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Editorial

Hi to all.

Welcome to another edition of the Ghostbuster magazine and a New Year.

New courses have been setup for 2018. See page 14 for more information.

We are including, in this edition, several articles by members, on "Fact or Fiction". Also included are several photos of unknown people, who you may be able to identify.

We have a new section titled "Information Issues in Genealogical Research". We will be including this in each magazine, going forward.

Please continue to visit our Family History room and the Local Studies room at the Library. Please also check out the library collections for Family History items. Please see our website for resources that are in our library.

Our volunteers are available in the Family History Room, at the Campbelltown Library, Monday to Saturday, 10 am to 12 Noon, except for December and January.

Welcome to any new members of the Society. We hope we can assist you in your researches.

David Beddie and Ellen Smith

Brick Walls Workshop

We will be holding a Brick Walls Workshop on Sunday 20th May 2018.

If you wish to attend, please provide a summary of your Brick Wall, to David Beddie: maged@cdfhs.org.au by Saturday 28th April 2018.

You may wish to bring your own laptop, or other portable device to assist in this workshop.

Times: Arrive 10.45 am. Start 11.00 am. Finish 3.30 pm.

Cost \$10.00. Bookings essential.

To book, please contact Denise Baxter at: social@cdfhs.org.au

or: 02 4625 8612

From the President's Pen. . . .

Hello Members,

Welcome to 2018. I hope everyone had a fantastic Christmas and a great New Year.

It's difficult to comprehend that we are speeding into 2018 at the rate we are going, March already.

Our December meeting was held at Cataract dam and was followed by our Christmas Party where we had an enjoyable informal time together.

In December 2017 the Mayor of Campbelltown, Cr George Brticevic invited our Society to attend a "Gift of Time Ceremony" to acknowledge and thank the City's volunteers for their selfless contribution to the community.

Also, the Campbelltown Library invited its volunteers to a "Volunteer's Afternoon Tea". Each volunteer was presented with a certificate of appreciation and gift to thank them for the time and help given to the library throughout the year. A big thank you to all the volunteers in our society who give endless hours each years to help the library provide a professional service for our Family History Room.

At the writing of this report we have held our February meeting where Marie Holmes spoke on her research and presentation of her book "Calvados and Riesling" which covers Marie's German and French ancestry, and our first course for the year "Beginning your family research" was conducted on the 18th Feb.

The other courses we intend having through 2018 are;

Sunday 20th May – Brick Walls workshop.

Sunday 15th July - Irish and Scottish family research.

Sunday 16th Sept – Convict research.

Sunday 18th Nov - DNA course.

Our Social Secretary is also looking to book more outings for us to enjoy during the year. If you think of an outing that is different and would be very interesting to do could you contact Denise by Email on social@cdfhs.org.au or phone on (02) 46258612.



As President I'm looking forward to 2018 being a very successful year for all of us.

Best Regards, Robert PALMER CDFHS President.

Campbelltown District FHS Inc - Calendar

Sat 3rd March 2018

Member's Meeting.

Speaker: Dennis Allsopp.

Topic: Strategies for securing your research.

Sat 7th April 2018

Member's Meeting. Speaker: To be advised. Topic: To be advised.

Sat 28th April 2018 (This is the May 2018 meeting held one week early)

Member's Meeting. Speaker: To be advised. Topic: To be advised.

Sat 2nd June 2018

Member's Meeting. Speaker: Allan Murrin. Topic: To be advised.

Sat 7th July 2018

Member's Meeting. Speaker: To be advised. Topic: To be advised.

Sat 4th August 2018

Member's Meeting. Speaker: Lisa Murray. Topic: Sydney Cemeteries.

Any questions on these should be directed to Denise Baxter social@cdfhs.org.au

CDFHS Blog

_http://cdfhsinc.blogspot.com.au/

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- * Captain Francis ALLMAN (1780-1860)
- * William and Martha Bridle early pioneers in the Campbelltown area.

Our Updated Website

_https://www.cdfhs.org.au/

Please see our updated website, which came on-line in late February 2017, and has been updated from August 2017, by our new webmaster: Dennis Allsopp.

Kevin Wall

Kevin Wall, the founding President of the Campbelltown District Family History Society has passed away 23rd December 2017. The funeral was held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Johnson Rd., Campbelltown on Friday, 5th January, 2018.

The Society wishes to give it's condolences to Kevin's family.

Pozieres Bricks

Our Society has just purchased 2 Pozieres bricks. This is in addition to 1 brick we purchased earlier in 2017. Each brick costs \$50.00.

http://www.pozieresremembered.com.au/

Our Society is mentioned now on their website:

http://www.pozieresremembered.com.au/pozieres-memorial-park/associations/

Contact Details

Do we have your up-to-date contact details?

If you have changed your address, phone or email address please advise us at: maged@cdfhs.org.au

FACT OR FICTION.?

My great grandfather, Edgar Green married my great grandmother Melanie Watts, known as Lanie, in 1893. They had 5 children - Reginald known as Dud, Edgar k/a Roy, Muriel k/a Merle, my grandmother, Nira Kathleen Margery, k/a Peg and youngest son Cecil, born in 1907. All except for the youngest weren't known by their real names. However, names weren't the real FICTION!

5 years later, Edgar deserted his wife and 4 children, taking Cecil with him. The family lived in a comfortable home in Roseville.

The FICTITIOUS story told by Edgar or Lanie to explain the disappearance, was that Cecil had an illness needing exercise in the sea. Both weren't heard of for many years.

A year before he died, in 1937, Peg, now married and my 12 year old mother Betty Higgins managed to find them far away in Douglas Park.. They travelled many miles by steam train. Perhaps, knowing he was ill, Edgar had finally made contact. He and Cecil must have been waiting to walk them a long way on a dirt track to Wattle Farm, where they lived in a dirt floored shack, in very poor circumstances. They cooked on an open fire and, and had no electricity. After 25 years apart, Cecil was finally reunited with his mother and siblings. I was fortunate to find the letter after she died that my mother wrote to her grandfather, back in 1938, when they met.

To add to the mystery, I also discovered an old postcard in that Douglas Park shack, addressed to Mr Edgar Green in 1912, when Edgar deserted his family. It was written in a very childish style by a young woman, early in the morning before she left, in Sydney. . . Who was this girl and why was the post card kept for so long? Was it an unknown FACT, that Edgar left his family for her? I know she never went to the country with them. This was one of only 3 objects owned by Edgar that survived, so must have been very important to him.

I remember Cecil Green, who died in Campbelltown Hospital in 1990, as a very shy, kind man. He lived a simple, tough life, but at the end, after living alone for 50 years, was cared for by family. He was my great uncle.

Jan Neaves			

Cemetery: (n) A marble orchard not to be taken for granite.

FACT OR FICTION

Lt Ernest James Rollings, M.c. & Bar 17 BN. Tank Corps. (The Taffy who won the war).

Ernest Rollings b. 1893 in Hereford, Wales. He joined the Glamorgan Constabulary, then enlisted in the CAVAIR in November 1914, transferred to the INFANTRY in 1915, and after being wounded, was selected for officer training. In January 1917 he was commissioned into the machine gun Corps and volunteered for the Heavy Branch, becoming one of the first "tankmen". By August 1917 he was a Lieutenant in "C" Battalion, the "Tank Corps". He was in charge of a "Pioneer Tank", his duty being to assist the fighting tanks get into action and cross the Steenbeck. It is said that despite the rough ground under heavy H.E. and gas bombardment he helped every one of the tanks in the section out of difficulties, and then went back to rescue a seriously injured officer and his men, who were under heavy shell fire. He was awarded M.C. for this action and his citation states that "if it had not been for his courage and energy it is doubtful that any of the fighting tanks would have got into action".

On 28th September 1918, the eve of the attack on the Hindenburg Line, Major D.P. Stevenson the Commander of 35 Squadron R.A.A. called his men together and told them the plan of attack had been changed because of maps which had come into Rawlinson's possession. They had shown every German machine gun post, trench mortar battery and fortified position, which had been captured in August 1918 by an unknown British subaltern Col Vivian. The person who found and handed in the German plans was Ernest James Rollings from Glamorgan, Wales.

Ellen Smith.			

FACT OR FICTION

Ernest Robert Joseph Rollings, born 22-4-1917 was a trainee Able Seaman at the beginning of the 2nd World War. He was seconded into the British Navy and sailed off to England in R.M.S. OTRANTO, a passenger ship, along with other Australians. He had enlisted on 4th Sept 1939.

Ernest was not seen for years until his brother, Samuel Thomas Herbert Rollings saw him on a ship looking down to where he stood - "hey skinny" he yelled. They were able to meet and have a photo taken. This was in Tobruk, North Africa 1941.

Whilst in the UK, Ernest went to visit relatives in Wales. He was greeted with a request that he go around to the tradesmen's entrance. He was not used to being treated unkindly so he left. I presume his grandmother gave him instructions as to where his relatives lived in GLAMORGAN, Wales.

Was this family really related to the Australian Rollings or were they so high and mighty they would not entertain a lowly Able Seaman?

Ernest was discharged from the Navy on 12th March 1946 at HMAS Rushcutter, NSW. His family always called him the Little Admiral because he dressed so well, always looking spick and span.

Ellen Smith



Ernest & Samuel at Tubruk



Ernest in Capetown having a tour

Family Tree? Ours is a shrub!

Friends come and go, but relatives tend to accumulate.

Genealogists are ghost-a-holics.

Genealogists never quit, they just go to another branch!

Genealogy is relatively interesting.

Genealogy: A hay stack full of needles.

Unknown Photos



I would like to find out where this school is. The photo was taken about 1900 and could be in the Hoxton Park area or the Smithfield area.

Marie Holmes.



Our Altered Family History Room

Unknown Photos









These photos I believe are some of the O'Connor family who lived in Marrickville. I hope someone might be able to identify.

Laurie Mcguiness

The Genealogist's Psalm

'Genealogy is my hobby, I shall not be bored,

It maketh me do research in far places,

It causeth me to correspond with odd people,

It keepeth me alert,

It leadeth me into areas of understanding for curiosity's sake,

Yea, though I live through a winter of inclement weather,

I will feel no boredom, for my ancestors are with me,

Their mystery and their history intrigue me,

It provideth me with a means of escaping the tensions of my responsibilities,

It filleth my house with books,

My cash runneth lower,

Surely, interest and knowledge shall follow me all the days of my life,

And I shall be listed in the ranks of genealogists forever '.

Peter Phelan

Some Old Occupations

* Henter: a rogue or thief.

* Hillier: roof tiler

* Juvellour: A Jeweller

* Kempster: Wool / cotton comber

* Lagger: Sailor

* Lederer: Leather maker - from German

* Limner: 1) Illuminator of books 2) Painter or drawer

Courses in 2018

Our courses in 2018 will be as follows:

- * Sunday 20th May Brick Walls Workshop.
- * Sunday 15th July topic to be advised.
- * Sunday 16th September topic to be advised.
- * Sunday 18th November DNA.

Please contact Denise Baxter for bookings and more information on this event. 4625 8612. or social@cdfhs.org.au

Please check our website for a list of any other course that are upcoming in 2018. https://www.cdfhs.org.au/

Book Advertisement

Campbelltown District Family History Society and Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society are going to jointly publish 2 books, during the next 2 years.

- 1. Campbelltown residents serving in Militia / Military units between 1788 July 1914. To be published during 2018. 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.

We are conducting research on these 2 books and we invite anyone who has relevant information to provide that.

Please contact either:

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Learna Coupe learnacoupe@yahoo.com.au

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Evolution is God's way of issuing updates

Resources in the Family History Room

Convict Records

Books only.

- * Bound for Australia. By David T. Hawkings.
- * Convict department record group. By P.R. Eldershaw. Series:Guide to the public records of Tasmania; Volume:Section 3
- * Convict families that made Australia. containing genealogical details of two hundred and fifty convicts, their wives, children & grandchildren / Vol. 1. Compiled, edited and published by C.J. Smee.
- * Convict families that made Australia. containing genealogical details of two hundred and fifty convicts, their wives, children & grandchildren / Vol. 3. Compiled, edited and published by C.J. Smee.
- * Convict pardons: 1 January 1810 31 December 1819, granted by Major-General Lachlan Macquarie, Governor of New South Wales. Indexed by Keith A. Johnson and Malcolm R. Sainty.
- * The convict ships, 1787-1868. By Charles Bateson.
- * Convict tattoos: marked men and women of Australia. Written and illustrated by Simon Barnard,
- * Convicts, currency folk and chance : the story of the Rope-Pulley, Rope-Ryan, Ryan-Dempsey, Sharp-Ryan, Sharp-Corderoy families in Australia 1788-1924. By Bernarr P. Sloan.
- * Cornstalks 1988 : a genealogy. By Valerie Ross.
- * The crimes of the First Fleet convicts. By John Cobley.
- * The crimes of the Lady Juliana convicts, 1790. By John Cobley; with a foreward by P.M. Woodward and a biographical note on the author by Bryan Gandevia.
- * Death or liberty: the convicts of the Britannia, Ireland to Botany Bay, 1797. By Barbara Hall.
- * A desperate set of villains: the convicts of the Marquis Cornwallis, Ireland to

Botany Bay 1796. By Barbara Hall.

- * Exiled! three times over : profiles of Norfolk Islanders exiled in Van Diemen's Land 1807-13. By Irene Schaffer and Thelma McKay.
- * The exiles. Edited and compiled by T.R. Hill and V.M. Lyons; introduction and shipping lists by Ian Wynd.
- * The first 25 years of convict transportation to New South Wales. By Lesley Uebel.
- * The First Fleeters: a comprehensive listing of convicts, marines, seamen, officers, wives, children and ships. Edited by Paul G. Fidlon and R.J. Ryan; with additional research by Joyce Cowell.
- * The floating brothel : the extraordinary story of the Lady Julian and its cargo of female convicts bound for Botany Bay. By Sian Rees.
- * The founders of Australia: a biographical dictionary of the First Fleet. By Mollie Gillen; with appendices by Yvonne Browning, Michael Flynn and Mollie Gillen.
- * Fourth fleet families of Australia: containing genealogical details of two hundred & five fourth fleeters, their children & grandchildren. Compiled and edited by C.J. Smee.
- * Guide to convict records in the Archives Office of New South Wales. Series: Guide to the State Archives of New South Wales; Volume:no. 14.
- * How to trace your convict ancestors : their lives, times & records. By Janet Reakes.
- * Index to convict road gangs, road parties and iron'd gangs 1827-1830 : State Records NSW [9/2689]. Compiled by Kay Vernon and Billie Jacobsen.
- * Of infamous character: the convicts of the Boddingtons, Ireland to Botany Bay, 1793. By Barbara Hall.
- * The Irish vanguard : the convicts of the Queen, Ireland to Botany Bay, 1791. By Barbara Hall.
- * James McClelland's authentic Australian convict pioneer and immigrant history. Book no. 6, volume 3.

- * Journey to a new life: the story of the ships Emu in 1812 and Broxbornebury in 1814, including crew, female convicts and free passengers on board. By Elizabeth Hook.
- * The Lady Penrhyn. By G. Grammeno.
- * Matthew Everingham : a first fleeter and his times. By Valerie Ross.
- * Murder, mayhem & misdemeanours. By Marion Starr.
- * A nimble fingered tribe : the convicts of the Sugar Cane, Ireland to Botany Bay, 1793. By Barbara Hall.
- * Notorious strumpets and dangerous girls : convict women in Van Diemen's Land, 1803-1829. By Phillip Tardif.
- * The rebel ship Minerva: Ireland to New South Wales, 1800. By Barbara Hall.
- * A register of the descendants of the First Fleet living in the Sutherland Shire 1988. Compiled by Mrs Valerie Humphreys ... [et al.].
- * Reports of iron'd gangs stationed at Wooloomooloo Stockade, Cockatoo Island and Carters Barracks 1840-1848: Scone Lockup book persons attached to the road party: Register of prisoners employed and government stock at the Government Stock Station Mulgoa. Compiled by Kay Vernon and Billie Jacobsen.
- * Rogues & rascals : the family of Robert Bolton & Ann Smith. Written by Elizabeth Hook.
- * The search for John Small, First Fleeter. By Mollie Gillen.
- * The Second Fleet: Britain's grim convict armada of 1790. By Michael Flynn.
- * The Second fleet convicts: a comprehensive listing of convicts who sailed in HMS Guardian, Lady Juliana, Neptune, Scarborough and Surprise. Edited by R.J. Ryan.
- * Second fleet families of Australia: containing genealogical details of three hundred & forty nine second fleeters, their children & grandchildren. Compiled and edited by C.J. Smee.
- * Settlers & convicts of the Bellona 1793: a biographical dictionary. Compiled by Megan Martin for the Bellona Muster Committee 1793-1993.

- * SA convicts sentenced to transportation 1837-1851. By Graham Jaunay.
- * Tasmania's convicts: how felons built a free society. By Alison Alexander.
- * The Third Fleet convicts: an alphabetical listing of names giving, place and date of conviction, length of sentence and ship of transportation. Edited by R.J. Ryan.
- * Third fleet families of Australia: containing genealogical details of three hundred & eleven third fleeters, their children & grandchildren. Compiled and edited by C.J. Smee.
- * To hell or to Hobart. By Patrick Howard.
- * Visible women : female immigrants in colonial Australia. Edited by Eric Richards.
- * Where first fleeters lie. Compiled from the records of the Fellowship of First Fleeters by Joyce Cowell and Roderick Best.
- * The women of the 1790 Neptune: the seventy-eight convicts named on the cover and those who came free. By Anne Needham; with Laurel Riddler, Merle Hadley and Phyllis Scott; illustrations by Phyllis Scott.

Information Issues in Genealogical Research

The Accuracy of Death Certificates and Headstones.

Death certificates are generally accurate for the date and place of death. The value of their data goes rapidly downhill from there because the rest depends on the knowledge of the informant, who may even be a stranger to the deceased (e.g., a nurse in a rest home).

As with most historical and genealogical records, death certificates and tombstones cannot necessarily be treated as absolute fact. Everything is true to one degree or another, and the more evidence you can gather, the more confidence you can have that you are nearer to "getting it right."

http://dgmweb.net/Ancillary/OnE/ReliabilityDeathCertTombstone.html

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New Books in the Library

* The invisible history of the human race : how DNA and history shape our identities and our futures.

2nd edition.

By Christine Kenneally.

Adult Non Fiction. Eaglevale library.

* Mastering online genealogy. 5th edition.

By W. Daniel Quillen.

Adult Non Fiction. Ingleburn library.

* A beginner's guide to online genealogy: learn how to trace your family history and discover your roots.

By Michael Dunn.

Adult Non Fiction. Ingleburn library.

* The family history web directory : the genealogical websites you can't do without.

By Jonathan Scott.

Family History Room. Not for Loan.

* The Family Tree guide to DNA testing and genetic genealogy.

By Blaine T. Bettinger.

Adult Non Fiction. Ingleburn library.

* The family tree historical maps book Europe : a country-by-country atlas of European history, 1700s-1900s.

By Allison Dolan and the editors of Family Tree Magazine.

Family History Room. Not for Loan.

* Help! Historical and genealogical truth: how do I separate fact from fiction?

By Carol Baxter.

Adult Non Fiction. Campbelltown library.

* The teapot genies : family tree checklist.

By Kaye Vernon and Billie Jacobsen.

Family History Room. Not for Loan.

* Tracing your ancestors through local history records : a guide for family historians.

By Jonathan Oates.

Family History Room. Not for Loan.

* Unofficial ancestry.com workbook : a how-to manual for tracing your family tree on the #1 genealogy website.

By Nancy Hendrickson.

Reference desk. Not for Loan.

* Unofficial guide to FamilySearch.org: how to find your family history on the world's largest free genealogy website.

By Dana McCullough.

Family History Room. Not for Loan.

* Migration to New Zealand : a guide for family history researchers. By Christine Clement.
Family History Room. Not for Loan.

* So you are totally new to Family Tree Maker. By John Donaldson. Family History Room. Not for Loan.

* The convict's daughter: the scandal that shocked a colony. By Kiera Lindsey. Biography. For loan.

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Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society

Facebook Pages

You can now visit the **Glenalvon** Facebook page, adding your 'Like' to the page. Please include comments on the page to encourage others to visit. https://www.facebook.com/Glenalvon-House-1594445787285883/

There is also now have a facebook page for the Society. https://www.facebook.com/CAHSoc/

Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society Inc

Program of Events

Meetings are held on 4th Saturday of each month, except for December and January, starting at 1.30 p.m.

The Museum is open to visitors on 1st Monday, 2nd Saturday, 4th Saturday of each month, February to Mid December, 10.00 am -1.00 pm; other times by appointment.



For bookings and further information please contact CAHS on 02-46251822 or email to: secretary@cahs.com.au You can also visit the CAHS website at: www.cahs.com.au

Website Shop - CAHS

Please visit the updated Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society website shop.

http://www.cahs.com.au/the-society-shop.html

They include 68 titles, including Grist Mills, IGT Publications and General books.

<u>Facebook</u> – <u>Campbelltown District Family History Society</u>

Campbelltown District Family History Society has a Facebook page.

We can be found at: https://www.facebook.com/cdfhs

Facebook Macarthur Pioneers:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1535651113364637/

Social Secretary's Report

We had our first course for the year on Sunday 18th February 2018. Please watch out for other courses this year.

Denise Baxter Social Secretary social@cdfhs.org.au

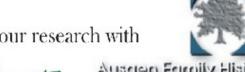
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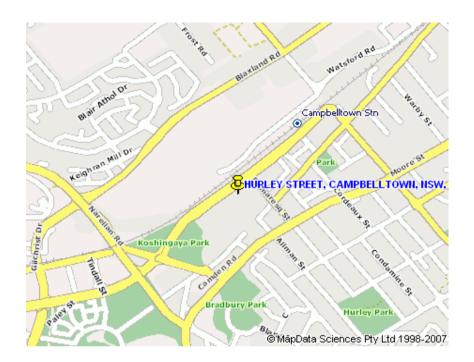
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* Campbelltown Pioneer Register 1800-1900 CD 2nd edition	\$30
* Campbelltown Federation Register	\$15 (special)
* Campbelltown Cemetery Pictorial CD – only special request * To purchase Pioneer Register plus Cemetery Pictorial together costs	\$10 \$40.
* Triple CD - Pioneer, Federation & Cemetery Registers [1 CD]	\$105.00
* Ghost Busters (Our Journal, Free To Members) Non Members	\$2.00
* Ingleburn Soldiers Memorial Park.	\$15.00 + \$6.95 p&h
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* 9 Generation Chart	\$4.00

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