge. Non-members may have their enquiry published in the newsletter at a cost of \$2.00 per enquiry. We offer a research service for those who are unable to visit our library. It is the Group's policy that we do not commence research until the applicable fee is received. Only a search of the resources held by the Young & District Family History Group Inc. will be undertaken.

**COST:** An initial **\$10.00** non-refundable search fee is required with your FIRST enquiry before any investigation will be conducted.

**COST:** A further **\$30.00** research fee per family name (e.g.: Mr & Mrs Smith and children, "Smith" being the family name) is required should the initial request uncover a considerable amount of information, or the request is complex.

**MEETINGS:** Meetings and special events will be advised by email to all financial members.

**GENERAL:** Members requesting information from the Group's Library are reminded that the Research Monitors work on a voluntary basis and can only provide information from the resources available.

***The Young & District Family History Group Inc. does not accept responsibility for the accuracy of statements or opinions expressed by persons contributing to this newsletter.***

## **PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE**

Young Lawn Cemetery 29.10.1977 to 29.02.2016	\$15.00 + \$18 P&H
Burials in Bimbi Cemetery, to May 2008	\$15.00 + P&H
Burials in Currawong, Stockinbingal, Wallendbeen & Wombat Cemeteries, to May 2002	\$15.00 + P&H
Burials in Young Shire and Surrounding Areas, up to February 1998	\$15.00 + P&H
News from Marengo 1929 – 1939	\$20.00 + P&H
Marengo by Dugald Walker	\$40.00 + \$18.00 P&H

### ***\*\*New Additions to Publications For Sale\*\****

Old Young Vol. I by Ross Maroney	\$25.00 + \$12.00 P&H
Old Young Vol. II by Ross Maroney	\$25.00 + \$12.00 P&H

P&H for both these books if purchased together \$16 (in one bag)

## **President's Message**

Thank you to those who attended our AGM and also celebrated 40<sup>th</sup> years of Family History in Young, this is a wonderful achievement! It is also a lot of volunteer hours put in by many many people.

I must thank all of our founding members and those many volunteers who have kept the research room going, to see it grow from strength to strength, and still be open to the public today. Special mention must go to Eric and Rowie Griffiths who are life members and travelled from Victoria to attend our Birthday celebrations.

As a group, we must continue to share our knowledge with each other so that we can all learn how to be better researchers and hopefully still be available to the public in another 40 years! We all love family history and the challenge of finding that elusive person, birth, death or marriage and I'm sure we all know that feeling when we finally find them!

We have had another busy year with research at the room as well as on-line and people continue to contact us from all over Australia. This research allows us, as a group to generate an income to pay the bills, and it is the only way we can continue to keep our door open.

There are only a few of us who manage to keep the room open to the public and we always have people walking in the door looking for someone! Volunteers are always welcome to join us at the research room.

We have had lots of maps donated to the research room recently and the library is always being updated. So many people call in to donate books, research and family memorabilia to us.

Several of us have been helping John Hamblin with research and proof reading for his upcoming book, this has been a very informative and pleasant task and we look forward to seeing John's book published in the near future.

Our "Streets of Young Project" is now finally in the research room to be used as needed, it will continue to be added to as we update information and find more articles, this project was started many years ago by Eric Griffiths, Gary Perrin, Gavin Rendall and Max Quay, it outlines all of the businesses from the very top end of Boorowa Street down to Chillingworks Road, and has expanded to include other streets in the business district also. These folders include photos and advertisements of the business houses and past owners and managers of numerous businesses, Kay and Marty have enjoyed working on this project and will continue to add to it.

Our research on the Cadets in Young is continuing, be it Young High School cadets, Christian Bros Cadets or the Town Cadets, people have donated photos with names and it will continue to grow and be available to the public at our research room.

There are always little jobs to be done in the research room, one new member, Christine Murphy, has volunteered her time to help with scanning and is at present sorting out Patterson Bros. records that need to be bound so that we can put them on the shelf to be used. There are also donated and purchased books which require protective covering before they can go on the shelf to be used in research. We will gladly accept volunteer help for this. We are grateful to Margaret Hall for her work in the library, it is a big job, and we are willing to help you at any time. Thank you, Margaret.

The Young Witness is up and running again locally and we have been asked to contribute a small column once a month on family research, this will continue to keep us in the public eye. Marty Barclay is going to do these monthly and contribute photos and articles about interesting events or meetings we have, thank you Marty.

Carmel Price and Kay McDonald were invited to speak about family history at the Hennessy Day Centre recently and this proved very popular. Kay was also asked to speak at the Senior Citizens meeting recently and this too was well received.

A special mention must go Bec Oehm, due to work commitments Bec has stood down from the secretary's position. Bec has been in this position for 10 years and has carried out the job in a professional manner, she has put her heart and soul into it, and she will be greatly missed. Bec is also a wonderful researcher, and in this area, she will also be greatly missed, her ability to find people is amazing! Thank you Bec for everything you have done for the group and we hope that you can come back one day when you have more time. Bec is still a member, but just stepping back from the secretary's position, she is still there in the background if we need her.

Please feel free to contact us at the room or ring me on 0409 606 429 if you have something you would like us to look into for you, or you may have ideas for this newsletter, we will welcome your feedback.

Hope to see you at the research room,

Kay McDonald, President.

*"I resolve to see to it that all of my children will have the same names that my ancestors have used for six generations in a row."*

## **OPENING HOURS**

After a short trial over Winter the opening hours on SATURDAYS, will continue at 10am till 1pm.  
Wednesday, 10am till 2.30pm.

## **Welcome**

A warm welcome to our new members Paul Morris, Ian and Lorna Baird, Kath Guymmer, and Libby Woods.

## **News From the Rooms**

We have recently received a substantial donation of memorabilia from the Eastlake/Hall Families, plus many more small donations of research from other families in the area. New resources are being added all the time.

Currently we are busy refiling the maps and updating the map index, while other resource files have been updated and reindexed.

Recently one of our computers had to be replaced and Marg is training one of our new members, Greg McCaffrey, to help with monitor duties to try and keep our rooms open.

## **AGM and 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party**

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2023 at 2.00pm at the Young Services Club. Our committee is as follows:

President: Kay McDonald  
Vice President: Marty Barclay

Secretary/Treasurer:  
Mary Murray

Committee members

Bec Oehm,  
Carmel Price

Margaret Hall,  
Emma Cockburn.

John Hamblin has agreed to remain as the public officer, Our knowledgeable librarian Margaret Hall will continue in this post and she has agreed to help teach Emma Cockburn and Kay McDonald, as trainee librarians, so they are able to assist her in this momentous task. Margaret will also continue to co-ordinate the monitor's roster. Emma will continue to source any grants that may come along to help fund the group, while Kay and Mary will co-ordinate fund raising. Maree Myhill has resigned as newsletter editor and her place has been filled by Marty Barclay, who with Mary Murray are the publicity officers, The cemetery publications co-ordinators, who are working to update all the books are Emma and Kay. Finally, the group is grateful to Chris and Josh Oehm who once again have stepped up as maintenance officers.



The guest speaker on the day was Father Allen Crowe, who followed up on his successful launch earlier in the year by speaking to us about his recent publication on the Crowe family from Murringo. The AGM and party were attended by around 40 of our members who listened attentively to Father Allan and then enjoyed our 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration Afternoon Tea.

Happy snaps from the AGM and 40<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations.



## Rededication of ANZAC Window at St. John's Church Young

At St Johns Church Young on Sunday 12 November 2023 the Anzac Memorial window on the southern wall of the church is to be rededicated. A special service of Rededication will be held after Remembrance Day, on Sunday 12 November 2023 followed by morning tea. The window contains a list of names of men from Young and district who paid the supreme sacrifice in the Great War. The Church seek help to find relatives of those men as some of the names are still known locally. The church office may be contacted on 02 6382 1811. Further details will be provided when arrangements for the special service are finalised.

## A Recent Visitor to the Room Steph Cooke MP

Unable to attend our 40<sup>th</sup> birthday party Steph Cooke MP called into the room on Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> of August. She talked about her own family and was amazed by the records we have available to aid genealogical research both locally and worldwide. Steph chatted to an interstate visitor, Lorraine Santacatterina who had travelled from Atherton to do family research in the area and visited the room for help.



Steph Cooke MP, Lorraine Santacatterina, Margaret Hall and Marty Barclay



## A Very Successful Book Launch



On Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup> of September, one of our newer members, Karen Smith chose to launch her new book at an event held in our research room. The book is called "Boorowa, My Love: How a Town Sought Justice for Three People in Peril."

This book is a hybrid blend of fictional story with factual events. The fictional journalist Frances Mary Sheehan while working for The Burrowa News investigates three true crime cases, a murder an alleged attempted murder and a manslaughter. Karen spoke to her audience about these cases, and they very quickly became wrapped up in the stories and wanted to know more. For more of these fascinating stories you will have to buy her book I am afraid, as many of us did on Saturday.

Please contact Karen if you are interested in reading more:

[karenjanesmithg@gmail.com](mailto:karenjanesmithg@gmail.com)

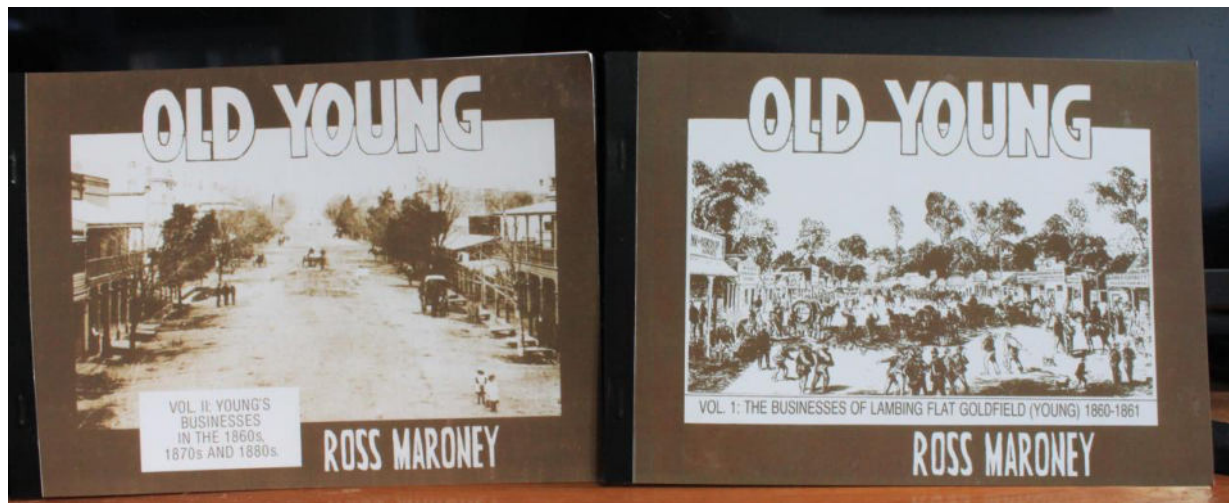
It was a fun morning, enjoyed by all who attended and so successful that we may try to organise more morning events at the room if there is interest in us doing that.

Do you have something you would like us to try and organise?

Please let us know by contacting Kay.



# REPUBLISHED BY POPULAR DEMAND



## TWO CLASSIC BOOKS BY ROSS MARONEY OLD YOUNG Vol. I and Vol. II

These two very popular books were originally published last century and contain many old photographs, newspaper clippings, stories and history of the town from the 1860s through to the turn of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century. The author, Ross Maroney has generously passed these into our hands for republishing. They are now available for purchase through the group to the general public and for other family history groups. These are modestly priced at \$25 each, postage for one book is \$12 and for both together within Australia is \$16 (in one bag). If you want to buy these books either email us at [youngfamilyhistory@bigpond.com](mailto:youngfamilyhistory@bigpond.com) or call into the room during our opening hours.

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### **\*\*Gift Vouchers Available- Get in Early for Christmas\*\***

Let your family or friends know about our great gift vouchers, especially if you have a birthday coming up! They can be used for research, certificates, or book purchases. Please contact Kay on 0409 606 429 for enquiries and purchase. A gift voucher could be a welcome gift for any researcher.

## A Genealogical Society of Queensland Conference



This is one to enjoy from the comfort of your own lounge chair. Too late for the early bird but price from 11 September 2023 is:

GSQ/QFHS Members \$60

Non-members \$70

Book online at: [www.gsq.org.au/events/](http://www.gsq.org.au/events/) Payment may be made by:

Credit card (online, by phoning GSQ 07 3349 6072 or at GSQ)

Cash (at GSQ)

Bank transfer (note details at time of ordering)

Cheque by post: GSQ, PO Box 1467, Carindale, QLD 4152

## RAHS Conference, Wagga Wagga

**The Way Ahead: Local and Community Histories for our Future Wagga RSL 21-22 October 2023.**

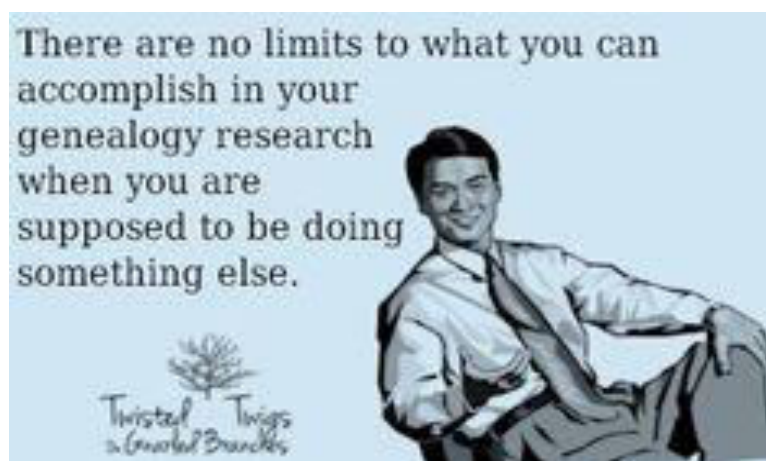
We recently emailed all our members about the Royal Australian Historical Society's annual conference which will be held in Wagga Wagga on the above weekend. RAHS President Dr Iain Stuart believes that everyone who attends will enjoy the talks and panel discussions that 'focus on history initiatives and practical how-to explanations that will inspire anyone involved or with an interest in local and community history'. It begins on the Friday evening with a welcome reception at the Museum of the Riverina Historic Council Chambers which will be hosted by the Wagga Wagga & District Historical Society.

Should be an opportunity to learn and socialise with others who have similar interests.

For more information and to book online, visit <https://www.rahs.org.au/2023-rahs-conference/> or call us on (02) 9247 9001

## Monitors Roster

<u>SEPTEMBER 2023</u>	<u>OCTOBER 2023</u>
SAT. 2 EMMA COCKBURN	WED. 4 MARGARET HALL
WED. 6 MARGARET HALL	SAT. 7 KAY McDONALD
SAT. 9 MARTY BARCLAY	WED. 11 MARTY BARCLAY
WED. 13 MARGARET HALL	SAT. 14 EMMA COCKBURN
SAT. 16 KAY McDONALD	WED. 18 MARGARET HALL
WED. 20 MARTY BARCLAY	SAT. 21 EMMA COCKBURN
SAT. 23 EMMA COCKBURN	WED. 25 KAY McDONALD
WED. 27 KAY McDONALD	SAT. 28 MARTY BARCLAY
SAT. 30 MARGARET HALL	
<u>NOVEMBER 2023</u>	<u>DECEMBER 2023</u>
WED. 1 MARGARET HALL	SAT. 2 KAY McDONALD
SAT. 4 KAY McDONALD	WED. 6 MARGARET HALL
WED. 8 MARTY BARCLAY	SAT. 9 EMMA COCKBURN
SAT. 11 EMMA COCKBURN	WED. 13 MARGARET HALL
WED. 15 KAY McDONALD	SAT. 16 MARTY BARCLAY
SAT. 18 EMMA COCKBURN	WED. 20 KAY McDONALD
WED. 22 MARGARET HALL	SAT. 23 CLOSED
SAT. 25 MARTY BARCLAY	WED. 27 CLOSED
WED. 29 MARGARET HALL	SAT. 30 CLOSED





## Have you visited our research room recently?



## Membership

A Membership form is included in this newsletter and must be completed together with your payment for the next financial year. Membership renewal was due 1st July 2023 but some of you may have forgotten and still wish to renew. All members must complete a new membership form and return it in person or via email when they renew their membership. Direct Deposit details are on the form, or you can call in to the research room during opening hours to pay your membership. If paying by direct deposit, please remember to include your name as the reference.



# YOUNG & DISTRICT FAMILY HISTORY GROUP INC.

## MEMBERSHIP FORM



Please complete the information below & return this form to Young & District Family History Group Inc.

**I/We (Name)** \_\_\_\_\_

**of (Address)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

I/We hereby apply for membership of the Young & District Family History Group Inc. In the event of my/our admission as a member/s, I/We agree to be bound by the current Constitution of the Group.

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

### Type of Membership applied for (please tick)

	Existing or New Members		New Members ONLY	
Ordinary	Full Year (1 <sup>st</sup> July-30 <sup>th</sup> June)	\$30.00	Half Year (1 <sup>st</sup> Jan-30 <sup>th</sup> June)	\$15.00
Family	Full Year (1 <sup>st</sup> July-30 <sup>th</sup> June)	\$40.00	Half Year (1 <sup>st</sup> Jan- 30 <sup>th</sup> June)	\$20.00
Student	Full Year (1 <sup>st</sup> July-30 <sup>th</sup> June)	\$10.00	Half Year (1 <sup>st</sup> Jan-30 <sup>th</sup> June)	\$5.00
Joining Fee	New Members	\$5.00	New Members	\$5.00
Donation	_____			

**Total amount payable** \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you previously been a member of YDFHG Inc.?** YES NO

If YES, when? \_\_\_\_\_ and/or previous membership number? \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you wish to receive the Lambing Flat Leader newsletter via email?** YES NO

**Do you wish to receive updates via email?** YES NO

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**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_ **Dated** \_\_\_\_\_

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