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#### Newsletter

Number 232

#### **WANTED FOR YOUR JOURNAL—see page 5**

The theme for our June Journal 246 is: **Medical Matters** 

Deadline for articles: Saturday 27 April 2024

February 2024

#### **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) Newcastle's 'beloved physician'. No one did more for TB sufferers in Newcastle than Dr Ethel Byrne.

Ethel Byrne matriculated from Maitland Girls High School and studied medicine at the University of Sydney. Male doctors still at war probably enabled her employment as the first woman resident medical officer at Newcastle Hospital in 1918, while the Spanish Flu epidemic catapulted her to the position of temporary medical superintendent in 1919.

Dr Byrne decided to specialise in pathology and in the mid-1920s set up private practice. She remained a consulting pathologist to Newcastle hospital. At the outbreak of the 1932 polio epidemic Dr Byrne became the Newcastle representative of the Infantile Paralysis Committee and later, in the face of criticism from many doctors, publicly supported the treatment methods of Sister Elizabeth Kenny.

But what about TB you are asking? From the 1920s until her death in 1957, when tuberculosis was a scourge, Dr Ethel Byrne worked long hours in the Newcastle chest clinic in King Street. It was the only such clinic in Australia which treated all patients free of charge. Then, in 1947 Newcastle became the first city in the Commonwealth to have a modern hospital solely specialising in the treatment of TB sufferers, based at Rankin Park. Dr Byrne gave up private practice to become the hospital physician and devoted herself to the patients' care. Her prodigious memory meant that she never had to check their files while doing her rounds.

After spending a year overseas looking at improvements in TB treatment in 1956 Dr Ethel Byrne became ill, sadly dying before her time in 1957.

If you would like to join by Zoom but feel you need some assistance, please contact our Secretary (email address above).



I'm very excited to welcome everyone back to the Society for another fabulous year spending time researching your family history as well as enjoying the company of others with a similar interest

I trust you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year and are ready to embrace all that 2024 has to offer.

A reminder to members and visitors that you can take advantage of our vast resources such as books, journals, maps, microfilm and microfiche records, CD and USB records, indexes, cemetery transcripts and local and family histories. Our computers have access to Find My Past and wifi is freely available throughout our rooms. The Society researches and writes publications of significance to family historians and produces a Journal four times a year as well as the monthly newsletter to keep you up to date on the Society happenings.

I look forward to seeing many of you visit our rooms in 2024.

Mel Woodford (President)



#### Zoom link for February meeting

Topic: February Monthly Meeting

Time: Feb 6, 2024 07:30 PM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83698003813? pwd=S2h6Um1sSUdsNIJKZnUyVk1FVDVSZz09

Meeting ID: 836 9800 3813

Passcode: 044032

### **Events and Outings**

#### **Future dates**

**6 February**—Monthly meeting—Jude Conway speaking about Dr Ethel Byrne (see page 1)

28 February—Candlemas Caledonian newsletter emailed

**1 March**—Excursion to Sugar Valley Library & Museum at Cameron Park followed by lunch (see page 4)

**5 March**—Monthly meeting—Louise Evans—From Hippocrates to Modern Day: Medical Terms and Facts

**16 March**—Seniors Open Day (see below and page 3)

2 April—Monthly meeting

7 April—Beginners' Course (more info to follow later)

**27 April**—Articles due for Journal 246 (see page 5)

7 May—Annual General Meeting

11 May—Print Orientation session (see page 9)

19 May—Sandgate Cemetery Tour

**25 May**—Digital Orientation session (see page 9)

28 May—Whitsunday Caledonian newsletter emailed

**4 June**—Monthly meeting

2 July—Monthly meeting—Christmas in July

**27 July**—Articles due for Journal 247 (see page 5)

6 August—Monthly meeting

28 August—Lamas Caledonian newsletter emailed

3 September—Monthly meeting

**1 October**—Monthly meeting

**12 October**—Print Orientation session (see page 9)

**26 October**—Digital Orientation session (see page 9)

**26 October**—Articles due for Journal 248

**5 November**—Monthly meeting

28 November—Martinmas Caledonian newsletter emailed

**1 December**—Christmas Fair (Christmas Once Upon a Time)

6 December—Christmas lunch

19 December—Library closes for Christmas/New Year break

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.

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# Seniors' Open Day Help Wanted

As part of our Seniors' Open Day, 16 March, we need your help please.

There are a number of ways you can assist:

- Can you spare an hour or two to show people around the NFHS rooms?
- Can you assist visitors with some suggestions on how to get started on their family history?
- Can you provide a plate for morning tea?
- Can you help on one of our stalls or sell raffle tickets?

If you can offer any assistance, please contact Mel on <a href="mailto:nfhspresident@gmail.com">nfhspresident@gmail.com</a>

You can read more information about the NSW Government's Seniors' Expo and Comedy Gala by following this link



# Free Seniors' Open Day

### **Newcastle Family History Society**

in conjunction with Newcastle Seniors Festival 2024



### Saturday 16 March 2024 10.30am-3.00pm

Mechanics Institute, 68 Elder Street, Lambton

- Tour our Heritage Building
- Family History Research Help
- Trade Tables

- Bookstall
- Raffle
- Morning tea \$5

All seniors and carers welcome

Website: <a href="www.nfhs.org.au">www.nfhs.org.au</a> Email: <a href="mailto:nfhsinc@gmail.com">nfhsinc@gmail.com</a>

Limited accessibility in parts of the building; wheelchair and walker access from De Vitre Street, next to Meals on Wheels driveway

# **Excursion - Sugar Valley Library and Museum**

Date: Friday 1 March 2024

Time: 10.00 am - meet at the venue

Venue: Sugar Valley Library and Museum, 156 Portland Drive, Cameron Park

Enjoy a great morning discovering what is available at the Sugar Valley Library Museum. The library offers a contemporary service for visitors with a multimedia and tech space, as well as a workshop area.

The museum, the first of its kind in Lake Macquarie, showcases the rich history of West Wallsend with the inaugural exhibition *Westy: we built this history*. Developed by Lake Mac Libraries in conjunction with the West Wallsend District Heritage Group, the exhibition presents the story of the region through enticing and immersive experiences, and objects portraying the life and times of this unique township.

You will be free to wander at your own pace reading the information and watching the videos etc. They also have a good West Wallsend section in their library.

We will follow this visit with lunch at Harrigan's, Cameron Park at 70 McKendry Drive.

You don't need to book to attend the library/museum however **you do need to book for lunch**. If you are going to attend, please contact Mel by <u>email</u> by Friday 23 February.



To view more information about both venues, click on the following links:

Sugar Valley Library and Museum

Harrigan's, Cameron Park

#### 23rd Psalm for Genealogists

Genealogy is my Past time I shall not stray It maketh me to lie down And examine half-buried tombstones It leadeth me into still courthouses It restoreth my Ancestral Knowledge It leadeth me into the Paths of Census Records And ships Passenger lists for my names sake Yes, though I wade through the Shadows of Research Libraries and Microfilm Readers I shall fear no Discouragement For a Strong urge is with me The curiosity and Motivation They comfort me It demandeth preparation of Storage Space For the Acquisition of Countless Documents It annointeth my Head with burning Midnight Oil
My family Group sheet runneth over Surely birth, marriage and death dates Shall follow me all the Days of my Life And I shall dwell in the House of a Family History Seeker Forever.





#### General

Welcome back to 2024. During the holiday period, our **online shop was happily working** for us and sales were posted over the Christmas/New Year period. And it's exciting to let you know that **since 1 January 2024 publications sales** by mail have raised **over \$200** for the **Society**. Three of these publications were written over five years ago by members of the Publications group.

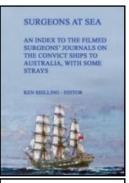
NFHS relies on publication sales to help pay for the important initiatives being undertaken by your Society. The Publications group only meets twice a year - in March and in October. The next meeting will be held on 15 March from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm. The rest of the time members work on their individual projects and keep in touch by email. Could you help in even a small way or could you suggest some topic that might become one of our Publications? Contact Jane on <a href="mailto:nfspublicationsofficer@gmail.com">nfspublicationsofficer@gmail.com</a> with any suggestions.

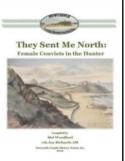
#### Special note to volunteer Librarians

Volunteer Librarians keep our doors open. Recently suggestions have been made by newer Librarians for a 'cheat sheet' to help them help visitors. A couple of Librarians are putting a sheet together but if you have any suggestions of strategies that might be added, please send them to <a href="mailto:nfhspublicationsofficer@gmail.com">nfhspublicationsofficer@gmail.com</a>.

The next time you do Library duty, if there is time, investigate the bookmarks that have been added to our Blue Room computers by the IT coordinator. Thank you Clive.

Jane Ison (Publications Group Coordinator)





### Journal and Newsletter

#### From the eTeam

We have a new editing team for the Society Journal – Marg Ashford has taken over Jane Ison's role as the content editor while Noelene Lowes will continue to organise the layout and formatting of the Journal. The eTeam will continue to work together to produce the high-quality Journal we know our members expect and appreciate!

#### 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. It's a very broad topic. We'll need those articles by **Saturday 27 April**.

#### September Journal (No 247)

Advance notice – the theme of this journal is **Down t' Pit**. Mining of many kinds has been a long-term feature of the Newcastle-Hunter district as well as in the places where many of our ancestors came from. Please start thinking about what you might write – articles would need to be submitted by **Saturday 27 July**.

#### Journal and Newsletter Deadlines

	Newsletter	Journal
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
October	14 September	
November	12 October	
December	16 November	26 October

#### **Submission of Articles**

For all issues, you can send your typed item to <a href="mailto:nfhseditor@gmail.com">nfhseditor@gmail.com</a> or deliver it to the Society library addressed to the Editor. We can also accept handwritten items if that's your preference.

Margaret Ashford (Editor, eTeam)

#### **Newsletter—Heads Up**

A heads up that I will be away this 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 <a href="mailto:nfbsnewsletter@gmail.com">nfbsnewsletter@gmail.com</a>

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, 68 Elder Street, Lambton, 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	1st Tuesday	Laraine Cross	nfhsresearch78@gmail.com
Scottish Family Research	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday – 1.00 pm—February to November	Mel Woodford	nfhspresident@gmail.com
English Ancestors	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	Karen Smith	abc26715@bigpond.net.au
DNA	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday – 1.00 pm	Sandra Jones	sjones11@bigpond.net.au
Irish Ancestors	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday—will be meeting at West Leagues Club at New Lambton	Pat Healion	pat.healion1@gmail.com
Cemetery Research	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	Pat Healion	pat.healion1@gmail.com
Ancestry Users	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday—February to November	Mel Woodford	nfhspresident@gmail.com
Scrapbooking	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday—April 2024 date to be confirmed	Karen Smith	abc26715@bigpond.net.au

#### **Cemetery Research SIG**

1st Thursday of each month at 10.00 am.

The Cemetery Research SIG will be meeting at 10.00 am on Thursday 1 February 2024 at the Society rooms. We will review work to date and plan our 2024 meetings. Please bring your notes from Stockton Breakwall.

Meeting place on Thursday 7 March to be decided. We will again be recording memorial plaques. Bring your phone/camera, pens, pencils and sheet to record data.

Please contact me at <a href="mailto:pat.healion1@gmail.com">pat.healion1@gmail.com</a> if you will be there.

Pat Healion (Facilitator)



#### Irish SIG

First meeting for 2024—Tuesday 27 February at 10.00 am at the NFHS rooms.

Are you interested in being a member of the Irish SIG? Sharing your Irish family stories, famous and infamous ancestors, Irish history and geography? Helping others break down brick walls and sharing successes, resources and ideas?

Please contact me at <u>pat.healion1@gmail.com</u> or 0427 577598 if you are interested in being part of this group.

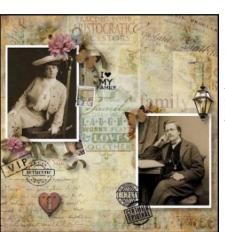
Pat Healion (Facilitator)



#### Scrapbooking SIG

As the Scrapbooking SIG group meeting falls on Anzac Day this year, an alternative date is to be confirmed.

Karen Smith (Facilitator)





### **Podcasts**

#### General

A few more podcasts have been recorded since the last newsletter. These are available for you to enjoy on the Newcastle Family History Society website by either clicking <u>here</u> or visiting our webpage and selecting the Podcasts tab from the home page. 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 the second and third episodes in a series about the 'Bad Girls' of the Newcastle Industrial School and Reformatory. In Episode 2, she continues the story of the Newcastle Industrial School and Reformatory looking at the early admissions, and the impact that the inadvertent but illegal admissions of older street-wise girls had on the school. Episode 3 looks at the riots that occurred at the Newcastle Industrial School, in particular the first riot in 1868. To listen to these podcasts, click <a href="here">here</a>.

#### The Wonderful World of Genealogy

Members Ken and Maree Shilling have recorded the first of a series of six episodes on the wonderful world of genealogy. Episode 1, titled Getting Started, is available now and gives some insights into genealogical research. To listen click here.

#### 'Felonious Females' - convict women sent to Newcastle and the Hunter Valley

The second episode in my Felonious Females series talks about the Roses from the Heart Female Convict Bonnets Initiative, a remarkable project to honour these women. To listen click <a href="here">here</a>.

Mel Woodford (President)

### YouTube

A reminder that at our monthly meetings, 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 on the Home page, or type 'YouTube Newcastle Family History Society' into your search engine.

Mel Woodford (President)

### Why History is Important

#### LOAN APPLICATION - WHY HISTORY IS IMPORTANT

If you doubt that some lawyers add real value, please read on. Sometimes lawyers really do have the best responses. The following is just one example:

Rebuilding New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina often caused residents to be challenged to prove home titles back hundreds of years. That is because of community history stretching back over two centuries, during which houses were passed along through generations of family, sometimes making it quite difficult to establish a paper trail of ownership.

A New Orleans lawyer sought an FHA (Federal Housing Administration) rebuilding loan for a client. He was told the loan would be granted upon submission of satisfactory proof of ownership of the parcel of property, as it was being offered as collateral.

It took the lawyer three months, but he was able to prove title to the property dating back to 1803. After sending the information to the FHA, he received the following actual reply from FHA:

'Upon review of your letter adjoining your client's loan application, we note that the request is supported by an Abstract of Title. While we compliment the able manner in which you have prepared and presented the application, we must point out that you have only cleared title to the proposed collateral property back to 1803. Before final approval can be accorded, it will be necessary to clear the title back to its origin.'

And here is the actual great letter the lawyer responded with:

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#### Scottish newsletter



The next issue of the *Caledonian* Scottish Newsletter will be emailed on 28 February 2024, being the Scottish quarter day of Candlemas.

Reminder that if you would like to be included on the email list for this newsletter, please send an email to Lea on <a href="mailto:nffsnews-letter@gmail.com">nffsnews-letter@gmail.com</a>.

Scottish SIG group



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'Your letter regarding title in Case No 189156 has been received. I note that you wish to have proof of title extended further than the 206 years already covered in the present application.

I was unaware that any educated person in this country, particularly those working with real property, would not know that Louisiana was purchased by the United States from France in 1803, the year of origin of title identified in our application.

For the edification of uninformed FHA bureaucrats, the title to the land prior to US ownership was obtained from France, which had acquired it by Right of Conquest from Spain. The land came into the possession of Spain by Right of Discovery made in the year 1492 by a sea captain named Christopher Columbus, who had been granted the privilege of seeking a new route to India by the Spanish monarch, Queen Isabella.

The good Queen Isabella, being a pious woman and almost as careful about titles as the FHA, took the precaution of securing the blessing of the Pope before she sold her jewels to finance Columbus' expedition. Now the Pope, as I'm sure you may know, is the emissary of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and God, it is commonly accepted, created this world.

Therefore, I believe it is safe to presume that God also made that part of the world called Louisiana. God, therefore, would be the owner of origin and His origins date back to before the beginning of time, the world as we know it, and the FHA.

I hope you find God's original claim to be satisfactory. Now, may we have our damn reconstruction loan?'

The loan was immediately approved. Not only is this one of the best emails, it is a great history lesson. (Unknown)

### Library News

#### **Library Roster**

Date	Librarian 1 (get key)	Librarian 2					
Saturday Library Roster							
Morning 9	Morning 9.45 am to 12.30 pm						
Afternoon	12.30 pm to	3.00 pm					
3 Feb am	Sharyn B	Sandra J					
3 Feb pm	Sharyn B	volunteer					
10 Feb am	Lea H	Nouvelle T					
10 Feb pm	Lea H	Nouvelle T					
17 Feb am							
17 Feb pm							
24 Feb am	Marie H						
24 Feb pm	Marie H	Jude C					
Thursday	Library Ros	ster					
1.00 to 3.0	0 pm						
1 Feb	Alison M	Clelia P					
8 Feb	Jane I	Rosalie B, Bert G					
15 Feb	Marilyn M	Jane I					
22 Feb	Karen S	Rosalie B					
29 Feb	Marilyn M	Jane I					

#### **Library Orientation Sessions**

Orientation sessions are very popular for our new Society members and once again we have scheduled dates for 2024. These sessions provide our members with confidence to use our wide variety of print and digital resources. Absolutely worth the time to attend.

The following are scheduled for 2024:

Print Orientation—Saturday 11 May and Saturday 12 October

Digital Orientation—Saturday 25 May and Saturday 26 October

To book your spot, send me an email on <a href="mailto:nfsorientation@gmail.com">nfsorientation@gmail.com</a>

Margaret Ashford, (Group Leader)



#### **Library Volunteers**

As we return to normal operations for 2024, we are again looking for Library volunteers to fill the gaps in between our regular volunteers. We currently still have a few vacancies for our February roster.

Can you help please?

Without volunteers, we are unable to keep the rooms open for our members and visitors to continue with their family history research.

If you could spare three hours to assist to fill these gaps, please complete the volunteer form at this link.

Once again, thanks to our wonderful volunteers.

Mel Woodford (President)



#### **Library News**

Members who have attended one of the Library Orientation sessions will know that the Surname Index is an important place to start looking for information. We have recently added about 50 new cards, and more will be added soon. So if you haven't looked in the index recently, it might be worth your while having another look for your elusive family names.

The Library Group has started the major task of revising the PAM Files. Temporarily, all Local History material related to Newcastle will be found in the top two drawers of the filing cabinet labelled 'Newcastle'. It is being sorted into more logical folders, including one called 'Photos' which contains some real treasures. It's well worth browsing just to see what interesting material is here.

Please remember that members are encouraged to borrow books to take home to read. You may borrow up to four books for a month. Just ask the volunteer on duty to record it in the Borrowing Record Book.

Jim MacDougall (Librarian)

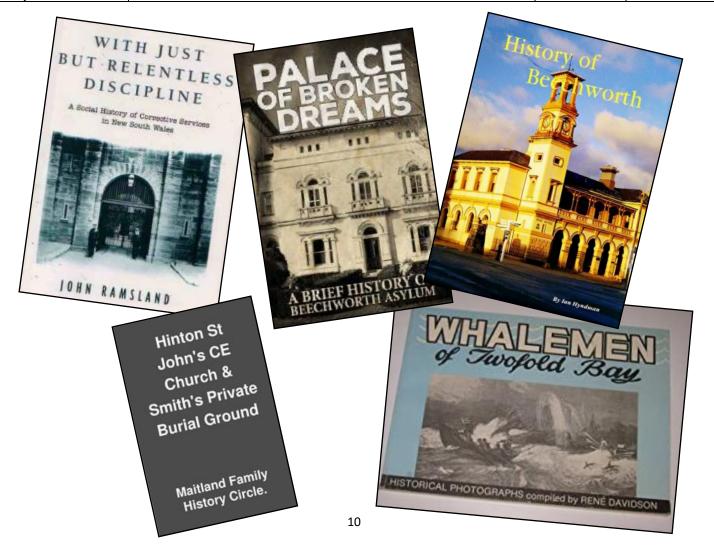




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#### **Library Acquisitions**

Creator	Title	Call No	Donated by
Ramsland, John	With just but relentless discipline: a social history of Corrective Services in New South Wales [1996]	AN7/68/05	
Brown, Geoff	Palace of broken dreams: a brief history of Beechworth Asylum [2017]	AV7/32/01	Sharon Nunn
Hyndman, Ian	History of Beechworth [1995]	AV7/01/02	Sharon Nunn
NSW Ambulance Transport Service, New- castle District	NSW Ambulance Transport Service, Newcastle District Thirty-third annual report and financial statement for twelve months ended June 30th 1954 [1954]	AH7/32/20	John Easton
Maitland Family History Circle	St John's CE Church Hinton & Smith's Private Burial Ground Hinton [2002]	AH5/15/126	Marilyne Cheers
Rutherford, A. A.	Newcastle the good (and the bad) old days: a short history of Newcastle compiled following a series of lectures, and suggested research delivered by J. W. Turner, MA,. Ph.D.	AH7/01/82	Vicki Willamson
Davidson, Rene	Whalemen of Twofold Bay [1988]	AN7/63/01	Sharon Nunn
Dennet,Colin J.	A war legacy [2018]	AN8.580/01/02	Sharon Nunn
State Library of NSW & Newcastle Art Gallery	Treasures of Newcastle from the Macquarie era [2023]	AH7/35/04	Ken Shilling
Notley, Dennis	Australian bushrangers [2023]	A7/15/06	Dennis Notley
Merewether National Surfing Committee	Merewether National Surfing Reserve [2009]	AH7.291/30/01	
Murray, Joan	A visit to Christ Church Cathederal, Newcastle NSW	AH7/85/32	





### 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).

#1311 Joanne Real, Mt Isa, Qld

Sharyn Boyce (Membership Registrar)

### Miscellaneous

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Publications	nfhspublicationsof- ficer@gmail.com
Research	nfhsresearcher@gmail.com
Sandgate group	nfhssandgategroup@gmail.com
Used book sales	nfhslibrarian@gmail.com
Webmaster	nfhswebmaster@gmail.com

### Password for member area of website

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

Note: 68Elder is all one word.

#### **Snippers Group**

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

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#### **Attachments from other Societies**

Wyong FHG—4 week course—Beginning Your Family History—commencing 12 February 2024

Wyong FHG—General Meeting—3 February—Speaker Robert Patton—In the Footsteps of Ancient Travellers

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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.

Mel Woodford (President)

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#### **Disclaimer**

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### Changes in the kitchen

During the annual clean, the kitchen cupboards were finally organised. All paper goods (toilet paper, hand towels and tissues) were moved to the cupboard below the kettle. Tea towels are in the top drawer and hand towels, kitchen tidy bags and rubber gloves are in the second drawer.

All cleaning products are now under the sink.

The white cupboard has been reorganised. Teapots and jugs were moved to the top shelf. The large plastic crates on the bottom shelf contain crockery, tablecloths and throw overs. Spare tea, coffee, sugar and biscuits are at eye level - right where they always were.

Jane Ison

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	9.30-11.30am— Library Group 10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	1pm—Scottish SIG		10am—Ancestry Users 1-3pm—Library open	9.30am-3.30pm— Publications print- ing 11am-1pm— Publications meet- ing	10am-3pm— Library open 10.30-3pm— Seniors Open Day
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		10am— Scrapbooking 1-3pm—Library open		10am-3pm— Library open
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## April

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	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		10am-3pm— Library open
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Beginner's Course	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 Submissions due for May newsletter
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA	10am-2pm— Snippers	10am— Management Com- mittee 1-3pm—Library open	9.30am-3.30pm— Publications print- ing	10am-3pm— Library open
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	9.30-11.30am— Library Group 10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	10am—Irish Ancestors		Library closed  ANZAC DAY		10am-3pm— Library open Articles due for Journal 246
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	10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests					

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Red—SIG Groups Blue—Volunteer Groups Green—Courses Purple—Meetings Black—Library Open Brown—Events			1 10am-2pm— Snippers	10am—Cemetery SIG 1-3pm—Library open	3	10am-3pm— Library open
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	10am—Convicts in Australia 6.00-7.25pm— Library open 7.30pm—AGM Meeting		10am—Ancestry Users 1-3pm—Library open	9.30-12.00— Editing meeting— Journal 246	9-11am—Library Orientation (Print) 10am-3pm— Library open Submissions due for June newsletter
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	9.30-11.30am— Library Group 10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	1pm—Scottish SIG	10am-2pm— Snippers	10am— Management Com- mittee 1-3pm—Library open	9.30am-3.30pm— Publications print- ing Cover printing— Journal 246	10am-3pm— Library open
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Sandgate Ceme- tery Tour	10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	10am—English Ancestors 1pm—DNA		10am— Scrapbooking 1-3pm—Library open	9.30-12.00— Journal printing— Journal 246	9-11am—Library Orientation (Digital) 10am-3pm— Library open
26	27	28	29	30	31	
	9.30-11.30am— Library Group 10.30am—Coffee and Chat, Wests	10am—Irish Ancestors Caledonian newsletter to be emailed		1-3pm—Library open		