



# The Ghost

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## Campbelltown District Family History Society

ABN 88 944 738 687

**Meetings held on the First  
Saturday of each month  
(except January)**

**Place: In the Meeting Room,  
Campbelltown  
Library.**

**Time: 1.30 pm**

**ALL WELCOME**

**Annual Membership  
Subscriptions:  
Single.....\$20  
Couple.....\$30  
Name Badges..\$8 ea**

**Campbelltown District FHS Inc  
Meetings and Events**

### **July, 2016**

Saturday 2nd July.

Speaker: David Beddie & Carole  
Cockshott

Topic: FindMyPast.

### **August, 2016**

Saturday 6th August. AGM

Speaker: Marsdens.  
Topic: Talk on Wills.

### **September, 2016**

Saturday 3rd September.

Speaker: Marilyn Rowan.  
Topic: Transcripts.

## Denise's Social Column

The Aboriginal Course held on Sunday 15th May, was very well attended and a very informative talk by Nathan from The State Library.

The next course we are doing is on Sunday 10th July, United Kingdom. Please book early.

The Society is having a social BBQ in Koshigaya Park, on Thursday 21st July, come along and enjoy.

Belgenny Farm is having its open day on Wednesday 3rd August, this will be a great day. The Society will be having a stall, so come along.

*Denise Baxter*

*Social Secretary.*

[social@cdfhs.org.au](mailto:social@cdfhs.org.au)

## Seminar 2017

### “Examining the Past”

Campbelltown District Family History Society will be holding a Seminar on Saturday 20th May 2017. This will be from 9am to around 4pm.

We will be having several speakers.

This will be held at the Campbelltown Catholic Club. Cost \$35 each.

Further details will be provided in the next few months.

Please set aside this date.

## National Family History Month

During August events will be conducted across Australia and online that focus on genealogy, family history, heraldry and related subjects. Please visit the following site for information.

<http://familyhistorymonth.org.au/>

## Websites of Interest

\* Commissary Court of London Will Abstracts Volume 26 (1629-1634)  
<http://www.genuki.org.uk/big/eng/Wills/Wills1>

These will abstracts are from volume 26 of the registered wills for the Commissary Court of London. They can be found on LDS film # 0094108. The volume commences at the end of the year 1629 and continues into 1634.

\* International Committee of the Red Cross – Archives  
<https://www.icrc.org/en/archives>  
Geneva, Switzerland. Instructions on how to request information on victims of armed struggle (prisoner of war, civilian held captive, deceased or interned).

\* Library of Congress Home Page  
<https://www.loc.gov/>  
The Library provides Congress, the federal government and the American people with a rich, diverse and enduring source of knowledge to inform, inspire and engage them and support their intellectual and creative endeavors.

\* Convict Records of Australia  
<http://www.convictrecords.com.au/>  
Search the British Convict transportation register for convicts transported to Australia between 1787-1867.

\* Female Convicts Research Centre  
<http://www.femaleconvicts.org.au/>  
Promotes interest in the female convicts of Van Diemes Land (Tasmania), by encouraging and facilitating research. From 1803 to 1853, 12,500 female convicts were transported to Van Diemes Land (Tasmania), as punishment for crimes, mainly theft. After serving their sentences they were released into the community. Their transportation left a lasting legacy. The Female Convicts Research Centre encourages research into these female convicts, mainly through its database, website and twice-yearly seminars.

## New and Updated Ancestry.com Databases

Following is a list of databases included or updated onto Ancestry.com over the last month, available at the Campbelltown Library.

- \* U.S., School Yearbooks, 1880-2012; Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [372,489,557 records].
- \* New South Wales, Australia, Convict Records, 1810-1891; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [158,731 records].
- \* Web: UK, Chinese Maritime Customs Service Index, 1854-1950; Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [11,098 records].
- \* Canada, Photographic Albums of Settlement, 1892-1917; Pictures. [3,538 records].
- \* Web: U.S., Marine Corps Casualty Indexes, 1940-1958; Military. [115,570 records].
- \* Gloucestershire, England, Electoral Registers, 1832-1974; Census & Voter Lists. [11,693,589 records].
- \* Gloucestershire, England, Land Tax Records, 1713-1833; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [1,045,856 records].
- \* Gloucestershire, England, Prison Records, 1728-1914; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [235,682 records].
- \* Pennsylvania, Passenger and Crew Lists, 1800-1962; Immigration & Travel. [1,933,441 records].
- \* Netherlands, Civil Marriage Index, 1795-1950 (in Dutch); Birth, Marriage & Death. [22,932,495 records].
- \* Netherlands, Burial Index, 1546-1821 (in Dutch); Birth, Marriage & Death. [846,033 records].
- \* Netherlands, Baptism Index, 1569-1879 (in Dutch); Birth, Marriage & Death. [6,849,947 records].
- \* Netherlands, Death Index, 1795-1965 (in Dutch); Birth, Marriage & Death. [29,904,324 records].
- \* Netherlands, Dutch East India Company Crew Index, 1633-1795 (in Dutch); Immigration & Travel. [837,467 records].

## Courses for 2016

The following dates have been set aside for courses in 2016. Cost \$10.

These start at 11am and go to 3.30pm. Arrive by 10.45am.

To book please contact Denise.

[social@cdfhs.org.au](mailto:social@cdfhs.org.au)

The following courses are being arranged for 2016.

- \* UK Family History Research – repeat. 10 July 2016.
- \* Irish Family History Research – repeat. 11 Sept 2016.
- \* Designing and creating a Photo Album. 20 Nov 2016.

## Books to be Published

Campbelltown District Family History Society and Campbelltown and Airs Historical Society are looking to jointly publish 2 books, during the next few years.

1. Campbelltown residents serving in Militia / Military units between 1788 - July 1914. To be published during 2017. This book will basically be a coverage of Colonial times and early Federation.

2. Campbelltown residents serving in / supporting military units during WWI. To be published 11th November 2018.

During 2016 we will conduct research on these 2 books and we invite anyone who has relevant information to provide that.

Please contact either:  
David Beddie [maged@cdfhs.org.au](mailto:maged@cdfhs.org.au) or  
Learna Coupe [learnacoupe@yahoo.com.au](mailto:learnacoupe@yahoo.com.au)

## Campbelltown and Airs Historical Society

**Saturday 23rd July.**

Members Meeting. Time: 1.30 pm.

At Glenalvon.

Speaker: Ron Ringer.

Topic: "The Industrial Revolution".

At this meeting the Society will launch the next edition of their journal Grist Mills. This interesting story is titled "Letters from Campbelltown The Gamble Family Story" by John White. It examines letters written from Campbelltown by past Mayor Thomas Gamble (1844-1923) in the late 1800's to his family in Ireland. Afternoon Tea will be provided.

## Cemetery CD

The current Cemetery CD, which was developed by the CDFHS in 2002, is due for a re-write.

The Cemeteries covered are:

- \* St Marks Anglican Cemetery - Appin
- \* St Bede's Catholic Cemetery - Appin
- \* Ingleburn RSL Memorial Park
- \* St Peter's Anglican Cemetery - Campbelltown
- \* St John's Catholic Cemetery - Campbelltown
- \* St David's Presbyterian Cemetery - Campbelltown
- \* Methodist Congregational Cemetery - Campbelltown
- \* St Mary's Anglican Cemetery – Denham Court.

The Society is planning to issue out an updated CD, during 2017.

In preparation for this, if anyone has any information on errors that may be found on the current CD, or any other information that may be relevant, could you please send a note to:

David Beddie [maged@cdfhs.org.au](mailto:maged@cdfhs.org.au)

## Campbelltown and Airs Historical Society

**Ivor G Thomas Lecture  
Saturday 13th August.**

1.30 pm. St David's Church Hall.  
Topic: The Campbelltown of Stella and Jim Vernon through the eyes of their children.

Tickets: \$10 each.

Please RSVP by Wednesday 3rd August 2016 to Kay 0418 493 676 or Jenny 0417 556 756 or to [president@cahs.com.au](mailto:president@cahs.com.au)  
Following the lecture, afternoon tea will be served.

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