



The Ghost

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Official Newsletter of the Campbelltown District Family History Society.

Website: www.cdfhs.org.au

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

November, 2020
Saturday 7th November.
At Campbelltown Library.
CANCELLED.

December, 2020
Saturday 5th December.
Christmas Party.
CANCELLED.

February, 2021
Saturday 6th February.
At Campbelltown Library.
To be advised.

Meetings up to March 2021 may be
cancelled, but we will advise.

Denise's Social Column

There are no Social column comments at the moment.

Events that had been planned have been postponed.

Regards

Denise Baxter

Social Secretary.
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Suspension of Activities

Due to the suspension of some library services at the H. J. Daley Library due to Covid-19, Campbelltown District Family History Society advises that General Meeting set down for November has been cancelled. The Christmas party that was planned for December, has also been cancelled.

In addition, CDFHS will not be providing volunteers in the Family History Room until further notice.

Please see our website for further notices.

Courses for 2020 - 2021

Due to current circumstances, we do not know when courses will be held again. We will advise further.

We anticipate that the courses that we wanted to hold in 2020 may be held in 2021.

Several course topics will probably be:
* Beginners.

* Brick Walls.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL.

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Please watch our website for more information on these.

Websites of Interest

* FamilySearch - Finding Elusive Records on FamilySearch

<https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/finding-elusive-records/>

If a basic search on FamilySearch.org is the only approach you use to find your ancestors, you might be missing out on a lot of potential discoveries. The records you can find by performing basic searches represent only a small portion of what's available on FamilySearch.

In fact, 77 percent of the free historical records on FamilySearch.org can't be found by searching. That's a lot of information about your family just waiting to be discovered! In order to tap into these hard-to-find records, you'll need to know how to use resources like unindexed image collections and the FamilySearch catalog, as well as some more advanced search features.

* FamilySearch - United States Border Crossings from Canada to United States, 1895-1956

<https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1803785>

This database contains an index of aliens and citizens crossing into the U.S. from Canada via various ports of entry along the U.S.-Canadian border between 1895 and 1956. Data courtesy of Ancestry.com.

* World Digital Library (WDL)

<https://www.wdl.org/en/>

The World Digital Library (WDL) makes available on the Internet, free of charge and in multilingual format, significant primary materials from countries and cultures around the world.

* Ancestry Academy

<https://www.ancestryacademy.com/browse>
Free online lectures on a variety of genealogical topics.

* Use A Genealogy Timeline To Find Gaps In Your Research

<https://lialisson.com/organize-your-genealogy-using-a-timeline>

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. 32,866 databases in total.

- * Canada, Newspapers.com Obit Index, 1800s-current; Birth, Marriage & Death. [30,877,928 records].
- * Web: U.S., Mining Accidents, 1839-2006; Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [520,498 records].
- * Australia, Royal Australian Air Force Personnel Files, 1921-1948; Military. [4,002 records].
- * Web: UK, Post Office World War I and World War II Memorial Books, 1914-1945; Military. [25,864 records].
- * Queensland, Australia, Index to Government Railway Workers, 1878-1946; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [40,940 records].
- * England & Wales, Non-Conformist and Non-Parochial Registers, 1567-1936; Birth, Marriage & Death. [5,768,013 records].
- * UK, World War I Pension Ledgers and Index Cards, 1914-1923; Military. [6,519,330 records].
- * Victoria, Australia, Assisted and Unassisted Passenger Lists, 1839-1923; Immigration & Travel. [1,856,643 records].
- * U.S., Civil War Pension Index: General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934; Military. [3,404,743 records].
- * WEB: France, Death Records, 1970-2018 (in French); Birth, Marriage & Death. [24,349,436 records].
- * U.S., Headstone Applications for Military Veterans, 1925-1970; Birth, Marriage & Death. [2,905,615 records].
- * U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918; Military. [29,370,617 records].
- * Glamorganshire, Wales, Anglican Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1570-1994; Birth, Marriage & Death. [2,949,196 records].

Find My Past

Following are some records available on FindMyPast.

- * Greater London Burial Index
<https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-Records/greater-london-burial-index>
Discover your ancestors who were buried in the Greater London area between 1399 and 1992. The records may reveal your relative's name, age, occupation, religious denomination and where they were buried. Included in these records are those of George Wombwell, the famous Victorian menagerie exhibitor, who was buried in Highgate Cemetery in 1850. The Greater London Burial Index is a collection of the Middlesex Burials & Memorial Inscriptions, South London Burials Index 1545-1905, City of London Burials 1754-1855 and Middlesex Burials 1538-1992.
- * Caribbean Rolls of Honour WW1
<https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-Records/caribbean-rolls-of-honour-ww1>
Trace military ancestors and their incredible stories in our new Caribbean Rolls of Honour. The records list soldiers from Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago who served with the British Armed Forces during World War 1.
- * Bahamas life events
<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/search/historical-records?region=world&location=bahamas>
We've just released over 470,000 new birth, marriage and death records from The Bahamas. You can explore the entire collection or focus on each record set separately:
 - Bahamas Birth Index 1850-1959 - over 291,000 new records added
 - Bahamas Marriage Index 1868-1959 - brand new with over 80,000 records
 - Bahamas Death Index 1850-1958 - brand new with over 99,000 records
 Covering over a century of history, discover important details for the Caribbean branches of your family tree with these essential resources.
- * Jamaica life events
<https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-records-in-birth-marriage-death-and-parish-records?datasetname=jamaica>
With improved search features, our vibrant Jamaican collection has expanded again. Explore over 780,000 new birth, baptism, marriage and death records to flesh out the Jamaican branches of your family tree.

Ghostbuster Magazine

March 2021 Issue

Topic: "Successes in my DNA research".

Maximum 600 words. Plus a picture if you have one.

Submission Date by: Saturday 30th January 2021.

Extra item for the magazine: "Unidentified Photographs".

From our own personal collection. Include: What we know about photo, what we think 'who it might be' there might be help given to date photo, via clothing, etc?

We would also like members to send in any "Member's Interests" that they may be researching. This will be included in a separate section in the magazine.

Also, note on our website:

Member's Interests

<https://www.cdfhs.org.au/index.php/othercontent/members-interests>

Visitor Interests

<https://www.cdfhs.org.au/index.php/othercontent/visitor-interests>

Ancestry.com and FindMyPast

These 2 programs, which have been available at the library, are now available online from home to all library card holders.

Go to the Campbelltown library website and logon using your card.

<https://www.campbelltown.nsw.gov.au/ServicesandFacilities/Libraries>

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