



# Bully Tin

NEWSLETTER OF THE NEPEAN FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY INC.

No. 212

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## TEMPORARY LIBRARY HOURS

**Tuesday** 10am - 2pm

**Wednesday** Closed

**Thursday** 10am – 2pm

**Saturday** 2 - 5pm

Closed Mondays, Fridays, Sundays and Public Holidays

**Address:**

Old School Residence  
Great Western Highway, off Lawson Street  
Emu Plains NSW 2750

**Postal Address:**

P.O. Box 81  
Emu Plains NSW 2750

**Telephone:**

(02) 4735 3798

**Meetings:**

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

**Internet Address:**

[www.nepeanfhs.org.au](http://www.nepeanfhs.org.au)

**Facebook:**

<https://www.facebook.com/nepeanfhs>

## CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Society's Christmas Dinner will be held on Friday 8 December 2023.

This year our Christmas function will again be held at The Henry Sports Club.

The dinner will consist of a 2 course Christmas menu.

Please complete the form included with this Bully Tin and return with payment by 20 November.

Date: **Friday 8 December 2023**

Venue: **The Henry Sports Club**  
**144 Henry Lawson Ave,**  
**Werrington County**

Time: **6.00 pm**

Cost: **\$28**

For further information please contact:

***bookings@nepeanfhs.org.au***

## ANNUAL RAFFLE

The prize for the 2023 Nepean Family History Society's annual raffle is \$200.

For those who have ticked the box to receive raffle tickets on their membership/renewal form, a book of five tickets is enclosed with this Bully Tin.

**Tickets: \$1 each / \$5 per book**

If you didn't receive tickets and would like some, or would like extra tickets please contact:

***publications@nepeanfhs.org.au***

Extra tickets are available at the NFHS Library.

Thank you for your continued support.

**The raffle will be drawn at the General Meeting on 3 February 2024.**

## CHRISTMAS CLOSING

The Nepean Family History Society Library will close for the Christmas period from 5 pm Saturday 16 December 2023 and re-open 10 am Tuesday 9 January 2024.



## Society News

### MEMBERSHIP

As the 2023 membership year is drawing to a close, renewals will soon be due and may be paid at any time from now on.

The Society is pleased to announce that membership fees have remained the same for many years, and again in 2024 there will be no increase.

Your renewal form is included with this issue of Bully Tin.

Payment can be made by direct deposit, at the Library, or by post to:

#### NFHS Memberships

PO Box 81 Emu Plains NSW 2750

If paying by direct deposit **please include your name and membership number as a reference.**

Bank details are on the bottom of your renewal form. Email your renewal form to:

[membership@nepeanfhs.org.au](mailto:membership@nepeanfhs.org.au)

### DNA INTEREST GROUP

DNA meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month, 1 - 2.30 pm.

**November 18:** Bring your own device and questions.

The DNA meetings cover all levels, whether you are considering a DNA test, just starting out or seeking more advanced information.

#### Come and join us for a DNA meeting.

If there is something you would like to learn about, let us know and we will try to cover it.

[dna@nepeanfhs.org.au](mailto:dna@nepeanfhs.org.au)

### NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

Our Guest Speaker for the 4 November 2023 meeting is Joy Murrin. Joy has over 30 years of experience with transcriptions from the early 1990s and in 1995 was appointed as an Accredited Transcription Agent to the NSW Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages. These years have provided Joy with expertise in understanding registrations and reading old handwriting. Her presentation 'Why Can't I Find Them' will focus on BDM Indexes, showing how to get the most from them, and include finding hard-to-find entries and the dangers of shortcuts.

### TIMESPAN

#### \*\*\*TIMESPAN NEEDS YOUR STORIES\*\*\*

Articles are always needed; they can be of any length. Stories can be about any people or events, not only those connected with the

Nepean area. Articles about how you undertook your research or 'smashed through' a brick wall, or where you need assistance, are also welcome. Timespan is the perfect vehicle for sharing! Please send your stories to:

#### Timespan Editor

PO Box 81 Emu Plains 2750 or  
[publications@nepeanfhs.org.au](mailto:publications@nepeanfhs.org.au)

### EMU PLAINS CEMETERY BOOK

A reminder to members that stories about people buried in Emu Plains Cemetery are needed for a new volume to be published soon. If you are interested in having an ancestor included please email as soon as possible:

[publications@nepeanfhs.org.au](mailto:publications@nepeanfhs.org.au)

### EVENTS / SEMINARS

The Genealogical Society of Queensland is holding an Irish 'mini-seminar' with the Ulster Historical Foundation. Topics will include using landed estate records to trace families of the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries, using Irish newspapers and using the Registry of Deeds for 18<sup>th</sup> century research. The seminar will be available via Zoom. For further information, visit:

[www.gsq.org.au/events/](http://www.gsq.org.au/events/)

Nepean Art Society is holding an art exhibition and Christmas sale. Large and small art works, gift ideas and greeting cards will be available to purchase.

Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 November 2023

9.30 am – 3.30 pm both days.

The Old Schoolhouse

4 Lawson Street, Emu Plains

[www.nepeanartsociety.wildapricot.org](http://www.nepeanartsociety.wildapricot.org)

### COMING EVENTS

**Saturday November 4** – Joy Murrin – 'Why Can't I Find Them'

**Saturday November 18** – DNA Interest Group Meeting 1-2.30 pm – Bring your own device and questions

**Friday December 8** – Christmas Dinner

**December & January** – No General Meeting

**Tuesday December 19** – Library closed for the Christmas break

**Tuesday January 9** – Library re-opens

**Saturday January 20** – DNA Interest Group Meeting – 1 - 2.30 pm

**Saturday February 3** – General Meeting 1.30 – Speaker – John Lanser – The Dunbar: Sydney's Shipwreck Tragedy

