



Bully Tin

NEWSLETTER OF THE NEPEAN FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY INC.

No.155

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**Library
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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - 5 - 8pm

Tuesday 10am - 2pm -

Wednesday 10am - 2pm -

Thursday 10am - 2pm 7 - 9pm

Saturday 2 - 5pm -

Closed Fridays, Sundays and Public Holidays

Address:

Old School Residence
Great Western Highway, off Lawson Street
Emu Plains NSW

Postal Address:

P.O. Box 81
Emu Plains NSW 2750

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Meetings:

First Saturday of each month (except January)
1.30p.m. at the Library

Internet Address:

www.nepeanfhs.org.au

A.G.M. 2010

At the Annual General Meeting held on 6th March 2010 the following members were elected to serve on the committee for the coming year.

Executive Officers

Hazel Magann	President
Joy Harper	Vice President
Sue Breeze	Secretary
Judy McLeod	Treasurer

Committee Members

Fran Fifield	Maria Skwierawski
Val Fulton	Lorraine Stacker
Rose Greene	Katherine Stubbs
Pat Macgregor	Christine Unett

All the above were elected unopposed.

The Society's Honorary Auditor, Mr Terry Grace, from Pinnacle Business, was the Returning Officer in charge of proceedings on the day.

THANKYOU

Nepean Family History Society would like to thank the organising group, and the volunteers, who worked tirelessly throughout the day to make our Family History Fair a huge success.

We would also like to thank all those who donated books and other items for our second-hand bookstall and prizes for the raffle.

A detailed report will appear in June Timespan.

Society News

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Another year has passed and I would like to say that I have enjoyed my time as President of the Society. Once again the Committee has worked endlessly, from Katherine with her raffles, out there raising funds for our Library, to Judy and Lorraine who have organised just about everything this year.

Our Travelling Bookstall is as popular as ever and the invitations to attend fairs and open days are doubling every year. Judy and Lorraine do a great job with the bookstall, and the help they get from their travelling partners, Vicki and Sharon, is much appreciated.

There have been two new publications this year and we are looking forward to more in 2010.

The Annual Calendar has been a great success again this year. It is now being produced in full colour, A4 format. This year Penrith City Council printed the 2010 calendar, which is an enormous boon to the Society, and on behalf of the Membership, I would like to thank Penrith City Council.

Rose Greene is a wonderful editor for Timespan and Bully Tin. Reading is her No. 1 hobby and her library at home takes up one whole room, plus space in several others. We should be proud of the quality and content of Timespan and this is due to Rose.

Christine Unett has organised the speakers for our meetings and has now become our publicity person. We have had great coverage in the local press for our Family History Fair, long may it continue.

Pat Macgregor has been hard at work for most of the year, trying to cover and sort the books for the lending library. Just when she can see the bottom of the pile more donations arrive and she has to start again.

Maria has been busy purchasing items for our library, and Val has been our cemetery accessions clerk.

Fran is trying to keep up with all the new members who are joining, and also keeps the computers running smoothly. Joy has the library roster to contend with.

Sue has been organising and keeping the business end of our meetings running smoothly, and provides the minutes for all of our meetings in a neat and easy to read format.

The Society has had an extraordinary piece of luck this year with an offer to purchase the doubles of our Government Gazettes, which were stored in the office. The Committee accepted the offer and seven thousand dollars has been deposited into our bank account. Now what can we spend that on!

In closing I would like to thank everyone who has helped out during the past year, also, many thanks to the outgoing Committee.

Hazel Magann
President

WHAT'S NEW ON THE WEB

Essex Police Web Site

Access to many memorials to members of the Essex County Constabulary 1840-1969. Includes Colchester Borough Police 1836-1974, Southend on Sea Constabulary 1914-1969, Essex and Southend on Sea Joint Constabulary 1969-1974 and the present force. There is a name index for the site.

www.essex.police.uk/memorial/

Police Roll of Honour Trust

National Police Memorial Roll of Honour of police officers of the United Kingdom who have lost their lives in the execution of their duty. Years covered 1680 to 2008.

www.policememorial.org.uk/Police_Memorial_Trust/NPM-Roll.htm

Soldiers of the East Yorkshire Regiment

Database of nearly 30,000 soldiers who served in this regiment in the 19th and 20th centuries. Records include battalion number, rank, and birthplace, and some awards. This site is searchable.

www.east-yorkshire-regiment.co.uk/db/troops/search.php

Chelsea Pensioners' British Army Service Records

These records go on line for the first time at **findmypast.co.uk** and they include servicemen born in the UK and throughout the world

including India and Jamaica. The collection comprises over 6 million full colour images of the service records of soldiers in the British Army in receipt of a pension administered by the Royal Hospital Chelsea, and who were discharged between 1760-1913. Many of the soldiers may have served at The Battle of Waterloo (1815), The Crimean (1853-1856), and the Boer War (1899-1902). The records do not include those killed in action or army deserters or officers. Information the records may list:- date and place of birth, age, name and address of next of kin, height, chest size, complexion hair colour, rank and regiment, service history, including promotions, campaigns and countries where they fought, and many more details. Currently online records cover 1883-1900 but more data will be added regularly over the next 18 months. For more information please contact Amy Sell at:-

amy.sell@findmypast.co.uk

Lancashire Online Parish Clerks

The aim of this site is to extract information from parish records and put them online. This is a free service run by volunteers. Many Lancashire parishes are covered

<http://www.lan-opc.org.uk/>

Other Online Parish Clerks

This site is maintained by a group of volunteers who collect genealogical information relating to a specific county. Email addresses for each county are given on the site. This is a free service. Do not forget these are volunteers and may not have the time to respond immediately to your email.

<http://www.onlineparishclerks.org.uk/>

SEMINARS/REUNIONS

Coffs Harbour District FHS are holding a full day seminar on Saturday May 10th 2010, 10am-4pm, at the Community Village, Earl St., Coffs Harbour. Speaker - Mr. John Graham. Topic- The Ryerson Index and The Big Scrub. Cost includes light lunch and morning and afternoon tea.

Members \$20.00 Non-members \$25.00.
Please register by Friday April 30th 2010 to
PO Box 2057, Coffs Harbour 2450

Further Information:-

Phone **02 6658 1972** or **02 6653 2495**

Botany Bay FHS is having a Family History Fair "The Making of a Nation" on Saturday 17th April 2010 from 10am-3pm at the BBFHS Research Centre, Port Hacking Community Hall, 184 Gannons Rd., (South) Caringbah. Entry by gold coin donation. Visit our website for more information.

www.bbfhs.org.au

Gray Family Reunion and Gathering.

Were your ancestors the convicts **George Gray** (Morley 1817) and **Mary Connor** (Elizabeth 1828)? All descendants of Poppa George and Pejar Mary, who settled and raised their children in the Pejar district near Crookwell NSW are invited to attend a reunion to be held on Saturday 30th and Sunday 31st October 2010 at the Crookwell showground, with dinner in Goulburn on the Saturday evening.

For further information please contact:-

Barry Gray 02 4821 5202

1 Queen St. Bradfordville, via Goulburn, 2580
or **Gerry Dalton 02 0427211142**
or tomngerrytravel@hotmail.com

Open invitation to all descendants of William **BAKER**, convict, who arrived at Sydney Cove 1790 on the Neptune. An Inaugural Reunion is being held on 26th June 2010 at St Matthews Church of England, Windsor, NSW. Anyone interested should email Bev Borey with numbers of adults/children.

Enquiries to the following:-

Bev Savill - bmsavill@bigpond.com

Bev Borey - borjobe69@bigpond.com

Lorrae Johnson - lorrae@uqconnect.net

LOCK-GRAHAM, HODGETTS, MALONEY descendants of Matthew LOCK (Surprise 1790) and Eupham GRAHAM (Pitt 1792), Thomas HODGETTS (Scarborough II 1790) and Harriet HODGETTS (came free Neptune 1790), Thomas GRAHAM and (1) Mary Maria HODGETTS, (2) Margaret Louisa MILLS, Thomas MALONEY (Providence 1811) and Mary GRAHAM are invited to a reunion on Saturday 15th May 2010 at Windsor NSW.

Mrs C Haeusler

14 Valetta Court, Blacktown NSW 2148
wyzwords@optusnet.com.au

DEIN descendants of Johann Adam & Juliana (KNORR) DEIN are invited to a Centenary Reunion on Sunday 13th June 2010 in Bathurst NSW.

Tim Dein

PO Box 125, Wentworth Falls NSW 2782
tdein@bigpond.net.au

WRIGHT descendants of James (arrived Aus 1813 per Archduke Charles) and Eliza (McKAY) WRIGHT are invited to a reunion in March 2011 in Cowra NSW. Assoc. names include BURKE, COYLE, DINSE, DOOLEY, HETHERINGTON, MASLING, NEIL, PERRY, RAILTON, TWEEDLE.

Contact:-

Brian Wright
201 Camp Road, Cowra NSW 2794
mintyw@tpg.com.au

NEW ACCESSIONS

Australia

CD ROMs

- Aldine History of Queensland
- Aldine History of South Australia 1890
- NSW Pioneer Index BDM 1788-1888
- Queensland Electoral Rolls 1880-1884
- South Australian Newspaper Obituaries 1836-1900
- Tasmania Police Gazette Compendium 1896-1900

Overseas

CD ROMs

- The Agricultural Labourer, Ireland 1893: Parts 1-4
- Sussex Parish Records Transcriptions - Brighton Presbyterian Registers 1700-1837
- Sussex Parish Records Transcriptions - Preston Military Registers 1793-1840
- SS Mary and Joseph Roman Catholic Chapel, Poplar
- Mile End Old Town Residents 1741-1790
- Bethnal Green - Victoria Park Cemetery Index 1853-1856
- St Patricks, Leytonstone, Cemetery Index 1861-1880
- Tower Hamlets Rate Books (Vol 1) Disc 1
- Tower Hamlets Settlement Examinations (Vol 1) Disc 2
- Tower Hamlets Marriages & Banns (Vol 1) Disc 3
- Tower Hamlets Births, Baptisms (Vol 1) Disc 4
- Havering MI's (Vol 1) Disc 6

All these CDs are now available at our library.

CAN YOU HELP

Books Wanted

Have you any secondhand books that we could sell on our travelling NFHS bookstalls? We would appreciate any books with a family, local or historical slant, to sell on our table. Please leave any donations at the NFHS Library.

Lorraine Stacker

Cemetery Books

We urgently require volunteers to help proof-read transcriptions of our blue cemetery books. This can be done at home or at our library. If you would like to assist in this very worthwhile project please contact:-

Sue Breeze ph 02 4735 1818

suebreeze@optusnet.com.au

Library Assistants

Due to various reasons we have a number of vacancies which we would like to fill.

Becoming a library assistant is a great way to get to know what resources we have in the library and how best to help other members to do their research (as well as your own).

If you have a few hours a month spare and would like to volunteer please contact Joy Harper on **02 4739 3382**.

TIMESPAN

The Timespan editor needs items for the June issue. Do you have a story to tell or maybe something about your family history research, memories of your childhood, news, or any information of interest to our members?

If you have questions about your research, send them to our help page.

The deadline for articles is 15th May.

rosegreene@optusnet.com.au

COMING EVENTS

Saturday 3rd April - General Meeting
Show and Tell - Questions and answers on your research.

Saturday 1st May - General Meeting.
Speaker - Victor King (author) - Fleshing out your family History.

Saturday 5th June - General Meeting
Christine Unett - NFHS Resources - Getting the best out of them