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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..\$5.50 ea

Campbelltown District FHS Inc
Meetings and Events

March, 2011

Saturday 5th

General Meeting - Speaker: Peter
Plowman. Australian Immigration.

April, 2011

Saturday 2nd

General Meeting - Speaker: Amylee Steele
Scrapbooking your family history.

May, 2011

Saturday 7th

General Meeting - Speaker: Lawrence
Turtle - Topic TBA.

Denise's Social Column

On Friday 25th Feb we had our annual
Street Stall we had a good day and raised
\$278, I'd like to thank all those volunteers
who helped out on the day, much
appreciated. :-)

The Ancestry Course held at the Library
on Sunday 27th Feb. was very interesting
and I think everyone who attended on the
day went home with a much better
understanding of the program, I know I
did. Thanks to David Beddie and Carole
Cockshott for running the show and
making it so informative. We will be
having another Course on Sunday 10th
April. Please book early as I am already
taking names and numbers are limited to
24.

Denise
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Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society

Saturday 12th March 2011.

Open Day. 10 am to 1 pm.

Displays for Feb to April - A New Look at
Old Glass, and Domesticity - from Fly
Papers to Opium.

Saturday 26th March 2011.

General Meeting - 1:30pm - speaker -
Judith Trimbole - "Show Memories,
Entertainment".

2011 Seminar

St Peter's Anglican Church Hall, Cordeaux
St, Campbelltown

Saturday 17 September 2011 ~
Registration 9.00a.m. - 9.20a.m.
Cost \$25.

Our Presenters

1. Angella Phippen: "Stinking Occupations
of the Past"
2. Jeff McGill: Surnames, Their Origins &
Derivations
3. Ralph Hawkins: "Faces & Places"
Dating Family Photos

Websites of Interest

* Danish American Archive and Library
[http://www.danishamericanarchive.com/de
fault.asp](http://www.danishamericanarchive.com/default.asp)

The Danish American Archive contains the
US's largest collection of materials
relating to the life experience, cultural
heritage, and contributions to North
America of Danish immigrants. It has
materials on people who were buried in
Washington County, Nebraska, pastors of
the United Evangelical Lutheran Church,
and members of the Danish Brotherhood
and Danish Sisterhood. The Archive has a
collection of obituaries and family files.

* Viking Roots

<http://www.vikingroots.com/>
Genealogy news and articles from
Norway, in English.

* Military Genealogy

[http://military-
genealogy.forcesreunited.org.uk/](http://military-genealogy.forcesreunited.org.uk/)
Military Genealogy website with over 2
million records dating back to before
1630.

* World Newspapers and Magazines

<http://www.w3newspapers.com/>
World Newspapers and magazines sorted
by country.

* The Scottish Emigration Blog

[http://www.scottishemigration.blogspot.co
m/](http://www.scottishemigration.blogspot.com/)
History, reviews, and reading lists for
those interested in the Scottish diaspora.

* International Heraldry

<http://www.internationalheraldry.com/>
Heraldry in various countries, including
the right to arms and armory for
genealogists.

* Free online European birth and baptism
databases

[http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancest
ry.com/~thecohens/birthindexes-eur.html](http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~thecohens/birthindexes-eur.html)
Guide to free online birth and baptismal
records, indexes, and transcription sites for
Europe.

Australian Archives Facts Sheets

Continuing the Facts sheets series:

Go to -

<http://www.naa.gov.au/about-us/publications/fact-sheets/index.aspx>

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The Immigration Photographic Archive

After World War II, the Australian Government began an immigration program designed to provide the population and labour force needed to equip the country for development.

The Commonwealth Department of Immigration was responsible for implementing Australia's postwar immigration programs. From its creation in 1945, the department employed photographers to record the arrival and resettlement of migrants and their integration into the Australian community. Their photographs were used to advertise and promote Australia to potential migrants, to illustrate reports and other publications, and as a resource for research into immigration.

The National Archives of Australia holds this collection of images as the Immigration Photographic Archive, series A12111. The collection consists of 36,000 black-and-white and colour images catalogued with the subject and a consecutive number with a year prefix.

Access to the Immigration Photographic Archive

More than 10 000 images from the Immigration Photographic Archive have been digitised and can be accessed through the National Archives image bank, PhotoSearch.

Captions for all photographs in the Immigration Photographic Archive are listed in the RecordSearch database.

Copies of images that have not been digitised may be requested through the National Reference Service.

Please access the following link for information on this fact sheet.

<http://www.naa.gov.au/about-us/publications/fact-sheets/fs254.aspx>

Centuries Past in North-East Scotland

<http://www.genegenie-scotland.blogspot.com/>

A look at what was happening in North-East Scotland in centuries past, as reported in local newspapers.

NSW State Archives Archives in Brief

Continuing the AIB series:

Go to -

<http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/state-archives/guides-and-finding-aids/archives-in-brief>

Archives in Brief 99

Introducing Photo Investigator

This is AIB is an introduction to Photo Investigator, The State Records' web-based search and retrieval tool for accessing photographic images. For more information on State Records' photographic collection see Archives in Brief 70. All the photographic images available on Photo Investigator are open to public access.

From the 1870s the NSW Government agencies made increasing use of photography to document or promote their activities, record significant events and anniversaries, or encourage tourism and immigration. Fortunately, significant quantities of these photographic images have been retained as part of the NSW State archives collection.

State Records commenced a small-scale digitisation program several years ago. The aim of the program is to digitise selected photographs from its extensive collection of photographic images and make them more accessible to a wider audience via the website.

Photo Investigator has four search options:

- * Subject Search
- * Keyword Search
- * Series Search
- * Advanced Search

Please go to the following web-link to access this AIB

<http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/state-archives/guides-and-finding-aids/archives-in-brief/archives-in-brief-99>

<http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/state-archives/guides-and-finding-aids/archives-in-brief/archives-in-brief-99>

Free International Birth Records Information

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~thecohens/birthindexes.html>
Guide to free online birth and baptismal records, indexes, and transcription sites around the world. Suggestions for basic and alternative sources. Includes annotated links for Africa, Asia, Australia, Oceania.

Ancestry.com

This is continuing the series on Ancestry.com which is available on the library computers.

Relevance – Ranking Searches

You can concentrate your searches to ensure your searches are more relevant. e.g. When viewing "Ranked Search Results", you can display the results by "All Matches" – which gives you basically everything, or "2 Stars or better" up to "Only 5 Stars".

* A 5 Star view will only pick up those results that exactly match your search for all parameters.

e.g. If your search was for "John Smith" born in Scotland, and died in Scotland, you will only get results for exactly those parameters. In some cases, you will get no results, because the Relevance selection is too selective.

* An "All Matches" view will pick up anything that has at least 1 of the parameters.

e.g. For the above example you will get a lot of hits, including All "John" and All "Smith" results, anywhere. You will get a lot of results in this selection.

You may sometimes want to rank by between 2 and 4 stars to get reasonable results.

Ancestry.com Course

We will be holding a 2nd Ancestry.com course on Sunday 10th April 2011. At Campbelltown Library, from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm.

Cost will be a gold coin donation.

Further details and bookings contact Denise Baxter: social@cdfhs-aus.com

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