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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 **\$40.00** 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 + PH
Marengo by Dugald Walker	\$40.00 + \$18.00 P&H
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)

Evermore by Fr. Allan Crowe	\$25.00 + P&H
Fairview by Fr. Allan Crowe	\$40.00 + P&H

As well as the historical novel based on fact and set in Boorowa,

Boorowa my Love- How a town sought justice for three people in Peril

by Karen Smith \$25.00 + P&H

'The Wayback' to Burrangong, Beyond the Myths and Stories by John Sidney Hamblin \$40.00 + P&H

President's Message

Dear Members, here we are again, back with lots more news and updates for you. I hope you are all enjoying this beautiful Autumn weather.

Lots of things have been happening in the research room, we have acquired 2 new desks for our "readers," and this has opened the room up and makes things look more up to date, in doing this we have had "floor power points" installed and this now makes it possible for researchers who visit the room to plug their laptops in if they are sitting at the work tables.

Don't forget, if you are visiting us in the coming winter months, that the room is beautifully heated for your comfort.

After extensive advertising recently we have been lucky enough to have two new researchers come forward and offer their experience to help us with research and keeping the room open for you and the general public. This is wonderful!! When you visit the room you will get to meet these helpful ladies, they come with a wealth of knowledge, so please call in and meet Karen and Lee. Thank you for joining us ladies, I hope you enjoy volunteering with us.

I want to say a BIG THANK YOU to member Patrick Watkin, Patrick was an immense help to us in moving lots of chairs for John Hamblin's book launch, he has also delivered some of the local newsletters and our information pamphlets as well as doing a couple of odd jobs for us. Much appreciated Patrick.

Member Karen Smith recently gave a very interesting informal talk on her research tips, this was very well received, thank you Karen for doing this. If you missed this talk, we hope to do a few more of these through the year, so keep an eye out on your email for notices. See report and photos in this edition. Please let us know if you have any particular research topics you think would be interesting and useful for these talks.

We had a very packed research room for John Hamblin's book launch, "The Wayback to Burrangong," this proved to be an extremely popular event with 63 people in attendance, we didn't know our little room could hold this many people!! Thank you all for coming !! Report and photos in this edition. We actually had Sarah Musgrave's great niece visit us this week, she came to purchase John's book.

Members Sue Wilkes and Chris Murphy along with Sue Gordon are also volunteering their time. Sue W & Chris are working on copying and cataloguing Patterson Bros funeral dockets from years gone by, when these have been completed, they will be bound and put on our shelves for your research benefit. Sue Gordon is working on cataloging past funeral announcements as well as Cadet information and lots of other things, your time is very much appreciated ladies, as this all makes for great research information in our room.

We seem to have been very busy lately when the research room is open, we had 9 people visit us on one day recently, we also had visitors from Texas, (see photos in this edition) and England, all chasing, and with our help, finding their ancestors who lived in Young, some of them in the 1860's, it is very fulfilling to be able to help these people.

Please come and visit your research room, we would love to see you and help you in finding your past.

Until next time, happy researching,

Kay McDonald – President.

News From the Room Librarian's Report May 2024

Our library continues to grow and these are our new acquisitions now available to help in your research,

Young Pioneers -The Lives of Peter John Rhall & Mary Ann Cranfield	A4/RHA/131
Historical Guide to New South Wales	AN7/86/1
Stockinbingal – Our Family Stories	AN3/80/46
Wyong Shire Grave Diggers Book	AN5/15/56
Rt. Rev. Monsignor Jerome Hennessy, Pastor of St. Mary's Young	A4/HEN/132
Wallendbeen WW1 Service Personal Profiles	AN5/70/11
The Lost Diggers	AN5/70/12
Phil Barton – The Man from Picnic Hill	A4/BAR/133
The Convict Settlers of Australia	A7/14/3
Irish Woman in Colonial Australia	A7/19/2
The Glint of Gold – A History & Tourist Guide of the Gold Fields	
of the Central West of N.S.W.	AN7/15/2
Gundaroo – The Relic of 19 th Century Australia	AN8/01/58
The Long Farewell	A7/18/10
Buried Alive - Sydney 1788-92	AN7/10/5
1788 - The People of the First Fleet	AN3/32/1
Home Girls – Cootamundra Aboriginal Home Girls	AN7/06/2
The Life of an Ordinary Fellow – Alan Kinlyside	A4/KIN/134
"Fairview" Murringo Flats, N.S.W. – The History of the Ancestral	
Land of the Crowe Family	A4/CRO/135
The Paisley Weavers – The Morrison Journey from Rags to Riches	A4/MOR/136
Electoral roll – Subdivision of Young 1966	AN5/25/40
Roll of Electors & Rate Payers – Young 1959-1960-1961	AN5/25/11.b
Electoral Roll Supplement – 1977 – Subdivision of Hume	AN5/25/33.b

Roll of Electors - Young 1991

Electoral Roll - Young - 1995

Electoral Roll - Young - 1999

AN5/25/24.b

AN5/25/40

AN5/25/41

Margaret Hall, librarian.

Genealogy is about stories—
Names and dates without
context have very little
meaning—Learning about
the lives of our ancestors,
what they did; where they
lived; what they saw and
heard around them is what
makes genealogy such a
fascinating pursuit.

A New Graduate among us



In March one of our members travelled to Tasmania to graduate with a Bachelor of Arts (History Major.)

Having restarted study in her 60s Marty Barclay completed the Diploma of Family History at the University of Tasmania before embarking on the journey to a B.A.

Congratulation to Marty from all of us, how lucky are we to have Marty's talents to assist with our research and the many and varied tasks we carry out in the room.

Book Launch

On the morning of the 14^{th} February, we had a very successful gathering at the room to launch the latest book by local man and member, John Hamblin.

John brought with him well known local historian, Ross Maroney and Geoff Snowden a descendant of the Cowell family of Burrangong as guests, and an enthralled audience listened to talks from all three men.



John Hamblin, Ross Maroney, Geoff Snowden and our crowded research room (photographs, Emma Cockburn and Maree Myhill)

John's book, *The Wayback to Burrangong*, is a new and thoroughly researched account of the European settlement of the area and it dispels some myths and adds some new characters to the story. John's book is available for sale at our research room and at the Hunting Ground (Gilbert's Store), Boroowa Street, Young.

Visitors from Texas

In December 2023, the Young & District Family History Group received a request for research from Mark Deans who lives in Texas, USA that is not Queensland, about his paternal grandfather, Stanley Thomas Deans (1893-1967)

All that Mark knew was that his father, Edward Deans, was born at Young on 24 Dec 1921, and his grandparents were born elsewhere, (Stanley Deans was born at Gulgong in 1893, and Manaan Deans (nee Long) was born at Young in 1887). The researcher was Karen Smith.

Stanley enlisted in the Australian Military Forces and served in World War I as a signaller. His record is publicly available on the National Archives of Australia website: Items listing (naa.gov.au). Stanley Deans was granted a Soldier Settlement Block on the Marengo Road, Young on the 9 Nov 1916. Karen was able to locate the block using the NSW Land Registry Services site (Parish and Historical Maps tab).

In 1917 at Young Stanley married Manaan Jane Long and it appears that they had their children at Young,

- 1. Thomas S Deans: born at Young in 1920
- 2. Edward Noel Deans: AS MENTIONED ABOVE.
- 3. Henry Spencer Deans: born in 1925

Stanley lost his soldier settlement block of land in 1921. He was not alone in that fate as did many others struggled to hold on to the land they were given. The 1930 Electoral Roll shows Stanley was working as a "Railway Employee".

In March 2024, Mark, his wife & cousin visited the Young & District Family History research room and met up with Karen and Kay McDonald. Karen showed the group how to find out more about Stanley's military service and how to access Trove articles about Stanley as well as articles he had penned himself. Kay then took the trio for a tour, where they were shown the block of ground that had belonged to Stanley. After that the trio did a spot of shopping at Annie B's where they purchased some lovely aprons and tea towels with a map of Young on them to take home to Texas.

Mark with his wife, researcher Karen Smith, Kay McDonald and Annie B



A Story from our Research

(previously published in the *Young Witness*)

George and Isabella Summerhayes nee Saywell, Settlers at Young

In the last newsletter I related the story of Isabella Saywell's arrival from Calais as a child, but the same detailed information has not yet been found for the young man she married, George Summerhayes.

George was born in a small English village called Curry Rivel in the county of Somerset in 1837. He and his cousin Simon are thought by the family to have travelled to Victoria together during the Gold Rush. Simon chose to remain in that state, but George followed the Gold to Lambing Flat where on the 8th of October 1865 at St John's Anglican Church in Young, George Summerhayes married 17-year-old Isabella Saywell. As a young married couple, they went to live near Bulla Creek (Monteagle) at Fourteen Mile Creek where they farmed and George looked for gold. George's first records of land purchases were for two portions, one of 2 acres where his gold mine was situated, and an adjoining 60 acres. A grandson was told the story of his "pioneering" Grandparents who on their wedding night, "stripped bark from the trees to make a bed and shelter."

George was a successful farmer, grazier, and perhaps miner too as over the years his acres of land increased. So did the children of the family with nine born at the farm. The farm now had the name Pioneer Farm.

George and Isabella bought land in the town of Young and the older children attended school there but spent summer on the farm. They built a row of cottages in Main Street where the Federation Hotel now stands. The family lived in number 9 and the others were leased or sold. The youngest children were born in town, sadly one child Lucy Emma died at five months old.

In 1901, George sold his farm to Francis Gerard of Moss Vale. Three years earlier George had won an award for the best cultivated farm within a radius of fifteen miles from Young.

George Summerhays died at Young on 4^{th} December 1917 but Isabella lived for another ten years in her cottage at Main Street. Isabella died at Young in 1928, eighty years after the 'Agincourt' set sail from England.

Mr and Mrs Summerhayes lived from the 1860s in the Young area where they brought up eleven children and still have descendants around the district today.

Summerhayes Cottages



Researcher, Marty Barclay

Fire Brigade Raffle Presentation

Recently the Young Fire Brigade presented our group with a cheque for funds which was raised from their Christmas raffle. Each year some of our members volunteer to sell tickets for this well-known and patronized annual event which brings in useful funds for many local not-for-profit groups. Thank you to Young Fire Brigade, our volunteer ticket sellers and all who purchased tickets in this raffle.



President Kay McDonald, Dick Donges and treasurer Mary Murray

"Tip of the Issue."

Finding the next Generation; Identify someone in the family who would be interested in picking up the baton as the family's historian. If it isn't one of your children or grandchildren, what about a niece, nephew, or younger cousin? Work alongside them now and then, when the time is right give them your files. Consider putting this in your will so there is no misunderstanding in case something happens before you can transfer the files yourself. Don't risk your precious work becoming land fill.

Save the Date - AGM

Our AGM will be held at 2 p.m. on the Saturday the 10th August 2024 in the Flamingo Room at the Young Services Club, 42 Cloete Street, Young. Our speaker this year will be Dr Paul Sevier. Paul has spoken to our group in the past, but it was several years ago and he has so many stories about life and his adventures over the years as a country GP. Please come along and enjoy the afternoon with your fellow members. A membership renewal is attached to this newsletter, which is due before the 1st of July 2024, as is a nomination form for office bearers. The current committee are always looking for volunteers to help in the rooms and with our research.

Have you visited your research room recently?

Research Talk for Members

Saturday afternoon the 20th April 2024 saw member Karen Smith give a talk to an interested group of eager members on her researching skills. This was held in our research room at 2 Campbell Street and proved to be a very informative couple of hours. It was an informal gathering with hands-on examples of how to find things on the computer as well as answering questions

and explaining things like finding probate packages, war records, nationalization, NSW state

archives collection and much more.



they are free of charge.

THANK YOU so much Karen for taking the time to talk to us and suppling back up information from the day.

Pictured are members L to R: Kay McDonald, Sally Hoffman, Pauline Carmody, Jan Walker, Maree Myhill and sitting are Kate Sevier and researcher/speaker Karen Smith. Marty Barclay also attended and took the photo.

We hope to hold another information day in August, date and topic to be advised, keep an eye out for an email with all the information, closer to the date. All members are welcome to attend these talks,

A Big Thank You to Ray White Real Estate, Young



Bailey Coombes from Ray White Real Estate Young is presented with an appreciation certificate from Kay McDonald, President of Young & District Family History Group in appreciation for drone photos taken by him which will be used to aid future cataloguing of graves at the Young Monumental Cemetery that the family history group are working on.

Gift Vouchers Available



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, or just call into the room during opening hours. A gift voucher could be a welcome gift for any researcher.

Virtual Events and Matters of Interest for Genealogists - attend in the comfort of your own armchair,

just follow the link



Link, https://digdeeper24.org/index.php



Convict Tattoo

Female Convicts in the Spotlight

Newcastle FHS has released a series of podcasts 'Felonious Females' This society has been publishing podcasts since September 2023 and there are many interesting short episodes among them. You can listen on many devices including your phone or home computer or perhaps on a drive.

This is the link to them all, https://nfhsit.podbean.com/



FCRC Research Seminar - Zoom Webinar, Sunday 5 May 2024



"Freedom: Time served, moving on"

This seminar will focus on the pathways to freedom for convict women and will explore the many different lives they led once emancipated. Presentations will examine the different types of freedom, the varied stories of some interesting individual convicts, female convicts turned publicans, and those who left Australia after serving their sentence - a lot more than you would think 'went home'!

The 'Jane Hadden Play' will be performed by Martine and Edward Batt.

Information & full program: www.femaleconvicts.org.au

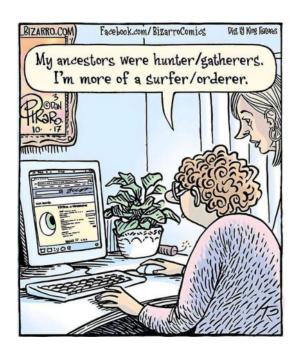
Attendance AUD 40.00 (+ 50c booking fee)

Welcome and official opening at 9.00am

LOCATION, Online event access details will be provided by the event organiser

CONTACT DETAILS

Webinar and Event Organiser Contact Link: https://www.trybooking.com/CPAHU



A New Layout of your Research Room





Did you know we have Find My Past and Family Search available for your use in the research room free of charge?

Why not call in try it.

We are here to help you.

MONITORS ROSTER

LIBRARY OPEN HOURS:

WEDNESDAYS: 10.00AM TO 2.30PM and SATURDAYS: 10.00AM TO 1.00PM

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Our knowledgeable monitors will be found on duty at our room during opening hours.

Wednesday, 10.00 am-2.30 pm Saturday between 10.00am-1.00 pm.

I resolve to have each of my children baptized in a different church – either in a different faith or in a different parish. Every third child will not be baptized at all or will be baptized by an iterant minister who keeps no records.

Membership

A Membership form is included in this newsletter. Membership renewal is due 1st July 2024. All members must complete a new membership form and return it in person or via email when they renew their membership. New members are always welcome so encourage your friends to join us. 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



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Family	Full Year (1st July-	30 th June) \$	40.00		Jan- 30 th June)	\$20.00
Student	Full Year (1st July-	30 th June) \$	10.00	Half Year (1st	Jan-30 th June)	\$5.00
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Nomination Form

YOUNG & DISTRICT FAMILY HISTORY GROUP INC. NOMINATION FORM



Election of Office Bearers & Committee Members Young & District Family History Group Inc. AGM date I (must be financial member) (please print name below) hereby nominate (name of financial candidate) (please print) for the position of (please tick desired position) President Vice President Secretary Treasurer Committee Signature of Proposer Date Signature of Seconder Date **Consent of Candidate** Candidate's Name I am willing to take on this role if I am elected to the position at the Annual General Meeting of the Young & District Family History Group Inc. & work within the rules of the Group's Constitution. Signature of Candidate Date Please return this form to the Secretary no later than 14 days prior to the date of the AGM by email or hand delivered to the Research Room, 2 Campbell Street, Young. Address: PO Box 586 Young NSW 2594 02 63824045 (during opening hours) Phone: Email: youngfamilyhistory@bigpond.com Website: www.younganddistrictfamilyhistorygroup.com/