



Newsflash

Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations

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Full membership is open to any organisation based in Australasia, which satisfies the Council it is primarily concerned with family history, genealogy, heraldry or allied subjects.

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From the President

The AFFHO AGM was held on Tuesday, 14 May 2019 by teleconference. Teleconference is the media we use to connect many representatives from our member societies and there is no limit. As it turned out we had representatives from 11 societies join the AGM, but we could have easily had many more.

The reports had all been circulated previously and these were all adopted. The matter of the next Congress which is due to be held in 2021 is the only matter unresolved. Council previously had decided to extend the deadline to 30 June 2019 for expressions of interest. Members at the Congress held in Sydney in 2018 expressed a desire for Congress in 2021 – will your Society take up the challenge? If you are interested please contact secretary@affho.org

The Officers and members of Council are listed on the left and we welcome to the Council new members Kerry Farmer representing NSW; Dale Johns representing SA; and Julie Martin representing WA. We thank previous representatives Martyn Killion NSW, Gilbert Materne SA, Maurice Appleyard TAS, and Tricia Fairweather WA for their contributions whilst on Council.

National Family History Month is August – its fast approaching! AFFHO is delighted to advise that Susie Zada has been appointed National Family History Month Coordinator and she is ready to work with member societies to make August 2019 the best National Family History Month ever!

If you have already planned your event then you can add it to the National Family History Website at www.familyhistorymonth.org.au

How is your society going to celebrate and take advantage of the advertising on the AFFHO sponsored website?

To commence National Family History Month the Opening Ceremony will be co-hosted by National Archives of Australia, Victoria and Public Record Office Victoria on Friday 2 August at 2.00 pm at the Victorian Archives Centre, North Melbourne.

Robyn Williams, President

Introducing NFHM co-ordinator – Susie Zada



Susie Zada is a Life Member of the Bellarine Historical Society and Honorary Life Member of the Geelong Family History Group, former member of the Genealogical Society of Victoria and currently on the committee of VAFHO and is also a member of the Public Records Advisory Council representing country Victoria and small societies throughout the state.

She has been researching her family since the late 1960s and working as a genealogist, historian and researcher since 1990. She completed an Associate Diploma in Local and Applied History at University of New England (Armidale) in 1996 and has won a number of local and Victorian awards for her contribution to local and family history. She has been guest speaker on various topics at genealogical and historical societies and community groups across Victoria and in 2002 and 2016 presented the Don Grant Lecture for VAFHO and State Library Victoria's Family History Feast.

She has worked on Heritage Studies in various municipalities in Victoria including: - Shire of Mitchell; Shire of Moira; Golden Plains Shire; City of Greater Geelong; and Moorabool Shire, as well as Conservation Management Plans for sites in Melbourne and across country Victoria.

She has researched and published several books as well as historical interpretive displays, CD-Roms, indexes and extensive web sites on local and family history. She maintains her own website www.zades.com.au with a major focus on Victoria and particularly the Geelong and Bellarine Peninsula areas containing more than 400 web pages and as at 20th March 2019 there are more than 1,720,212 entries in the main database and other sundry indexes. She is a former President of the City of Richmond & Burnley Historical Society, and the Bellarine Historical Society. She has been editor of the Geelong Historical Society journal, and was on the committee of the Royal Historical Society of Victoria History Support Group.

Paid work positions have included the Geelong Heritage Centre and the Genealogical Society of Victoria where she was initially Assistant Library Manager and later the Marketing & Administration Manager.

Publications:

- *Bellarine Peninsula consolidated index of local histories*, Zada, Susie; 1998
- *Memories of the Bramley & Coghill families*; / compiled by Zada, Susie; 1994
- *Convicts : Port Phillip District*; Zada, Susie; 2018
- *Sewerage records : an untapped magnificent resource*, Zada, Susie; 2010
- *Irish in Geelong & district*; Jennings, Pam & Zada, Susie; 2011
- *Scots in Geelong & district to 1860*; Jennings, Pam & Zada, Susie; 2010
- *Bountiful produce of the Bellarine Peninsula: to 1900*; Jennings, Pam & Zada, Susie; 2010
- *Queenscliff Parish centenary 1899-1999 : our churches, our parishioners and our memories*; compiled by Zada, Susie; 1999
- *Hotels of the Bellarine Peninsula*; Zada, Susie; 2001
- *Investigator index 1965-2009*; **Zada, Susie**

A Selection of Presentation Topics

- Finding Laurence Ryland ... or not!
- Never Judge a Book by its Cover or its Title
- Old Victorian Pubs - and researching hotels in general
- Organising Your Family History
- Point Henry: an amazing place
- Researching Land and Buildings
- Scots in Geelong & district to 1860
- Skeletons in the Closet!
- The Holden Brothers Circus & Family
- Where? What? Still? Researching Your Ancestor's Home



NATIONAL LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIA

Map Geo-rectification

I'd like to bring to AFFHO organisations' attention a new resource being piloted by the National Library, to overlay NSW parish maps on current mapping.

NLA Maps Georectifier has been designed to georectify (or georeference) and publish a set of historical maps, overlaid on Open Street Map. Georectification simply means marking recognisable points on both the historical map and another map - in this case Open Street Map. The public pilot is ready for trialing and comment as of now — The public link is: <http://georekt-test.nla.gov.au>.

The data set currently comprises about 1000 digitised parish and town maps of NSW/ACT and nearby regions, nineteenth - mid twentieth century. Over the next six-months, we plan to add to this a layer of historical topographic maps, with wider geographic coverage. The tool allows users to setup a login to georeference the maps. Once enough points have been added, the map is then submitted for rectification and published so the map can be zoomed and viewed on current mapping.

The main target audience initially is likely to be family history researchers, but literally anyone who'd like to compare heritage mapping overlaid on current mapping, zoom in on details. Here are a couple of example published georectified maps —

[http://georekt-test.nla.gov.au/maps/848#Preview Rectified Map tab](http://georekt-test.nla.gov.au/maps/848#Preview_Rectified_Map_tab) and

[http://georekt-test.nla.gov.au/maps/1015#Preview Rectified Map tab](http://georekt-test.nla.gov.au/maps/1015#Preview_Rectified_Map_tab)

[Go to the Warped map then zoom to detail and use the slide bar to adjust transparency]

We're very keen to ensure we have family history colleagues and friends aware of the tool and involved if possible, and we are happy to demonstrate the product where this is possible.

Thanks very much,

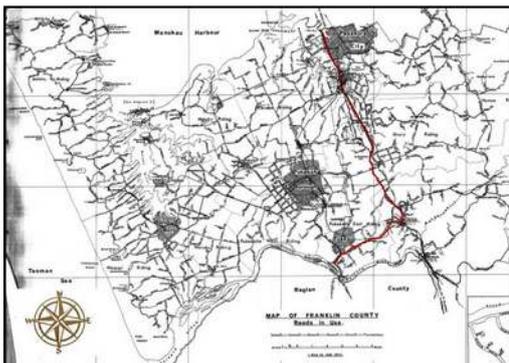
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Women of Franklin on the 1893 Electoral Rolls

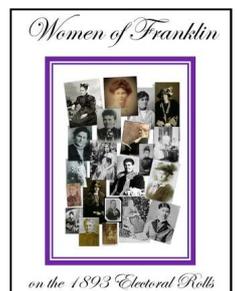
Members of the Franklin Branch of the New Zealand Society of Genealogists have produced over 900 biographies of women enrolled in the Franklin District of Auckland, New Zealand who were listed on the 1893 Electoral Rolls. The areas covered include Pokeno, Bombay and Ramarama in the east, Tuakau, Pukekohe, Karaka, Patumahoe and across to Waiuku, Kariotahi and the Awhitu Peninsula in the west.



The area to the west of the red line is defined as Franklin.

These one page biographies include details such as where they lived, how many children they had, if they were born in another country when they arrived in New Zealand and on which ship. You may be lucky enough to find a photograph, or a signature, a headstone and details of family members.

There is a full index and access is freely available at <http://online.anyflip.com/czyw/pthp>.



Melbourne Rare Book Week: For the Love Of Books

5 to 14 July 2019 sees the eighth Melbourne Rare Book Week (MRBW) and the 47th Australian Antiquarian Book Fair, presented by the Australian Association of Antiquarian Booksellers (ANZAAB) and Rare Books Melbourne (RBM). It will include a wide variety of interesting topics on book-related themes and entry to all events is free of charge. There will be something for all interests and tastes. The Genealogical Society of Victoria's event is "Care and Preservation of books and paper items" on 12 July. See the MRBW Program at www.rarebookweek.com for details of over 40 free events, including visits to libraries, workshops, exhibitions, tours, lectures, talks and panel discussions.

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Arrival of the *David Clark* in Melbourne in 1839

The 180th anniversary of the arrival in Melbourne of the 'David Clark' will be celebrated on Sunday 27 October at Gulf Station, Yarra Glen. All descendants of the 229 passengers (the first assisted immigrants to come directly to the Port Phillip District) are invited to email davidclark1839@gmail.com. As plans are finalised, bulletins are being sent to those who have registered their interest.

"Ship 'David Clark' Coming [sic] into the Harbour of Malta 1820"
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'Young' Family History

A family history website for the Young family, including genealogy for the Keith, Mason and Smart families.

In the past I exchanged emails with Australian researchers regarding the Cosser, Davy and Rule families of Northumberland but have lost contact. I wondered if you could publicise our website www.youngfamilyhistory.net where all our research is displayed, including a dedicated email facility for response. It also covers the Turner family of Hull and Halifax where there was emigration down under. Mike and Sheena Young.

FamilySearch Celebrates 20 Years Online

Salt Lake City, Utah, (23 May 2019)-- Twenty years ago, global nonprofit www.familysearch.org/en launched an innovative new website, a free internet genealogy service. Two decades later, FamilySearch is a leader in the rising tide of popular ancestry-related services online. During that time, FamilySearch has expanded and evolved its free mix of online offerings, holding true to its purpose to provide economical access to the world's genealogical records and create fun family history discoveries for everyone. (Find and share this news release online in the FamilySearch Newsroom).



On May 24, 1999, www.familysearch.org/en took the online genealogy world by storm, offering free access to hundreds of millions of historical records online—a treasure for those seeking to make family history connections. For perspective, online broadcast news, e-trading, and downloadable music services were the rage at the time. Google, ranked 93rd of top websites, was still an up-and-coming service that was attempting to redefine the role of a search engine by indexing the web to make results junk free and more consumer relevant.

Queensland Family History Society Special Interest Groups

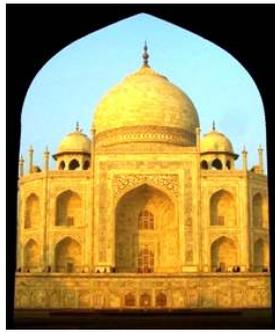
Our eleven Special Interest Groups (SIGs) www.qfhs.org.au/events/special-interest-groups are groups which meet regularly to share common interests. Six of our groups are based on locality. Members of these groups share information on profitable ways of researching in these specialised areas and can assist you on the various holdings in our library, including maps, books and journals.

All members of QFHS are welcome to attend any of the meetings. There is no cost, but we appreciate a gold coin donation. The donations are used to purchase resources to further the groups' aims. If you not a member of QFHS come along to a meeting and check us out.

The format of the meetings of each SIG varies. The meeting may include general discussion, an address on a particular topic or information sharing.

Our latest SIG, Colonial India and the Far East, includes at various times: India (including the areas now known as Pakistan and Bangladesh), Ceylon (Sri Lanka), the Nicobar and Andaman Islands, Assam, Burma (Myanmar), Kashmir, and the Persian Gulf Residency. From the 16th century, Portugal, Netherlands, Britain, France, and Denmark and their 'India Companies' all established a presence in these areas in pursuit of trade.

We look forward to welcoming you into our friendly, collaborative group where we explore the lives of individuals and families in Colonial India and the Far East and the places and times in which they lived. Check the website for the next meetings.



ScotlandsPeople add 1940 valuation rolls

With the addition of more than 60,000 images of the 1940 valuation rolls, containing 2.8 million entries, the collection of valuation records now extends to more than 120 million entries from 1855 to 1940.

What can you learn from valuation rolls? They tell you who owned each property, who the tenant was (if rented out), and who the occupant was (if not the tenant). And they'll also give the annual value of the property, as assessed for tax purposes.

The years of coverage are 1855, 1865, 1875, 1885, 1895, 1905, 1915, 1920, 1925, 1930, 1935 and 1940 - you can search by name or by place, and you can learn quite a lot from a free search (it costs 2 credits to view an image). www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk

National Family History Month



National Family History Month is held in August of every year. During August events will be conducted across Australia and New Zealand that focus on genealogy, family history, heraldry and related subjects. Check your area for details of local events.

Check www.familyhistorymonth.org.au for the details which are still in the process of being finalised.

SCOTTISH ANCESTRY GROUP
of The Genealogical Society of Victoria, Inc.

Scotland: 1730-1830 - during the Enlightenment



13 July 2019 – 10am to 4pm

At the RACV City Club, level 2, 501 Bourke St Melbourne

The seminar will explore an exciting period of intellectual and scientific accomplishments in Scotland from the mid-18th to mid-19th centuries.

PROGRAM

Alex Tyrrell

Small country, big ideas: The Scottish Enlightenment shows the way

Bruce McLennan

The Highlands during the Enlightenment

Malcolm Horsburgh

The Communications Revolution: from pack tracks to modern roads - Malcolm Horsburgh

Ben Wilkie

Scotland, the Enlightenment, and Australia: Legacies from Macquarie to Menzies

Cost: \$60 GSV members, \$90 all other non-members. Scottish Ancestry Group subscribers who are not members of the GSV should apply to the GSV for a reduction to \$60.

Bookings essential, and can be made online, www.gsv.org.au or by telephone 03 9662 4455 (Mon-Fri 9.00am-4.00pm)



Bio for speakers

Alex Tyrrell was born in Scotland, educated at Edinburgh and McMasters Universities. Prior to retirement he was an Associate Professor of History at Latrobe University. His research interests include aspects of national identity in Victorian Scotland.

Bruce McLennan is the coordinator of the Clan MacLennan worldwide project, focussing on Scottish records as well as New Zealand, Canada, Australia and the USA. He is an author and presenter at international events.

Malcolm Horsburgh has been researching his family history and genealogy for 35 years in both Edinburgh and Australia. He is a long term member of the Scottish Ancestry Group and a current member of the committee.

Ben Wilkie has an honours degree and PhD from Monash University on the history of Scots in Australia. His interests include stories of the Scottish diaspora. He is an author and past lecturer at Deakin University.

Queensland Family History Society

The Queensland Family History Society (QFHS) has made available a number of cemetery records on its website. The records are for locations in Brisbane, surrounding areas, and more distant Queensland towns, such as Wandoan.

The QFHS cemetery records include, in most cases, a full account of the monumental inscriptions. As any family historian would know, a monumental inscription can provide valuable information not available elsewhere. For example, in Wandoan Cemetery, there is a pitiful record of the Buschel family.

In Loving Memory Our Beloved Children Kenneth 11, John 10, Cheryl 8 and Russell 7 who were called home to heaven together 11 August 1964. Too dearly loved to ever be forgotten and safe in the kingdom of God. Fondly remembered by their parents

My Wife and Our Mother Ila BUSCHEL died 23 December 1979 AGE 48 years. Rest In Peace with her children.

George BUSCHEL died 10 March 1990 dearly loved husband of Ila. Father of Kenneth, Russell, Cheryl and John.

A Family together Home In Heaven

The four Buschel children, the entire family of Ila and George Buschel, were incinerated when the truck in which they were travelling collided with a goods train three miles south of Wandoan. While other available internet resources may provide information about the burials of the Buschel family, QFHS's carefully recorded transcription enables further research of events. The Wandoan Cemetery records were transcribed and prepared by Myra Phipps in 2000.

To date, QFHS has twenty cemetery transcripts available.

The Society is developing its online collections and also offers pdf versions of a number of our recent presentations. Some of the Society's Special Interest Groups have made resources available to members.

Members of QFHS can view this valuable collection at www.qfhs.org.au/online-data. The Special Interest Groups information is available at www.qfhs.org.au/groups.



Writing Competition – Closes 15th July 2019

There is still time to enter the Heraldry & Genealogy Society of Canberra 2019 Writing Competition. Send in your short stories of 1,500 – 2,000 words on a family history or genealogy theme and be in with a chance to win \$1,000 and a special HAGSOC members only prize. The genre of writing is not limited, so try your hand at non-fiction, biography, creative non-fiction or perhaps fiction. References are not a requirement and it is the author's decision whether to include these. Whether you are telling a story about one of your ancestors or sharing a personal memoir, the broad theme allows plenty of scope to be creative.

EVERY FAMILY HAS A STORY – WRITE YOURS NOW!

Information about the competition and how to enter is available on the Society's website www.familyhistoryact.org.au.

Please direct any questions or feedback to
writingcompetition@familyhistoryact.org.au

The E.M. Fletcher Writing Award is named in honour of Society Fellow Eunice Fletcher, a long time member who had significant input into the formation of the Society over many years.





Colo Shire Family History Group Inc.

A LOOK INTO THE HISTORY OF COLO

Presented

By Wanda Deacon – Nee Eather

Assisted by Ron Males



If anyone knows the history and the families of Colo it's Wanda. Born in Colo to parents Frederick Eather and Florence Hulbert, Wanda's ancestry is very impressive. Names such as Barwick, Smallwood, Cavanough, Douglass, Armstrong, Eaton, Rogers, Sherwood and Celey are just some of them. Wanda will talk to a very interesting PowerPoint presentation that has been put together with some photos from her Uncle Syd "Mick" Hulbert's collection.



MEETING

To be held

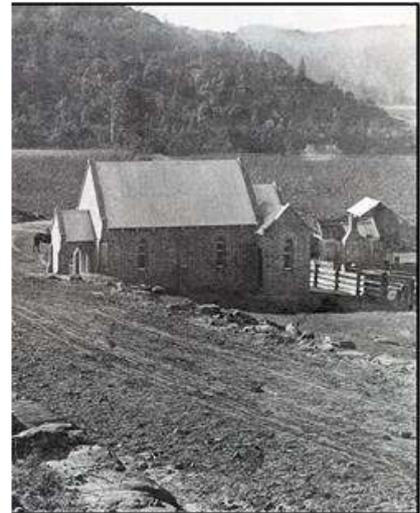
10:00 am

Saturday 29th June

2019

In the Tebutt Room

Hawkesbury Library



Morning tea will be served after the presentation

\$5 members & \$7 non members

Numbers are needed for catering purposes

Enquiries & Bookings: Neil Renaud Ph: 0423 157 089 or Joy Shepherd 45885867