

KIN TRACER



Leap into Spring with the September edition of Kin Tracer. We have news from the Genealogy world, suggestions for research, and people who can hopefully help with your family puzzles. Do you have anything you wish to see in your magazine? Anything you might need in the way of resources at the Centre? Get in touch, let us know. Better still, Come and visit. Have a cuppa and a chat. We are here to help.

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Sunshine Coast Council Community Partnership funding assist with costs of our publishing program, including our titles, "And Their Names Shall Live Forever: Book 2 Small Cemeteries" and "Distinction

by Merit: A history of the Nambour Rural School".

A current CPCH grant assists with basic running costs to enable us to offer additional facilities and services.

Sunshine Coast Council Major Grant funding the GSC Learning for Life Community Hub, a 2016 grant for our "Keeping Cool with Solar" project and 2017 new Desktop Computers.

The above support is very much appreciated as we continue to improve our current facilities for the benefit of our whole community.

Sunshine Coast Cultural Heritage - Heritage Levy - Regional Collection Support Program 2017 for a Cloud Storage Project to create online access and backup for a series of Sunshine Coast indexes and data storage - completed 2019.

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Are you 55+ and not working? You can spend 15 hours a week volunteering at our Resource Centre. Morning tea available. BYO Lunch. Enquiries at Reception.



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GSC's Aim/Vision – *To discover, share and preserve.*

Mission Statement – *Sunshine Coast Historical and Genealogical Resource Centre Inc is a Not-For-Profit Organisation run by volunteers. Our goal is to provide quality facilities for the community to research local history and genealogy, using Australian and world-wide resources. We offer innovative, interactive opportunities for life-long learning in a safe, supportive and social environment.*

EDITORIAL

Welcome to another edition of Kin Tracer!

Firstly, without Carolyn Slade and Wendy McMullin, there would not have been any Kin Tracer for June nor September! I have been snowed under with study and exams... and now I have embarked on an adventure with my husband, David and son, Stephen, visiting family and travelling around the UK. So, THANK YOU very, very much. I would be lost without you both!

11th January this year marks 50 years since the proclamation of the end of Australian involvement in the Vietnam War. I've spent a bit of time mulling over the fact that our kids have no idea what this even means. They have grown up in a time of peace (thankfully) and we can never say thank-you enough to those who have served our nation in the past and present.

Angela James.

WELCOME TO NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS

We look forward to meeting you and helping you with your family research.

Don't forget to add your names of interest to our GSC Members Interest list.

A spreadsheet format is available to add names of families, places they lived, ships they arrived on and dates. Or you can export a list from your genealogy software. Just ask and we will help you format the list so we can combine it with the research interests of our current members. We also have interest lists from over 2000 members who have been part of our group, so perhaps you share an ancestor somewhere in our group.



We would like to extend a warm welcome to the following people. If you see them around please make the time to say hi.

JUNE:

Linda Shipley
Glynn Donnelly
Amanda Murphy
Karen Besley
Val Tooher

July Nil

AUGUST

John Baird
Dianne Burns
Trevor Bailey
Mercia Dawn Hawkins
Andrew Taggart

Hints for new and current members using our Genealogy Sunshine Coast library

1. The library is housed in two sections – the front room for local and Queensland resources and the back for Australian and overseas resources.

2. Our system works on colour codes, eg local - , Queensland – yellow, a colour for each Aust. State, and overseas, e.g. UK –red, Irish- Green.

The list index of colours for Australian states and overseas countries is found on the end of first bookcase, left hand side after walking through the connecting door.

Australian places are also catalogued under Post Codes.

Queensland codes are listed in a folder on top shelf extreme left hand end of the local section.

The back room also houses a collection of CDs (colour coded for states), fiche in boxes for Australian States and Overseas, Australian Immigration and Shipping, Biographies and a Military Section.

We also have some local and overseas maps and a digital collection of local photographs.

The NAS drive on our computer system lists names and subject matter in our collection, excluding book contents, making it simple to find locations of our resources.

If in doubt, ask a librarian.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Getting back on track after COVID has not been as fast as we might have expected. However, in reviewing the twelve months up to the end of June 2023, I have found it to be more positive than I thought.

July 2022 was our first experience of holding a display at the Nambour Garden Expo. Preparation was done several weeks prior to the expo - photos sorted, mock-up of stand done so that at the time of set up, it could be completed quickly and with a minimum of fuss and confusion.

"The Palmwoods Pavement Project" book, a memory of all those who contributed to both the Palmwoods Pavement and the

wider community over generations, was launched on 26 October 2022 by Jenny McKay. We hosted a visit from Yandina Probus Club members on 8 May 2023 to showcase the resources at Genealogy Sunshine Coast. The Probus members thanked GSC members for an enjoyable morning and most were surprised by the quantity of research material available in our library. We held an Open Day on May 27, 2023. Once again, the usual GSC Members supplied morning tea for this successful event. Some people just wanted specific information and some wanted to research their family tree.

I would like to thank Sunshine Coast Council for their support with the Community Partnership funding of \$5000 which allows us to fund items that help increase membership and provide additional services to our members by allowing us to divert basic running costs such as electricity, security, insurance costs, water, rates, and internet fees. We have also been awarded a Minor Grant (\$1375) that will go towards the updating of digital equipment to create shareable records and images for local and Sunshine Coast history.

We are deeply thankful to our members who volunteer their services to support the organisation by cleaning toilets, vacuuming the floors, dusting the shelves in the library, catering for workshops and events and cleaning up afterwards, and all the other necessary housekeeping tasks that we often take for granted. We also thank the members who volunteer their time and skills to assist other newer and/or less experienced members in their search for their ancestors, those who assist in the digitising of local and family history by scanning and indexing local newspapers, so that this information will be available for future generations to research. They also act as daily face of the organisation, meeting members coming into GSC, signing up new members, receipting membership fees and donations, shelving library books and general housekeeping while they are on duty.

Sunshine Coast Council has supported us again with the Community Partnership funding and also a Minor Grant, which allows us to fund items that help increase membership and provide additional services to our members, including utilities and updating digital equipment.

I would like to give special thanks to Milli - Janelle Kafcaloudis - for her contribution over the past few years. Milli has taken time away from the Genealogy Sunshine Coast to attend to health and family matters. Since then, we have been made more and more aware of just how much she gave as we try to fill her shoes. We look forward to her return.

Without the joyful unstinting contribution made by those members who volunteer, Genealogy Sunshine Coast could not have come this far and I am sure it will continue into the future. Sadly, the number of "volunteers" has dropped since the advent of Covid but we are hoping to build up the numbers as new members join and past volunteers come back.

Christine Cutler.



MONTHLY SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

COME AND JOIN US

DNA DISCUSSION GROUP: 3rd Monday of every month from 1:00 pm. to 3:30 pm.

Bob May shares his extensive knowledge of DNA and its relevance to family history research. Come and share a cuppa with the group and find out more about the subject.

IRISH GROUP: 2nd Tuesday of every month from 9.30 am. to 12:00 pm.

Join this very active Interest Group which continues to make great progress in unravelling and unearthing the myriad of information available to assist with the search for Irish ancestral origins and in unravelling some fascinating aspects of Irish history.

WRITERS' GROUP: 4th Tuesday of the month from 9.30 am. to about 12:00pm.

We all have plans to write our family story. Come along and share ideas on how to go about the task and gain practice in creative writing on a variety of themes. We are happy to help you arrange your family story in book form for printing and print it for you. Binding is limited to a good quality spiral binding. Other forms of binding can be arranged elsewhere.

ROOTS MAGIC and FAMILY SEARCH etc: Hands-on help 3rd Tuesday of every month 1.00 pm. to 3.30 pm. Jan and Virginia are available to help with Roots Magic, Family Search, Findmypast and Ancestry family trees and software.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2023:

MONTHLY MEETING – Saturday 21st October Bring along a baby or childhood photo of yourself. We will have a competition to see if we can recognise who these gorgeous little people are. The 21 st to 29 th October is Children's Week in Australia.

BEGINNER'S CLASS with Nerida: November 11th & 12th - 9am to 4 pm; \$10 a day, Bookings essential. BYO your own lunch.

MONTHLY MEETING – Saturday 18 th November
Wear your best hat – maybe your gardening hat or a Christmas hat. Join in the fun.

25th NOVEMBER: Roots Magic 9 Workshop 9.30 am to 11.30 am. **Afternoon Session:** Using Google Search. Members \$8.00 per session, \$15 full day **Non-members** \$15 per session \$25 full day
Bring along your donations for the Christmas Hampers. Tickets are 5 for \$2.00. A good fund raiser for us as well as a great prize if you win.

MONTHLY MEETING; CHRISTMAS PARTY– Saturday 16th December.

Bring your Christmas cheer and wear your Christmas gear. The meeting will be quick before lots of food and fun. Please bring a plate of food to share. We will be drawing the Christmas Hampers.



GSC Members will be taking a **well-earned break from December 16th to 15th January 2004 when we reopen.** No General Meeting in January. Committee meeting as usual.

IRISH SEMINAR – 17 February 2024: More news and information to come.



RECIPROCAL ARRANGEMENTS

Due to fluctuating COVID-19 restrictions, please check opening hours before attending.

QUEENSLAND FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

46 Delaware Street, Chermside, Brisbane. Ph: 07 3355 3369

Opening Hours:- Monday (2nd & 3rd Mondays only) 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Tuesday 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Wednesday 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Thursday 10:00 am to 3:00pm
Saturday 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Sunday 12:00 am to 4:00 pm

<http://www.qfhs.org.au>

We also have two Queensland Family History Society membership cards available for use by our current members. These may be collected from our Resource Centre prior to your visit to Brisbane, but must be returned to Genealogy Sunshine Coast.

If you plan a visit to any of the following societies, take your current Genealogy Sunshine Coast Membership Card with you. You will be charged their daily fee, not the visitor's fee at these societies:

CALOUNDRA FAMILY HISTORY RESEARCH INC.

Opening Hours: Thursdays (except the 3rd Thursday) 9:30 am to 4:00 pm.

Third Thursday: 9:30 am to 12:00 noon, followed by the monthly meeting.

Saturday 9:30 am to 12:30 pm;

3rd Saturday in each month 9.30 am to 4.00 pm.

Sunshine Coast Turf Club, 170 Pierce Avenue, Caloundra. Ph: 0450 297 939 **<http://www.caloundrafamilyhistory.org.au>** Email:**hello@caloundrafamilyhistory.org.au**

LANDSBOROUGH & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

4 Maleny Street, Landsborough. Ph: 5494 1755

Opening Hours: Wednesday to Sunday, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

<http://www.landsboroughmuseum.org.au>

GYMPIE FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

1 Chapple Street, Gympie. Ph: 54828211

Library Hours: Wed. 9:30 am to 2:00 pm; Friday 9:30 am to 12:00 pm; Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 pm

<http://www.gympiefhs.gympie.com.au>

COOROY-NOOSA GENEALOGICAL & HISTORICAL RESEARCH GROUP

17 Emerald Street, Cooroy. Ph: 3129 0356

Opening Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 9:30 am to 1:00 pm

<http://www.genealogy-noosa.org.au>

VALE MERLE ALICIA BLACK NEE JACKSON - LIFE MEMBER NO. 92.

Merle was born 1943 in Carlton Victoria to David Jackson and Alice Cameron. She worked in Victoria as a telephonist, a secretary and in retail.

Merle joined GSC in 1989 after a promise made to her husband that she would find the father he not seen since childhood. She quickly became hooked by the quiz of research and was probably the society's fastest learner.

She took over running Beginner's Genealogy Workshops and through these workshops brought in large amounts of much-needed funds and dozens of new members. She was sought out to give talks, seminars and workshops because of her dedication to detail, accuracy of recording and her quick and delightful sense of humour.

Merle was always a willing worker and offered to do research for other people, often finding relatives where others failed. She was also actively involved in the first Cemetery Recording Group. Her contribution to the work is evident in the superb set of local cemetery record books we now hold.

Merle's Dad soon became part of our company, attending special days and helping out with various things. There is a reminder of his service in the sign "DAVE'S KITCHEN", hanging on the kitchen wall.

Merle's daughter has generously donated to our society research papers, genealogy presentations and books from Merle's library including information on Rylstone and Gippsland districts and Richmond in Tasmania.



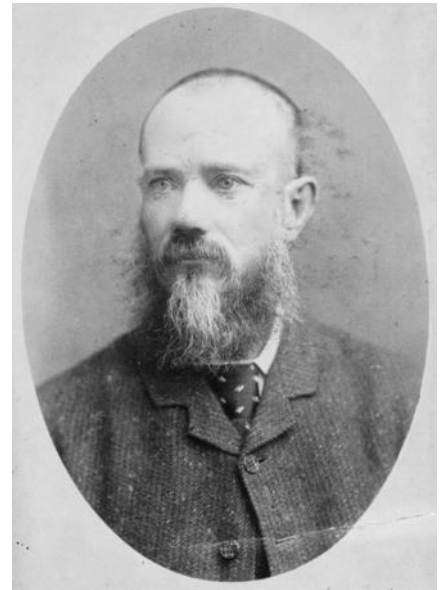
Merle recording headstones at Buderim Cemetery.

MATTHEW ROBERTSON BATTERSBY 1841 - 1899

AN UNSUNG ADVOCATE

The Maroochy District has a long history of tireless advocacy in the Queensland Parliament.

One of the hardest working was **Matthew Robertson Battersby**, *photo on right*, member for the enormous electorate of Moreton for eleven years between 1888 and 1899. Battersby was born in Perth, Scotland on 18 December, 1841.



He arrived in Queensland in 1865 as a qualified blacksmith. Battersby settled on a farm in Caboolture where his five children – two sons and three daughters, grew up. He always was interested in local causes and became a member of the Caboolture Divisional Board when it was established in 1879. He was chairman of the board for many years and regularly wrote forceful letters to the government of the day on matters such as road funding and railway services.

When he was elected to parliament in May 1888, his electorate stretched from Cooroy to Sandgate. The doughty member for Moreton worked hard in the House and spoke on numerous issues. He was particularly passionate when any suggestion of curtailing local authority powers was made. He accused one Premier of trying to 'make Queen Street Queensland' and reminded the House that Queen Street was only a very small part of Queensland.

He was a vigorous supporter of the plan to build a railway to connect Brisbane with north coast areas. The line was completed in 1891.

He also criticised timber getters and teamsters who cut up roads with their heavy vehicles and did not pay rates because most were not residents in the area.

For this reason, he staunchly defended the right of local authorities to impose wheel licence fees which were used to augment road building funds. Many timber people fervently opposed the 'wheel tax'.

Battersby had some liberal views on the composition of local councils. Any ratepayer could vote in local elections, but Battersby favoured the radical idea of allowing all ratepayers, no matter how small, to become members of Shire Councils. Until the 1890s, Shire Councils were generally the preserve of wealthier landholders.

Matthew Battersby died on 15 May, 1899 at his home in Eagle Junction, Brisbane, when he was fifty eight. He is buried in Caboolture Cemetery.

Magnificent Maroochy Feature 27 June 1990 Article by Helen Gregory, Queensland historian

Photo Source: Caboolture Library Photographic Collection

FROM STEAM TO ELECTRIC, VIC WAS THERE

Royal visits, fires -all part of the job

Another era ago, when steam trains plied the State's railway lines. Vic was born in Queensland, July 20, 1909. At the age of 16, he started at the bottom, beginning his career as a lad-porter and working all around Queensland. He spent the last 25 years of his 50 year career as Nambour's assistant station master.

Now 79 years old (at time of writing 1988) and retired for the last 12 or more years, Vic has seen a lot of change in the State's railways and lived a lot of history.



Vic Ash with a photo of the early Nambour Railway Station.

"I was on duty when the Royal Hotel burnt down (in 1961). The cream shed on the end of the railway station caught on fire. I was hoping the old station would go up," Vic chuckled. "The old station was very cold."

"The fire (in the Royal Hotel) started up in one of the rooms and completely gutted it. It happened at 2 O'clock while I was on night shift."

The 72 year old Nambour Railway Station also came close to going up in flames another time, Vic recalled, when the ceiling above the wooden stove caught alight.

Some swift footwork on the assistant station master's part and the fire was doused, saving the wooden station from replacement until its brick successor was opened in 1963.

Then there was the time Princess Alexandra made her historic visit to the Sunshine Coast in 1959, arriving at the Nambour Railway Station.

"They decorated the old railway station with pineapples and bananas," Vic said.

A photograph of the Princess being welcomed to the station with Vic in his uniform standing at the centre of the shot (*right*), is part of his treasured memorabilia.



Based in Nambour for the past 46 years, Vic and his wife Mabel raised their four children, becoming active members of the community, especially with tennis and the Red Cross.

However, like most railway men, there were a lot of transfers and relief work, with Vic working locally at Eumundi, Yandina, Woombye and Palmwoods, as well as Howard, Gayndah, Biggenden and various Brisbane stations.

The list goes on and in Vic's words, "I did just about everything."

But, one of the smartest moves he ever made was as a young porter at Eagle Junction when he asked out a girl whose ticket he often collected.

At this point, wife Mabel explains how the railway romance unfolded.

"A girl and I used to holiday there from Southport and we used to go dancing every Saturday.

"We'd get off the train and this chap would take our tickets. I had to fight for him with the other girl. Mabel won and Victor married Mabel Wilhelmine Reichle on June 25, 1932 in Queensland.

Together they have witnessed the evolution in rail technology over the years.

"The biggest change I ever saw was the conversion from steam to diesel engines," Vic recalled.

"I miss the old chug, chug, chug of the (steam) engines. It (diesel) didn't have the same atmosphere."

(This sentiment was echoed by most other steam train drivers. – Ed.)

The changeover from steam to diesel power, which was well under way in the 1960s, revolutionised rail travel.

Now, the transition from diesel to electric power is fast becoming reality with the Nambour section of the Main Line Electrification program to be opened today. *(April 1988.)*

Altogether, the \$1090 million project will cover 475 kilometres of track between Caboolture and Gladstone and will be completed in May 1989.

Vic Ash remembers the past with some nostalgia but he welcomes the new changes.

"I never thought that electrification would ever come up here," he said.

I think it's out on its own. From my point of view it will save you time and overall it will be of benefit to passengers.

*Source:- Sunshine Coast Daily 28 April, 1988 in the supplement 'Nambour is now Electric'
Nambour Chronicle 28 January 1916*

A story from the First World War

Turning the Tables

An extraordinary story reached a special correspondent at Boulogne one day last month. During the early hours of a recent morning a British flight commander went up in his machine on a reconnaissance trip. When over the German lines his engine suddenly stopped, and he was forced to descend in the enemy's positions.

As soon as he came to a standstill on the ground he was surrounded by German soldiers with fixed bayonets. When he got down from his seat two German officers approached him and told



him in French to give up his arms. He was then ordered immediately to repair his engine, and was given every assistance by the officers.

When the motor was once again in working order, the two German officers told the British airman to get into his machine. The aviator did as he was told but took the precaution of strapping himself in.

The officers proceeded to get into the machine behind him, each holding a revolver and the aviator was told to fly over the British lines.

Suddenly the airman gave a quick turn of the wheel and the machine "looped the loop". The two German officers, who were not in any way strapped in, at once fell out of the aeroplane and the British airman, righting himself with ease, proceeded on his way to the British lines.

Nambour Chronicle 18 Feb 1916/ photo - shutterstock_58187740.jpg.

Two Soldiers' Letters from the First World War

PRIVATE V. H. MILLS.

Private Mills writes on Dec.11 (1915) from hospital at Alexandria, to his mother at Eumundi....

"Since I sent you the P.C. I have been shifted to Alexandria, Ras-el-din Convalescent Hospital. I am feeling much better and hope soon to be quite well. I expect to be here for Xmas. I was out for a tram ride yesterday to a place called Victoria. No doubt Tom will be able to tell you something about it; the tram service is almost the only thing that is cheap in Egypt. This is a good place to be put for a rest; there is cricket, football, tennis, and the Y.M.C.A. has a big shed that will seat about 300 men to read, write or play games.

It has a library full of books and a piano. We have a concert twice a week. Everything is free, trams to the city, barber, clothes washed and pressed (if you have any). I have only my top coat, everything else is new. It is a big building. To give you an idea. The floor the wards are in, if they were in a straight line, would be as wide as the School of Arts and over a mile long. That is one story only. There is a lower storey just as big beside the ground in the middle; as big as four allotments the size of those of mine.

We get plenty to eat and I will soon be back to my old weight. I lost a lot on the peninsula. I was not sorry to get away for a while.

I wish they would send us to France; think the Australians did their share on the peninsula. My word, it is when you get sick that you find out what the Red Cross Society is doing. You can get almost anything you like to ask. Anything done for the Red Cross is labour well spent.

When we got off the boat, into the Red Cross train the sisters came around with blankets and papers, smokes and matches, and it was a 1 hour run, they provided tea in the train and then our brave women met us again at Cairo with hot milk and cakes. When they are praising our boys they should give the first cheer for the Red Cross nurses. I can speak for myself, clean clothes and a nice bed with clean sheets. It is no wonder we get better so quickly, but it will come hard when we get back to our dugouts."

The letter concludes with family matters.

SERGEANT. G. W. NUTTING.

Sergt. Gerald Nutting writes from the Records branch at Alexandra.

"By the way Lance Corporal Carl Schuchard is now here, in fact he is sitting at the table next to me writing letters, so the report of his death was "somewhat exaggerated."

He was over at the front for seven months, and looks well, none the worse for wear, but still looks something of a character, as he is wearing what clothes he could rake together; a large English coat several sizes too large for him, with the sleeves rolled back about 6 inches, a very ancient hat, breeches and putties. We are trying to persuade him to have his photo taken before he gets a fresh issue.



VICTORY CELEBRATIONS IN NAMBOUR Great War Ended



Nambour celebrates Armistice Day - Photo from Local Sunshine Coast Libraries Collection.

LOCAL REJOICINGS

The best news of the War reached Nambour on Monday night, about 8.45p.m. along the railway wires. Somebody made for the biggest bell in the town i.e. that of the Roman Catholic Church, and set to ringing it and in a minute or two the other church bells followed suit. Then followed the Moreton Mill and other steam whistles and before long there was a ubiquitous tin can band at large making a terrible din. A general move was made for Currie Street, and "soon brilliant lights were seen coming down the hill, those of the Nambour Town Band, which soon assembled and formed the centre of attraction, playing a number of patriotic airs. Many people brought bells, tins, etc. which they used with a vengeance in the intervals,' while large quantities of fireworks, mostly of the noisy sort, were expended indiscriminately.'

Mr. A. H. Brookes made an announcement that a procession would be held in the morning, and that subsequent proceedings would be on the lines indicated by the daily papers as being planned all over the State.

The revellers carried on for a good couple of hours, and many did not see their beds till midnight.

KAISER A FUGITIVE

In the morning details were available confirming the news. The Kaiser had abdicated and fled with his family to Holland; the armistice with Germany had been signed, the conditions being strict, as laid down at Versailles and insisted on by General Foch and Admiral Wemyss. Germany had broken out into revolution, and was forming little republics in many places, her fleet in rebellion and her army out of control, all part of the downfall which became inevitable as soon as defeat on land was inflicted by the Allies.

PRELIMINARY PROCESSION

At very short notice a procession was formed of the band and a crowd of people, and made for the Court House, where it met a big troop of school children, and re-forming with them proceeded down the street again across the bridge, then under the railway bridge and round the old road back to the roadside green, where a halt was called and an almost impromptu meeting to rejoice and give thanks proved most successful. About 1000 people in all were present.

Mr. Brookes acted as master of ceremonies, and called first for the Te Deum, which all sang, led by the Band.

A thoughtful address followed by the **Rev. C. Tunstall**, whose theme was the thankfulness all felt for Victory, in a war which was an attempt to substitute Might for Right in the conduct of human affairs. Right had triumphed, and Providence had to be accorded the gratitude of all.

Mr. T. G. Fisher followed, pointing out that Germany was now defeated in the field, but that it behoved the British Empire to see to the education of her youth, especially in a technical direction, in order, to achieve superiority in other ways and maintain the Empire. He urged devotion to industry to gain those ends, and deprecated excessive pleasure-seeking, as the highest possible production would be essential.

Mr. Brookes delivered an able and highly appreciated address, part as follows:

The long looked for event has at last come; that event that you and I have been looking forward to for years, eagerly watching, waiting and hoping for, and here in my hand I hold the joyful message which means that Peace shall once more reign upon the earth. A retrospect of what we have passed through may not be out of place. The condition of Europe for many years prior to the outbreak of war could be likened to a volcano, eruptions frequently occurred.

In the afternoon a meeting of some 40 persons, nearly half ladies, met in the Town Hall and with **Mr. Russell** as chairman and Mr. Brookes as secretary started the arrangements for the following day, and appointed small committees to marshal a procession, to carry out a thanksgiving service at the showground, and to hold a programme of sports.

In the evening the town hall was thrown open till 1pm for a public dance which ended by a big crowd of rejoicing people. It was remarkable to those who were not able to go how it quietened the evening. As soon as tea was over, the beating of tins, firing of crackers etc. was resumed and after a time it concentrated to the creek side where amidst great acclamation the Kaiser was burnt in effigy. By 8 pm when the dancing commenced, practically all the noise ceased.

WEDNESDAY'S CELEBRATIONS

For Wednesday a public holiday was secured and it was made as widely known as possible that Nambour was going to have a good day out. By 10 am a large procession was formed on Church Hill and had proceeded down to the bridge when a halt was called in order to allow the Riverites and Creekites, who were soon to arrive by special tram to join in. They detrained, and their large flag made its way right to the front of the children and others dropping neatly into their positions in the main procession. The general order of the procession was as follows: Large designs in front, then the Town Band and the school children, followed by the adults who were on foot. Horse vehicles next provided a long section and the motor cars another variation; the horsemen rode last. It was a long procession gaily decked with..... (illegible) throughout: the short notice had against many fancy dresses but there was a smattering of them, and with the decorated motor cars added to the colouring. It was next to impossible to get one view of the whole, but from showground hill as the standard bearers and Band was entering the gate the other end could be seen back where the Rosslyn Lodge formerly stood. The s-shaped road would have enabled one complete picture to have been taken with a large camera but only a couple so armed made the discovery. Many other "snappers" operated along the route. The procession was creditably controlled by the marshalling committee. A thanksgiving service committee also did their work. **Mr. Brookes** was again master of ceremonies and announced the various items, an opening hymn, a prayer by **Rev. Tunstall**, and the 16th Psalm read by **Mr. W. H. Sanders** followed by the hymn 'God Bless our Native land'. **Rev. G. Tunstall** and **Rev. W. Sanders** also gave addresses during the proceedings, interspersed with hymns. The doxology, benediction and national anthem followed, concluding the proceedings shortly after midday. About 1500 people, young and old participated amid pleasant surroundings. During the service a collection of £13/12/3 was taken up.

The rest of the day was occupied with a basket picnic and sports. The grounds provided shady shelter for the groups of people who discussed the good things they had bought with them. The Red Cross ladies did a good trade with a booth for soft drinks only, takings amounting to £19/ 5/- for the afternoon. Hot water was provided free to those who wanted it. A long programme of races was held between 2 and 5 pm with various contests in the ring. The sports committee won thorough approval for the way they carried out their duties, the crowd was cheerful and perfectly orderly making it a most successful day.

In the evening the town hall was packed; the committee formed for the erection of a Protestant Hall in Nambour had fortunately hit upon that date for their first fund raising effort and presented an excellent quality programme which was highly appreciated by the large audience.

Edited by W. McMullin from the report in the Nambour Chronicle 15 November 1918.

VIETNAM

Information comes from the National Library of Australia.
[Anti-war Protests | National Library of Australia \(nla.gov.au\)](https://nla.gov.au)



Nuclear disarmament in Australia only began to gain traction from around 1970, with small scale protests occurring from 1963. It was only after France began nuclear testing in the Pacific in 1972 that more widespread concern was expressed from the Australian public. The 1976 protests against uranium mining in central Australia saw the movement gain in popularity. Seven thousand people marched in cities across Australia, with protests continuing well in the 1980s.

The National Library has a large collection of material from a number of nuclear disarmament protests and holds a large collection of posters and photographs. There is also strong coverage in the digitised newspapers, magazines and journals available in [Trove](https://trove.nla.gov.au).

[1968 Exhibition Highlights | National Library of Australia \(nla.gov.au\)](https://nla.gov.au)

Politics, society and culture were in a state of turmoil in 1968. The assassinations of Martin Luther King Jr and Robert Kennedy shocked the world. Students demanding political change protested in cities around the globe. Whether it was the war in Vietnam, student demonstrations or the blistering power of a Jimi Hendrix solo, there was a strong sense that the world was rapidly changing.

In 1968 Australia was entering a period of rapid change. Prime Minister Harold Holt disappeared in the surf at Cheviot Beach, Victoria, presumed drowned in December 1967. A new prime minister, John Gorton, was sworn in in January 1968. While new leaders were taking control of Australia's institutions, writers, artists and performers were exploring Australian identity. Australia's involvement in Vietnam was also being questioned.



Prime Minister Gorton visited Vietnam during a tour of Asia in 1968. In the Second World War he served in the Royal Australian Air Force and was comfortable when visiting serving personnel.

Australian News and Information Bureau
Prime Minister John Gorton Visiting Australian Troops in Vietnam 1968
Photograph
From the collection of the National Archives of Australia: A1200, L73420

Online resources

Australian War Memorial - Indigenous defence service

A dedicated webpage summarizing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander involvement in the war efforts.

Serving Our Country: History of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People in the Defence of Australia

The Serving Our Country project documents the historical contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Australia Defence and Auxiliary services from the Boer War to 2000. Throughout 2014 and 2015, Serving our Country conducted community Yarn Ups, recorded oral and video histories, researched archival papers and other sources to create a more inclusive understanding of Australia's defence history.

Department of Aboriginal Affairs Western Australia - They Served with Honour

The Department of Aboriginal Affairs, Western Australia has produced an online publication (downloadable as a PDF file) to honour the contribution of the thirteen Western Australian Aboriginal servicemen who served at Gallipoli: James Dickerson, Lawrence Farmer, Lewis Farmer, Charles Hutchins, William John Jackson, Fred Lockyer, Randell Mason, William Mason, Arthur McCallum, James Melbourne, Gordon Charles Naley, Frederick Leslie Sayers and Claude Shaw.

From Veteran Affairs website...

[Australia reflects on 50 years since the Vietnam War | Department of Veterans' Affairs \(dva.gov.au\)](#)

14 August 2023

Australia reflects on 50 years since the Vietnam War

As Australia marked the 50th anniversary of its official withdrawal from the Vietnam War, the ABC curated a documentary series, *Our Vietnam War* to premiere on Tuesday, 15 August at 9:30pm on ABC TV and ABC iview.

The three-episode series offered an intimate and profound look at Australia's longest conflict of the 20th century, capturing the stories of veterans recounting their experiences of living and fighting in Vietnam.

Narrated by actor and writer Kate Mulvany, whose father was a Vietnam veteran, *Our Vietnam War* takes viewers on a journey through the eyes of those who served, exploring the battles, the protests, and the enduring impact the war had on both individuals and the nation.

The series provided a unique opportunity for viewers to gain insights into the personal stories of veterans and the broader impact of the conflict on Australia's history and identity.

In addition to the documentary, the ABC broadcast, *Australia's Vietnam 50th Anniversary* on Friday 18 August, Vietnam Veterans' Day, at 10:00am. Sir Peter Cosgrove, AK, CVO, MC, presented and narrated the program, paying tribute to the sacrifices of those who served in the Vietnam War.



As part of the commemorative events, a live service was broadcast at 10:30am following the premiere of *Australia's Vietnam 50th Anniversary* on ABC TV, ABC NEWS channel, and ABC iview.

Episodes, which aired every Tuesday at 9:30pm for three weeks will be available on **ABC iview**. To learn more about Australia's involvement in the Vietnam War, visit the **Anzac Portal**.

[The Vietnam War - Anzac Portal \(dva.gov.au\)](#)

The Vietnam War

The Vietnam War was the longest twentieth century conflict in which Australians participated; it involved some 60,000 personnel and grew from a limited initial commitment of 30 military advisers in 1962 to include a battalion in 1965 and finally, in 1966, a task force. Each of the three services was involved, but the dominant role was played by the Army.

The South Vietnamese fought on for just over three years before the capital, Saigon, fell to North Vietnamese forces in April 1975, bringing an end to the war which by then had spilled over into neighbouring Cambodia and Laos. Millions lost their lives, millions more were made refugees and the disaster that befell the region continues to reverberate today. For Australia the Vietnam War was the cause of the greatest social and political dissent since the conscription referenda of the First World War.

Australia's contribution was small in comparison to America's, but sufficient to show loyalty to the United States, Australia's most valued ally. The United States was keen to avoid the appearance of replacing French colonialism with American imperialism, and the involvement of other countries from the region, such as Australia, helped avoid this perception by suggesting a more international approach.

Australia's initial military contribution to South Vietnam was modest; comprising a team of 30 advisers who worked in various areas of the country under the command of **Colonel F.P. 'Ted' Serong**. Known as the Australian Army Training Team Vietnam (AATTV), they gave Australia a presence in South Vietnam and were seen as an embodiment of the Australian doctrine of 'Forward Defence' - meeting threats at their source rather than waiting to fight an enemy on Australian soil.

Colonel Serong arrived in Saigon, South Vietnam's capital, on 31 July 1962. His men followed on 3 August. This small unit was the vanguard of Australia's decade-long involvement in the Vietnam War.

The Australian Army Training Team Vietnam

The first contingent of the Australian Army Training Team (AATTV) arrived in South Vietnam on 3 August 1962. It numbered just 30 men and was made up of a mixture of officers, sergeants and warrant officers under the command of Colonel F.P. 'Ted' Serong. Team members were deployed to South Vietnam for a 12-month tour of duty with the option of extending for an additional 6 months. The AATTV's numbers grew, as did the range of ranks held by its members, over the ten years that it served in Vietnam, peaking at 224 in 1971, shortly before Australia's withdrawal.

From the beginning the AATTV was divided into groups and dispersed. Some worked with Army of the Republic of Vietnam (ARVN) units, some with indigenous peoples in the remote, mountainous areas of the country's north-west, some with South Vietnam's Civil Guard which was responsible for protecting key provincial infrastructure, some with the ARVN's elite Ranger units and some with the American Combined Studies Division which trained village militias and which was also involved in the Phoenix Program that targeted Viet Cong cells and cadres for assassination.

For many in the AATTV, service in Vietnam was an isolating experience. They often worked alone or in pairs in small, mainly American, advisory teams which served with Vietnamese units. Their dispersal meant Australia had a country-wide presence and with it the ability to assess the situation outside Phuoc Tuy, the province in which most Australians in Vietnam served.

As Australia and the United States began to withdraw their forces from Vietnam the AATTV's role changed to resemble what it had been like when they were first deployed. Training became the main priority as Vietnamese units were prepared for the time when they would have to fight without the support of allies. The last members of the AATTV to leave South Vietnam departed on 18 December 1972, a little more than ten years after the first members arrived.

During their decade in Vietnam the AATTV became the most highly decorated Australian unit to serve in the war. Four Victoria Crosses were awarded to AATTV members, along with numerous other awards and decorations, including those issued by the United States and the Republic of South Vietnam. Most awards recognised bravery in combat; some were for service to the people of South Vietnam.

BOUNTY WOMEN

Do you have female relatives born in Ireland or England during the early 1800s, with no information regarding how they reached Australia?

The two databases below provide details of over 7,000 single girls and women who arrived between the years 1832-1837 and 1848-1850 – maybe these are the clues you’re looking for!

Bounty Women and Girls

Liz Rushen, from Monash University, has researched over 3,000 “Bounty Women” who arrived at Sydney, Hobart and Launceston between 1832 and 1837, under the auspices of the London, Dublin and Cork Emigration Committees.

Her online database provides:

Surname

Given Name(s)

Age

Ship

Departure Port

Arrival Port

<https://www.rushen.com.au/australian-bounty-women-database>

Please note that the database can take some time to load.

In addition to the above, Liz does offer a paid service to provide a written report, however the detailed information she holds on individuals varies greatly. In my forebear’s case, it mainly helped me to be confident I had the right person, plus added some detail I would not have otherwise found, as Liz has spent considerable time in the UK accessing source documents for her research.

My 3x great grandmother **Margaret CASEY**, came to Launceston on the “*Amelia Thompson*” in 1836 and soon met and married her convict husband **John TALLENT**, from the “*Woodman*”.

Passage on the “*Amelia Thompson*” was advertised in English and Irish newspapers in early 1836.

The young women needed to complete application forms and provide various personal details as well as certification as to their good health, character and capability of deriving a livelihood.

Research Tip:

The Tasmanian Libraries Names Index was invaluable when researching my convict ancestor. The volume of information which has been digitised is extraordinary.

<https://libraries.tas.gov.au/tasmanian-archives/records-included-in-the-names-index/>

Irish Famine Memorial – Over 4,000 single girls and women arriving from Irish Workhouses between 1848 and 1850

As well as being a memorial to the Great Irish Famine of 1845-1852, the Commemoration Committee of the Memorial maintain a database relating to over 4,000 young women, mostly teenagers, who came to Australia from the workhouses of Ireland between 1848 and 1850 via the Earl Grey Scheme, which was designed to provide domestic servants and single women (prospective wives) to the colony.

<https://irishfaminememorial.org/>

The Ships database lists the 20 ships which participated in the scheme, the dates of their voyages and their final destinations in Australia, being Sydney, Adelaide and Port Philip (Melbourne).

The Orphan Database is searchable by First Name, Last Name, Ship, Parents’ Names, Religion and Native Place. It provides a surprising amount of information (some more than others) as these girls were quite well documented by the workhouses. So it’s definitely worth a look. The term “orphan” when used in the context of the scheme, meant that at least one parent had died.

There were over 130 workhouses built in Ireland from 1838, designed to be places where the very poor could go to live as a result of evictions, destitution and starvation. However the number of workhouses was never intended or capable of accommodating the huge numbers of people affected by the Famine in the late 1840s. After satisfying strict rules for entry (to minimise numbers, as these places were funded by taxation of landowners), family groups were split up and strict rules enforced.

Inside they were fed a meagre diet, required to wear a uniform, working and living in overcrowded, disease ridden, unsanitary conditions. By the late 1840s over a quarter of those entering workhouses had died there.

<https://www.theirishpotatofamine.com/blogs/blog-1/the-workhouse>

It was possible to leave the workhouse, by giving appropriate notice (maybe only a few hours, to allow for return of uniform) but the admission process (having to justify your case before staff or a board of governors) would have to be endured on each return.

In my great great grandmother, **Mary Jane EARLY**'s case, we were able to build a picture of her experience from the information on this site and also place her in the same district as her future husband **William SMITH**, in north eastern Victoria.

Research Tip:

If your forebear's ship came to Port Philip (Melbourne), the Public Records Office of Victoria (PROV) site can be searched by name or ship to see digitised copies of some source documents, so you can double check the Memorial's transcription and look for other clues.

A couple of online databases I've had success with include details relating to over 7,000 single women and girls which may not be available from other sources, so for anybody who has come across a roadblock tracing female ancestors born in the early 1800s, particularly Irish, there may be some help there.

Submitted by Amanda Murphy

2024 IRISH SEMINAR IN AUSTRALIA - DATE – 17th FEBRUARY

Join Fintan Mullan and Gillian Hunt from the Ulster Historical Foundation during their forthcoming Australia and New Zealand lecture tour to learn how to get the most out of Irish resources and records, gain strategies for breaking down brick walls, and grasp important historical context that may help fill in gaps in your research.

The Ulster Historical Foundation is a non-profit organization established in 1956 in Belfast, Northern Ireland, to promote interest in Irish genealogy and history, focusing on the historical nine-county province of Ulster. The Foundation is one of the leading genealogical research agencies in Ireland, and a major publisher of groundbreaking historical, educational, and genealogical source books.

Fintan Mullan is the Executive Director of the Ulster Historical Foundation. Working with technology partners, Fintan was a pioneer in the creation of online resources for Irish research and has maintained the Foundation's prominence in digital database developments for Irish genealogy. As Executive Director of the Ulster Historical Foundation Fintan has managed the production of over 100 publications, including the popular *Researching Scots-Irish Ancestors* and has lectured extensively on Irish history and genealogy in the U.S. and in Canada, the U.K., Australia, and New Zealand.

Gillian Hunt is Research Officer with the Ulster Historical Foundation and is responsible for the management of the Foundation's many genealogical activities. As well as managing the genealogy side of the Foundation's work, Gillian carries out research for clients and is a hugely experienced user of the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland and the General Register Office. She regularly teaches courses in Northern Ireland and gives talks on family history in the rest of Ireland, the UK and the USA.



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There are also a few titles previously accessioned highlighted on the new resources page

<https://sites.google.com/site/genealogysunshinecoastinc/Home/gsc-resource-centre-1/new-resources-2022?authuser=0>

The Genealogy Sunshine Coast library collection has a large section of local area resources. We are always adding resources from other parts of Australia and overseas. This month's selections from the recent library accessions demonstrate this.

25 April 1915 : The Day the ANZAC Legend Was Born

by David W. Cameron, 2007

This is a book about one single day in one place. It looks at the Australian, New Zealand and Turkish sides of the events at Gallipoli. David Cameron quotes from diaries and war records to bring to life the experiences of those who were there. Also included are accounts of Charles Bean's return to Gallipoli in 1919 as part of the Australian Historical Mission to bury remains and form memorials.

324 p. : b&w and col. photos , maps , endnotes , index

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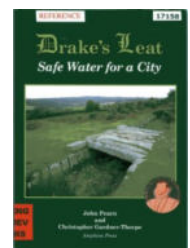
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by Elizabeth Hill, 1990

Elizabeth Hill has researched the area of Hawke's Bay (North Island, New Zealand) and its rivers, the Ngaruroro, Tataekuri and Tukituki. She investigates the European settlers, their stories and the effects on Maori groups and individuals. Much of the work is based on oral histories. Many photos of the white and Maori people make the book a pleasure to browse through or read in depth.

244 p. : b&w photos , maps , index

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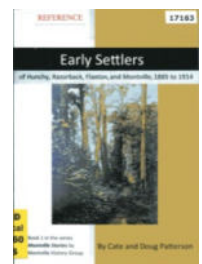
Drake's Leat : Safe Water for a City

by John Pearn and Christopher Gardner-Thorpe, 2010

A fascinating little book, whether one is interested in Devon history, the life of Sir Francis Drake, or the history of public health. Major General John Pearn AO AM is a former Surgeon-General of the Australian Defence Force, and Dr Christopher Gardner-Thorpe is a consultant neurologist and medical historian based in Exeter. Together they describe how Drake's Leat influenced the provision of cleanwater supplies for municipalities, not just in Plymouth, Devon, but around the world.

74 p. : b&w and col. photos , map , index

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by Cate and Doug Patterson, 2020

Book 1 in the series Montville Stories by Montville History Group

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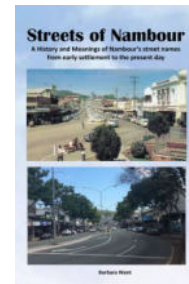
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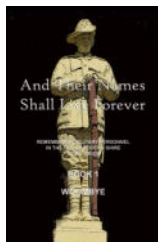
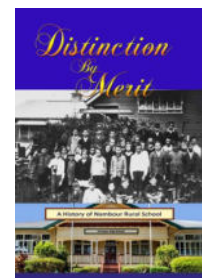
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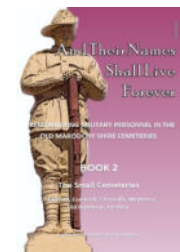
From the first school at Parklands in 1879 to the School in Carroll Street, Nambour, the Rural School, the first in Queensland, has rich history. This book traces the development of the school until it became Nambour High School, with separate Infant and Primary schools. Many memories, photographs and index of names. **Price: \$35.00 P&P extra.** <https://sites.google.com/site/genealogysunshinecoastinc/Home/gsc-publications/distinction-by-merit-nambour-rural-school>



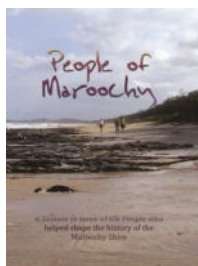
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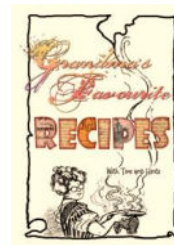
B24 PEOPLE OF THE SUNSHINE COAST: Following on from GSC’s previous publication, ‘People of Maroochy’, and covering a wide range of personalities, experiences and professions. While most of our residents were not famous in any way, their lives were important. A collection of stories about those who peopled the small communities of the Sunshine Coast – proof that in all things there is an interesting story. 142 pages including full index. **Price \$15.00 P&P extra.**

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THE GSC CEMETERY COLLECTION: Still available. These publications include decipherable Monumental Inscriptions and Footnotes, official Council records and a description of each grave and its condition in each of the cemeteries of the old Maroochy Shire. Records current to February 1999. Postage & packaging extra.

Index to all Cemeteries \$5.00
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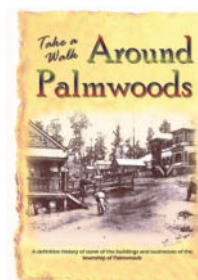
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B25 TAKE A WALK AROUND PALMWOODS \$25

This still popular book covers the original buildings still in use in Palmwoods and some of their history, what they were originally used for and their use today.

Many have changed hands over the years but the buildings remain. By following the map in this book and actually walking around the town to see the buildings and chat with the owners some very interesting people and history can be found. Make use of the coffee shops and little restaurants for good meals and breaks.

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PALMWOODS PAVEMENT BOOK

\$30.00

Remembering the original Pavement Project and Nicklin Memorial Clock in Main Street Palmwoods.

The pavement has been redesigned to become Piccabeen Green with the names transposed from the original terracotta tiles to the current boardwalk, making them a little harder to find.

Owing to the loss of the distinctive tiles, we at Genealogy Sunshine Coast have collected stories behind the names nominated by local residents and tried to give some history of the town and its people from the early days to 2020.

Some of the stories have been written by the families featured in the book. Others have been gleaned from newspaper stories and historical documents. All add to the colourful flavour of the town, making it a popular place to live and raise a family. Many Photos plus Index.

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DO YOU HAVE ANY RESEARCH QUERIES?

Regardless of whether you are a GSC member or not, you can have RESEARCH done for you. Members are entitled to one free query per year. For non-member, a research service is offered at a cost of \$20.00 for the first three hours, and \$10.00 per hour thereafter.

For further information:- Phone the Centre: 07 5329 2315 or Email: genealogysc@gmail.com

DON'T FORGET YOUR LIBRARY RESOURCE

This edition of Kin Tracer contains brief information on some towns and activities on the Sunshine Coast. So much more related information can be found on the shelves and databases of your Library at the GSC Resource Centre in Petrie Park, Nambour. See what fantastic resources we have to help with family and local history research. Over 15,000 items, books, microfiche, journals, maps, CD's, DVD's, newspaper clippings, computer indexes, etc. Come and meet our helpful volunteer librarians and researchers and discover the wealth of local and family history information available for research or just for local interest.



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Monday	9am to 4.30pm
Tuesday	9am to 4.30pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	9am to 4.30pm
Friday	Closed
Saturday	closed

GENERAL MEETING 3rd SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH. Beginning with Morning Tea at 9.30 am followed by the meeting to start at 10 am

Other times by appointment.

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Join our workshops and find help with your research. Help with genealogy software, DNA results.

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