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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

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Annual Membership

Subscriptions:

Single.....\$20

Couple.....\$30

Name Badges..\$5.50 ea

**Campbelltown District FHS Inc
Meetings and Events**

October, 2011

Saturday 1st

We will be having several podcasts.

November, 2011

Saturday 5th

Speaker – To be advised.

December, 2011

Saturday 5th

Christmas Party - Cataract Dam

Denise's Social Column

I would like to thank Denise Power for her talk to the members and to all the people who brought along Heirlooms to the meeting to share with us a big thank you to you as well.

Our next outing and the last for this year is on THURSDAY 6th OCTOBER, THE SYDNEY THEATRE GROUP, at Walsh Bay. This is a one hour tour to see the work shops ...inner workings...costumes and if possible a production in progress. I need 10 people for this tour , so far I have 5. The cost is \$10 pp. Time 10.30 to 11.30am.

I am in the process of doing next years ROSTER , I have speakers booked up to August, but if anyone has someone they know of that they might like to hear talk please let me know and I will try to get them, also I have a list of proposed Tours, these include...Archaeology in the Rocks.....Cemetery Tour , St StephensJewish Church...The Rocks Walking Tours and if anyone has something they would like to do, please let me know and I will see what I can do.

Regards Denise
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Websites

* Italian Family Trees

<http://italianfamilytrees.webs.com/>

A helpful site including a step-by-step guide on how to discover more about your Italian genealogy. Message forums and tips also make it easier to learn more.

* The Long, Long Trail - The British Army in the Great War

<http://www.1914-1918.net/>

A resource for military historians, genealogists and others with an interest in the Great War of 1914-1918.

Websites of Interest

* FamilyChest: Free family history search for title deeds

<http://www.familychest.co.uk/>

FamilyChest is a free searchable database of 1000s of original historical family and property deeds from the UK and Wales that will help with research into family and house history. Original manuscripts for sale as well as transcriptions.

* Canadian Great War Project

<http://www.canadiangreatwarproject.com/>

The largest fully searchable database of Canadians serving in the First World War, or other nationalities who served in the CEF. The site differs from others like the Libraries and Archive Canada sites, or the Canadian Virtual War Memoria by making all information, including birthplace or next of kin, available as part of the search criteria, making it very useful for genealogical research. There are currently over 70,000 entries, with more being added daily. The site includes many other features, including transcribed/searchable war diaries, book reviews, transcribed letters, images and statistics on Canada in the Great War.

* Genies Down Under - Genealogy with an Australian Twist

<http://www.geniesdownunder.com.au/>

Genies Down Under is a genealogy website with a matching podcast that will help you extend your family history research, especially if you have any connections to Australian genealogy.

* Index of Old Occupations

<http://rmhh.co.uk/occup/index.html>

Definitions of old occupations.

* New Zealand Yesteryears

<http://www.yesteryears.co.nz/>

Providing New Zealand history resources freely to genealogists, this site has over 500 ships listed with more than 1500 passenger lists online, more are added daily. These lists are from the very earliest days of New Zealand history through to 1900 and cover the whole of New Zealand.

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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Passenger Arrivals Index

The Passenger arrivals index is an online database that includes the names from passenger lists in the National Archives series K269, Inward passenger manifests for ships and aircraft arriving at Fremantle, Perth Airport and outports, chronological series, 1898–1978. The database is available in all National Archives reading rooms and on the website.

The index was launched in February 2003. As at December 2008 it included names from passenger lists for the period 1 January 1921 to 15 January 1950.

The index is useful to those undertaking family history research because the passenger lists lodged in Fremantle included all passengers disembarking in Fremantle, and usually passengers travelling on to other Australian ports (such as Melbourne or Sydney) or overseas ports (such as Auckland or Colombo).

Please access the following link for information on this fact sheet.
<http://www.naa.gov.au/about-us/publications/fact-sheets/fs220.aspx>

Websites

* South Australian History by Adelaide Cooperative History

<http://www.ach.familyhistorysa.info/>
Articles and databases to assist with South Australian history research including local and family history. The databases include Land Purchases on Credit, Destitute Women, WWI deaths of Sth Australians.

* United States Archives and Libraries

https://wiki.familysearch.org/en/United_States_Archives_and_Libraries
Record repositories with major nationwide American collections and services helpful for genealogical research including contact information and a brief collection description.

Ancestors: They can hide, but they can't RUN anymore!

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>

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Local government records

Following are the topics for this AIB.

Access

Historical background.

*Records of Local Government

- Council Minute Books
- Rate and Valuation records
- Letters and Correspondence Books
- Cash and Revenue Books, Financial statements
- Officers' Reports
- Registers of Licenses, Buildings, Equipment, Burials/Interments etc
- Maps and plans
- Development Applications (DAs) and Building Applications (Bas)
- Local government records held by Councils
- City of Sydney Archives
- Local government records held by State Records

*Related Records

- Colonial/Chief Secretary
- District Councils
- Department of Local Government
- Valuer General

<http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/state-archives/guides-and-finding-aids/archives-in-brief/archives-in-brief-106>

Ask an Ancestor

In the July 2011 edition of the Ghostbuster magazine, we included a number of letters, provided by members, where they are asking their ancestor various questions. This will be continued in the November 2011 edition of the magazine.

Closing date for submissions for the November 2011 magazine was Saturday 24th September 2011.

If you have any additional submissions please get them to me in the next day or so.

There will be a prize drawn at the Christmas party for those who have submitted these letters.

Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society

Saturday 8th October 2011.

Open Day. 10 am to 1 pm.

The display is "Eat History".

A Special Event for Saturday, 8th October will be a half-hour talk by Peter Benson of Ingleburn, commencing at 10.45am. Peter will describe his career in dentistry as well as some of the many interesting personalities he has met during that time. On display will be the X-ray machine used by Dr. William Morris, an early dentist of the area, and by his son Jock Morris, also a dentist, which was given to Peter, and which he is now donating to the Society.

Saturday 22nd October 2011.

General Meeting - 1:30pm - then short talks on the early historians of the district by three of our members. These will be Thomas Alkin by Stella Vernon, JJ Moloney by Marie Holmes, and JP McGuanne by Alex Goodsell.

Please note the updated website for CAHS:

<http://cahs.com.au/>

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