



LAKE MACQUARIE FAMILY HISTORY GROUP INC NEWSLETTER

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DISCUSSION GROUPS:

January 21st – Wales
February 18th – Scotland
March 18th - None. DNA talk.
April 15th - Irish

SPEAKERS:

January – John Beach
Former Principal of Newcastle East Public School – New book *Newcastle East Public School – the school on the hill*.

February -Brenda Inglis-Powell
Author of book *Soldiers in Different Armies* Salvation Army Officer after World War I

March - Kerry Farmer
Will talk on DNA for family research. Talk will be in the morning with a Q & A session in the afternoon.

April – Ed Tonks – New book *Pubs in Lake Macquarie*.

Newsletter Editor:

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CONDOLENCES are extended to our President Arthur and his family, on the passing of his mother in Nowra last week. Our sympathies are with you.

MEETINGS

Our next meeting will be held on **Saturday 18th February 2017**.

You are also reminded that the Hall is always open for the use of resources on the first Wednesday of each month from 2pm. The hall will be open for research on **Wednesday 1st February 2017 from 2pm until 5pm**. There will be no evening session on this day.

COMMITTEE NEWS

There was no committee meeting held in January. Next Committee Meeting will be **Friday 10th February 2017**.

THE CHRONICLE – Elspeth Bradbury is asking for contributions for the February issue along the following lines before the end of the month:

“My ancestors were from England. My paternal line of the MANN family came from Middlesex to Australia in 1888 and was first in South Australia before coming to Lake Macquarie in 1900. My maternal line the HILTON family came here in 1912; they were miners from Wigan, Lancashire and continued this occupation in the mining district of Lake Macquarie.” Elspeth Bradbury - Member No 9. Who knows who will contact you and what chords you will strike?

DNA FOR FAMILY HISTORY LAKE MACQUARIE FAMILY HISTORY GROUP

Professional Genealogist – Kerry Farmer

Saturday 18th March 2017

11 am – 2 pm

Marmong Point Community Hall

31B George St, Marmong Point.

B Y O lunch or Sausage Sizzle Available (small donation)

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Happy New Year. This is the first time that we meet for the year of 2017. How was your Christmas and New Year? Hopefully a lot of family time and perhaps some time for a bit of family history research.

We come to the stage of life when you realise that we are now the older generation. My mother passed away last week and while the funeral was a celebration of a life well lived and one of service to others. It is also a great time to catch up with relations both near and far away. So it was for us. But when it comes to asking my mum about distant relation or what such and such was like that is no longer possible. That time is now past.

Fortunately for many of us we began family history research when we have been able to talk with someone older in the family. That is not always the case as when young many have no interest in the past. So we always tell new starters to begin with yourself and to get hold of those family stories when that is possible. Perhaps they are not always the full truth but more often than not there are elements of truth that have been embellished with the telling. It is up to us to find the facts.

The other thing that has happened to me was an early Christmas gift of a DNA kit. Something to look forward to when the results come back. The news arrived right in the middle of arranging a funeral so I still have to chase up connections that the DNA results have revealed. Those that have heard a little of my family will be aware that there is no written record of one of my grandfathers. A mystery to solve and maybe just maybe this DNA will provide the connection that has not been available in the past.

Happy Researching in 2017

Arthur Radford.

FELLOWSHIP OF FIRST FLEETERS – HUNTER VALLEY CHAPTER.

Australia Day Celebration - Monday 30th January 2017 – 10 am

Adamstown Senior Citizens Hall - 153 Brunner Rd Adamstown

Morning Tea & Sausage Sizzle.

Guest Speaker: Phil Ashley Brown of ABC sharing his Antarctica experiences.

Contact: Barbara 02 49439105 or Don 02 4955805.

GENEALOGY

FIND MY PAST:

Yorkshire & Derbyshire Methodist Baptisms – 42,000 records for years 1795-1997. **Yorkshire & Derbyshire Methodist Marriages** – 22,000 records.

Middlesex Monumental Inscriptions – St Nicholas Church Cheswick.

British Newspapers – 8 new titles.

Ireland, Petty Sessions Court Registers – over 220,000 records.

Dorset Memorial Inscriptions – 40,000 new records.

Warwickshire Burials – Witton Cemetery Birmingham – 1987-2011.

Northumberland & Durham Monumental Inscriptions – 26 churches – 23,000 records.

Ireland Society of Friends (Quaker) Congregational Records – 1600 onwards – 1.2 million records.

Scotland Mental Health Institutions Admissions 1857-1859.

Scotland Prison Registers Index 1828-1884 – 17,000 records.

Gloucester Apprentices 1595-1700 – 20,000 records.

Kent Baptisms, Banns, Marriages, Burials – Wortham, Stansted, Wouldham, Southfleet, Leybourne.

Queensland Passports Index 1915-1925.

NSW 1841 Census.

British Army Discharges, 60th Foot – 1854-1880 King's Royal Rifle Corp.

Middlesex War Memorials 1845-1998.

Britain, Histories & Reference Guides - 27,000 records.

Worcestershire Probate Index 1660-1858.

Buckinghamshire Marriages. N Z Officiating Minister 1882 – 13 denominations.

N Z Waikaraka Cemetery Memorial 1902-1940.

N Z Civil Service Examinations 1906-1907.

COUNTY SLIGO HERITAGE & GENEALOGY SOCIETY: New Civil Marriage Records for County Sligo – Districts Boyle No2 and Carney No 1 & 2 per Irish Family History Foundation.

JOURNALS RECEIVED

Journal of the Royal Australian Historical Society. December 2016.

Articles: James Stephen's Doctrine of a White Australia - Tony Ohlsson.

A Community, a Council and a Flood Risk: the case of Maitland, New Wales, and some ramifications - Chas Keys.

The Curious Case of Sammy Cox - Katrina Gulliver.

A Short Note on Long Cove - Sue Castrique.

Richard Guise: Englishman or French Duke - Roslyn Cartwright.

Winged Victory and Marrickville's Memory of War: Defining personal and communal loss in Sydney's

Inner West - Clinton Johnston.

History - Magazine of the RAHS. December 2016.

Articles: The Australasian Orphanage - Christine Wright."

Community Banking in Rural New South Wales - Owen Moorhouse.

My Father's War: The Dutch in Australia in World War II - Linda Emery.

Incendiarism in Macquarie Street - Christine Yeats

The South Australian Genealogist - Journal of S A Gen. & Her. Soc. - November 2016.

Articles: The Baedeker Bombing Raids on York - David Barber.

The Chandler Family of South Australia - Heidi Ing & Brian Uren.

Trooper Ernest James Stratford Eyre 287 - Charmaine Hockley.

Travels of a Family Historian - Zoe Ratcliffe.

The Rowland Brothers from North Wales - Anne Rowland.

A Welcome in The Vales - Fiona Errington.

Sunday School at Pittenweem - Helen Williamson.

Descent - Journal of Society of Australian Genealogists - December 2016.

Articles: Who was Mary Ann Kinnear? - Sylvia C.M. Murphy.
Margaret Fleming: Irish Rebel to Sydney Schoolteacher - Dr Ann-Maree Whitaker.
John Lea, Monumental Mason – Part Two - Sue Stenning.
No Record Found! - Paul R.C. Goard.

Newsletter of East Lake Macquarie Historical Society - November 2016.

Articles: A Flying Boat Station for Rathmines - NMH & MA 17-06-1939.
Gateshead Got Ready for Christmas - Saturday 13 December 1947

Newsletter of East Lake Macquarie Historical Society - December 2016.

Articles: Getting Married this Christmas – 1931.
In the Shadows of The Famous ‘Cats’. NMH & MA 13-09-1952.

The Hawkesbury Crier - eJournal of Hawkesbury FHG - December 2016.

Articles: Colo Shire established 110 years ago - Michelle Nichols.
Hawkesbury on the net - Jonathan Auld.
Who was Sambo Brown - Judy Sanders.
The unfortunate death of John Lange - Michelle Nichols.
A malicious conspiracy to defraud - Michelle Nichols.
George Louis Asher Davies (1834-1903) - Faye Brock.
Dad’s First Job - John Jones.
John Tebbutt 1834-1916 - Michelle Nichols

Western Ancestor - Journal of Western Australia Gen. Soc. - December 2016.

Articles: DNA: The New Kid on the Genealogy Block - Cate Pearce.
James Lynch – A Monaro Pioneer - Chris Loudon.
Recording Sources – The Easy Way - Jenni Ibrahim.
Unearthing your Scottish Ancestors with Scotlands Places - Kim Beasley.

eNewsletter of Orange Family History Group - December 2016.

Articles: Thomas Macartney Condell.
Newspaper Articles from Orange newspapers.

Vetaffairs - Newspaper for Veterans - Summer 2016.

Articles: Numerous articles of interest to the Veteran Community.

The Genealogist - Journal of Australian Inst. of Gen. Studies - December 2016.

Articles: A Rather Small Family Skeleton - Ian Nowak.
Alf’s Crib Board: Trench Art from WW1 - Des Lambley.
The Alphabet Postcard - Carolann Thomson.
Letter from England - Peter Bennett.
Boots, shoes and seeds: the life of Peter Field - John Field.
A Problem to solve - David Cotton.
Daniel McLaurin - Barbara Wilson.
Dustydocs - Cynthia Neale.
Seafaring Disaster....further episodes in the life of Capt S Unthank - Eric Unthank.
Pioneers and Old Colonists. A Roll of Honour - Anne Major.

Insearch - eJournal of Gwydir FHS - December 2016

Articles: 100 Years Ago.
More of Jim Burling’s Memories.
Obituary – Hamilton Welchman.
Elsie Gertrude Hearndon.
Arthur Thompson and the Red Cross Convalescent Home.