



Blue Mountains Family History Society Inc

Newsletter

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MAY GENERAL MEETING

The May General Meeting will be held this coming Friday 12 May at 10.00 a.m. in the Upper Hall of the Civic Centre. This meeting we will have John Low, a local well known historian as our guest speaker.

JUNE: The June meeting will be Special Interest Groups with the same groups as the previous one, but this time the focus will be on the geographical settings and backgrounds for the areas: landforms, climate, people and occupations.

OUTINGS

April: The outing to the Museum of Sydney was enjoyed by all who attended.

MAY: The outing for May will be to Parramatta, on **Wednesday, 19 May**. Travel to Parramatta by 9.06 a.m. train from Springwood, second carriage. Don Graham has arranged for the Curator of the Parramatta Heritage Centre, Gay Hendricksen (a BMFHS member) to meet the group at the Parramatta Railway Station, then to catch the free loop bus to near the Parramatta Leagues Club and walk to the Female Factory site. Then to catch the loop bus back to the Heritage Centre for a tour and for those interested, a tour of Local Studies and their collection. Take your lunch or buy. The walking from the loop bus to the Female Factory site may be a bit much for some. If this is the case, you can go straight to the Heritage Centre by loop bus and wait for the group to arrive.

June: Mount Schoenstatt Chapel and St Thomas' Anglican Church, Mulgoa.

FUND RAISING

It has been decided to go ahead with the Springwood Ivy Market Canteen, on 11 September 2010, as a fundraiser for this year. We will be calling for volunteers to donate items for the day OR to cook scones OR cakes OR slices. I am going to send out a list of what is required, in a separate email. A number of people can make up one item, e.g. the milk. Pauline Hincksman will be in charge of the donation sheets at the general meeting and can answer any questions you might have.

LIBRARY ROSTER

Terry is still looking for volunteers. You do not have to be experienced, you will learn as you volunteer. As well as being of assistance to the general public and your fellow members, you will learn more about your own family history research.

Roster for MAY 2010:

Tuesday 4: Jan Koperberg, Terry Flowers **11:** Audrey King, Maureen Ingram

18: Suzanne Voytas **25:** Lynne Tocher, Pat Carruthers

Thursday 6: Margaret Chapman, Pauline Hincksman **13:** Ian Kendall

20: Margaret Chapman, Eileen Milligan **27:** Ian Kendall, Brian Meagher

Roster for JUNE 2010:

Tuesday 1: Jan Koperberg, Terry Flowers **8:** Audrey King, Maureen Ingram

15: Suzanne Voytas **22:** Lynne Tocher, Pat Carruthers **29:** Jan Koperberg

Thursday 3: Margaret Chapman, Pauline Hincksman **10:** Ian Kendall

17: Margaret Chapman, Eileen Milligan **24:** Ian Kendall, Brian Meagher

Roster for JULY 2010

Tuesday 6: Jan Koperberg **13:** Audrey King, Maureen Ingram

20: Suzanne Voytas **27:** Lynne Tocher, Pat Carruthers

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There should be two volunteers on each guaranteed day. You can see there are gaps. If you can fill a gap, contact Terry at thflowers@optusnet.com.au

REMEMBERED

JUDY MARLOW, Life Member, who joined Blue Mountains Family History Society in 1988, passed away at Scone on 12 April 2010. The death notice said that Judy was “remembered for her seminal work on seals of the world” and a request was made, as follows “no flowers, but donations to the Guide Dogs would be appreciated”. Judy was a regular library volunteer, as well as being on the committee.

MAVIS TAYLOR, a Member, late of Springwood, died as the result of a car accident on Friday, 16 April. Mavis was travelling back from Mudgee.

DONATIONS

We thank **Don Graham** for the following donations for the FH section of Springwood Library

1. *Heraldry, Customs, Rules & Styles* by Carl Alexander von Volborth
2. *Orders, Medals & Decorations of Britain & Europe* by Paul Hieronymussen
3. *Domesday. A Search for the Roots of England* by Michael Wood
4. The booklet *Scottish Clans*

We thank Chris Brest, 12 Kristine St, Winmalee for the donation of Proserpine “Then and Now” A Pictorial Record Sponsored by Proserpine Shire Council, Produced by Proserpine Historical Museum Society

LEISURE AND ENTERTAINMENT STORIES

Audrey King is collecting the notes taken by scribes from the workshop last month. Audrey is also collecting stories from individuals. If you have memories that you did not have time to share or did not think of till after the workshop, now is your chance. Type them up and give to Audrey at the general meeting or email to her at apk2777@gmail.com

COMMON IRISH “NICKNAMES”

Also from Audrey King, common Irish “nicknames” from the Galway site:

Darby = Jeremiah
Abby = Barbara
Nappy = Penelope
Una = Winifred
Delia = Bridget
Nancy = Anne
Mick = Michael
Nora = Honora, Hannah, Anna
Annie = Johanna
Nell = Helen, Ellen
Sadie = Sarah

Anyone else with any interesting facts for the newsletter, please send to me jank@eftel.com.au

While we are mentioning Ireland – look at the next column

WICKLOW CHURCH OF IRELAND RECORDS

The Irish Family History Foundation is pleased to announce the availability of around 52,000 Church of Ireland records from Co Wicklow. Just go to the following site <http://wicklow.brsgenealogy.com/> Log in and registration free. If you find a record then you will need to purchase credits

NEW CONVICT DATABASE

State Records have announced news of their new database INDEXES TO CONVICT RECORDS. It combines various convict indexes into one database, containing around 120,000 entries. It includes the new Tickets of Leave 1810-75, (compiled by Perry McIntyre) as well as Certificates of Freedom, 1823-69; Convict bank Accounts, 1837-70; Tickets of Exemption from Government Labor, 1827-32; Certificates of Emancipation and Pardons, 1810-19; Tickets of Leave, 1810-75; Ticket of Leave Passports, 1835-69 available to search. See State Records website <http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/state-archives/indexes-online/indexes-to-convict-records>

INDEX TO DEPASTURING LICENCES, 1837-46, 1851

Another new index available at State Records NSW: Search for settlers grazing stock beyond the 'Limits of Location'
<http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/news/search-for-settlers-grazing-stock-beyond-the-limits-of-location>

1802 MAP OF SYDNEY ONLINE

An extremely rare 1802 map of Sydney has just been displayed on the free access MAPCO website. It is: Plan von Sydney der Hauptstadt der Englischen Colonien in Australien. Aufgenommen von Hrn. Lesueur; und berichtet von Hrn Boullanger i. J. 1802 (Map of Sydney, the capital of the British colonies in Australia. Recorded by Mr. Lesueur, and corrected by Mr Boullanger AD 1802)
<http://archivemaps.com/mapco/sydney1802/sydney.htm>
This rare, early map of Sydney records details of roads, buildings, windmills, gardens, orchards, gallows, brickfields, and the cemetery. Topographic relief is represented by hachures (shading lines). A Key to important buildings and places is located below the map.

EVENTS

William Charles Wentworth's biographer, Andrew Tink, the former NSW Shadow Attorney General, will be addressing the Springwood Historical Society in the Presbyterian Church Hall, Macquarie Road, Springwood on Friday, 18 June at 10.15 a.m. If you would like to attend, contact Dick Morony
richardmorony@optusnet.com.au

OTHER EVENTS

The Society of Australian Genealogists – May 2010 to July 2010 Activities will be posted to the Notice Board in the Library

Saturday, 22 May: Walk: cattle rustlers yards and campsites, caves – Glenbrook & DHS pplinden@yahoo.com.au

Sunday, 23 May: Open Day Valley Heights Loco Depot Museum emullet@bigpond.net.au

Saturday, 5 June: Meeting: Speaker: Babette Smith: Convictism-how did we get it wrong: Blue Mountains Historical Society – contact John Low grizzlybear3au@yahoo.com

Wednesday, 9 June: Meeting: speaker: Cathy McHardy: Reminiscences of Richmond by Samuel Boughton: Hawkesbury Family History Group – 10.00 a.m. Deerubbin Centre, George Street, Windsor