

# Tasmanian Ancestry



**TASMANIAN FAMILY HISTORY  
SOCIETY INC.**

formerly Genealogical Society of Tasmania

Volume 23 Number 3—December 2002

# TASMANIAN FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY INC.

formerly Genealogical Society of Tasmania

PO Box 191 Launceston Tasmania 7250

State Secretary: [secretary@tasfhs.org](mailto:secretary@tasfhs.org)

Home Page: <http://www.tasfhs.org>

**Patron:** Dr Alison Alexander

**Fellows:** Neil Chick, David Harris and Denise McNeice

## **Executive:**

President	Peter Cocker	(03) 6435 4103
Vice President	Anita Swan	(03) 6326 5778
Vice President	Denise McNeice FTFHS	(03) 6228 3564
Executive Secretary	Miss Muriel Bissett	(03) 6344 4034
Executive Treasurer	Miss Betty Bissett	(03) 6344 4034

## **Committee:**

Judy Cocker	Rosemary Davidson	David Harris FTFHS
Mrs Isobel Harris	John Gillham	Libby Gillham
Peter Holloway	Mr Alan Leighton	Beverley Richardson
	Helen Stuart	

By-laws Officer	Denise McNeice FTFHS	(03) 6228 3564
eHeritage Co-ordinator	Peter Cocker	(03) 6435 4103
Exchange Journal Coordinator	Thelma McKay	(03) 6229 3149
Home Page (State) Webmaster	Peter Cocker	(03) 6435 4103
Journal Editor	Leonie Mickleborough	(03) 6223 7948
Journal Despatcher	Leo Prior	(03) 6228 5057
LWFHA Coordinator	Anita Swan	(03) 6326 5778
Members' Interests Compiler	John Gillham	(03) 6239 6529
Membership Registrar	Judy Cocker	(03) 6435 4103
Projects & Publications Coord.	Rosemary Davidson	(03) 6278 2462
Public Officer	Denise McNeice FTFHS	(03) 6228 3564
Registrar General BDL Coord	Colleen Read	(03) 6244 4527
Research Coordinator	Mrs Kaye Stewart	(03) 6362 2073
State Sales Officer	Mrs Pat Harris	(03) 6344 3951

## **Branches of the Society**

Burnie:	PO Box 748 Burnie Tasmania 7320 <a href="mailto:petjud@bigpond.com">petjud@bigpond.com</a>
Devonport:	PO Box 587 Devonport Tasmania 7310 <a href="mailto:brajav@tassie.net.au">brajav@tassie.net.au</a>
Hobart:	GPO Box 640 Hobart Tasmania 7001 <a href="mailto:secretary@hobart.tasfhs.org">secretary@hobart.tasfhs.org</a>
Huon:	PO Box 117 Huonville Tasmania 7109 <a href="mailto:jgillham@ava.com.au">jgillham@ava.com.au</a>
Launceston:	PO Box 1290 Launceston Tasmania 7250 <a href="mailto:bbissett@bigpond.net.au">bbissett@bigpond.net.au</a>

# Tasmanian Ancestry

Volume 23 Number 3

December 2002

ISSN 0159 0677

---

## Contents

Editorial . . . . .	138
<i>President's Message</i> . . . . .	139
Branch News . . . . .	140
<i>Letter to Fran, Ross Mackenzie</i> . . . . .	143
<i>Letter to the Editor</i> . . . . .	146
<i>The Enigma of Charles St John David, Marion Sargent</i> . . . . .	147
Correction . . . . .	151
<i>Convict Bank Accounts</i> . . . . .	152
<i>Memories of Mrs Grace Alice Burke, Stephanie Jacobs</i> . . . . .	153
<i>An Early Settler of Van Diemen's Land: William Burt Whittle 1789-1879,</i> Merle Whittle . . . . .	161
<i>The Genealogist, Estelle Ross</i> . . . . .	168
<i>Standards for use of technology in genealogical research</i> . . . . .	169
<i>Do you recognize W. Cox?</i> . . . . .	170
Queries, New Members' Interests and New Members . . . . .	Insert
<i>A Beattie Family Gathering, Allison Carins</i> . . . . .	171
<i>Initials and Terms Explained</i> . . . . .	172
<i>Captain Ivor Stephen Margetts, Marjorie R. Margetts</i> . . . . .	173
<i>Noah's Ark Encounters the Mayflower, W. Robert Chapman</i> . . . . .	176
New Release . . . . .	177
<i>Victory for the AFFHO Census Lobby</i> . . . . .	178
<i>Twenty Years at the Drafting Table, Patricia Barth.</i> . . . . .	179
<i>Lost, Stolen or Strayed ... and Found!</i> . . . . .	184
<i>Genes on Screen, Vee Maddock</i> . . . . .	186
<i>Tasmaniana Library, State Library of Tasmania, New Acquisitions.</i> . . . .	189
<i>From the Exchange Journals, Thelma McKay</i> . . . . .	192
Book Reviews. . . . .	195
New Release . . . . .	198
Coming Events . . . . .	199
Library Notes . . . . .	200
Society Sales and New Branch Publications . . . . .	204

**Deadline dates for contributions: 1 January, 1 April, 1 July and 1 October**

---

# Editorial

A sincere thank you to all members who have wished me well in my new position as editor. Also a big thank you to those I am able to ask for help when the computer refuses to do as I want—which seems to be often! It is comforting to know you are there.

I now realise there is a lot more work that goes into the publication of the journal than first appears.

It was very encouraging to receive a letter to the editor expressing praise for the 'excellent read' and the fact that *Tasmanian Ancestry* 'arrives on time'. The praise is in no small way due to the former editor, Rosemary Davidson, and her dedication and perseverance in the development of the journal to what it is today.

This December issue provides a variety of articles, ranging from a letter written at Somerset in 1879 by Dr Sperschneider, to an interview with one of Hobart's senior citizens, Mrs Grace Burke, and an article on one of Launceston's founding fathers, Charles St John David.

The fast approaching festive season will, for many people, provide time for family research and reminiscing with relatives. If you discover anything new, from the method of searching to the discovery of new information, feel free to put pen to paper and send it in for the next issue. We welcome anything from snippets of information to more lengthy articles. Enjoy the holiday break, and happy researching.

Leonie Mickleborough

## Journal Committee

Leonie Mickleborough Rosemary Davidson,  
Jeannine Connors, David Hodgson,  
Charles Hunt, Vee Maddock,  
Denise McNeice, Cynthia O'Neill, Leo Prior,  
Kate Ramsay and Colleen Read.

Journal address

**PO Box 191 Launceston Tasmania 7250**

or email

**editor@tasfhs.org**

---

Articles are welcomed in any format—handwritten, typed or word processed, on disk or by email. Disks and photographs will be returned on request.

Deadline dates are:

**1 January, 1 April, 1 July and 1 October**

The opinions expressed in this journal are not necessarily those of the editorial committee nor of the Tasmanian Family History Society Inc. Responsibility rests with the author of a submitted article and we do not intentionally print inaccurate information. The society cannot vouch for the accuracy of offers for services or goods that appear in the journal, or be responsible for the outcome of any contract entered into with an advertiser. The editor reserves the right to edit, abridge or reject material.

If you wish to contact the author of an article in *Tasmanian Ancestry* please write care of the editor, enclosing a stamped envelope and your letter will be forwarded.

▣ The contents of *Tasmanian Ancestry* are subject to the provisions of the *Copyright Act* and may not be reproduced without written permission of the editor and author.

Cover: 'Entally House', Hadspen, near Launceston, established 1820s by the Reiby family.  
Pencil drawing © Greg Waddle

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**D**ECEMBER is upon us again—how quickly the year has gone. I would like to extend a very happy Christmas to all our members and their families. It is a time for family gatherings and a great opportunity to update your family files with new dates and names of family additions. Instead of sending your family and friends a Christmas card this year, how about a page or two explaining what your family has been doing during the last twelve months. I know of some families that have been doing this for a few years, and over a period of time it is a great way of documenting your family history.

What continues to amaze me is the increasing amount of information that keeps appearing on the Internet. A word of caution though: remember that the large majority of information is not a primary source, but an index or sometimes a transcription of the original. The golden rule is always check the original source. It is now possible to have military records posted on the web as scanned documents. These can then be downloaded. This is a free service and is made possible through the National Archives web site.

The information available on the Internet, is possibly one of the reasons that branches are struggling to keep high numbers of people accessing their libraries. Perhaps it is time that we offer alternate help or more information than what we currently do.

I would like to express my thanks to all the members who have given so much of their time in helping with all the branch projects. It is impressive to see the quality and quantity of the publications

that keep coming forth from the branches. These publications represent countless hours of transcription, data entry and editing, and continue to provide a significant source of branch income.

Burnie Branch has recently moved into much more inviting premises. Those of you who have been to the old Burnie library will recall that it was upstairs at number 62 Bass Highway, Cocee. The new Library is situated at 58 Bass Highway, all on the ground floor, with no stairs to climb.

The other day, browsing through some genealogy magazines, I came across an article on preservation of family records on paper. Interestingly, recent research suggests that nearly all paper produced during the last 100 years is acid based and will self-destruct. I guess this means that all the copies of birth extracts, marriages, wills and all the other plethora of information that we accumulate will gradually turn to dust. There is archival paper available that is acid free and is claimed to last for 500 years. If acid free paper is not used, our descendants will have a lot of fun, researching their ancestors and writing it up on self-destructing material, as we do.

Please take care during the holiday period, enjoy the festivities, and return in the New Year refreshed and ready for another interesting year. ●

**Peter Cocker**

# BRANCH NEWS

## Burnie

<http://www.clients.tas.webnet.com.au/geneal/burnbranch.htm>

**President: Vernice Dudman**  
(03) 6431 1378

**Secretary: Peter Holloway (03) 6431 1958**  
**PO Box 748 Burnie Tasmania 7320**  
**email: petjud@bigpond.com**



The Burnie Branch library is situated in new premises at 58 Bass Highway, Cooee (next door to our old premises). The new library is at street level,

making access easier for members now that they don't have to tackle the stairs. We have a very large book-room which is also used for meetings, an equally large room next to the reception desk/office, a computer room, micro-fiche viewing room, a members' chat and tea room and several other offices. A bonus is the sole use of the adjoining car park. A very big vote of thanks to the members who helped move all our records and fixtures.

During the month of October the 'Burnie Shines' festival is held and this year we had library 'open days'. We conducted a 'Cemetery Walk' through Wivenhoe (Burnie) Cemetery on 19 and 20 October. Quite a lot of research went into writing pen histories of some of the early settlers of Burnie who were interred there. Many thanks to Ray Hyland for co-ordinating this event.

Night meetings finished for the year and will resume on 18 February 2003 at our branch library. The final day meeting will be held on Monday 2 December and will resume 3 March 2003.

The branch library will close 14 December 2002 and reopen 14 January 2003.

The Burnie Branch committee wish all members of the TFHS Inc. a happy and safe Christmas and New Year.

## Devonport

<http://www.devonport.tco.asn.au/dev-gst/>  
**President: David Harris (03) 6424 5328**  
**Secretary: Elaine Garwood (03) 6424 4005**  
**PO Box 587 Devonport Tasmania 7310**  
**email: brajav@tassie.net.au**



A variety of topics has been covered during our monthly meetings. Elaine Garwood spoke about her interest in trying to find the names of people buried in the Bluff Cemetery at

Devonport. As only a few headstones remain, the help of the public was sought. Relatives and friends enthusiastically gave her information and Elaine was able to relate some interesting stories about some of those who are buried in the area.

The August meeting was a discussion time for some thoughts about the future of the Society and ways in which we can help to promote the Society in the community. In September, Susan Barter spoke about the highlights and some amusing incidents during restoration work at the Deloraine Folk Museum. She also touched on her experiences while writing the history of the Winspear family.

It appears likely that there will be some changes in the location of our Branch library but details are yet to be confirmed. In the meantime it has become necessary to alter the venue for our monthly evening meetings. Meetings are now held in Meeting Room 2 at the Devonport Branch of the State Library of Tasmania. This arrangement will continue until further notice.

The major fundraiser for the year, the Christmas Hamper Raffle, has been well supported and will be drawn on 12 December. This is also the day of our final function for 2002. Members and friends will meet for a counter meal at the Devonport RSL Club.

The Branch Library will close on Thursday, 12 December 2002 for the Christmas break and it will reopen on Tuesday, 14 January 2003.

## Hobart

<http://www.hobart.tasfhs.org>

**President: Beverley Richardson**

**(03) 6225 3292**

**Secretary Cynthia O'Neill (03) 6243 6200  
or 0419 319 774**

**GPO Box 640 Hobart Tasmania 7001  
email: [secretary@hobart.tasfhs.org](mailto:secretary@hobart.tasfhs.org)**



It has been a busy year. The structures put in place by previous committee members and the assistance of our many wonderful volunteers have ensured the smooth operation of the

Branch when many of our key personnel have been away.

An upgrade of the library facilities has made working in the library more pleasant and more efficient. There has been a significant increase in our British holdings. Marjorie Jacklyn has introduced new members to the resources available to them. She has also shown groups of people from the University, Probus and schools over the library. For Seniors' Week members of the Library Committee provided a tour of our facilities.

There will be an afternoon tea to thank the Branch's many volunteer assistants on 1 December at the home of Vee Maddock and her mother. As a further thank you to our library helpers, Anne Hay, one of our

researchers, has offered to assist library assistants over-come any 'brick-walls' they may have encountered in their research.

The Projects and Publications Committee has been very busy successfully dealing with many challenges. The *Cornelian Bay Cemetery* microfiche, the *Early Hobart Cemeteries Vol. 6 Congregational Cemeteries* and Neil Chick's *Archives Office of Tasmania: A guide for family historians Research Notes no. 7 4<sup>th</sup> ed* have been completed. The *Alex Clarke Funeral Books* should be published by the end of the year.

The speakers at our monthly meetings have introduced us to a variety of diverse topics. We are trialling day meetings in different venues for those who can not attend night meetings. If these are successful they will be continued next year and the first one will be on 13 March at Kingston.

A heartfelt thank you to all those people who have helped during the year in many ways big and small and a merry Christmas to all our members.

### General Meetings

18 February—Peter Cocker, *How I found My German Ancestors*.

18 March—Beverley Richardson, *Royal Derwent Hospital: A personal perspective*.

15 April—Major John McMahon, *Largest Military Execution in Australian History*.

**General Meetings:** Rosny Library, Bligh Street, Rosny, 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday (except December and January) 8:00 p.m.

**Computer Users Group:** Branch Library 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. (except Dec).

**WISE Interest Group:** Branch Library 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of February, May, August, November 2:00 p.m.

## Huon

**President: Betty Fletcher (03) 6264 1546**  
**Secretary: Libby Gillham (03) 6239 6529**  
**PO Box 117 Huonville TAS 7109**  
**email: jgillham@ava.com.au**



At the request of members it has been decided to extend the mid-week library opening to each Wednesday instead of only once a month. To date this has

proved successful and looks like being continued.

Four members have expressed interest in the Registrar's BDM recording project.

A fund raising evening was enjoyable and very successful, raising over \$500 much needed general funds for the Branch.

## Launceston

**<http://www.bracknell.tco.asn.au/launcestongsoc>**  
**President: Anita Swan (03) 6326 5778**  
**Secretary Muriel Bissett**  
**Phone/Fax (03) 6344 4034**  
**PO Box 1290 Launceston TAS 7250**  
**email: bbissett@bigpond.net.au**



On Saturday, 7 December we are looking forward to the Branch Christmas break-up luncheon at the Abel Tasman Motor Inn. The 3-course meal, costing \$18.00 will commence

at 12 noon for 12:30 p.m. If you have not already booked, check at the library without delay!

By mutual agreement the visit to the Museum at the Inveresk site was cancelled and we will now be visiting the Community History Museum for a guided tour on Tuesday, 25 February at

7:00 p.m. A trip to the Archives is being arranged for Saturday, 22 February—check with the secretary for details.

During 2003, General meetings will be held bi-monthly, on the fourth (4th) Tuesday of even months, commencing 25 February (above). Executive committee meetings will be held on the first (1st) Tuesday monthly. This changed arrangement will allow the branch to hold the AGM in April and thus better comply with journal deadlines.

Our latest publication is now available—Index to *Launceston Examiner*, Volume 1 1842–1851—\$30.00, plus \$7.30 postage. This new series covers the *Launceston Examiner* from inception, 12 March 1842 to 31 December 1899, from which time the name was changed to *The Examiner*. The first volume is meant to be a 'good read'—in addition to bare dates and names from BD&M notices, we have picked up additional information in the notice as well as detail from Inquests, Police Reports, Executions etc., and work is well under way on the second volume. 10% discount is available to members, and orders should be addressed to the Sales Co-ordinator at the above address.

**Christmas Holidays:** The Branch Library will be closed from Wednesday, 11 December and reopen on Tuesday, 21 January 2003.

A cleanup working bee will be held on Monday, 20 January.

The first Executive committee meeting for 2003 will be held on Tuesday 4 February.

**State AGM:** Saturday 21 June: Keep the weekend free for an AGM packed with interesting speakers, bus trip with a difference, entertaining dinner speaker, and fine country food! Two days that a keen genealogist cannot afford to miss!●



# LETTER TO FRAN

Ross Mackenzie (Member No. 2036)

THE following is a letter written by Dr Josiah Sperschneider to his wife Fanny Bruce Sperschneider in India, while he was in Tasmania on holiday, visiting Charles Mackenzie Jr in 1879.



“Fairhill”  
Somerset,

April 11th 1879.

Tasmania.

My Dear Fran,

Here I am with Charles Mackenzie - I was just able to post you a letter from King George Sound, which told you of our journey so far. On the 20th we reached King George Sound and I went ashore, walked about with two fellow passengers till 1 o'clock and then went aboard, quite charmed with the place, such a Robinson Crusoe sort of existence here. Saw several large fig trees, laden with fruit, also pear trees full of fruit, beautiful flowers European and native wild flowers. The geraniums of every variety flower most gorgeously, indeed they do so everywhere in Tasmania. Also fine grapes here, saw a lot of black fellows with waddies and boomerangs and spears of which some of the passengers bought a great lot. An old man came on board here, who had been living nearly 50 years in Perth, an Editor of a local paper there, with his wife who had never seen a railway, and was afraid to go on the railway at Melbourne. On 21st we lost sight of land again, fine cool day, sea rather rough. 22nd rather

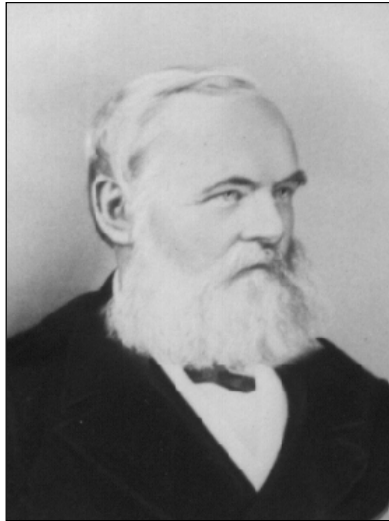
cold in evening, 23rd Service in the Saloon, Morning and Evening, it being too cold on deck. Monday 24th we arrived at Glenelg which is the port for Adelaide. About 14 people got out here, I did not go ashore, most of the young ladies left us, and the gentlemen were quite disconsolate. The day was quite warm, and some people who went on shore said it was very hot on land. I did not go ashore, it was too short a time. The town of Glenelg and the country around look quite charming from the sea, Adelaide visible (sic) at a distance.

We had the most delicious grapes here I ever tasted, and have had them every day at breakfast and dinner till we arrived at Melbourne.

On 26th we arrived off Melbourne, I was persuaded by a passenger to go at once over to Launceston, as I would get my draft cashed there by any of the banks at once. I did so and left the “Tanjori” and went over to the “Southern Cross” which was lying close to the wharf at Sandridge ? a suburb of Melbourne. It takes several hours getting up the arm of the sea to Melbourne, which we had to come back again in the afternoon. Fine scenery all along, passed Kangaroo Island. It became bitterly cold and the sea very high, and the steamer being a small one, there was a good deal of motion. Next morning the 27th we sighted land and about 11 o'clock we got into the Tamar Heads, when the sea became quite calm, and all the passengers came on deck. The country on both sides of the river is very pretty, and the scenery quite striking, being as different from anything I had seen before. At 2 o'clock we arrived at

the wharf at Launceston. I went to the Volunteer Hotel. No one knew of Mr. Smith, till Mr. Fraser the Hotelkeeper took me to the booksellers Walch, where a shop boy told us where Mr. Smith lived. It is a house high up on the Cataract Hill, opposite to Windmill Hill, and it was a hard pull up walking up to the house. Mrs. Smith (Susie) was at home and I introduced myself, after some time Mr Smith returned and I stayed to tea. She said she was very sorry she couldn't ask me to stay with them, as their house was so small.

She told me that Nellie had been very ill with rheumatic fever, and was going for a change to Hobart Town, also that her sister Martha was married to the son of Archdeacon Davis, who was suffering from epileptic fits. They live in Hobart Town. On Friday Mr Smith came for me and we went to the bank to cash my cheque, after which we walked about the town, and accidentally met Mr Mason, your old Police Magistrate at Campbelltown, he told me he was 80 years old and for 50 years was never absent from his duties. He is as grey as myself. He remembered the Stevensons and told me that Agnes had for some time corresponded with his eldest daughter, who I believe lives with him. I dined with the Smiths and stayed with them till the evening. I gave Mrs. Smith one of your photos and showed her the childrens'. They have 2 girls and 3 boys, his eldest girl died some years ago. Their



eldest boy is 15 years old and a very clever boy. I decided on going to Campbelltown the next day Saturday the 29th and accordingly left by the 8.30 train.

On arriving at Campbelltown. The Pitts were at the station on their way to Hobart Town, but as I did not know them, I passed on into town, and there I heard that they had started for Hobart Town. I

went to Keens Hotel and had dinner there, walked down to the Pitt's house and asked their daughter who was left at home to give me their address at Hobart Town. I had the house pointed out to me where you lived, and went up to the red brick church in the churchyard of which I found your mother's and Lucy's grave. Dr. Valentine and his wife are buried close to the church. The church

was open so I went in and looked over it. Mrs Pitt afterwards told me the church was still the same as when you left it except that the organ was moved to the front near the Communion Rails. Dr Valentine's house I recognised at once from the photo you have, it is close to the railway which passed below the house. Douglas Park I saw at a distance. The same afternoon at ¼ to 5 I left by the Express for Hobart Town and arrived there in the night at 8.30 it was very cold. The next day Sunday I went to the Public gardens and walked about till I was quite tired. On Monday I went down to Sandy Bay where Mrs Pitt has taken lodgings along with a Miss Davidson from Campbelltown who says she knows

you. Mrs Pitt was very weak just able to walk, however she is in very good spirits. Miss Davidson is an old maid. Very grey, and seems a little queer, more like a man. Mrs Pitt came in soon after. The next day Tuesday I went and spent the day with her, stayed to dinner walked down with her to the beach, where she stayed for a couple of hours. Mr Pitt stays in a hotel in town. I also called on Mrs Davis Jr. and Archdeacon Davis, but she was out, and I had no other opportunity of seeing her, so she is the only one I have not seen, and I fear there will be no other opportunity of my doing so. I gave Mrs Pitt one of your cards and showed her the children. I don't know how many children they have, but there are two girls about 16 or 17 and a little boy I saw at Campbelltown. On Wednesday 2nd April I took a trip to a township called Franklin on the Huon River, where I saw a lot of wild country, slept at Franklin and returned to town the next day. On Friday 4th April I returned to Launceston. I promised Mrs Pitt to come up to Campbelltown and stay with them, when she returns home. Of course I can only give you the bare outline of what I saw, I must reserve all particulars till I return. On Saturday 5th I went to the Girders [?] in Launceston where there was an agriculture exhibition. I saw there some splendid wools, grapes exhibited by Mr Kirmode's gardener, also very fine potatoes, bacon, cheese, butter etc. The mutton and beef here is certainly delicious, I have once or twice had baked shoulder which is the finest meat I ever tasted. At every meal they have meat. Breakfast sausages or chops and cold meat. I have eaten more meat in these last 10 days than during the whole of last year at Trevandrum. I saw the Smiths again on Monday 7th and told them I would leave next morning by steamer

'Devon' for Emu Bay (Burnie). I wrote to Charles Mackenzie on Saturday that I would leave by the next steamer. We had very fine weather and a beautiful passage along the coast. On Tuesday we went to the river Mersey and stopped at the township of Torquay.

I went on land and slept at an hotel, kept by an old jolly looking Jew, who told me he was 72 years. His father was a Polish Jew, next day I loitered about the streets, and the old man pointed out to me a house on the opposite shore where an Indian Officer, Col. Angels lives with his family. At 10 o'clock we left again, as the tide only then allowed the little steamer to get out to sea. We passed the house that General Lawder has built for himself. All the homes are in such secluded positions. We then went into the Leven (river), and after discharging cargo, the Captain went off again to Emu Bay, where we landed about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Charles Mackenzie was there and we got into his conveyance and went onto his house, about 6 miles off, such roads! and he says this is a good road! We passed the river Cam on which is the township of Somerset. Arrived at his house about dusk, it is a weatherboard house. His wife is a nice lady, they have 3 fine children, a girl 13, a boy 11, and a girl 9. Yesterday forenoon I walked about with him over his clearing, in the afternoon he took me to the old place "Woodburn", where I saw old Mrs Mackenzie and his brother Walter. Old Mrs Mackenzie is not above 60, and looks a little younger. Then we went onto Roderick's place who was sowing grass on his clearing. He told us his wife was out, so we did not go up to his house. In the evening he and his wife came over, they are both young and good looking, she kindly asked me to come and spend a few days with them also. These two Mrs

Mackenzies are sisters, they were Miss Shekletons. There is a Dr. Wilson who has married one of the Charles Mackenzie's sisters, and he has his clearing within the neighbourhood, and practices all around the country, and a good rider. I think I have told you pretty well all about my journey as far as. Of course there is plenty to be said which I couldn't fill the letter with. My trouble just now is, that I scarcely have enough money to last me till I get on board again in Melbourne on the 15th May. We shall get to Galle most likely on the 4th of June which is Wednesday. I shall have to wait till Friday ... at Galle and be at Tuticareen on Saturday morning 7th June. If I land there, I shall be at Palamcottah in the course of the day. If there was anyone there to have a transit ready for me to leave at once, I could be at Nagercoil on Sunday and at Trevandrum on Monday. I have enclosed a letter to Arthurt & Co. to send me 50 prs to Galle, please to put it in an envelope and send it on at once. -

I have been very well, although it has been sometimes very cold. I enjoy the blanket and counterpane at night to cover myself, although I sleep in my flannels. Here at the Mackenzies they have splendid milk and butter and very good meat. Mrs Charles Mackenzie has no servants, but she and her girls do everything. They bake very good bread. Mr Mackenzie looks after the cows and he has an old man that looks after the cattle. So much for the present. I should like much to know how you all are. With much love believe me.

Your affectionate husband ...  
J. Sperschneider. ●

#### Footnotes

The Barque *Southern Cross* 345 tons 1851 built by John Watson, a notable builder, first at Port Arthur, then at Battery Point, Hobart.

The vessel was lost off Cape Douglas, South Australia in 1880. Ref: Picture 80. 'Blue Gum Clippers'.

Captain G. Ramsay was in command, and her owners were Belbin & Dowdell of Hobart Town. At the time, the *Southern Cross* was on a voyage from Adelaide to Newcastle, and all hands got ashore.

Dr Sperschneider was the great grandfather of Ross Mackenzie.

---



---

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I have been enjoying the quarterly magazine *Tasmanian Ancestry* for a great many years and have to say, it is without fail, an excellent read. In particular, I have always admired the fact that it arrives on time. There are in the order of 200 genealogical journals and newsletters published in this country, and many of them (including those from some of the larger societies) always seem to arrive LATE !

As a long time compiler and publisher of genealogical books and an advertiser in your coming December issue, I have chosen your magazine and a couple of others around the country for three reasons. First, with some 1300 members you are in the top ten of the 263 genealogical societies in Australia. Second, your advertising rate per reader is very reasonable. Last, your December journals arrive in members' letter-boxes well before Christmas, and not after it.

Yours sincerely,  
Nick Vine Hall

Genealogist & Maritime Historian  
Dip FHS (Hons), FSAG, FUGA  
Resident Genealogist, ABC Radio since 1979. ●

# THE ENIGMA OF CHARLES ST JOHN DAVID

Marion Sargent (Member No. 1927)

WHEN the City Engineer Charles St John DAVID died, there was great shock and sadness amongst the citizens of Launceston, Tasmania. He succumbed to pneumonia on 17 July 1924, aged sixty-eight, while on annual leave in Sydney.<sup>1</sup> Mr David was respected widely as an excellent and faithful servant of the Launceston City Council.<sup>2</sup> He was appointed as City Engineer and Surveyor on 1 March 1892,<sup>3</sup> so had devoted thirty-two years of his life to the city. This story reveals the mystery of his past.

Such was the esteem in which he was held, C. St John David as he was known was given a civic funeral. His body had arrived in Launceston on the ship *Koranui* on the 27 July, and his funeral was held the following day.<sup>4</sup> As the Post Office clock finished chiming three, the casket, borne by six members of the Council staff, emerged from the Town Hall and was conveyed to the waiting hearse. The popularity of Mr David amongst the Council staff and the wider community was evident by the number of people who gathered in the streets of Launceston to watch the funeral procession wend its way through the city to the Carr Villa Cemetery. Practically all of the municipal activities, except the trams, ceased for the afternoon to enable the employees to pay their last respects to their highly regarded colleague.<sup>5</sup>

As Mr David was responsible for the layout of Carr Villa and had designed the buildings there, the Mayor and aldermen selected a special site near the entrance as

his last resting place.<sup>6</sup> The headstone reads as follows:

ERECTED BY  
THE LAUNCESTON CITY  
COUNCIL  
IN MEMORY OF  
CHARLES ST JOHN DAVID  
FOR 32 YEARS CITY ENGINEER  
DIED 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY 1924

Si monumentum quaeris, circumspice

(Translation – If you wish to see his monument, look about you)<sup>7</sup>

The Rev. W. R. GREENWOOD, of St Aiden's Church, and the Rev. W. J. HARRIS, the Mayor's Chaplain, conducted the graveside service. Rev. Greenwood concluded the ceremony by saying 'Perhaps I knew him more in his private life, and whilst he was by no means a demonstrative man, I could often see and hear of his many acts of kindness and thoughtfulness for others'.<sup>8</sup>

C. St John David's major achievements with the Council were:

- Installation of the first hydro electric power scheme in Australia at Duck Reach, opened in 1895;
- Victoria Swimming and Turkish Baths, 1897;
- Original 1904 Alexandra Suspension Bridge at the First Basin, Cataract Gorge;

- Laying out the grounds and construction of the buildings at Carr Villa Memorial Park opened in 1905;
- Sewerage system for East Launceston 1906;
- Sewerage scheme for Greater Launceston;
- Ravenswood, Trevallyn and West Launceston water schemes;
- Design and construction of the tramway track, tram sheds and offices for the first tramways in Launceston opened in 1911;
- Remodelling of the Town Hall offices;
- Extension to the Queen Victoria Museum;
- Designing numerous buildings and dwellings for the Council.

Other achievements outside the Council were:

- As honorary engineer of the National Agricultural and Pastoral Society, assisted in the layout and construction of the Elphin Showgrounds;
- Assisted the Mowbray Turf Club in the improvement of the Mowbray Racecourse;
- Undertook survey work for the spawning beds for the Northern Tasmanian Fisheries Association;
- Advised the St Leonards Council on occasions.

He also was involved with several community organisations:

- Committee member and on the Board of Management of the Launceston Mechanics Institute and Public Library;

- Committee member from 1906-1922 and sometime vice-chairman of the Launceston Technical School;
- Honorary consulting engineer to the Northern Tasmanian Fisheries Association and a keen angler;
- Member of the Northern Tasmanian Camera Club;
- Foundation member of the Northern Club in 1894 and president from 1907–1909;
- A possible connection with the A.B.C. Bowling Club.<sup>9</sup>

Charles St John David came, highly recommended, to Launceston. He had spent eleven years in Queensland: three with the Department of Railways; and eight in a private practice in partnership with Fred. G. BROWN as engineers and architects. He designed and superintended the construction of electric tramways, wharves, drainage works, roads and various buildings in Brisbane and Booroodabin.

Sixty-seven applications were received for the position of City Engineer in Launceston. When this was reduced to five the Town Clerk, C. W. ROCHER, requested information from referees regarding personal characteristics such as temperament, sobriety, industry, method and demeanour. As he hoped the appointment was to be a permanent one, he stressed that ‘... a restless man would certainly not be suitable’. It seems that Charles St John David fulfilled the requirements admirably, as he was appointed with a salary of £400 a year and an expectation that he willingly would discharge his duties with energy and skill.<sup>10</sup> And this he did.

When Charles St John David moved to Launceston he lived in boarding houses: at ‘Park View’, 7 Brisbane Street and

later at 'The Pines', 34 George Street. By 1910 he had purchased his own home at 1 Abbott Street, East Launceston. He also owned 5 Abbott Street, which was rented by metallurgist Loftus HILLS.<sup>11</sup>

But what of his family and early life? The official documents and newspaper articles only hint at his private life. In his application for the City Engineer's position, Mr David stated that at thirty-six years of age he had had twenty years' experience and a thoroughly practical education on works of all kinds.<sup>12</sup> This means he would have been sixteen years of age when he had begun working or training in the engineering field.

Mr David did not have any family in Tasmania, but an intriguing snippet in *The Examiner* states that his 'only son and two grandchildren are now resident in England'.<sup>13</sup> A son? Does this mean that he had a wife? David was born in Chepstow, Monmouthshire, Wales, about 1855, but generally that was all that was known.<sup>14</sup>

Clues to his background were discovered in the correspondence files of the Launceston City Council. In 1930, a letter was received from Mrs Edward DUTSON of Welsh Street, Chepstow, requesting a photograph of the memorial to her brother - 'R. T. SARGENT, known to you as St John David'. She had heard of the memorial through her nephew Percy Sargent. The letter was signed S. E. Dutson. The photograph and negative were sent to her with a letter briefly describing the grave, which had been prepared by the workmen in the late City Engineer's department.<sup>15</sup>

Eight years later the Council received another letter, this time from Mr David's son Percival G. Sargent of Erdington, Birmingham. Percival had met the former Mayor H. C. L. BARBER at a

cricket match in Birmingham. He too asked for a photograph of the grave and for a final settling of his father's estate.<sup>16</sup>

So, we have found that the illustrious City Engineer did have a son and a sister, and an assumed name!

We now must travel to Wales to find more about his origins. A letter from a gentleman in Cardiff, whose interest in Welsh émigré engineers in the nineteenth century, initiated the search in Chepstow. He could not find a birth for Charles St John David anywhere and asked the State Library of Tasmania for help. On being told that he was really a Sargent, an enquiry at the Chepstow Museum soon revealed his real identity. The curator already had been researching the Sargent family and businesses.<sup>17</sup>

Richard Thomas Sargent was born 7 August 1855 to Thomas Sargent and his wife Sarah Ely, née FRYER. He had nine brothers and sisters: Alice Prudence (born 1847), Sarah Eliza (1849), George Waters (1851), Mary Ellen (1853), Bessie Fryer (1856), Alfred Gower (1858), Ellen Jane (1860), Fanny Matilda (1861) and Ada Phoebe (1863).<sup>18</sup>

Thomas Sargent ran the George Waters' Timber and Coal Yard and Brick and Tile Works, which was located in Bridge Street, in the shadow of Chepstow Castle. It is quite probable that his son Richard worked here for four years learning the trade before setting up his own business in or near his father's yard.<sup>19</sup> In January 1876, at the age of twenty, Richard advertised his own new business in the local newspaper as a builder, joiner, undertaker and general contractor.<sup>20</sup>

A destructive fire razed the carpenter's shop just a few weeks later on 8 February 1876. Richard's friends and neighbours opened a subscription list to raise funds to replace the tools lost in the fire.<sup>21</sup>

Once re-established, the business expanded to include painting and wallpaper hanging, the installation of slate and marble chimney-pieces, chimney cowls, Barnard's slow combustion grates, slate cisterns and baths and ornamental tile floors, the construction of green and hot houses and pianoforte and furniture removal. The diverse business also included personal attendance at funerals with the coffin and hearse provided.<sup>22</sup> Richard advertised for one or two apprentices in carpentry and joinery in April 1877.<sup>23</sup>

With his business flourishing and having the support of family and friends, Richard's life must have seemed complete when he married Amy Catherine (Katie) BRANT at the Baptist Chapel, Milton Road, Wokingham, Berkshire on 23 August 1877.<sup>24</sup> Katie, born 18 February 1853, was the daughter of draper John Brant and his wife Caroline.<sup>25</sup> Nine months later on 24 May 1878 the young couple had a son, Percival.<sup>26</sup>

Then, for some inexplicable reason twenty-four year old Richard Sargent left his wife, child, business and home, and sailed for Australia. His baby son was just sixteen months old when Richard boarded the ship *Ramsay*, which left London on 20 September 1879.

Nearly four months later, on 13 January 1880, the single second-class cabin passenger Charles David disembarked in Moreton Bay, Queensland.<sup>27</sup> This journey heralded the beginning of a new life and new identity in a new land.

The stories told about this errant family member are, for his great nieces, vague and questioning. They have heard that he was known as the 'wild one', that his father possibly sent him away and he might have swapped his identity with

someone on the voyage to Australia.<sup>28</sup> But why? This is the question that remains unanswered. There must be a deep dark secret that only Richard Sargent or his alias, C. St John David, could answer.

Katie, with young Percival, left Chepstow and returned to her parents' home in 'Park Villa', Wokingham. They were there at the time of the 1881 census, as also were Katie's brother Cooper and a general domestic servant Rose E. BUDD.

When C. St John David wrote his Will on 20 August 1909, he bequeathed all his property to his abandoned wife Mrs Amy Catherine Sargent who was then residing at 281 High Street, Erdington, Birmingham.<sup>29</sup> She died on 16 April 1918, so did not benefit from this extraordinary gesture.<sup>30</sup> Perhaps he felt a sense of guilt or duty after all those years?

His family did not forget him; they knew where he was and what he was doing. Someone transcribed newspaper articles of his funeral and sent them to the Sargent family in Chepstow.<sup>31</sup> So this talented, hard working and kind-hearted man was buried in his adopted home of Launceston, Tasmania, in the tranquil memorial park that he designed.

His sister, Sarah Eliza DUTSON, wrote to the Town Clerk of the Launceston City Council thanking him for the photograph of her brother's grave:

It has been a consolation to us all, to know he had many kind friends—and we feel very grateful to you all—who made it possible for him to be buried among those whom no doubt he had known—that he should have died among strangers was a grief to us—though it was quite unavoidable—and now he rests, where no doubt he would have chosen to be.<sup>32</sup>



Whether he was known as Richard Thomas Sargent or Charles St. John David, the enigma of this man remains buried. The versatile engineer, surveyor and architect who began his working life as a builder, joiner and undertaker is remembered for the part he played in shaping the city of Launceston during one of its most progressive periods in history.

*Author's note:* I have not found any connection between my Sargent forebears who came from the Hastings area in England and the Sargent family from Chepstow in Wales. ●

### Footnotes:

- <sup>1</sup> *The Daily Telegraph*, 18 July 1924, p.5; *The Examiner*, 18 July 1924, p.5; *The Weekly Courier*, 24 July 1924, p.52.
- <sup>2</sup> QVMAG LCC3:23/1.3.
- <sup>3</sup> LCC1:472 March 1892; *The Examiner*, 1 March 1892, p.2.
- <sup>4</sup> *The Examiner*, 26 July 1924, p.1; *The Daily Telegraph*, 28 July 1924, p.4.
- <sup>5</sup> *The Examiner*, 29 July 1924, p.4; *The Daily Telegraph*, 29 July 1924, p.5; *The Weekly Courier*, 31 July 1924, p.33.
- <sup>6</sup> *The Examiner*, 29 July 1924, p.4; *The Weekly Courier*, 31 July 1924, p.33.
- <sup>7</sup> LCC3:23/1.3.
- <sup>8</sup> *The Examiner*, 29 July 1924, p.4.
- <sup>9</sup> *The Examiner*, 18 July 1924, p.5; *The Weekly Courier*, 24 July 1924, p.52.
- <sup>10</sup> LCC1:472.
- <sup>11</sup> *State of Tasmania Electoral Roll, Division of Bass; Tasmania Post Office Directory; Tasmanian Government Gazette*, Launceston Assessment Roll 1910.
- <sup>12</sup> LCC1:472.
- <sup>13</sup> *The Examiner*, 18 July 1924, p.5.
- <sup>14</sup> *Australian Dictionary of Biography*, vol. 8, pp.217-8.
- <sup>15</sup> LCC3:23/1.3.
- <sup>16</sup> LCC3:24/1.9. Percival lived at 'The Shrubbery', 57 Gravelly Hill North, Erdington.
- <sup>17</sup> Hugh Richards, Correspondence.
- <sup>18</sup> Mary Ellen Child, *List of Sargent births*.

- <sup>19</sup> Anne Rainsbury, Curator, Chepstow Museum, Correspondence, 10 Jan 2002.
- <sup>20</sup> *Chepstow Weekly Advertiser*, 8–29 January 1876.
- <sup>21</sup> *Chepstow Weekly Advertiser*, 12 February 1876.
- <sup>22</sup> *Chepstow Weekly Advertiser*, 20 January – 10 February 1877, 21 April – 12 May 1877, 1 February – 10 May 1879, 12 April 1879; Alfred Hillman, *Hillman's directory of Chepstow and the parishes comprising the Chepstow Union*, 1879, pp.1, 20.
- <sup>23</sup> *Chepstow Weekly Advertiser*, 21 April 1877.
- <sup>24</sup> *Chepstow Weekly Advertiser*, 25 August 1877.
- <sup>25</sup> Helen Kegie and Margaret Barton, *Sargent family tree; 1881 British Census*.
- <sup>26</sup> *Chepstow Weekly Advertiser*, 1 June 1878.
- <sup>27</sup> Shipping list, Ramsay, Moreton Bay 1880; *The Brisbane Courier*, 14 January 1880.
- <sup>28</sup> Rainsbury, Correspondence, 10 January 2002.
- <sup>29</sup> AOT, AD960/48.
- <sup>30</sup> Kegie and Barton, *Sargent family tree*.
- <sup>31</sup> Rainsbury, Correspondence, 10 January 2002.
- <sup>32</sup> LCC3:23/1.3.

### CORRECTION

The website and email addresses  
were incorrect in

*My Great Great Granny was a  
Convict – was yours?*

by Kate Carlisle  
in

*Tasmanian Ancestry* Vol.23:2  
(September 2002) page 96,  
the correct addresses are:

Website

[www.femalefactory.com.au](http://www.femalefactory.com.au)

Email [info@femalefactory.com.au](mailto:info@femalefactory.com.au)

# CONVICT BANK ACCOUNTS

A new index has been added to the suite of online resources now available on State Records' website. The index to the series 'Warrants to pay convicts sums to their credit in the Savings Bank of New South Wales', 1837-70 (CGS 12221) includes over 1300 entries. This is the first part of a comprehensive index to the surviving records relating to convict bank accounts.

Convict accounts were created as a result of Commissioner Bigge's recommendation that a convict should not have access to money with which to 'purchase' a more comfortable life while undergoing punishment. The money was entrusted to the care of the Surgeon Superintendent on the voyage out from England and then deposited in the bank on arrival in Sydney. Friends or relatives could also deposit money to be held in trust or a convict could earn money for extra work or duties performed.

Convicts could not access the money until they showed evidence of reform, such as receiving a ticket-of-leave or pardon or on completion of their sentence. Extenuating circumstances, such as the need to pay for defence in a court trial, were also taken into consideration. Application could be made to access the sums held in their credit and, if approved, a warrant was issued which authorised the money to be withdrawn.

The indexed series contains the butts of warrants and gives the number and date of the warrant, convict's name, ship of arrival and condition (e.g. ticket-of-leave, free, dead). While the date range in the series title refers to the date of the

warrant, many convicts included in the index arrived years prior to 1837 but only received the warrant on becoming free.

You can order copies of documents referred to in the index via the online order form:

<http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/publications/convicts/copyorder.htm> ●

Source: *Vital Signs State Records NSW Issue No. 2 August 2002*

Reproduced courtesy of *Vital Signs* magazine, State Records Authority NSW.

## Where in the world are YOUR Ancestors?

**England - Scotland - Ireland  
Wales - Europe - Australia  
and many other countries**

Discover over 10,000  
genealogy products  
books - software, data CDs,  
microfiche - videos - maps  
& much more ...

For our full catalogue  
and many other benefits visit us at:

**[www.gould.com.au](http://www.gould.com.au)**

**GOULD GENEALOGY**  
PO Box 675, Modbury SA 5092  
Telephone (08) 8396 1110  
Fax (08) 8396 1163  
Email: [inquiries@gould.com.au](mailto:inquiries@gould.com.au)

# MEMORIES OF MRS GRACE ALICE BURKE

INTERVIEWED BY STEPHANIE JACOBS IN OCTOBER 2001

**I**N 1884, my mother's mother moved to Australia and I was born 27 years later in Launceston hospital on 28 November 1911. I am an old girl, I was christened by the Reverend Bethune. He was the same man who wedded my mum and dad. I had a good childhood. My mum would never hit us. She would use the cane but never hit us.

I can remember as a very young girl watching my father go off to work. That was at Strahan. He was the secretary in the office at the station. He did not have a uniform like other people. I can remember asking my mother one day after my father had left for work why he did not wear a dress to work like the other men.

Now I hated school from the day I started till the day I left. I remember coming home from school for lunch on my first day. I went to my playhouse and my mother came out the back and told me I had to come out and get ready to go back. The neighbours who I walked with were leaving. I looked her in the face and I said, "I'm not going back there, I hate it." So she raced back into our house and ran out with the cane. I was out of there as fast as I could go. She chased me down the main street with the cane in her hand.



When we got to the gate, the school-master came out and took me inside.

I went back to school that day and I was not at all happy. I only went to state schools because my Dad did not believe in the public school system. I mostly went to school in Fingal and Parattah. Then I moved to Colebrook and finished school there. I got to the qualifying stage

I think. I didn't have any favourite subjects at school because I didn't like it. I did arithmetic, spelling and reading.

I remember when I was about five going to Launceston and patting a boat called the *Loongana*. That boat is on the picture up on my wall there.

When I had my first car ride I was about six. I was petrified. It was my uncle's car.

We were not even going fast. It was just one of the most horrifying things that happened in my childhood. When I went to the country visiting, I would ride ponies and travel by horse and cart. That was good, I never minded that. It was just the car ride that scared me. Trains didn't worry me.

I was at my grandmother's one day. She was doing some tatting and I was curious about how to do it. Being a little girl I lost interest very quickly. But my grandfather sat me back down and told

me that I had asked my grandmother to show me how to tat and I was going to learn there and then. It never really made sense to me. So then my grandfather took me over. He sat me down and he taught me how to do it properly. I don't know how Grandfather learned to tat. He had a great long white beard, you know. I used to tat all the lace for my undies.

When I was twelve years old, I started writing to a pen friend and I still write to her. I left school the day I could. I was fourteen years old, that was the official age you could leave school in those days. I left by my own choice. I helped my mum around the house then.

I can remember living in Bridgewater. That is where I learnt to swim, between the two bridges. I was a really good little swimmer. The last swim I had was when I was in Bouganville, on my honeymoon in September 1945. I had a two-piece swimsuit, shorts and a brassiere! Swimming at Gazo Beach, I hit my toe on a rock and it got infected. There was no penicillin. When I came home I had to have an operation to straighten it. They took out a piece of bone.

When I was a teenager I went to Technical School. God knows why. I hated school before this, but I think it was because I was doing things I wanted to do. I travelled in three times a week from Bridgewater. I learnt to do dressmaking, oil painting and I played the piano. I only have two paintings left. The others I got rid of. Two of the oil paintings I did are on the wall behind me and another is up in a museum in Port Arthur. I have never been to see it though. I cannot paint now as well as I could then, though it was a fine thing to do. I can't play the piano at all now. Maybe I could if I tried. I used to make my frocks on my mother's treadle sewing machine. I like frocks.

I've still got a big wardrobe of frocks and I make my own cardigans. I never wore high heels. I had two or three nice hats. I wear berets when I go out now. I've still got some furs in my wardrobe, but people don't wear them anymore.

After I left Technical School I decided to become a nurse. My father was not very happy about this because he thought it was a dirty, filthy job and it was not for me. He would say it all the time, "It is a dirty filthy job". But I wanted to do it so I did not listen to my father. Father had had his foot run over in the railway and spent a lot of time in hospital. He nearly lost his foot. I suppose it was a dirty filthy job in those days.

My general training was in Campbell Town Training Hospital. I had applied to Hobart and Launceston too, but Campbell Town accepted me first. You didn't get paid during training in those days. Then I did private nursing for eighteen months and I saved one hundred pounds, so I got on a boat, the *Solandia* and went to Sydney and did midwifery nursing at the Royal North Shore Hospital. In the time I did this, I delivered about two hundred babies. I had a short holiday, then did private nursing for a few months, but I felt homesick so I got on a boat and I came home. I was going back to do midwifery on staff at Royal North Shore, but then the war started.

My nursing went well despite my father telling me I should not be doing it. Just before I went to nurse at the war, I was working for the 'Repat' at Exeter, nursing a Colonel from World War I. He had been wounded at Gallipoli.

I put my name down to go to the war as a working officer and I got called up in 1940. My brother was also called up around the same time I was. Before the war he was a hairdresser.

We travelled to the Middle East on the *Queen Mary*. It was a cruise ship and we, as officers, travelled first class. There were three of us in a two-bed cabin so we took turns at sleeping on the floor. The privates did not get it so good.

We all had to do all the duties when we were at war. We nursed whoever was brought in. Bandages were re-used. We boiled them in kerosene tins and used them all over again. We had no rubber gloves except in the operating theatres. When I worked in the Middle East, landmines were the biggest killer, along with malaria and pneumonia. We only worked in a tent. There were no hospitals to work in, but we made do. It never bothered us, not me anyway. You never really noticed. There were sixty-bed wards, thirty on each side. I nursed for the longest I think, in the Middle East in Gaza hospital. I was there for fifteen months in the 2nd 1st Military Hospital, AIF.

There were trenches between the rows of tents. We had to get in there if the bombers came over, but they filled up with water when it rained. Luckily, the bombers never came over in the rain.

The locals in each town were all nice. None of them had a problem with us. They knew we were there to do our job and I think they were grateful we were there. You might say hello to the locals as they walked by, but you would never become friends with them. An Egyptian boatman took us rowing on the Sea of Galilee. It was all desert but it snowed when we went to Syria.

There were Bedouins in Egypt and Palestine. They lived in tents and moved around, living on scraps. They used to go through our rubbish bins.

The only people who were not nice were the Arabs when you were in their way.

They would come round to empty the toilet and if you were on the toilet they would shout out "Get off the toilet I need to empty the bucket of shit". They were the only people who were not a very welcoming bunch. They would have a few sheep and would wander around.

I don't remember worrying about danger. We had guards everywhere and I was always nursing so my mind was on the patients not on the war. During the night an armed guard would walk around our tents and keep us safe. Nothing ever happened to us though so they must have done a good job.

Then the Americans came into the war, after Pearl Harbour was bombed. When they arrived, we were the first hospital to pack up and come home.

It took three months to come home. We left in a British convoy and had a week in Bombay in India waiting for an Australian ship. We boarded the old *Duntroon*, then called into Ceylon. The thing that got me the most during the whole time I was at the war, was the day we pulled into the harbour at Colombo. There were burning ships all round the harbour. They were all damaged and burning from bombing the day before. I think that would be the thing that hit me the most during the war. We didn't see too much of the destruction, but then when we did, it was a real shock. We only stayed a few hours.

I was in the war for five years, nursing the whole time and only once I was attacked. We were on the way home the next day, 150 miles away. It was by a Japanese sub. They only fired once. The captain of our ship said that we were very lucky. It must have been his last torpedo, otherwise we would have gone down that day. It missed us by a couple of yards. The alarms went and we went up on deck.

We had to do boat drill every day but we knew this was different as we could see them up in front dropping depth charges. We went right down south into the snow and ice to get away, saw big icebergs. The captain thought they might chase us. We called into Durban in South Africa for repairs for two weeks, where the locals really looked after us. They gave us food and took us on tours. It was a beautiful place. We spent a fortnight in a hotel and paid for nothing. We crossed with the roaring forties, went south of Tasmania and back to Sydney.

I was happy to come home from the war but it was also one of the worst times. You not only had to nurse the injured people coming back, you also had to nurse all the people that were seasick including other nurses, so you were run off your feet most of the way home. I love rough weather on a boat.

Nursing was bad in those days but you didn't get victims from all the car wrecks that you get now.

My next post was in Western Australia, near Perth. Small hospitals were set up all along the coast and ships would bring in wounded from the islands.

Next I went to New Guinea. In New Guinea, people would get scrub typhus. It wasn't the scrub typhus that killed them, it was the complication of pneumonia. The tenth day was the crisis and you either got better or you didn't. Then we got penicillin. We thought it was a godsend. It was at the end of '42 that we got penicillin. We had to wear trousers to protect us from the mosquitos so we didn't get malaria. We were told by the matron to cut our veils off short as they were too hot and got in the way.

We made dresses for the Maoris. They didn't wear any clothes. The Red Cross donated the linen to make them. It was

our decision. We didn't like to see the women naked. The men used to wear a piece of cloth but the women wore nothing.

When I heard the war was over I don't remember being relieved or anything but I remember where I was. I was on Bouganville. The Duke of Gloucester came to visit us there. We had to line up and shake hands. He grunted at us. "Uh, Uh" was all he said. I was sent home on the first ship because I was married by then and married women were not allowed in the army.

My last twelve months were at Bouganville. A Sister from the next ward come over and said, "I have a sick Tasmanian on my ward. You had better come and visit him." They thought that I would love to nurse him because he was from my home. Anyway I had an American gentlemen friend and he'd come in and I would talk to him lots. He was a lovely fella, about 55. When I got this Tasmania patient in I introduced him to my American friend. My American friend and my patient became quite good friends. The American fellow would come in and visit the patient everyday. One day I went to see my patient and he was surrounded by fruits and cigarettes. I asked him how he got them, as I knew he was only a private and I knew he could not afford it. He replied, "Your lovely American friend." I figured out that was why he was always asking if my lovely American friend would be visiting him that day. Three weeks later the Americans moved. Before my friend left, he said, "He's a very decent chap. You'd better stick to him."

I wonder if I would have married straight away without that advice. He was in hospital two weeks, one week's leave and one week training school, then he came

down to see Gracie Fields and Monty Banks who were touring around doing shows. We were going to meet when we came home. Then I got a letter from him. "I'll be down to see you as soon as I can. We're getting married." It took seven days to get permission.

When I was to be married, the Matron asked me if I had brought my Australian nursing uniform. I had and she told me I that should get married in that because it was much more pretty than what I had.

After we were married I turned to my husband and said "Hit me and I'll shoot you". I think that he understood that because he never hit me. I came back late October from the war and he came back just

at Christmas. He arrived just as we were having Christmas dinner. We didn't know he was coming.

We had a happy marriage. On my honeymoon night I was the only lady in a camp of 21,000 men. We stayed in a little cottage out the back (the General's cottage) and everyone was told not to disturb us and they never did. We only had a single bed. The dentist made my wedding ring. My husband once gave me some money to buy a 'proper' wedding ring because he did not believe it was a proper one. When my husband brought a new car he would always give me money to go and buy a new ring. I liked this idea. He was a collector of cars, always had to have the newest one out.

The colonel gave me away. He was our best man. I had about 150 at my wedding breakfast. The army supplied all the food. Two men rowed out to another

island and picked wildflowers, orchids and violets, to make my bouquet. As my husband was a private and I was an officer we could not eat together in the mess, as there were separate ones for different ranks. In the little two-roomed cottage, they would bring us a nice breakfast tray and a cut lunch. We used to go out travelling all day in the jeep. I would take the thermos. At night another meal would arrive.

I had my name down to go to the



Occupational Forces in Japan and I always said he only married me to stop me from going. When I came home I first went to my parents' home in Launceston. My husband was

still in the army for two years. He was stationed at Brighton. I looked after a lady who had a stroke, in Jennings Street in New Town and he would visit and stay when he was off duty.

Then he bought a cartage business and we bought a home in Hope Street. My parents lived there with us for a time. We each had separate areas. We sold that after I become Matron at Mary Ogilvy as he had emphysema. Later he worked for the Hydro, going around all the little Hydro towns. He was the buyer for the canteen at Strathgordon.

I am still in touch with a friend I met in the war. Her name is Burbury. We see each other occasionally. She lives in Swansea. I like to see her. She is one of the nicest people I have ever met.

I never learnt to drive properly. While I was in the war I learnt in this little jeep but I did not like it at all. I wanted to

give it up as soon as I got home but my husband insisted I had a few lessons from him and a couple from an instructor. I got my licence but I only drove in parts if we went on a long trip. He would leave the car for me to drive when he was away but I wouldn't drive it. He knew because he used to check the odometer.

I got some corgis soon after the war and I showed them at shows and won lots of prizes, along with canaries. I showed lots of them. My favourites were the whistlers. Before I moved into the home I knew that I would not be able to have any more corgis. I had my last one put down around eleven years ago. I owned three dozen canaries and I would show them in shows.

When my corgi was on the front of the newspaper my husband did not see it. He came home and I told him to check the paper and look for anything interesting and he missed the front page, looked right through the paper and told me there was nothing he could see. So I showed him. He then jumped up and ran to the local shop and brought dozens of copies of the paper and brought them all home and gave the picture to all his friends. He took it to show his friends at Strathgordon. All up I had about four or five corgis. My husband did not like them that much and when they went to sleep on his side of the bed he would tend to kick them off.

My husband died through war service 22

years ago. We had no family. We tried but twice the pregnancies failed. I was thirty-seven the second time. It was too late. I didn't want a child at that age anyway. I don't regret having no children.

I came in touch with the Mary Ogilvy home three years after the war. I became treasurer for eleven years. Then the government took over and you had to have a registered nurse as Matron. I was asked to leave the room at the Committee meeting and I thought it was a bit strange. I thought, "At least I haven't pinched any of their money." They called me back and asked me to be Matron. I was



Matron for seventeen years. Before that they only had a housekeeper. My husband said that since we would live at the home at least he wouldn't have to get up and take me there in the middle of the night if someone was sick.

I've met some wonderful people and had a great time. I now live at the home and have done so for the last seven years. When I first worked in the Mary Ogilvy home, I met the Reverend Bethune again. He did not remember me, but he did remember my mum and dad and we had a little talk about them.

When I was the matron of Mary Ogilvy home I was never bossy, but I was fussy, very fussy. I was complimented on the way we laid people out when they had



passed on. They said we did things so well and did things some people would never do now. We washed them and did their hair, put on make up if they wore it and packed the openings. I was trained by an English Matron.

I was only ever married once, and I don't intend to get married any more. I have a gentleman friend who takes me out a few times a week. We have some fun and I stay at his house but we are only good friends. We go to dinners and things and if I need a partner he will come with me and vice versa. Sometimes we go to a hotel for dinner at weekends. We went to Sydney, then to Adelaide and cruised down the Murray River, then last year went to Devonport, stayed with my sister-in-law Betty Bell, went up to Cradle Mountain and to Queenstown. We went down the Gordon River then back to Devonport to collect the car before coming home.

I would never go back as a tourist to any places I visited during the war. I think it is because of the memories and things. I don't need them anymore and it would be a little too hard. If I was still a young nurse and the opportunity of going to war came up again I would definitely take it. There would be nothing I would change. I had a good time considering the circumstances. I only ever had one brother and he died about five years ago. He was three years younger than me.

I had a wonderful cook when I was Matron and we would preserve enough fruit and make jams, enough to last till June. The trees were all in the grounds and we would pick the fruit. There was a walnut tree and one day I saw two boys up the tree with two giant buckets in their hand. So I got a bucket and walked outside, emptied the walnuts into my bucket and said, "Thanks for picking the walnuts for me." They never said boo

and they never came back.

When I worked here, I had a flat in the bottom half of the dining room, then they built a new one in the sick bay. At the weekends we didn't have much staff and my husband would put on his sports trousers and a white shirt. He would put a towel over his arm and go in the dining room and wait on tables. He helped with the washing up and with the books and reports.

We were here seventeen years then I thought I'd give up. The home had a nice little cottage next door which they wanted to sell and we bought that. We were only there two years and my husband passed away. I was there a good many years on my own. Two years later, I had a coronary and then I was invited to have my meals here. The sister said I could afford to pay for it. I haven't cooked a meal in years.

I played croquet till I moved in here about seven years ago. To keep myself busy now I do knitting, and I go in keno every week. I buy scratchies all the time. I had one very big win in Tatts. A few years ago I won \$25,000. When I picked it up I was very secretive about it. I went to the bank and plonked a box in front of the teller and I said I would like to bank this please. He asked me how much it was and I said \$25,000 and he would not believe me. Then I won \$1,180 in keno. I worked out I have spent about \$1,400 of it on scratchies! I love knitting but I only make rugs and things now.

I enjoy living here. The ladies are very nice and they treat you very well. ●

[The interview was conducted by Stephanie, a Clarence High School student, as a Negotiated Study project. Mary Ogilvy Home is at New Town, a Hobart suburb. Ed.]

# NEW GENIE GUIDES!!

## IDEAL XMAS GIFT!!!

Why not ask the fairies to buy you these for Christmas?

YOUR OLD COPY IS SEVEN YEARS OUT OF DATE.

The third edition of *Tracing Your Family History in Australia – A National Guide to Sources* (in 2 volumes) has just been published by Nick VINE HALL, Resident Genealogist ABC Radio (since 1979). This definitive work is the only detailed national summary of Australian genealogical sources published in the past 40 years.

The main *Guide* pays close attention to the main genealogical Internet sites in Australia and includes many more footnotes and record examples than earlier versions. This helps enliven a substantial text of some half a million words. The total print run to date is 30,000 copies. The new edition is more than twice the size of the previous 1994 edition. The main *Guide* has 885 pages and the *Bibliography* 275 pages. The *Recommended Retail Prices* of each volume are AUD\$75 and AUD\$35 respectively (posted). ORDER NOW online at [www.vinehall.com.au](http://www.vinehall.com.au) or ring (02) 9982 2287.

---

*"I recently purchased your new books. Have been desperately waiting for them and am not disappointed. So, congratulations, wonderful, my new genealogy bible! Thank you again for your great contribution to those earnest researchers endeavouring to find their way through the record maze."* **Janice Brooks, Librarian, Parramatta Family History Centre, Sydney, 15 August 2002.**

# AN EARLY SETTLER OF VAN DIEMEN'S LAND WILLIAM BURT WHITTLE 1789–1879

Merle Whittle (Member No. 3846)

**W**ILLIAM BURT WHITTLE was my husband's great-great-grandfather from his first marriage. He was born to John and Elizabeth Whittle during 1789 and was baptised on 9 February 1790 at Frampton, Dorset, England. His very eventful life included two marriages, and ten children (seven of whom survived to adulthood), immigration to a new country, settling inland on a small island, survival of a bushranger attack and also insolvency. He passed away at Evandale when he was in the 89<sup>th</sup> year of his life, on 10 August 1870 and burial took place at the Church of England cemetery.

William Burt Whittle and his wife Elizabeth WEAVER had four children:

Emily born 1811 'at 12 noon'.

William (Junior) 1813–1887

Elizabeth 1816–1817

John born 1817—'Sunday morning at 9 o'clock'

Elizabeth died as an infant of only 5 months on 31 March 1817 and Emily died aged 15 years and 11 months on 15 October 1827 of fever 'to the great grief of her afflicted parents'. (Entries in Elizabeth's prayer book printed 1811.)

After many losses in business, W. B. decided to emigrate to Van Diemen's Land with his wife and two sons. Why that destination was chosen is unknown. Perhaps there were other relatives who had made the voyage; perhaps they needed a change after the death of their young daughter. The List of Passengers from the Tasmanian Archives of the *Thomas Laurie* from London on 31 August 1830 which arrived at Launceston lists Mr William Whittle, Mrs Whittle,

William Whittle Junior. (Notice no John Whittle, but the next entry is for a Mr John Nokes.) The voyage from London to Launceston took a period of five months.

The *Launceston Advertiser* dated Monday, 7 March 1831, under 'Shipping Intelligence', listed the cargo of the *Thomas Laurie* and included: 2 cases furniture, and 3 casks ironmongery, 3 North Devon Calves, to --- WHITTLE. A notation was also made that the *Thomas Laurie* was one of six ships remaining in the harbour.

William Burt Whittle was among the first pioneers to import the Devon cattle to Van Diemen's Land. There are many schools of thought on who was the first to bring the cattle. However, 'The Story of Port Dalrymple' page 69, gives the information that:

John Batman, who seems to be in partnership with J. T. Jellibrand (sic), recently dismissed from his post as Attorney-General, on January, 11<sup>th</sup> 1827, they wrote a letter to Sir Ralph Darling, the Governor of New South Wales, asking for a grant of land at Westernpoint.

We are in possession of some of the flocks of sheep, highly improved, some the merino breed, and others of the pure Southdown; of some Devon cattle imported from England and also of a fine breed of horses.

It is sometimes said that William Burt Whittle, who arrived in 1833, was the first to bring North Devon cattle to Tasmania. George Hobler, however, distinctly states in his memorial to Lord Bathurst "your memorialist has also secured some cattle of the highest blood in the North Devon breed, so

valuable for drought". Students of pedigree stock will remember his cow "Fairmaid" from which many of the pure Devons in Tasmania trace their descent.

*The Advertiser* 10 December 1827, in a report of the Launceston Agricultural Show listed Best Bull for Mr George Hobler, and also entries from the diary of Mr George Hobler [Launceston Museum. Actual diary kept at the Mitchell Library].

March 1833: Devon cattle purchased from Nowland.

26th September 1834: - 3 calves - cross of Devon bull and Hereford heifer bought of Mr. Cox. Everyone who sees my bull declares him to be the best ever bred in the country.

2nd December 1834: First cattle show under the auspices of Cornwall Agriculture Society at White's, won three premiums.

These entries seem to prove that W. B. was not the first but certainly one of the first to breed the Devon (breed of) cattle in Tasmania. The interest has endured through the TRETHERWIE family and W. B's great-granddaughter Ann Trethewie and her husband Max are still breeding Devons at West Wagin, Western Australia.

W. B. Whittle presented his credentials to Governor Arthur and deposited £106 with Kemp and Co. Hobart Town, Merchants and Shippers. He appeared before the Land Board on 1 May 1831 stating that he was married with two sons and intended to reside on land and improve property. The Land Board gave him a grant of 1000 acres. Major FAIRCLOUGH 63<sup>rd</sup> Regiment, Affleck MOODY (D.A.G General) and George FRANKLAND, Surveyor General, signed the authority.

The Land Grant (LSD 409/2 page 39) was duly issued 9 February 1832 date of the order was 27 April 1831, consisting of 1000 acres in the Morven District. Situation: At a place called 'Sutherlands

Run', a little above McDonalds Grant on the North Esk River.

W. B. was in residence at 'Toller Farm' on the North Esk at Blessington in 1833, and it is reported that he had 'a fair area under cultivation'.

About the middle of 1833 W. B. wrote to the Colonial Secretary (John Burnett) for the need for Police protection in the district. At that time there were Aborigines and bushrangers who roamed and raided at will, and he stated there had been an increase in stealing. His petition was enclosed with testimonial as to his suitability for the post of pound-keeper and special constable for the Police Magistrate, Launceston, (Capt. William Lyttleton). This was supported by surrounding landowners. Capt. Lyttleton reported that W. B. had built a large, secure pound on the southwest corner of his acreage, 'Toller', North Esk, adjoining the land of Henry Clayton.

A correspondence from the Police Office at Launceston dated 19 March 1834 addressed to the Chief Magistrate and noted to have been transmitted to the Colonial Secretary with reference to his letter of the 28th ultimo numbered 15373 is as follows:

Sir, With reference to the appointment of Mr. William Whittle as pound ----perent, Special Constable, I have the honour to acquaint you, that he has erected his pound at Toller Farm, North Esk River, bounded on the south point by land in possession of Henry Clayton, and on the other points by land in his own occupation, and that the same is dry, spacious and secure in all respects and the entrance gate furnished with a lock. I have the honour to be sir, your most obedient humble servant.

W. Lyttleton.

On 12 April 1844, the *Launceston Commercial and Agricultural Advertiser* (page 228 column 1) included this story:

## **ATTACK BY BUSHRANGERS**

*Bushranger Shot:* On Sunday night 3 armed runaways visited the house of Mr. Whittle at a place called The Ballroom about 12 miles from Evandale. A conflict ensued between them and the men belonging to the establishment; one of the bushrangers was shot dead upon the spot, and another wounded and apprehended. The others affected their escape.

The following day (page 236) it reported:

*Another Bushranger Apprehended:* We reported in our last, that three armed men visited the residence of Mr. Whittle, one was killed on the spot, another apprehended, but the third escaped and has since been captured at Perth. They were sent into Launceston gaol yesterday, fully committed for trial.

A further account of the attack was printed in the *Cornwall Chronicle* of 17 April 1844:

### **THE LATE AFFRAY WITH BUSHRANGERS IN THE EVANDALE DISTRICT**

We are favoured with the particulars of the attack made by bushrangers upon Mr. Whittle at Toller Estate, which are as follows:

On Sunday the 7th April instant, about 5 o'clock in the afternoon, three armed bushrangers visited Toller, about 15 miles from Evandale township, the residence of Mr. William Whittle. This gentleman was in a parlour with his wife and servant woman when two men rushed in, and presenting muskets at Mr. and Mrs. Whittle, ordered them to leave the room. Mr. Whittle demanded of them the object of their rude intrusion, when they replied that they were bushrangers, and wanted something to eat - and without further ceremony cleared the room. On reaching the outside, Mr. Whittle discovered his son William, and his two servants named Saunders and Wilkins tied, and in the custody of, another bushranger. Mr.

Whittle then directed his servant woman to give the bushrangers something to eat immediately, which she proceeded to do.

Two of them then entered the house, and brought from it two double-barrelled fowling pieces, the property of Mr. Whittle, which they gave in charge to the third man who was standing sentinel over the son and the two servants; they returned to the house and proceeded to a general pillage - bringing outside from time to time - flour, tea, sugar, tobacco, slops and various other property, which they secured in convenient parcels for removal. After examining the pockets of Messrs. Whittle and servants, two of the bush-rangers forced the door of Mrs. Whittle's bedroom, and ransacked every box, drawer, and other place, in search of jewellery and money.

Perceiving that one bushranger engaged in tying up a sack of flour outside of the house, had left his piece carelessly against the sack, Mr. Whittle, snr. went out and snatched at it - when the robber on guard called out to his comrade - "Take care of your gun!" Mr. Whittle renewed his attempt to get possession of it, when a scuffle ensued between them, which, alarming the fellow inside the house, he came out, and wrenching the gun from Mr. Whittle, struck him repeatedly on the head with its butt-end; overpowered by his antagonists, and stunned from the blows he had received from them, Mr. Whittle, snr. must inevitably have been killed, had not his son most fortunately slipped his hands from the cord from which they were bound, and gone to the rescue of his father.

A death-struggle now ensued; the father and son - and the three outlaws were engaged in real earnest, for some time, and with varied success; - sometimes, as Mr. Whittle expressed himself, "we were undermost, and sometimes uppermost" - when, as though the hand of Providence

watched the righteous cause of the neglected, abused, and peaceful settler - Mr. Whittle, jnr. was enabled, by a momentary advantage he had gained, to relieve himself from the grasp of his adversary, when he seized a piece, and discharging it at him, wounded him in the head which occasioned him to turn pale, and although he still continued the conflict, Mr. Whittle jnr. discovered that he was much weakened from the wounds. Mr. Whittle snr. was at this time materially assisted by his servant woman, who sprang upon the bushranger with whom he was engaged, and seized him by the leg, while Mrs. Whittle drew from his hands the gun he held, and which he was attempting to discharge into the body of her husband, a moment's respite ensued, both parties having gained their legs, the bushranger stepped aside to reach a loaded gun, which being perceived by the servant woman she pushed him from it, when Mr. Whittle got possession of it - he desired the bushranger to stand or he would shoot him - he replied, "Shoot and be damned", and made a rush at Mr. Whittle, who fired, and the bushranger fell dead with the contents of the piece in his throat. Mr. Whittle then hastened to the assistance of his son, whom he found still struggling with the bushranger, who he struck on the head with his piece and knocked him senseless - handcuffs were then put on him. An attempt was made to secure the third bushranger, who however, on seeing his two comrades put hors de combat, threw down his firearms and run off.

The body of the bushranger killed, was taken into Morven, and an inquest held upon it the following day, when a verdict was returned of, "Justifiable Homicide".

The third bushranger, who escaped, was captured on the following Tuesday about 7 o'clock in the evening on Perth Bridge by a constable of the Morven Police, who escorted him to the Police - Office, where

he was identified by Mr. Whittle, jun. and his servants, and with the man previously captured, was fully committed to gaol for trial.

The newspaper commented:

It is impossible that bushranging be adopted by prisoners if the settlers generally act in the manner recorded of Mr. Whittle and his son, and the gentlemen of Campbell Town. Bad men can only be induced to take to the bush, from a knowledge of the unaccountable sort of apathy which in so many instances has affected the settlers on the occasions of collisions with them - that feeling - perhaps it can be called passive resistance, seems now to be getting out of fashion, and some of the settlers and country gentleman are showing that their lives are worth risking in defence of their property, and are not worth retaining at the hands of a set of lawless cowards, and it is really needful to support the national character, that residents in the interior should check the bad, disposed in a career of villain and violation which has latterly increased to so alarming an extent, and which never would have reached an evil worth consideration, but for the passive resistance (que encouragement) [sic] of the settlers. It has been proved that neither military nor constables are of much use in the pursuit of absconders in the bush, and it is proved how decisive is the resistance of the settlers themselves, when they have determined to resist the outlaws. A few more such instances of brave resistance as we have had the opportunity of recording, will strike terror into the hearts of bushrangers and destroy the system!

A Government Notice, No. 103: Colonial Secretary's Office, 27 April 1844, (page 506) in *The Hobart Town Gazette* stated:

The Lieutenant Governor having had before him a report of the circumstances connected with the capture of two armed runaways who attacked the house of Mr.

Whittle at Morven, His Excellency feels it his duty to thank Mr. Whittle and his wife and son, for their very gallant and determined conduct on that occasion.

By His Excellency's Command: J. E. Bicheno.

Another report in *The Launceston Examiner Commercial and Agricultural Advertiser* of 17 May 1844, (page 308, column 1), appeared to complete the story.

On Thursday last, about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, three armed bushrangers, visited the sheep station of Mr. Williatt, at Mussleborough Creek, only 1-1/2 miles distant from Mr. Whittal's (sic) (and 14 from Evandale), where it will be remembered, one bushranger was shot and another captured. They were civil and did not attempt violence, but carried off all the provisions they could find, which, unfortunately was considerable, as a large supply had been furnished the previous day by Mr. Williatt. They had the appearance of gentlemen; indeed so much so, that three young men who were in that neighbourhood, cattle hunting, observed them making for the hut, and thought they were a *pleasure party*. The bushrangers made particular enquiry as to who these young men were, and expressed their regret, at not being up in time, or they would have dispossessed them of their horses. All three men well armed, having two double-barrelled guns, one single ditto and three brace pistols. Immediately on the information reaching Evandale, two parties of constables were dispatched in pursuit, and a third party followed from Perth, and we hope ere long to hear of their capture. They are supposed to be runaways from Port Arthur.

*The Launceston Examiner Commercial and Agricultural Advertiser* of Wednesday, 3 July 1844, (page 420 column 3) reported the trial of the bushrangers:

*Supreme Court:* The criminal sessions commenced on Tuesday, on which day nearly the whole of the business was disposed of. The only case of interest was the trial of two bushrangers for the robbery at Mr. Whittle's. The statements of the father and son were unimpeachable and conviction followed. His honour did not pass sentence, but in remanding them remarked that well he knew the anxious desire of the Lieut. Governor that justice should be tempered with mercy; to one of the prisoners he could hold out no hope. With respect to the other, his honour thought the state of the colony required the infliction of the law, but the prerogative of mercy was vested in higher ad better hands, and it was not for him to say what conclusion the executive would arrive at. Nothing occurred out of the usual course of business deserving of particular comment. A full report of the proceedings will appear in our next.

The evening edition continued (page 431 column 1), with:

*Supreme Court:* Wednesday July 3<sup>rd</sup> --

Pickford and Melvin, convicted of the capital offence of bushranging, were next brought up for judgment, and thus addressed by his honour: - He had told one of the prisoners at the time of his conviction that he need entertain no hope of his life being spared, but his honour had further considered the matter, and had compared it with other convictions, which induced him to think that the executive would not order them for execution. His honour then referred to certain features in the case from which a presumption might be raised, that they did not contemplate violence at the time of the robbery. His honour also briefly recounted the substance of the evidence, and remarked that as mercy had been extended to more aggravated offenders, he should recommend that mercy be extended to them. The executive in their wisdom had spared the lives of many, for

offences which a few years ago would inevitably have been punished with death; he said, in their wisdom, because he sincerely believed course pursued would ultimately lead to the benefit of the colony.

But whether or not wisdom guided their decision; it would be worse than mockery to hold out no hopes to a culprit, when there was reason to believe the executive would exercise the prerogative of mercy in their favour. On the score of consistency alone, therefore, he should recommend them for pardon, for it would do harm to the colony if one offender were punished, and another pardoned for similar offences. Punishment to be efficacious should be certain, and not dependent upon lot or choice. Inconsistency destroyed the effect of justice: for that reason and that reason alone (here his honour paused, and cast his eye at the reporter's box) he should not pass upon them sentence of death. His honour warned the prisoners against the consequences of continuing their course of crime, and concluded by advising them to be prepared for the worst, for his humble recommendation might not perhaps be complied with.

The sentence of death was recorded against both the prisoners.

I have not been able to uncover any details of their executions. At the particular time involved and until 1854, executions took the form of hangings on the gaol wall where the criminals could be observed by the public, if they so desired, looking down the Tamar River and from whence they came and perhaps thinking of their homeland and family across the seas.

The Burial Register of 1844 for the Parish of Evandale No. 56 is of bushranger Stephen Casey [who was the person W. B. shot]. He was buried on 10 April and the Chaplain was G. Wilkinson.

The payment of the reward money that was offered by the Government took five years to be finalised.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Right Hon. Earl Grey from Lt Gov. Denison. No. 191 dated 23 September 1848, with a duplicate sent 20 March 1849.

Government House, Van Diemen's Land,  
My Lord,

I have already adverted in my Despatch No. 715 of the 3rd July, last, to the sum of 100 pounds inserted in the Estimates of the present year as an intended Grant to Mr. Whittle a resident of the District of Morven in this Colony, but I deem it proper to bring the subject specially under your Lordship's notice:

In the year 1844, three armed bushrangers rendered themselves objects of terror to all the Settlers, whose neighbourhood they infested from the many outrages which they had committed and from their determined character.

They attacked Mr. Whittle's house after having first secured all his servants, but with the aid of his Wife and Son, only he not only succeeding in resisting the attack but in putting an end to the career of one of them, and in capturing the other two.

The Attorney General felt it to be his duty officially to call Sir Eardley Wilmot's attention to this heroic conduct on the part of Mr. Whittle, who was informed that should the Secretary of State favourably entertain the recommendations Sir Eardley Wilmot had made in the similar cases of Mr. Harrison and Miss Keach, the Lieutenant Governor would mark his approval of Mr. Whittle's conduct by a like reward.

The rewards to the parties above named have been approved of, but it would appear that Sir Eardley Wilmot omitted to report to Your Lordship the case of Mr. Whittle.



Your Lordship is aware from my Despatch above quoted that I differ in opinion from Sir Eardley Wilmot as to the propriety of rewarding those who are merely taking care of their own property, yet as the promise was made, and similar rewards have been granted, and as long a time has been suffered by the Government to elapse since the occurrence without obtaining a decision from Your Lordship, I submit this Grant for your Lordship's approval, merely observing that there is no doubt that it would have been noted by the Council, as it has been inserted in the estimates prepared by the Majority of the Members already forwarded.

I have the honour to be, My Lord,  
Your Lordship's most Obedient Humble  
Servant,

(Signed) W. Denison.

Pages 1 and 3 of Earl Grey's reply from No. 74 Downing Street, 18 May 1849, notes: 'Acted on 8 October'.

Sir, I have received your Despatch no. 191 of the 23 September, last, explaining the circumstances under which a sum of 100 pounds had been inserted in the Financial Estimates of Van Diemen's Land as a reward to Mr. Whittle for his exertions in putting ----- I do not see any reason to disapprove of that grant. The Estimates which have since the date of the Despatch been sanctioned by the vote of the Legislative Council, are under the consideration of Her Majesty's Government.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir, Your Most Obedient Humble  
Servant,  
(and Signed). Grey.

William Burt Whittle married for the second time on 12 September 1854, to Miss Ann Whittle, a spinster who was the daughter of William Whittle and Ann GOSLING. There was no blood relationship between them. Ann was aged 24 years and employed as a

governess at Franklin Village near Launceston at the time of her marriage to 73 years old William Burt Whittle, widower of 'Toller' in the United Church of England and Ireland, at Morven, the chaplain was Rev. A.C. Thomson. The Licence NS 373/1 No. 123 dated 9 Sept. 1854. It is interesting enough to mention that the witnesses of the ceremony were Richard and Emma CHUGG. Some Chugg family members had property at Franklin Village at the time and there have been links to that family through the years, so perhaps that was where Ann worked.

William Burt and Ann Whittle had six children. All lived to adulthood except George who at only 4½ years, sadly, died as a result of scalding.

Burt Henning Whittle 1855–1933

Annie Whittle 1857–1900

Agnes Julia Whittle 1859–1933

Edward Whittle 1861–1948

Frances Whittle 1862–1919

George Arthur Whittle 1867–1871

W. B. became too old to farm 'Toller'. It was sold to the Cameron family and he and his family moved to Evandale, where they lived in a house in Barclay Street called 'Toller Cottage'. The electoral roll of the Morven District for the years 1866, 1867, and 1869 shows Wm Burt Whittle freehold estate Evandale, House and Land Annual Value 20 pounds. W. B. died August 1870 aged 90 years. Rev. John Chambers conducted the funeral, no. 48, on 10 August 1879. He was buried in the Anglican cemetery, Evandale, beside his first wife, Elizabeth.

'Toller' property was offered for sale by auction 19 December 1979 and again 16 April 1993; the house was burnt down in the 1960s. Currently Randall Trethewie who owns the land has dropped the historic name of 'Toller' and re-named it

'Mountain Creek' and it is a resort for fishing with overnight accommodation.

The *Tasmanian Directory and Gazetteer* for the Evandale District for 1887 lists Mrs Whittle, Evandale, a dressmaker. The earliest *Tasmanian Postal Directory* of 1894–1895 and that of 1898 lists Ann Whittle, dressmaker, Evandale. A map of Evandale of 1911 shows A. Whittle at Barkley Street, nearby to White Hills Road and opposite a little water tower. Ann's five Stevenson grandsons were born at 'Toller Cottage', where she lived until her death at 90 years of age, and died 18 September 1920. She was buried at Evandale. Her obituary notice in *The Examiner* newspaper of 20 September described her as 'a highly respected resident of the Evandale district'. Her funeral was well attended, many travelling long distances to pay their last tribute of respect. The headstones of Elizabeth, George, William Burt and Ann were lost when the cemetery at Evandale was turned into a park during the 1970s. ●

### **Bibliography**

#### *IGI*

Family Records of Ann Trethewie and Aubrey Whittle

Shipping Records AOT

Wayn Card Index AOT

Personal Card Index AOT

*Shipping Arrivals and Departures, 1803–1833*, Ian Nicholson

*Launceston Advertiser* newspaper

*Colonial Times* newspaper

*Cornwall Chronicle* newspaper

*The Story of Port Dalrymple*, Bethal

Diary Entries of George Hobler, Launceston Q.V. Museum

Colonial Secretary Correspondence AOT

*Hobart Town Gazette*

*Tasmanian Pioneers Index* and AOT records

*Tasmanian Government Gazette*

*Tasmanian Directory and Gazetteer*

*Tasmanian Postal Directory* of 1894–1895

Tasmanian Electoral Roll 1866–1889.

## **THE GENEALOGIST**

You see them everywhere you go,  
Hunched over glowing screens  
In libraries and reading rooms,  
Chasing elusive genes.

With pencils poised, (pens not allowed!)  
They write down all the names  
Of relatives in censuses,  
As well as streets and lanes.

In graveyards cold, or so I'm told,  
They teeter on the brink  
Of finding facts which truly prove  
That vital missing link

Those of them with cash to burn  
Will venture overseas,  
Armed solely with a burning lust  
For genealogy.

The Internet has proved a boon.  
From mailing lists they seek  
Those kinsmen who might yet be found,  
If not today—next week.

The convict lists, the migrant ships,  
Each has its own appeal  
To those who seek an ancestor,  
What might they not reveal?

Their eyes agog, they search each log,  
Directory, film and fiche.  
With bated breath they scan each page,  
Hoorah! It's found!—they wish!

The crushing blow when search reveals  
What should have been there, isn't!  
What was it that dear grandma said?  
If only they had listened.

But in the end there is no-one  
So much an optimist,  
Than those of us who call ourselves  
A genealogist.

Estelle Ross  
(Member No.4614)

# STANDARDS FOR USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH

Recommended by the National Genealogical Society

**M**INDFUL that computers are tools, genealogists take full responsibility for their work, and therefore they—

- learn the capabilities and limits of their equipment and software, and use them only when they are the most appropriate tools for a purpose.
  - refuse to let computer software automatically embellish their work.
  - treat compiled information from on-line sources or digital data bases like that from other published sources, useful primarily as a guide to locating original records, but not as evidence for a conclusion or assertion.
  - accept digital images or enhancements of an original record as a satisfactory substitute for the original only when there is reasonable assurance that the image accurately reproduces the unaltered original.
  - cite sources for data obtained on-line or from digital media with the same care that is appropriate for sources on paper and other traditional media, and enter data into a digital database only when its source can remain associated with it.
  - always cite the sources for information or data posted on-line or sent to others, naming the author of a digital file as its immediate source while crediting original sources cited within the file.
- preserve the integrity of their own data bases by evaluating the reliability of downloaded data before incorporating it into their own files.
  - provide, whenever they alter data received in digital form, a description of the change that will accompany the altered data whenever it is shared with others.
  - actively oppose the proliferation of error, rumor and fraud by personally verifying or correcting information, or noting it as unverified, before passing it on to others.
  - treat people on-line as courteously and civilly as they would treat them face-to-face, not separated by networks and anonymity.
  - accept that technology has not changed the principles of genealogical research, only some of the procedures. ●

Copyright 1997 by National Genealogical Society. Permission is granted to copy or publish this material provided it is reproduced in its entirety, including this notice.

# DO YOU RECOGNIZE W. COX?

**M**EMBER Earl Howard has found a photo of a man he believes might have been a friend of his father. His father served on Gallipoli.

The photo is post card size 138mm x 86mm Kodak Australia, and was taken by D.I.C. PHOTO, 173 Elizabeth Street Hobart.

Handwritten on the back of the photo is:

W. Cox.  
139 Manners Street  
Opp. Kings Theatre  
WELLINGTON.

No state or country is shown. Wellington could be NSW, New Zealand, UK or ?

[In a directory DIC Photo is listed at 173 Elizabeth Street 1923–c1926. The proprietor was William Fellowes. *Ed.*]



Earl has found that there are two servicemen by the name of W. Cox in the Tasmanian War Records 1914–1918. He believes that the photo could be W. E. Cox.

Name	Remarks	Enlisted/Dis/Service
Cox W. Pte. 40 Bn		20/03/16 3y 5m Pte
Cox W.E. Lt. 6 F.A.B.	W.M.C. 11 F.A.B.	20/10/15 3y 10m Maj

Earl would like to pass the photo to descendants of W. Cox and can be contacted at:

Earl G Howard

PO Box 68

Currie, King Island TAS 7256

Phone/Fax (03) 6462 1779 or email him at [ehoward@kingisland.net.au](mailto:ehoward@kingisland.net.au)

# A BEATTIE FAMILY GATHERING

Allison Carins (Member No. 668)

OVER Easter 2002, a special family event took place, when fifteen New Zealanders (three generations of one family) met with eleven Tasmanians at our home at Fernbank, Winnaleah. Only two of the New Zealand folk had been here before. All present were descendants (and their spouses) of a pioneer family, David and Christian BEATTIE, who migrated in 1884 from 'Burnside' in the Parish of Inverkeilor, Angus, Scotland. This was my husband's mother's family.

Two brothers, John and David Beattie, and their large families, sailed in the cargo boat *Abington* loaded with railway iron for Western Australia. The deck was fitted out with temporary cabins—no luxury liner. Seven children, aged from 21 to 8 years, came with John and his wife Agnes. David and Christian had 11 children aged from 16 years to 18 months. They arrived in Hobart on 1 May. There David's daughter, 11 year-old Christian died from blood-poisoning.

Both families stayed in Hobart for some time and the older members found employment. They were then advised to go to the north-east so they could take up the land granted by the government, which amounted to one acre per one pound (£1) passage money. They left Hobart in the small coastal vessel, *Dorset*, sailing up the east coast, and were forced by severe storms, to shelter in Musselroe Bay for three weeks. Food supplies almost ran out; the little amount of bread was kept for the children, and for the rest, the diet consisted mainly of crayfish.

They landed at Bridport and proceeded by dray and wagon to Jetsonville, where John settled at 'Viewbank'. (The original

house and farm are still in possession of his descendants.) David and his family took up their land at Springfield. There were three more children born in Tasmania. Christian died aged 46, as a result of the harsh conditions and privations (possibly of peritonitis), leaving six children under ten years old, with 16 year-old Jessie to housekeep.

My husband's mother, Agnes CARINS, was one of the younger ones born in Tasmania. She recalled a girlhood memory of her brothers, James and Andrew, kissing her goodbye when they went off to the Boer War. They did not return home, but settled in New Zealand, and they did not marry. She did not see them again. Her oldest brother David, went to New South Wales and in 1950, Agnes visited his home, not having seen him for 50 years! Other family members moved to the mainland, Catherine and John to New South Wales (the Premier of Queensland, Peter Beattie is descended from John), William, Jessie (Mrs ROSS-ANDERSON), Florence (Mrs THURSTON) lived in Victoria. Oliver died aged 24. Ralph married Irene LESTER of Springfield, and they eventually went to New Zealand and the family all live there.

Three remained in Tasmania. Alexander was a dairy farmer at Lileah, in the far north-west of Tasmania. He died at 48, leaving his wife Rose to rear eight children and manage a dairy farm. They knew great hardships, but did well and were well-known on the north-west coast. (Some still live there and are the only ones in Tasmania from David's line with the name Beattie.) All eight were present to help Rose celebrate her 90th birthday in 1981.

Alan married Miss Annie BALD of Scottsdale, and farmed at Winnaleah. They had daughter Joan LEFEVRE (dec.), Dorothy GIBSON, and Gwen BRISCOE. The only son, Keith, died when nine years old. Agnes married Tom Carins of Nabowla. They moved to Winnaleah in 1918 where Tom engaged in saw-milling and farming. His sons Don, Lyn and Peter were all farmers, daughter Jean, a nurse. Grandsons are now continuing on all three farms.

In the north-east now, there are only the descendants of Agnes Carins. They gathered on this special occasion to meet the descendants of Ralph and Irene from New Zealand who were travelling together around Tasmania, and who also had LESTER relatives in the north-east.

There were four first cousins present, two from each family. Jean and Peter Carins (children of Agnes) and Esther GIBSON and Joseph Beattie (children of Ralph). (While travelling, the New Zealand party were able to meet Dorothy Gibson at her home at Don, and Gwen Briscoe in Hobart, also first cousins). We had a great display of photos of all the original family and other memorabilia. There was much to talk about and share. It was hard to say goodbye.

The New Zealanders also travelled to Springfield, visiting the two cemeteries where the pioneer Beatties and Lesters are interred, and drove to where David Beattie's farm was, though the house is no longer there. It is of interest that that farm is now owned by Karl Beattie, a descendant of John Beattie who settled at Jetsonville. Karl's father, Bill, now retired, was a member of the Tasmanian House of assembly for many years.

So it was a memorable, historic occasion with a warm feeling of kinship that will remain, though such distances separate us. ●

## INITIALS AND TERMS EXPLAINED

**D**O you wonder about the significance of initials following your ancestor's name when reading old wills or documents? The following explanations may be useful.

a.a.s.	anno aetatis suae—died in the year of her/his age (56 y/o died in year 56)
d.s.p.	decessit sine prole legitima—died without issue
d.s.p.l.	decessit sine prole mascula supesita—died without legitimate issue
d.s.p.m.s.	decessit sine prole mascula supersita—died without surviving male issue
d.s.p.s	decessit sine prole supersita—died without surviving issue
d.unm	died unmarried
d.v.p.	decessit vita patris—died in the lifetime of his father
d.v.m.	decessit vita matris—died in the lifetime of his mother
Et al	et alia—and others
Inst	instans—present month
Liber	book or volume
Nepos	grandson
Nunc	Nuncupative will—an oral will, written by a witness
Ob	obit—she/he died
Relict	relicta/relictus—widow or widower
Sic	so or thus, exact copy as written
Testes	witnesses
Utl	ultimo—late
Ux or vs	uxor—wife
Viz	videlicet—namely ●

# CAPTAIN IVOR STEPHEN MARGETTS

Marjorie R. Margetts (Member No. 950)

**I**VOR STEPHEN MARGETTS was born in Launceston, Tasmania on 4 September 1891, the third of five sons born to Stephen Ward Margetts and his wife, Charlotte (nee HOUSE). Stephen and his family later moved to Wynyard, where he was a well-known storekeeper.

Ivor was appointed a junior master at Hutchins School in Hobart in 1912. He was a tall, athletic young man, one of Tasmania's best athletes and footballers, and was selected in all combined TFL sides from 1912. He was ruckman with the team contesting the inter-state carnival in Sydney in 1914 when World War I broke out. As a reservist in the Derwent Infantry Regiment, he immediately joined the AIF on his return to Tasmania. He left Hobart with the first contingent in October 1914, aged 23.

Hanging in the Gallipoli gallery of the Australian War Memorial is one of the best-known Australian war paintings – George Lambert's 'Anzac, the landing 1915'. Depicted in the centre of the painting are Australian soldiers, crawling and scrambling their way up a steep, scrubby cliff.

At midnight on Saturday, 24 April 1915 the destroyer *Ribble*, steamed quietly past the island of Imbros to Gaba Tepe on the Gallipoli Peninsula. On board were thirty officers and some 950 men of the 12th Battalion AIF, part of the 30,000 volunteer Australian and New Zealand Army Corps—ANZAC. Ivor was the officer in charge of one of the landing boats with thirty-six men aboard and was

the second to land. However, before it reached the beach, three men had been shot dead by the Turks.

In his diary, Ivor wrote:

As we neared the peninsula of Gallipoli, the Captain of the Destroyers gave the order for silence and for the men to stop smoking. And thus in the darkness and in silence we were carried towards the land which was to either make or mar the name of Australia. On either side we could dimly see other destroyers bearing the rest of the third Brigade. I am quite sure that very few of us realized that at last we were actually bound for our first baptism of fire, for it seemed as though we were just out on one of our manoeuvres, but very soon realized that it was neither a surprise party nor a moonlight picnic.

Minutes later, when they were about 200 yards from the beach, Commander WILKINSON gave the order to man the boats. As the first boats from the *Ribble* moved away they heard the firing of a Turkish machine gun and bullets began hitting the water around them. Margetts watched the 12th Battalion's Commanding Officer, Lieutenant Colonel Lancelot CLARKE, head off in the first boat.

And from his diary:

I turned around to get the second tow ready, when a man just in front of me dropped, hit in the head. This was the first casualty and very soon there were several others hit. There was some difficulty getting the second tow ready, but eventually when a naval cutter came alongside we got in and started for the beach. Three men were hit before the

boat struck the shore. When she hit the beach, I gave the word to get out and the men got out at once, in water up to their necks and in some cases men actually had to swim several strokes before they got their footing. It was almost impossible to walk with full marching order, absolutely drenched to the skin and I fell twice before I got to the dry beach where I scrambled up under cover of a sand ridge. I ordered the men to dump their packs off, load their rifles, and waited a few seconds for the men to get their breath.

It was just breaking dawn and, as we looked towards the sound of firing, we were faced with almost perpendicular cliffs about 200 feet [60 metres] above sea level, and as we were of [the] opinion that most of the fire was coming from this quarter, it was evident that this was the direction of our attack. Therefore, after a minute or two, having regained our breath, we started to climb.

Australian war historian C. E. W. BEAN in his *History of the Great War*, mentioned Ivor Margetts a number of times. 25 April:

... About 8.30 a.m. Robertson and Lalor ordered an advance up Baby 700. Lieutenant Margetts, with his platoon, worked his way up the middle of the ridge where the Turkish line had been. Several Turks were lying dead. Margetts moved straight over the summit. ... Margetts turned his field glasses upon the trench which ran down the seaward side of Battleship Hill. The word went up the line: The left are retiring. It reached Margetts and his party on the summit. ... Margetts and his men withdrew for about 150 yards down the back of Baby 700, and there pulled up. ... some of the original line which had charged so gaily with Margetts and Patterson with old

Colonel Clarke in the morning ... were still there. Yet Margetts and a few others hung with these newer arrivals of the 1st Brigade. ... as with most of the others, it was Margetts' first experience of war. So far as he knew, there was no one supporting him ... no one to assume authority; no one to inform what had happened elsewhere ... Almost every officer was killed or wounded, but Margetts still remained.

... Presently word came again that the line of the 2nd Battalion on the seaward slope needed reinforcements. Lalor turned to Margetts: "Take your men up," then, "No, I'll go." "I'll go forward, sir," said Margetts. "You'll do as you're told," was the reply. Margetts descended the deep gutter of Malone's Gully, putties trailing in the mud. ... It was about 3:15 p.m. when Margetts left Lalor.

Ivor also received mention in *Gallipoli* by Les CARLYON.

Ivor was promoted to Captain in the field, and remained at Gallipoli until the Allies withdrew in December. He was said to be the only officer either English or 'colonial', to remain at Gallipoli throughout the full eight months of the campaign there.

After the hell of Gallipoli, the Australian diggers, including Captain Ivor Margetts, were sent via Egypt to the incredibly bungled Battle of the Somme in France. It began on 1 July 1916, and when it ended five months later, 46,000 Australians had died in France.

Ivor Margetts was in the battle of the French village of Pozieres, totally destroyed by German heavy artillery. In forty-five days of fighting in the area of Pozieres, 24,000 Australians were killed. Charles Bean wrote of Pozieres as being



'more densely sown with Australian sacrifice than any other place on earth'.

On the night on 23 July 1916, Ivor Margetts' luck ran out. At 10:00 p.m. a shell exploded within yards of the trench. Capt. Margetts, Sgt J. A. CLARKE of Launceston and Pte L. J. BROWN of Ulverstone, were killed by shrapnel.

From the hospital on 22 September, Regimental Stretcher Bearer, Pte G.A. McKENZIE of Hobart, wrote a long, but simple letter to Ivor's father.

A line to let you know how your son, Capt Margetts, met his death, as I feel it is my duty to do so. I was attached to his Company at Somme we went over the parapet in the early hours of the morning of 23rd of July, Sunday, to capture what is known as the village of Pozieres which we got with very few losses at that time. It was about between 9 o'clock and a ¼ past when Capt Margetts was sitting in a shell hole giving orders to a sergeant by the name of Clarke and one shell burst right in among us. It took me about half a minute to get over the shock of it and I heard your son calling me. I crawled off to him and he said, I've got one at last. He lived for about 29 minutes. I stayed with him to the end and these were the words he said before he went, is that you McKenzie (Yes Sir). If you get through this stink lad, which I hope to the god above that you do, let my people know how I got hit and died thinking of them ... His property he had very little on him as he had left it at our Battalion headquarters before going into action. The only part of his property that I buried him with, with of course, his clothes, was a ring on his little finger which I could not get off. I got hit myself on the night of the 25th of July and have been in bed since ... I am only a Private myself, but that is my fault, but there was never a better Officer lived than Capt.

Margetts. He was the most popular man in the Batt and he never done a bad turn to anyone since we left Hobart shore. It is the worst shock the 12th Batt has had since the war started. Anyone would of gave there life for to save his little toe. I don't think I can tell you any more ...

The village of Pozieres was completely obliterated during the battle in which the 24 year-old Ivor Margetts and 24,000 other Aussie Diggers were killed. The grave over which Stretcher Bearer McKenzie erected a small cross could not be traced by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, but his name is commemorated on the Villers-Bretonneus Military Cemetery Memorial near Amiens, France. ●

Appreciation is expressed for permission to use extracts from an article by Kerry Pink, which was published in *The Advocate* on 24 April 1993.

## **DEVONPORT BRANCH CHANGE TO MEETING TIMES**

Devonport Branch meetings  
will now be held at

Meeting Room 2, Devonport Library,  
Fenton Way, Devonport

at 7:30 p.m. on the last Thursday of each  
month except December.

Building entry is from the  
Town Hall car park.

# NOAH'S ARK ENCOUNTERS

## THE MAYFLOWER

W. Robert Chapman

**I**N my job as a reference librarian I frequently encounter people who are searching for their family roots. One thing I've noticed is that most of these amateur genealogists say they are descended from a single ancestor. 'My people came over on the *Mayflower*,' the researcher might say, seemingly oblivious to the enormity of such a claim. 'All of your ancestors?' one might reasonably ask. Not likely. The *Mayflower* wasn't big enough. An aircraft carrier might not hold all of one's 17th-century ancestors. If I were to try to fit in all of the people from whom I'm directly descended who were alive in 1620, I'd need an ark that could hold 512 pairs of eighth great-grandparents. And only a handful is likely to have the surname CHAPMAN.

What they really mean is that they are searching for a single ancestral line. Often it is the researcher's paternal line, or they are trying to prove their lineage in order to qualify for membership in a hereditary society. Having done such a narrow search, the person can now confidently claim to being descended solely from something like the ancient and noble house of St Swithins in the Swamp. The fact that one is also descended from grave robbers, muleskinners, or librarians seems irrelevant once one has qualified to join the Sons of [fill in the blank]. In fact, the researcher has only scratched the surface of his or her ancestral research.

We are descended from a lot more people than most of us can imagine. That shouldn't be all that surprising when you consider that ancestry is exponential. You

start with two parents, each of whom also had two parents (now we're up to four ancestors), etc. Five generations back, each of us is descended from eight pairs of second great-grandparents (sixteen lines).

Each of us is ten generations removed from 256 pairs of seventh great-grandparents. By the time we are fifteen generations removed, we are descended from 16,384 couples. Twenty generations back each of us theoretically can trace our ancestries to 524,288 sets of seventeenth great-grandparents (that's 1,048,576 lines).

What does this all mean? For the statistically inclined, it is likely that each of us could be related to a lot of strangers, possibly including the folks next door or the person we took to the high school prom (giving new meaning to the term 'kissing cousins').

The likelihood of being at least distantly related to a neighbour greatly increases with each generation as we spin off new branches, particularly in societies that—unlike the American—were relatively stable and homogeneous, such as 15th-century England, 17th-century New England, and 19th-century South Carolina, areas where many of my ancestors lived. Folks in such areas tended to marry neighbours and cousins.

Family trees work both upward and downward. If going back sixteen generations means that one is descended from 32,768 people, think how many descendants each of those ancestors has.

In researching only one line from my wife's family, I have uncovered more than 1,500 people descended either by blood or marriage from a 16th-century Englishman. Assuming he is representative of most heads of Elizabethan English families, multiply those 1,500 descendants by the 32,768 people representing thirteen generations, and one is faced with the possibility of being related to more than 49 million people.

Using that arithmetic, one could easily be related to a friend, a neighbour, a co-worker, or that cute young thing you've been working up the courage to ask out on a date. So if you were wondering why we tend to marry people who look and act a lot like ourselves, this might offer at least a partial explanation.

Maybe now the term 'family of mankind' makes a bit more sense. ●

[W. Robert Chapman is a reference librarian at the Hartford Public Library, USA.]  
Written by W. Robert Chapman, email [rchapman@mail.cc.trincoll.edu](mailto:rchapman@mail.cc.trincoll.edu)  
Previously published by Julia M. Case and Myra Vanderpool Gormley, CG, *Missing Links: RootsWeb's Genealogy Journal*, Vol. 4, No. 34, 18 August 1999. RootsWeb:  
<http://www.rootsweb.com/>

### **BURNIE BRANCH LIBRARY HAS MOVED**

The library is now located at  
58 Bass Highway, Cooee  
(Bass Bakery building).

Members and visitors may park adjoining  
the library.

## **NEW RELEASE**

### **An index to *Launceston Examiner***

This new series covers the personal announcements from the *Launceston Examiner* from its inception on 12 March 1842 until 31 December 1899, after which the name was changed to *The Examiner*.

There are Birth, Death and Marriage notices as well as deaths and marriages gleaned from news items.

In the early years of this first volume Police Reports were detailed and give a graphic picture of the social conditions prevailing, as do the Police Intelligence, Supreme Court & Quarter Sessions reports, which in many cases culminate in the report of an Execution.

Selected News items of interest to family historians have also been included.

#### **Volume 1, 1842-1851**

Available from  
TFHS Inc.  
Launceston Branch  
PO Box 1290  
Launceston  
TAS 7250

Price \$30.00  
plus \$7.30 p&p

TFHS Inc. Members  
\$27.00, plus \$7.30 p&p

# VICTORY FOR THE AFFHO CENSUS LOBBY



**Official handover of the last roll of microfilm of the 2001 Australian Census for safekeeping in the National Archives in Canberra 24 September 2002.**

L-R: Nick Vine Hall, Chairman Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations Inc. (AFFHO) Census Working Party; Dennis Trewin, Australasian Statistician; Anne-Marie Schwirtlich, Acting Director-General National Archives of Australia; Stephen Mutch, Member AFFHO Census Working Party and former Federal member for Cook.

**T**HE result of question 50 from the 2001 population census has been released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. The question gave everyone the option—for the first time—of having their census return microfilmed and stored by the National Archives of Australia, in a ‘time capsule’, and publicly released in 99 years time.

The result was that 52.7% (or just under 10 million) said yes, 31.9% said no, and 15.4% left the question unanswered. If the question was left unanswered that was regarded as a no vote.

On a state and territory basis the results for the yes vote were:

ACT	60.2%
TAS	57.7%
NSW	53.3%
WA	52.7%
VIC	52.4%

SA	52.1%
QLD	51.2%
NT	48.9%

Therefore the following can be calculated.

2001 total population = 18.9 million

YES 52.7 percent = 9,998,428

NO 31.9 percent = 6,029,100

That is 84.6 percent of the population responded to the optional question.

Total respondents = 16,027,526

Therefore 62.4 percent of respondents said YES and 37.6 percent said NO.

The unanswered (or don't care) vote was 15.4 percent = 2,910,600.

The next population census is due to be held in 2006. The government has not yet decided whether people will once again be given the opportunity of having their census returns kept. ●

# TWENTY YEARS AT THE DRAFTING TABLE

## FAMILY TREE DESIGN

### AN INSIGHT INTO THE WORLD OF A CALLIGRAPHER

Patricia Barth

**I**N this world of high tech equipment one wonders if there is still a living to be made from this field of work. The answer is yes. But not many people realize exactly what is involved in creating a Family History to hang on a wall. It is one of those things, along with building a house, getting married and dying you only really want to do once in your lifetime. You hope to get it right the first time. Let me take you on a journey into my past to explain why I took this course in my life. Then I will attempt to enlighten you on what you need to do should you wish to organise a family tree for yourself or as a surprise for someone else.

After a history of teaching primary school and English as a second language in Europe from 1973–83 I knew there was something else in store for me. In 1982 I made the decision to specialise in the creation of custom- designed family trees. At the time I was following an instinct. I believe it was in my genes to do this, as my father was an architect, my aunt a calligrapher and sculptor of artistic gravestones, my great aunt a porcelain painter, and my paternal great uncle went to Paris to paint in the 1920s. I was combining my love of lettering with my intense interest with what not only my ancestors did, but in fact with everyone's ancestors.

After seeing a tree when I was 15 which had been designed in Switzerland in the early 50s for my mother's family, I knew this was what I would specialise in. The immense pleasure received by my cousin

when I presented him with my first family tree for his marriage in 1984 confirmed my conviction to pursue this field of calligraphy.

I travelled regularly to attend summer schools in England to improve my lettering skills. Each commission I received had its own set of challenges and as there was no text book on the subject I had to find the solutions to all the problems that arose, myself. I soon realised that I wanted to change the standard format of family trees. (I had the privilege of being taken into the archives of the Society of Genealogists, London in 1995 to see their collection of family trees. Many were very old and very fragile. They all featured coats of arms and were of the landed gentry. There is not such a big demand for that in Australia. Australians may have gentry in their distant past but most have tales of immigration to tell. I wanted to bring their tales of hardship back to life. Our ancestors, after all are only physically absent but to the researchers, their descendants, they are very much alive. As the designer I wanted to make this possible. Another of my objectives when designing was to make the layout easier to follow so that the younger generation can understand where they are in relationship to everyone else. This is often where much time is spent when designing. For example, to position first cousins on the same level—when there are 6 there is no problem, but when there are 66—new layout ideas have to be found!

To breathe life into a family tree, I need information. I encourage the client to leave as much of their files with me so I can study the details and create a picture in my mind. Often I do some background reading (research) if nothing is supplied. This involves time but it results in a more interesting design.

Each design is given a number and I retain a copy of each in case of loss or the need for further copies after framing. To date I have done circa 115 professional commissions. Amongst these there are about twelve different layouts, the most popular being the Drop Line, the Ancestral, the Circular and the Direct line. They range from three to thirty-two generations, and range in overall size from A4 (210x297mm), to AO+ (1500x1500).

Some have been published in books, one has been custom sewn into a restored family bible, one has replaced an original done by machine on a canvas blind in 1920, one was printed on a tea towel and distributed at a family reunion. Some were prepared for reunions to be displayed and added to and then returned with donated memorabilia and extra information. Most of the commissions are proudly displayed in Australian homes.

Of all the designs very few include every person found up the tree. This is where the computerized chart comes into its own. I advise to concentrate on the section of the tree that is most relevant to your immediate family. Of course there are methods by which the design can include the full extent of the family but through my 'short-cut' methods of layout, I am able to condense some areas whilst featuring others.

It is a most wonderful feeling to prepare a family tree. The challenge of formulating a pile of names and dates, photos and sundry graphics into a pleasing and yet logical format, can keep me at the drawing board for more hours than my chiropractor would care to know about. All the time I am making compromises—space versus graphic content. Often the inclusion of a particularly interesting photo is made at the expense of a design principle.

Experience has given me the skills to know very quickly how much space something will take and which layout method will suit.

Ideally it is best to work on one project at a time, as the design is an evolving process and my lettering can change if large gaps occur in the working process. Usually work does not begin until a deposit is paid and all the components have been received. The initial design is usually followed, however it has been known to change due to an error that cannot be corrected or a better idea has come to mind. Most clients leave the design up to me so this is never a problem.

The use of home computers was rare in the early 80s. The demand for hand lettered charts was significantly higher. There was no other method available. By the late 90s this situation had changed markedly as home users discovered the family-tree software packages that enabled them to DIY. Those of you who are familiar with the computerised B&W charts and hand-drawn/lettered charts would agree that there is no comparison between the two. A machine cannot replace the hand of a skilled calligrapher. Each of the two methods achieve a

different aim. The computer assists those who have no skills in family tree layout. It enables the user to include a lot of details into a small area, by using compacted fonts. The user simply has to key in the correct details and the formatting is automatic. Computer skills are a must. The longevity of this chart is however questionable due to the papers used.

The hand lettered chart requires the skills learnt over many years in order to write very small, and to illustrate with coats-of-arms maps, diagrams etc.

Many people have an unrealistic idea about the cost of a family tree. The cost can vary enormously. I have done them from as little as \$50 to as much as \$5000. Each tree is a unique work. What are the deciding factors in the final cost of a commission? There are many stages involved in organising a family tree. The calligrapher requires the cooperation of the client, especially in the early stages of the project. If the client understands the process they are more likely to comply with the calligraphers terms.

The collection of literary copy

- 1 Names and dates, anecdotal information, (e.g. Aunt Essy died in Zhianzou dancing the highland fling), short biographical histories and graphic copy (photos, maps, memorabilia).
- 2 Although I advise that the more organised the client is, the cheaper the overall cost will be, I still find I am often held up because some information has not been delivered on time. When I begin a commission it is always better if I can complete it without large gaps caused by such delays. The involvement I experience while I work can be compared with being on a journey—

ideas flow, the pen flows—the lettering maintains a certain uniformity which delays can effect. However I understand with our busy lifestyles, it can take some organization to get the material to the calligrapher for me it is easier to keep things ‘in house’ and work at it as time allows. As the design takes shape I gradually ‘feel part of the family’.

- 3 The information should be presented ideally in typed format so that there is no confusion with spelling of names. Handwritten copy that is hard to decipher will be returned for reformatting or I will reformat it at the client’s expense.
- 4 Most people request a quote. In an ideal world the client presents all the material ‘up front’. However experience has shown that there are almost always ‘extras’ that appear during the production. The initial quote does not cover these! Most of us know that ‘Time is Money’ however for some reason, in my experience, it is assumed that a calligrapher’s time is not worth very much money at all. To run a successful business one has to have a work plan, a schedule. This is not possible if the material to do the work is not delivered on time.
- 5 To cover all the possible problems that have ensued over the years I have drawn up an Agreement which outlines the manner in which the project is organised and my expectations of the client. This has to be signed so that I know that the client is clear about these issues. It covers payments, material presentation, copyright issues, proof reading, alteration/additions, also framing. I find I have to add extra points as new issues crop up each year.

On occasions, I find whilst working on the project that I have a better design idea (or the initial idea is not working). If this happens I would discuss it if I know the client wanted to be part of the design process. Generally most clients give me 'carte blanche' when it comes to design. This is very satisfying for the designer. The greatest restriction in family tree design is space. I find myself constantly juggling for space. If a client is forceful with demands to include more and more elements—the designer has a dilemma at hand. The more freedom you give a designer the better he/she will work.

When it comes to costing individual elements, it should not require too much understanding to know that the more items that are included the more it will cost. For example people often ask if I can include place names and/or full dates of course it is possible. 'If it is in your budget', is my response!

A coat of arms is an intricate piece of artwork. As people are able to produce almost anything in computer graphics these days with the flick of the 'mouse', they seem to expect the same from a calligrapher. Unfortunately the 'old hand skills' take time. But then the end result is more pleasing. I can draw portraits, reproduce maps, flora and fauna drawings, but at a price!

Photos are very popular. Ten years ago a photographer produced passport size photos for me individually on good quality photographic paper (some taken from group photos). Today no-one will do this for any price. The *Photoshop* software skills have replaced that technology and some of my clients can supply the portrait/full length photos to the size I stipulate. However many rely on me to

produce them. There is a lot of work to organise this and I have established a fee per photo to cover this. There is a huge cost saving if you supply these yourself but there is no doubt that photos bring your family history to life!

When I exhibit my work most people 'ooh and ah' and express a desire to have a tree. The most often expressed deterrent to signing up is the need to get 'one more piece of information' or—that 'the family is so big it couldn't possibly fit on the wall'. There is an answer to both those issues. There will always be 'one more thing' you will have to find. Particularly as more information becomes available on line etc. If there is an important family occasion coming up (anniversary of immigration, wedding, birthday etc.) prepare for it at least three months in advance.

The person who commissions a hand-lettered chart usually wants to put it up in the living room for all to admire – it is not to show off the 2,000 relatives they have spent twenty years to find. That is where the computer software is ideal. My designs are usually a concise picture of where your family stands in relationship to your closer relatives, i.e. the direct line back as far as possible but not every cousin and their offspring as well. This is part of my design brief. To include as much as possible without creating a cluttered effect.

The final consideration is the presentation of the tree in a frame. It is important that original artwork is framed in archival (acid free) materials. I encourage my clients to follow a certain style of framing that will extend the life of the artwork. Framing costs, like artwork costs always seem high, but that is because again in



this field, most people underestimate the skill levels involved, the time involved and in the case of framing the materials involved (mostly imported from USA!).

'You get what you pay for' is a true adage in this field.

So if you have been planning to have a tree done with your hard earned research, and you have a celebration coming up, you could always drop a hint and hope that someone will take it up. ●

Patricia Barth

1st & 2nd Prize winner

Acorn Award, GSV 2001

## LAUNCESTON BRANCH

### CHANGE TO MEETING TIMES

Meetings will now be held at the

Branch Library  
2 Taylor Street  
Invermay

bi-monthly on  
4th Tuesday  
of each even month  
commencing in  
February 2003  
at 7:00 p.m.

Meetings are not held in December.

## RECENT RELEASE

### CEMETERIES OF SOUTHERN TASMANIA VOL VI

#### Hobart's early churchyards and other monuments

##### Part 1 Congregational Cemeteries

Included in this publication are records for the three early Congregational cemeteries in greater Hobart. The burial ground in Upper Davey Street, South Hobart was closed in 1927 and houses have since been built over the site. The Congregational cemetery situated in Main Road New Town has very few headstones now standing. The third cemetery is located behind the Hestercombe Congregational Chapel (later Uniting Church) at Ten-Mile Hill, between Austins Ferry and Granton. Brief histories of each cemetery are given as well as indexes which include names and dates from all available Congregational burial records, TAMIOT dates, and death dates found in the Tasmanian Pioneers Index 1803-1899.

Full transcriptions of headstones, as taken from our branch TAMIOT cards, are also included. In many instances valuable identifying family information can be found in the 'Other Information' column. All names recorded for the three cemeteries have been combined into one index at the back of the book.

A4 Book 76 pages  
Price \$19.80 plus p&p

Available from  
The Librarian  
TFHS Inc. Hobart Branch  
GPO Box 640 Hobart TAS 7001  
[librarian@hobart.tasfhs.org](mailto:librarian@hobart.tasfhs.org)

# Lost, Stolen or Strayed ...

---

New member Jim HALSEY is willing to share information about his ancestors. His great great grandfather, **Henry Edward EXCELL**, was transported from Woolwich in December 1845 (10 years for felony) in the *Joseph Somes* arriving Hobart Town May 1846. Jim has a list of fellow convicts on board the transport. His other names of main interest are: HALSEY (Canterbury, Ramsgate, Lowestoft and Gt Yarmouth) 1730–2000, CLARINGBOULD (East Kent) 1780–1950, KEMBER (East Kent) 1780–1950, TRUMP (Beaminster, Dorset and Chelsea) 1780–1900, McKAIN (Suffolk and London) 1770–1900 (and spelling variants). Other names which appear in his 'tree' but on which he has done little research are ROAF, MATSON, FARRETT and WHITE in East Kent. HONEYWOOD in Norfolk and NOCK and CAPP in Suffolk. Jim can be contacted at 18 Parkhill Road, Blackwater, Camberley Surrey, UK G17 ONB. or by email on [je\\_halsey@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:je_halsey@yahoo.co.uk) □

The Kiama Ancestral Research Society Inc. New South Wales has issued a Media Release in which they are seeking contributions from **descendants of families who lived in the Kiama** area up until 1920. They plan to publish a book titled *Pioneers Who lived in the Kiama and District Area to 1920* and hope to include all the families. In 1867 the Kiama Police District covered a much larger area than the present day. The area included Albion Park, Shellharbour, Kiama, Jamberoo, Gerringong, Gerroa and Broughton Vale. Today the area starts at the Minnamurra River and finishes at Gerroa. To obtain a

biographical submission form contact the Kiama Ancestral Research Society Inc. PO Box 303 Kiama, NSW 2533. □

Members of the **Lindisfarne Historical Society, Tasmania** have recently celebrated the society's tenth anniversary. The main celebrations included displays of local photographs from their collection, early twentieth century school artefacts, and photographs taken by Henry (Harry) Wildred THOMAS who was a professional photographer in Lindisfarne in the 1920s and early 1930s. A special exhibit lent for the occasion was an oil painting by the late Mary Augusta WALKER, sister of James Backhouse Walker, and members dressed in period costume were available to answer questions from visitors. A special afternoon tea was held on the final day where members and guests were invited to enjoy the tenth birthday cake. □

Recently while browsing through LDS Film No. 102248 covering St Andrews/St Leonards in Fife Scotland, Barbara Kolle, an alert Victorian member, found reference to **baptisms** in Hobbertown [sic] in the 1820s for six **children of John and Margaret (nee WISHART) THOMSON**. Only three of these children, John, Agnes and Helen all baptised at Bothwell, are listed on the *Tasmanian Pioneers Index*. The three not listed are: David baptised 9 June 1827 Hobart Town, registration year 1827, registration no. 2437, RGD no. 32; Eliza baptised 17 January 1825 Hobart Town, registration year 1827, registration no. 2436, RGD no. 32; Hannah Wood baptised 6 August 1823 Hobart Town, registration year 1827, registration no. 2435, RGD no 32. □

A Memorial has been designed and is to be built in the Botanical Gardens in Ballarat which will honour and identify **Australia's 34,737 Prisoners of War** from the Boer War, World Wars I and II and the Korean War. The monuments design uses the basic idea of a journey through and an experience of time and place. The design incorporates a reflective pool and a pathway parallel to a polished black granite wall, 130 metres long, etched with the names of all the Australian POWs. An appeal is being conducted to help finance the memorial. For further information or donations (\$2.00 and over are tax deductible) contact: Australian Ex-Prisoners of War Memorial Appeal, c/o Ballarat RSL, 2 Lyons Street South, Ballarat, Vic. 3350. □

The Western Australian Genealogical Society Inc. has released **'Baptisms' Uniting Church of Australia—Synod of Western Australia**. The CD contains details of Baptisms recorded in registers that have passed through the Uniting Church Archives up until 1999, consisting of approximately 72,000 entries. The system requirements are: Windows 95 or higher, 64mb RAM, CD-Rom drive, Microsoft Access based. If Access is not on the computer, RUN TIME will auto install allowing full access to the data on the CD. The CD is \$70 (including GST) and \$5 postage and is available from the Bookshop Officer, Western Australian Genealogical Society Inc. 6/48 May Street, Bayswater. □

Western Australia 6053 □  
If you are travelling to the United Kingdom, the following **changes to**

**opening hours** may be of interest. The **Northamptonshire Record Office:** Monday 10.30 a.m. to 4.45 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday 9.00 a.m. to 4.45 p.m., Thursday 9.00 a.m. to 7.45 p.m. and Friday 9.00 a.m. to 4.15 p.m. At the **Lancashire Record Office** the practice of closing during the first full week of each month has been discontinued. New hours of opening are: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m., Tuesday 9.00 a.m. to 8.30 p.m. and Thursday 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. □

The Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) has an **Aboriginal Family History Unit**. The Unit began as an Aboriginal Biographical Index of names, at which time, its aim was to provide a brief biographical entry of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people referred to, or depicted in published or unpublished material held in the Institute's collections.

Today the Unit's primary function is to undertake family history research on behalf of clients. Staff do not undertake the compilation of family trees, nor can they provide opinions on whether individuals will be deemed eligible for benefits such as Abstudy by virtue of Aboriginality.

The Family History Unit may be contacted at: GPO Box 553, Canberra ACT 2601; phone 1800 730 129, email **family@aiatsis.gov.au**  
Web: <http://www.aiatsis.gov.au> □

# GENES ON SCREEN

Vee Maddock (Member No. 3972)

**D**O you subscribe to an email mailing list? Perhaps to more than one? Do you find it confusing when email comes in sorting out the mail list messages from those addressed to you alone? Maybe you are sick of emails offering you mortgages or to increase the size of certain bodily attributes? There are ways to take control of your email. Every email program has the ability to create mailboxes or folders for sorting and storing your email. You can sort your mail manually, putting all the emails from cousin Bob in a folder called Bob, or all family history emails into a folder called family tree. You can even create folders within folders, for example a 'family' folder with 'bob', 'check this out' and 'Smith' folders.

You can, however, make your email program do a lot of this sorting for you automatically using filters or message rules. Pick something that all the messages you want sorted together have in common—it may be the sender's address, or the recipient (in the case of mail lists) or a word or phrase in the topic line, then set up the filter rules.

For instructions on setting up filters in Eudora see either

<http://www.cs.northwestern.edu/~beim/eudora/eudora-filters.html>

[http://www.eudora.com/techsupport/tutorials/win\\_filters.html](http://www.eudora.com/techsupport/tutorials/win_filters.html)

If you use Outlook Express for your email then see

<http://helpdesk.gwu.edu/helpdesk/manuals/mailfilter/oe.html>

<http://www.pwrtec.com/~wdegroot/oeffilters.html>

If you use another email program then try searching the web for 'filters in ...'

Maybe you are not sure why you'd want to join a mailing list? Rootsweb alone hosts a mail list for most areas in the world as well as for many ethnic groups, subjects, regions and a variety of other topics. <http://lists.rootsweb.com/> Many people on these lists are willing to swap research, do lookups from local resources and dispense helpful advice for your problems. To get an idea of the sort of messages on a mailing list either subscribe and just watch for a few days or check out the message archives. To find the archives, click on the mail list you are interested in and read down the how to subscribe information. Archives information is generally listed at the bottom.

Most people are by now aware of the family search site

<http://www.familysearch.org/> produced by the Church of the Latter Day Saints. The main screen allows you to 'Search For Ancestors' in all the LDS online databases. However, this blanket search is limited to 200 names in the results screen. For those searching more common surnames, this limit can be frustrating. While you can refine the search to just search the Ancestral File, Family History Library Catalogue, web page or IGI, or to specific regions you are still quite limited to a maximum of 200 results at any one time. However, the LDS has organised the records in the IGI into 'batches'. These batches relate to

how and when the information was extracted from source material. As a result, each group of parish records that have been extracted is assigned an overall number. Christening records from the parish are then assigned a 'C' at the beginning of the parishes batch number. Marriage records are recorded with a batch number that starts with an 'M'.

A search by last name only is not permitted unless you search within a single batch of records at a time or, at minimum, across the entire country. This might work with a rare name but not a very common one. The following site makes searching by batch number easy.  
<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hughwallis/IGIBatchNumbers.htm#PageTitle.htm>

After the introduction, are the country links. Choose a country, then your county or state. Select the batch to search, then fill in the surname at the top right of the next screen. This is hot linked to the IGI search and will pop up a search complete with all details entered (I found I had to enter a 'region' too). Just click search. Easy.

MacBeth's site offers a few free indexes on their site, Assisted immigration to Victoria, Divorces in Victoria and Immigration to Victoria.

[http://www.macbeth.com.au/indexes/di\\_vsearch.html](http://www.macbeth.com.au/indexes/di_vsearch.html)

For Victorian deaths see

<http://hub.dataline.net.au/~tfoen/meldeath.html> a list of deaths in Melbourne hospital to 1867–1880.

A site full of links concerning ships including picture of ships and ports.  
<http://www.theshipslist.com/>

Not actually genealogy, but the search site to end all searches.

<http://www.refdesk.com/> Take a few minutes to get used to the site layout—it's not as confusing as it first appears. There's a link or a search engine for just about every purpose to assist in extending your knowledge or finding out just what that strange word means as well as links to the latest news, the best of the best in search engines and regular featured sites.

Two sites for those searching Irish ancestors, especially useful if you have some snippet of family folklore ('he was in the rebellion you know ...') in order to ascertain which rebellion and when.

<http://www.chirl.com/> - Irish chronology  
<http://www.vms.utexas.edu/~jdana/irehist.html> - Irish history.

While we are talking Ireland, if you're lost, here is a great map site. Click a county for more detail.

<http://www.local.ie/general/map/>

Interesting information on streets in Edinburgh  
<http://www2.ebs.hw.ac.uk/edweb/STREETS/>

Old papers in New Zealand

<http://paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/>

Those searching in Devon should be keeping a close eye on this project  
<http://www.cs.ncl.ac.uk/genuki/DEV/Census.1891/>, the transcription of the 1891 Census for Devon, sections of which are available online already in text form.

For links to a mass of genealogical graphics try <http://www.geocities.com/SoHo/Gallery/2681/genealogy.html> ☺

## Don't let your family history fade away!

Enlarge your old photos!



made in  
minutes in  
our store!

### **Superb photo quality. No negatives required!**

Your precious originals never need leave your sight

Made from old sepia-tone, B/W and colour photos

Enlargements can be made up to 20cm x 30cm (8" x 12")

*Substantial savings available to  
Tasmanian Family History Society Inc members at*

Moonah Camera Centre, 111 Main Road MOONAH	6278 2522
Devonport Camera Centre, 9 Oldaker Street DEVONPORT	6424 5420
Picture Plus, Shop 20 Meadows Mews KINGS MEADOWS	6344 9675
Winters Camera Centre, 45 Wilson Street BURNIE	6431 7157

# TASMANIANA LIBRARY, STATE LIBRARY OF TASMANIA

## NEW ACQUISITIONS

This is a select list of books on history and genealogy which have been added to the Tasmaniana Library between July and September 2002. They are mostly, but not all, new publications; the Tasmaniana Library often acquires older works which relate to Tasmania and which it does not already hold. The list has been kept as brief as possible; normally only author, title and the Tasmaniana Library's reference number are given. If you would like further information about any of the books listed, please contact the Tasmaniana Library at 91 Murray Street, Hobart 7000 or by telephone on (03) 6233 7474, by fax on (03) 6233 7902, or by email at [Heritage.Collections@education.tas.gov.au](mailto:Heritage.Collections@education.tas.gov.au)

Further information is also available on TALIS, the State Library's on-line information system. TALIS is available in city and branch libraries throughout Tasmania and through the World Wide Web; its URL is <http://www.talis.tas.gov.au:8000/>

Please note that, while all of these books are available for reference in the Tasmaniana Library, **they are not available for loan** (although copies of some of them may be available at city and branch libraries).

---

Alexander, Alison, *Putting people first: Island State Credit Union, 1970-2000*. (TL 334.22 ALE)

Anderton, Brian (Buck), *Harvest of the sea: a biographical collection from Tasmania's east coast fishermen and others in the fishing and aquaculture industries*. (TLQ 639.20994674 AND)

Annear, Robyn, *The man who lost himself: the unbelievable story of the Tichbourne claimant*. (TL 364.163 ANN)

Beard, Katherine, *Miss Australia: a retrospective 1908-2000*. (TLQ 361.70681 BEA)

Blake, Gregory J, *Farrell times: the story about the life and times of Thomas Hubert Farrell*. (TLQ 994.64 FAR)

Bye, Ismay, *A shepherd and his flock: James Bye 1820-1887: a family history*. (TLQ 929.2 BYE)

Chick, Neil (ed), *Van Diemen's Land heritage: a biographical and genealogical index to the families of Tasmania, 1803-1878. Interim edition, first series: Family records Volume 4* (TLR 929.0946 VAN v. 4)

Clarke, Peter, *The families of James Vanham and Edna May Clarke (a history of the Clarke and other families)*. (TLQ 929.2 CLA)

Collins, Hilary, *Reflections on life with the Westbury Day Centre and around the Meander Valley district (1)*. (TLQ 994.616 v. 1)

Collins, Hilary, *Reflections on life with the Westbury Day Centre and around the Meander Valley district (1)*. (TLQ 994.616 v. 2)

Connor, John, *The Australian frontier wars 1788-1838*. (TL 355.00994 CON)

Coupe, Robert, *Australia's convict past*. (TLQ 994.02 COU)

- Cubit, Simon and Jim Russell (eds), *Assessing cultural values in natural areas: the Upper Mersey Valley: Volume 3, Part 2: historic values assessment- thematic analysis and site reports*. (TLQ 363.69099463 CUB)
- Cullen, Geoffrey, *Three for a bob: Queenstown in its heyday*. (TL 994.642 CUL)
- Graeme-Evans, Alex, *Brewsters: a short history of Brewster Ltd 1927-2001*. (TLQ 338.769109946 BRE)
- Greaves, Jack and Chris Earl, *Legends in brass: Australian brass band achievers of the 20<sup>th</sup> century*. [Includes Alex Lithgow] (TL PQ 784.9 GRE)
- Hirst, John, *Australia's democracy: a short history*. (TL 321.80994 HIR)
- Hordern, Marsden, *King of the Australian coast: the work of Phillip Parker King in the Mermaid and Bathurst, 1817-1822*. (TL 526.092 KIN)
- Irvine, Susan (photography by Simon Griffiths), *The garden at Forest Hall*. (TLQ 635.09946 IRV)
- Jabour-Green, Julia and Marcus Haward (eds), *The Antarctic: past, present and future*. [Proceedings of a conference celebrating the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the entry into force of the Antarctic Treaty] (TL 507.20989 ANT)
- Kaye, Bruce (ed), *Anglicanism in Australia: a history*. (TL 283.94 ANG)
- Kellett, Robert N, *A photographic record of the descendants of Richard & Phyllis Hickman: early pioneering fruit growers, jam makers, orchardists, wine makers, shopkeepers, educationists, joiners, artists and musicians of Van Diemen's Land from 1842*. (TLQ 929.2 HIC)
- Lake, Marilyn, *Getting equal: the history of Australian feminism*. (TL 305.420994 LAK)
- Lunn, Lorna Pattison, *When childish eyes were smiling*. [Reminiscences of life in Launceston and Stanley] (TL 929.2 PAT)
- Liell, Pam, *Messages from the war: postcards from World War I*. (TLQ 940.48194 LIE)
- Mackenzie, Julian (ed), *The Taurus collection: 150 collectable books on the Antarctic: a bibliography*. (TLQ 016.91989 TAU)
- McLaren, Alex C, *John Barclay McLaren and his descendants*. (TLQ 929.2 MCL)
- McMahon, Robert, *Hollow lands & hilly lands: wanderings in Iceland, Ireland, Germany, Switzerland, Australia, and America*. (TL 796.522 MCM)
- McNeill, Barry and Leigh Woolley, *Architecture from the edge: the 20<sup>th</sup> century in Tasmania*. (TLQ 720.9946 MCN)
- Mercer, Peter, *A most dangerous occupation: whaling, whalers and the Bayleys: Runnymede's maritime heritage* (TL 338.3729509946 MER)
- Michael Shield and Associates in conjunction with Don Goldworthy and Associates, *Richmond cultural resources management plan: a plan for managing the cultural resources of the township of Richmond, Tasmania*. 2 v. (TLQ 711.40994673 MIC)
- Pearce, Kim and Susan Doyle, *New Town: a social history*. (TLQ 994.661 PEA)
- Pybus, Cassandra and Hamish Maxwell-Stewart, *American citizens, British slaves: Yankee political prisoners in an Australian penal colony 1839-1850*. (TL 994.602 PYB)



Shackelton, EH (ed), *Aurora Australis*. [Facsimile of the first book published in Antarctica]. (TLQ 919.9 AUR)

Sheridan, Gwenda and Austral Archaeology, *Historical landscape assessment report: Queens Domain Hobart*. (TLQ 994.661 SHE v.2)

Smith, Brian F, *Off the record: The Western Herald story*. (TL 079.9464 SMI)

Snowdon, Diane, *Richmond cultural resource management plan. v. 3: a thematic history of the cultural resources of the township of Richmond* (TLQ 994.673 SNO)

Tasmanian Family History Society Inc., Burnie Branch, *Early coastal newspapers 1877-1912: births, deaths & marriages index*. (TLR 929.3 TAS)

Tasmanian Family History Society Inc., Devonport Branch, *The North-West Post (1887-1916): an index for family historians. Volume 5, 1908* (TLQ 929.3 NOR)


Tasmanian Heritage Council, *Cultural landscapes: consolidated proceedings of a series of three workshops on cultural landscapes in Tasmania, held in July 2001*. (TLQ 333.7209946 TAS)

Terry, Ian and Austral Archaeology, *Queens Domain cultural management plan. Part 1*. (TLQ 994.661 TER)

Tiley, Robert, *Australian navigators: picking up shells and catching butterflies in an age of revolution*. (TL 994.01 TIL)

Webb, Peter, *A century of the Competitions: a history of the Launceston Competitions Association Inc 1902-2002*. (TL 784.07994611 WEB)

*Descendants of Convicts' Group*  
Incorporated



1788 1868

Any person who has convict ancestors, or who has an interest in convict life during the early history of European settlement in Australia, is welcome to join the above group. Those interested may find out more about the group and receive an application form by writing to:

The Secretary, Descendants of Convicts Group,  
P.O. Box 12224, A'Beckett Street,  
Melbourne, Victoria, 8006, Australia  
<http://home.vicnet.net.au/~dcqinc/>

# FROM THE EXCHANGE JOURNALS

Thelma McKay (Member No. 598)

**'Melbourne Metropolitan Cemeteries'** by Barbara Coe in *The Ancestral Searcher*, the journal of the Heraldry and Genealogy Society of Canberra Vol.24, No.4, December 2001, pp.215–220. Cemeteries in the Melbourne area are listed in this issue with details including date when opened, addresses and contact phone numbers. The first cemetery in Melbourne was on Flagstaff Hill with burials between 1835–37. The Old Melbourne Cemetery opened in 1837 but it no longer exists and the site is now the car park at the Queen Victoria Market.

There are four articles with connections to Australia in the *Irish Family History* Society journal Vol.17 2001.

**1 'Those Elusive Herberts and the Boileau Connection'** by Lefayre Heslehurst Palmer, pp.19–27. An interesting article on the Herbert and Reid families and their connection with the Boileau line, with families in Scotland, India, Canada and Australia. Another connection was Thomas Livingston Learmonth a pioneer in Tasmania and Victoria. Family trees are included.

**2 'My Irish Connections'** by Carol Harding, pp.28–30. John and Mary O'Brien and their family arrived in Victoria in 1857 on the ship *Hotspur*. Brief details are given of each of their children's birth, death and marriage.

**3 'Margaret Drury'** pp.30–35. Margaret was tried in Ireland in 1833 and sentenced to transportation to Sydney aboard the ship *Neva* in May 1835. The ship was wrecked off King Island in Bass

Strait and an account of the inquiry is recorded here. Only twenty-two people did not perish, including Margaret Drury, one of the twelve convict women to survive. They were later rescued and taken to Van Diemen's Land where Margaret married Peter Robinson.

**4 'Register of Freeholders, County Wexford 1833–1841'** by Helen Murphy pp.93–109. These lists are a continuation from the previous issue of the *Irish Family History* journal [Vol.17, 2000], and contain freeholder's names with addresses, plus dates and places where registered in the Barony of Shelmalier, Ballaghkeen, Gorey and Scarawalsh.

**'Beginner's Corner'** by Kathleen Smith on **'Irish Research'**. *Links 'N' Chains* No.62, February 2002, pp.8–11 in the Liverpool and District Family History Society's newsletter. A time line showing records available to help with Irish research from 1536 to 1922. These include probates, muster rolls, poll and hearth taxes and where to find them.

**'Ipswich Journal Saturday 8 April 1837 page 3'** by Ken Finch and Philip Cooper in *Suffolk Roots* the journal of the Suffolk Family History Society Vol.27, No.4, February 2002, pp.244–247. Step-brothers John and William Ling were transported to VDL per *Susan* in 1837, William dying on the voyage out. Their trial in Ipswich for stealing a pig is related in this article. John had married Charlotte Crouch in 1827 and had three children. After his departure his family were sent to the Union Workhouse at Wickham

Market. John Ling served his sentence at Richmond and Bagdad. A son, John Ling, born in VDL in 1845, was married in 1866 and had nine children. John senior died in 1865 and is buried at Bagdad.

**‘Scottish Research from England’** by Dan Muir in *The North Cheshire Family Historian* Vol.29, No.1, February 2002 issue of the North Cheshire Family History Society journal. This article was taken from a talk given by Dan Muir on researching his Scottish ancestors. Information found on BDM certificates is noted e.g. the death of a woman is registered under both her married and maiden names (but in burial records usually only her maiden name is recorded); maiden names of both mothers are shown on marriage certificates. A list of sources is included.

**‘[Royal] Adelaide Hospital Indexing Project’** in *The South Australian Genealogist* the journal of the South Australian Genealogy & Heraldry Society Vol.29, No.1, February 2002, p3. The Royal Adelaide Hospital records have been indexed by this society. It covers the years 1840 to 1909 and contains name, date of admission & discharge, where born, length of time in the colony, plus name of ship of arrival, if applicable.

Two articles on transportation to Australia can be found in *The Essex Family Historian* the journal of the Essex Society for Family History No.103, February 2002.

**1 ‘The Great Escape from Chelmsford’** by Sue Comrie-Thomson, pp.7–10. ‘What happened to them next?’ is Sue’s question when six escapees from the Chelmsford Gaol, plus three members

of the Elsenham gang, were transferred to the hulk *Retribution* at Sheerness in May 1817. William Hayden and John Remnant were transported to NSW per the *Ocean* in 1818, the others having arrived on the *Larkins* in 1817. A brief summary on each man is given in this article, with one, Henry Clarke, arriving in Port Dalrymple in 1823 with Lachlan White, to whom he had been assigned in Sydney.

**2 ‘Gone ... at Last!’** by Mary Tertiuk, pp.53–54. James Brooks was tried in Chelmsford for stealing money in 1790 and transported for fourteen years arriving in NSW per *William & Ann* with the Third Fleet in 1791. His trial in England, recorded in this article, tells of the theft of money from a Club Box held at the *Coach & Horses*. Members of the local parish had formed a savings club for their hard-earned money. To date, no record has been found of James’s life (or death) in Australia.

**‘Reading Borough Police Registers at Sulhamstead’** by John Bowley in the *Berkshire Family Historian* the journal of the Berkshire Family History Society Vol.25, No.3, March 2002, pp.130–132. The Reading Police Force was established in 1836. The Thames Valley Police Training College at Sulhamstead in Berkshire holds many records relating to policemen which contain their personal details and duties. The earlier records are being indexed and will be added to the Berkshire Name Index held by the BFHS.

**‘Adoption’** by Ms Petrina Slaytor in *Descent* the journal of the Society of Australian Genealogists Vol.32, No.1, March 2002, pp.8–12. Records relating to adoptions and where to find them are listed in this article. They include hospital records, institutions and former state

wards in NSW. Other states, including Tasmania, are also listed with contact addresses.

**‘The Burial Places of Battersea Inhabitants 1854–1860’** by Keith Moore. The journal of the *East Surrey Family History Society* Vol.25, No.1, March 2002, pp.15–21. After several queries were received by the East Surrey Society regarding burials in Battersea between 1854 to 1860, research on this period has revealed that, after two local cemeteries had closed in 1854, burials took place in the City of London at Little Ilford, Lambeth and Brookwood cemeteries.

*The Genealogist* Vol.10, No.5 March 2002 issue of the Australian Institute of Genealogical Studies journal has two interesting articles.

**1 ‘Horatio Cooper: Forgotten Pioneer’** by C Stewart Ross, edited by Claire Williams, pp.202–203. Horatio Cooper arrived in Tasmania from Port Jackson in 1835. The following year he married Jane Ramsdale in Launceston, sailing to the new colony in Melbourne in January 1837 where he was the clerk at the first land sales in June that year. Information has been handed down by his family, and also noted in diaries by his son-in-law Rev. C. S. Ross. Horatio brought two brick-makers from Tasmania to build more durable homes in Melbourne for the more affluent. He also bought land, naming one property Norris Bank, part of which is now a reserve.

**2 ‘New Zealand War Medals (Colonial)’** by Lucille Van Andel pp.204–205. A list in the Public Record Office in Victoria contains the names of sixty-five men who were entitled to receive the New Zealand War Medal

(Colonial). These men had previously served in New Zealand but by 1873 were living in Victoria. Their 1874 addresses (where known) are recorded here. Some medals remained unclaimed by May 1874. ●

**THE HOBART TOWN GAZETTE,**  
and SOUTHERN REPORTER  
SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 1818.

**Public Notice.**

POLICE OFFICE, HOBART TOWN,  
Monday, 16th March, 1818.

WHEREAS Thomas McCarty, a convict, 5 feet 6½ inches high; florid complexion, reddish-brown hair, brown eyes, 34 years of age, native place Cork in Ireland, has a Masonic figure, prick’d on his left arm, by trade a plaisterer, tried at Cork in Sept. 1816, transported for 7 years, came from Ireland in the ship Pilot 1817, & here in the Duke of Wellington (now lying in the Port), has absconded from the Public Works at Hobart Town; and

Valentine Wood, a convict, about 5 feet 6 inches high, 19 years of age, fair complexion, brown hair, black eyes, sent from Sydney to Port Dalrymple in the brig Elizabeth Henrietta, has absconded from Port Dalrymple.

John Harvey, a convict, about 5 feet 5¼ inches high, fair complexion, about 27 years of age, was sent from Sydney in the brig Elizabeth Henrietta, to Port Dalrymple.

Page 1 column 2

# BOOK REVIEWS

*Federation of Family History Societies (Publications) Ltd.* Available from FFHS (Publications) Ltd., Units 15–16 Chesham Industrial Estate, Oram Street, Bury, Lancs., BL9 6EN, England, or On-line Bookshop at <http://www.familyhistorybooks.co.uk>

Quoted prices are exclusive of postage and packing, the cost of which may be obtained from either the FFHS website or, in most cases, the catalogue held by our Society.

The first two books are by Stuart Raymond. Both are A5 (landscape) with glossy soft covers.

*Family History on the Web 2002/3 edition.* 87 pp., £5.95.

Contains addresses of many hundreds of internet websites used by family and local historians on a daily basis. Some of the headings are Search Engines, Libraries and Record Offices, Mailing Lists and Newsgroups, Message/Query Boards, Surnames, Occupational Information. There are three excellent indexes under Subject, Institution and Place. Mostly relating to England and Wales, although a few overseas countries appear in the Place Index. A book of this nature constantly needs updating and the author requests to be advised of any new websites of which readers might be aware.

*Scottish Family History on the Web*, 63 pp., £4.95 (2002).

Similar to the above, but dealing entirely with Scotland. A wonderful addition to the bookshelf of any researcher with Scottish interests.

Next, a booklet in the **Basic Facts About ...** series

*Lunatics in England and Wales for Family Historians*, by Pamela Faithfull, A5, glossy soft cover, 16 pp (2002).

To quote the author, 'to define madness is about as difficult as defining normality'. At a meeting using "Hospital Records" for its topic, it was interesting to note that most of the records brought or stories told by members referred to ancestors or connections who were Asylum patients. People were incarcerated in such institutions because of the then lack of understanding of both medical and physical problems and if you are able to find any existing records they can be most illuminating.

This booklet, although small, does give a good grounding on the subject, together with a number of addresses and websites where further information may be obtained. Recommended reading for all.

In the series "*An Introduction to ...*", *Tracing Your German Ancestors*, second edition, by Peter Towey, A5, glossy soft cover, 68 pp., £4.50 (2002).

In three parts, dealing with German ancestors, first in England and Wales and second in the German-speaking parts of Europe, sections of this book could also be of use to researchers whose ancestors migrated to other countries. Part 1 contains a section on the history of German migration, followed by the types of records one might expect to find in the UK and covers, amongst others, German churches in the UK, Jewish records, the British Armed Services, Ships Passenger Lists and Aliens Certificates and Internment in both World Wars.

Part II relates to records which may be found in other European countries, together with useful information on such matters as civil registration, LDS filmings, registrations with the police, parish registers and many more.

Details and whereabouts of repositories in the UK, Germany and other European countries are given, together with a number of websites to help in your search. An excellent map is used to show the commencing dates of civil registration in the various parts of the former German Empire, the publication concluding with a bibliography in Part III.

***Genealogical Resources with the Jewish Home and Family***, by Rosemary Wenzerul, A5, glossy soft cover, 112 pp., £5.95 (2002).

Extremely good value, well set out, this book is eminently readable by everyone, with or without Jewish content in their background. Most sections would be of help to readers engaged in general research and mentions, in addition to records specifically Jewish, many of the kinds of documents and papers found in most homes and how to use them when writing about family stories. Ephemera such as a bus ticket or a first pay packet can be used in your story, along with Naturalisation Certificates, driving licences or sports certificates. The book is full of ideas and suggestions.

***Record Offices: How to Find Them. Ninth (2002) Edition***, compiled by Jeremy Gibson and Pamela Peskett, 64 pp., £3.95.

For anyone with a trip to the UK in mind this book would be a boon. Easily slipped into a pocket or handbag, it begins with a few pages of good advice. Time is

usually of the essence and full preparation should be made well before the trip commences. England and Wales, the Isle of Man and Scotland are covered, with most county and diocesan record offices and archive departments included.

Each one is shown individually with a small sketch map showing its whereabouts, together with nearest bus stations, car parks and other relevant information to enable the researcher to find the destination with as little trouble as possible. Addresses, telephone numbers, Email addresses, websites are all given, along with such details as Proof of ID required, Get Permit for Parking, CARN ticket required, etc., etc.

So much information contained in one small book – an absolute necessity for those lucky enough to be travelling to the UK with research in mind.

The ***Gibson Guides***, all A5, glossy soft covers.

***Local Newspapers, 1750-1920: Second edition.***, compiled by Jeremy Gibson, Brett Langston and Brenda W. Smith, 72 pp., £4.95 (2002).

A select location list in the usual county format for England and Wales, the Channel Islands and Isle of Man, published fifteen years after the first edition, some references having been simplified. It is very easy to find details of both early and later newspapers and their whereabouts. Even small towns and villages often had their own local paper and consulting this book will in most cases show where surviving copies may be located. This is particularly useful if you need to employ a researcher to inspect the newspaper(s) on your behalf.

***Probate Jurisdictions: Where to Look for Wills Fifth Edition***, compiled by

Jeremy Gibson and Else Churchill, 71 pp., £4.50 (2002).

There is no doubt that extremely valuable confirmatory (or otherwise!) information may be obtained from wills. However, because of the vast number of ecclesiastical courts and confusion about the boundaries of the areas they covered, much time and money can be spent on trying to track down pre-1858 wills. The task may be made so much simpler after reference to this book, which covers all of the United Kingdom and the Channel Islands. Every county is shown together with a map outlining all probate jurisdictions contained in that county. In each case, the various repositories are listed, together with details of their holdings.

The beginner would no doubt find the Introduction most helpful – this is followed by a Glossary of Terms to assist in acquiring a better understanding of the subject, which can be quite daunting at first.

A welcome new edition of one of the basic books on any researcher's bookshelf.

**Jo Keen.**



***The State of Tasmania: Identity at Federation Time*** by Michael Roe.

Tasmanian Historical Research Association, Hobart, 2001 (250 pages, 20 illustrations, bibliography & index), \$25 from booksellers, or, including postage, from THRA PO Box 441 Sandy Bay 7006

With the publication of this history, commissioned by the National Council for the Centenary of Federation, Michael Roe has produced yet another illuminating work on early twentieth century history in Tasmania.

As the title foreshadows, he provides a rich context for the social, political and cultural climate within which this great constitutional change impacted on

Tasmanians, exploring the paradoxes of hope and apprehension, optimism and disillusion. There was justified concern about its effect on the economy.

The broad picture is enlivened by many fascinating details and the colourful and varied personalities involved. The author zooms in on several notable public events which illustrate the prevailing enthusiasm. The Boer War was greeted with rapturous jingoism, and the visit of royalty to mark the new federalism aroused an imperialistic fervour. The contrast with our own age is striking, and a useful insight into the attitudes of our forebears which must be of interest to any serious family historian.

At the same time, the popular views were not shared by all, and dissident opinions were voiced by a number of independent thinkers, and the cheeky and refreshing *Clipper*. Tasmania's volunteer troops staged a mutinous strike to achieve equality with their mainland counterparts, refusing to provide a guard of honour for the Governor and provoking bouts of apoplectic rage in major-generals and colonels. The state itself maintained a strongly individualistic stand in relation to the new Commonwealth, refusing to yield up its Tattersall's sweep which the Commonwealth sought to destroy by interfering with the postage.

There is so much material in this book to which a short review cannot possibly do justice. Read it if you want to broaden your understanding of the many aspects of Tasmanian identity at this time.

The illustrations are pleasing – several in colour.

**Audrey Hudspeth**



[The author has donated a copy of this book to the Hobart Branch library—*Ed.*]

*A Photographic record of the Descendants of Richard & Phyllis Hickman* by Robert N. Kellett (2002). The book (with CD-Rom) may be purchased for \$25 from the author at 1 Walker Street Rosetta, TAS 7010 ☎ (03) 6272 7585.

The book is A4 soft cover format of 226 pages, and contains a useful index. A CD-Rom of Hickman photographs is included.

The title aptly describes the book which has a large number of photographs of Hickman family members and their relatives. The sub-title tells us that they represent 'early pioneering fruit growers, orchardists, wine makers, shopkeepers, educationists, joiners, artists and musicians of Van Diemen's Land from 1842'. There are also references to early Lenah Valley and nearby suburbs.

Included with the photographs are dates of births, deaths and marriages and lists of children from the marriages. The author states that some details were unavailable at the time of publication but he hopes that this can be remedied in a later edition.

Many of the photographs are accompanied by anecdotes about the subjects. Candid comments on some of the individuals add richness of character and interest to some photographs.

**Jeannine Connors**



[The author has donated a copy of this book to the Hobart Branch library—*Ed.*]

NEW RELEASE

THE ARCHIVES OFFICE OF  
TASMANIA

A Guide for Family Historians  
Neil Chick FTFHS

Research Note Series  
No.7 4<sup>th</sup> edition, October 2002  
[First edition 1986 with Lilian Watson]

A5 format of 90 pages  
divided into two sections

Part one contains General Advice on the where, when and what, plus procedures and charges. It explains Requests by Mail and useful preparation before your visit.

Lists Records and Indexes available including Family/Correspondence Files and Series Title lists. How to request documents or film and how to handle and use them.

Part two lists Archives records useful to Family Historians including Tasmanian Civil Registration, Non-State Records, Church Registrations, TAMIOT and Funeral Registers, Newspapers, Convict, Military, AJCP, CSO Records, Police Force, Orphanage and Child migrants, Medical, Government Employees, Lands Department, Wills, Letters of Administration, Naturalization, Musters, Censuses, Education, Publicans and Inns, Municipal, Company Papers and Printed Records.

Published by  
Tasmanian Family History Society Inc.  
Hobart Branch  
Cost \$12.00 plus p&p

Available from the Librarian  
TFHS Inc. Hobart Branch  
GPO Box 640  
Hobart TAS 7001

[librarian@hobart.tasfhs.org](mailto:librarian@hobart.tasfhs.org)



# COMING EVENTS

## TASMANIA

Unless otherwise notified, all Tasmanian Historical Research Association (THRA) meetings take place on the second Tuesday of the month at 8:00 p.m. in the Royal Society Room, Customs House, Davey Street, Hobart (enter from the car park).

### 10 December 2002—THRA

Members' Night—Some Tasmanian Events and Their Ephemera, **Mr Graham Vertigan**; and 1 St Canice Avenue: The Story of a House, **Mrs Leone Scrivener**.

### 18 February 2003—THRA

Please ☎ Alison Alexander on 6223 7762 for details of the speaker and topic.

### 11 March 2003—THRA

Please ☎ Alison Alexander on 6223 7762 for details of the speaker and topic.

### 18–20 April 2003

*A Tilyard Family Reunion* will be held at Glenorchy, Tasmania, over the Easter weekend 18–20 April 2003, for descendants of Thomas Tilyard who arrived on the convict ship *Sir Godfrey Webster* in 1823. Anyone interested in attending who may have information and photos for a book to be published (a CD-Rom will also be available), please contact: Karen Foster ☎ (03) 6273 4422 or Ken Tilyard ☎ (03) 6244 4367 or email Rod Tilyard on [rtilyard@bigpond.net.au](mailto:rtilyard@bigpond.net.au)

### 21 February 2004

*Descendants Day* St David's Park, Hobart, Tasmania. Organised by the Hobart Town (1804) First Settlers Association. Contact Mrs Freda Gray ☎ (03) 6248 5352 or Mrs Margaret Andersen, ☎ (03) 6263 5609.

### 7 March 2004

*Beams Family Gathering*, Sunday, 7 March 2004 at the Village Green, Westbury, Tasmania. Contact Marjorie Porter, Acacia Park, RMB 1425 Boards Road, Strathmerton, VIC 3641 or ☎ (03) 5873 2370.

## INTERSTATE AND OVERSEAS

### April 2003

*10th Australasian Congress on Genealogy and Heraldry, Discovery 2003*, to be held in Melbourne April 2003. To register interest, write to Discovery 2003, Conference Consultants Australia, Level 1, 123–125 York Street South Melbourne VICTORIA 3205 or ☎ Bev Williamson (03) 9698 7403



# LIBRARY NOTES

## State Microfiche Roster

	18/11/02	24/2/2003	19/5/03	18/8/03	24/11/03
	21/2/03	16/5/2003	15/8/03	21/11/03	20/2/04
<b>Burnie</b>	Set 1	Set 5	Set 4	Set 3	Set 2
<b>Devonport</b>	Set 2	Set 1	Set 5	Set 4	Set 3
<b>Hobart</b>	Set 3	Set 2	Set 1	Set 5	Set 4
<b>Huon</b>	Set 4	Set 3	Set 2	Set 1	Set 5
<b>Launceston</b>	Set 5	Set 4	Set 3	Set 2	Set 1

**Set 1** GRO BDMs Index 1868–1897

**Set 2** Griffith's Valuation for Ireland Series

GRO Consular Records Index

Old Parochial Records and

1891 Census Indexes for Scotland

**Set 3** GRO BDMs Index 1898–1922 and

AGCI

**Set 4** National Probate Calendars 1853–1943

**Set 5** GRO BDMs Index 1923–1942

Exchange journals Members' Interests and

One Name Studies Index

## BURNIE

### Accessions—Books

*North-West Post*, The (1887–1916) Vol 5 1908, *TFHS Inc. Devonport Branch*

\* 'Trasported beyond the Seas', *Ken Griffin*

An Index to *The Advocate* Tasmania, Personal Annoucements 1990–1994, *GST Inc. Devonport Branch*

An Index to *The Advocate* Tasmania, Personal Annoucements 1990–1994 Deaths in Memoriams, *GST Inc. Devonport Branch 1995*

An Index to *The Advocate* Tasmania, Personal Annoucements 1990–1994 Engagements Marriages Anniversaries, *GST Inc. Devonport Branch*

An Index to *The Advocate* Tasmania, Personal Annoucements 1995, *GST Inc. 1995*

An Index to *The Advocate* Tasmania, Personal Annoucements 1996, *GST Inc. Devonport Branch*

An Index to *The Advocate* Tasmania, Personal Annoucements 1997, *GST Inc. Devonport Branch*

\* Caught In The Act, Unusual Offences of Port Arthur Convicts, *Phillip Hilton and Susan Hood*

Cemeteries of Southern Tasmania Vol VI, Hobarts' early churchyards and other mouments, Part1 Congregational Cemeteries, *TFHS Inc. Hobart Branch*

\* Edward Braddon, *Kerry Pink*

How to Find Shipping and Immigration Records in Australia, *Cora Num*

In Loving Memory, A Transcription of the Chudleigh & Mole Creek Cemeteries Tasmania,  
*TFHS Inc. Devonport Branch*

\* Irish Holdings of the Society of Australian Genealogists, *Heather Garnsey, Merry  
McIntyre and Angela Phippen*

Leven Parish Church of England Marriages 1899–1948, *Ulverstone Local History Museum  
1999*

Leven Parish Wesleyan/Methodist Marriages 1900–1948, *Ulverstone Local History  
Museum 1990*

\* Of things that used to be, *Paul Bathurst Edwards*

\* Off The Record The Western Herald Story, *Brian F Smith*

Presbyterian Marriages recorded in the Ulverstone District 1900–1948, *Ulverstone Local  
History Museum*

\* The Jordans of the Three Isles, *Alma Ranson*

\* The So Called Good Old Days In The Coalmines, *Trevor Williams*

\* Tracing Scottish Local History, *Cecil Sinclair*

### **Accessions—Microfiche**

Cemeteries of Southern Tasmania Vol V, Cornelian Bay Cemetery Hobart, *TFHS Inc.  
Hobart Branch*

TFHS Members Interests 1998–2002, *TFHS Inc*

### **Accessions—CD Roms**

Cemetery Transcriptions, *Australian Institute of Genealogical Studies Inc.*

Kent Parish Records Volume 1, *S&N Genealogy Supplies*

Kent Parish Records Volume 2, *S&N Genealogy Supplies*

\* Indicates items donated

## **DEVONPORT**

### **Accessions—Books**

\* Buttons, Bodices, Braces & Britches—The Story of Slater's Country Store, Sheffield,  
Tasmania, *Alan F. Dyer*

Cemeteries of Southern Tasmania Vol. V1, Hobart's early churchyards and other monuments.  
Part 1 Congregational Cemeteries, *TFHS Inc. Hobart Branch*

Index to *Launceston Examiner*. Vol. 1 12 March 1842–31 December 1851, *TFHS Inc.  
Launceston Branch*

Index to *The Advocate* Personal Announcements 1998, *TFHS Inc. Devonport Branch*

In Loving Memory: A Transcript of the Chudleigh and Mole Creek Cemeteries, Tasmania,  
*TFHS Inc. Devonport Branch*

\* Of Things That Used to be—Five and a Half Years a Gunner—2/8th. Australian Field  
Regiment—B Australian Naval Bombardment Group, *Paul B. Edwards*

\* Indicates items donated

### **Accessions—CD—Roms**

Convicts to NSW 1788–1812

Harrietville (Vic.) Cemetery

London 1891 Census

London 1891 Census Index (Part)

\* Public Record Office, Northern Ireland, Index to Church Records held

Stanley (Vic.) Cemetery

Yorkshire 1891 Census

### **Accessions—Microfiche**

Queensland Death Index 1950–1954

\* Indicates items donated

## **HOBART**

### **Accessions—Books**

The Alexander Laing story—District Police Constable of Pittwater, Tasmania 1819–1838

Guide to the State Archives of NSW No.16: Immigration—Index to Assisted Immigrants arriving Port Phillip 1839–1851; *State Archives of NSW*.

Monumental Inscriptions in West Fife (pre 1855); *JF & S Mitchell*.

\* Of things that used to be: five and a half years a gunner, *Paul Bathurst Edwards*

\* The Bank of Van Diemen's Land in Liquidation (1891) a list of contributors.

'a decent set of girls': The Irish Famine orphans of the 'Thomas Arbuthnot' 1849–1850; *Richard Reid & Cheryl Morgan*.

\* Cemeteries of Southern Tasmania Vol VI, Hobart's early churchyards and other monuments: part I Congregational Cemeteries; *TFHS Inc Hobart Branch*.

\* Stock Thieves and Golfers: a history of Kangaroo Bay and Rosny Farm, Tasmania 1803–1998; *Peter McFie*.

Church Registers held in the Archives Office of Tasmania—updated 24 June 2002; *Archives Office of Tasmania*.

\* *Joseph Somes'* Convicts (250 males) embarked Woolwich for VDL 18 December 1845; *JE Halsey*.

An Index to *The Advocate*, Tasmania: Personal Announcements 1998; *TFHS Inc. Devonport Branch*.

In Loving Memory: A transcription of the Chudleigh & Mole Creek Cemeteries, Tasmania; *TFHS Inc. Devonport Branch*.

\* Researching London Ancestors, Part 1; *Lillian Gibbens*

### **Accessions—CD—Roms**

British Isles Vital Records Index: England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales; *L.D.S. Church*.

### **Accessions—Microfiche**

St Bartholomew the Less—Marriages 1547–1837; Banns 1754–1941 with index; *Society of Genealogists*.

St Bartholomew the Less – Burials 1547-1848 with index; *Society of Genealogists*.

1851 Census – Northumberland – Tynemouth Reg District Longbenton Pts 1 & 2; *Northumberland & Durham FHS*.

\* Cemeteries of Southern Tasmania Vol. V: Cornelian Bay Cemetery, Hobart; *TFHS Inc. Hobart Branch*.

Immigration to Victoria: Index to Inward Overseas Passenger Lists, British Ports 1880-89; *Public Records Office, Victoria*.

\*Australian Family Tree Connections index: 1993–2001; *AFTC*.

\* Indicates items donated

# LAUNCESTON

## Accessions—Books

Angus Dundee & Broughty Ferry Monumental Inscriptions Pre 1855—Volume 4, edited by  
*Alison Mitchell*

The Upper Ward of Lanarkshire Monumental Inscriptions Pre 1855, *Shelia A. Scott M.A.*

\* In the path of the Roaring Forties—Memories of King Island, *Freda Jones and Tom  
Sullivan*

Angus Monumental Inscriptions Pre 1855 Volume 2, edited by *Alison Mitchell*

The Second Fleet—Britain's Grim Convict Armada of 1790, *Michael Flynn*

Air-Photo Atlas of London—No. 1: Tower to Trafalgar Square, *Commonwealth Bank of  
Australia*

\* Of things that used to be—Five and A Half Years a Gunner, *Paul Bathurst*

A Transcription of the Chudleigh & Mole Creek Cemeteries, *TFHS Inc. Devonport Branch*

An Index to The Advocate Personal Announcements 1998, *TFHS Inc. Devonport Branch*

Hobart's early churchyards and other monuments—Part 1 Congregational Cemeteries  
(Cemeteries of Southern Tas Vol VI), *TFHS Inc. Hobart Branch*

Dumbartonshire—monumental inscriptions pre 1855, *John F & Sheila Mitchell*

\* Cato Records in Australia, *Joy Whaite*

\* Matthew Flinders—The Ultimate Voyage, *State Library NSW*

\* Leatherwood Honey for Gall, *Mary Reddrop*

\* Honoured Grave—Hector Charles Long DCM, *Roger V. McNeice*

In the Blink of an Eye—A Glimpse of Districts within the Meander Valley Municipality,  
compiled by *Virginia Greenhill*

East Perthshire Monumental Inscriptions pre 1855—Strathmore & The Carse of Gowrie  
Volume 1, edited by *Alison Mitchell*

West Lothian Monumental Inscriptions pre 1855, *Sheila & John Fowler Mitchell*

\* Index to *Launceston Examiner*—Volume 1 (1842–1851), *Muriel & Betty Bissett TFHS  
Inc. Launceston Branch*

Genealogical Research Directory 2002, *Keith A. Johnson & Malcolm R. Sainty*

## Accessions—Microfiche

Military Courts, 1879–1994

Naval Marriages, 1806–1866

Directory of Members' Interests, 2001 NFHS

Cemeteries of Southern Tasmania Volume 5

## Accessions—CD—Roms

The Yorkshire 1891 Census

British Vital Records Index, 2nd Edition

The Gentleman Magazine Library Compendium 1731–1868

London 1891 Census Index—release 1.1

\* Indicates items donated

# SOCIETY SALES

The Tasmanian Family History Society Inc. (formerly the GST) has published the following items which are available from the Sales and Publications Coordinator  
PO Box 191 Launceston TAS 7250.

## Microfiche

TAMIOT 2nd edition (inc. postage)	\$110.00
1997/98 Members' Interests (inc. postage)	\$5.50
1998/99 and 1999/2000 Members' Interests (inc. postage)	\$5.50
The Tasmanian War Memorials Database, comp. Fred Thornett, (22 fiche) (p&h \$2.00)	\$66.00

## Books

My Most Interesting Ancestor, Manuscript Award 2001	\$9.00
Van Diemen's Land Heritage Index, Vol. 2 (p&p \$4.20)	\$11.00
Van Diemen's Land Heritage Index, Vol. 3 (p&p \$4.20)	\$17.60
Van Diemen's Land Heritage Index, Vol. 4 (p&p \$4.20)	\$27.50
<i>Tasmanian Ancestry</i> , current volume	\$9.90
<i>Tasmanian Ancestry</i> , last volume	\$8.25
<i>Tasmanian Ancestry</i> , second last volume	\$5.50

## NEW BRANCH PUBLICATIONS

Please note that items advertised are only available from the branches as listed.

### HOBART BRANCH

<i>Archives Office of Tasmania, a guide for Family Historians</i> , 4th ed. Neil Chick	\$12.00
<i>Cemeteries of Southern Tasmania Vol. VI, Hobart's early churchyards and other monuments. Part I Congregational Cemeteries</i>	\$19.80

Available from  
The Librarian  
TFHS Inc. Hobart Branch  
GPO Box 640 Hobart TAS 7001  
[librarian@hobart.tasfhs.org](mailto:librarian@hobart.tasfhs.org)

### LAUNCESTON BRANCH

<i>Index to Launceston Examiner Vol 1 1842-1851</i>	\$30.00
Plus postage \$7.30	

Available from  
Sales Coordinator  
TFHS Inc. Launceston Branch  
PO Box 1290 Launceston TAS 7250

**For a complete listing of Branch and State sales please ask your local branch for a copy of the current Sales List.**

**Discount of 10% applies to members on State and Branch publications.**

## BRANCH LIBRARY ADDRESSES, TIMES AND MEETING DETAILS

### **BURNIE**

Phone: (03) 6431 1958 (Branch Secretary)

Library 58 Bass Highway, Cooee (Bass Bakery building). Members may park adjoining the library.

Tuesday 11:00 a.m.\*3:00 p.m.

Saturday 1:00 p.m.\*4:00 p.m.

The library is open at 7:00 p.m. prior to meetings.

Meeting Branch Library, 58 Bass Highway, Cooee 7:30 p.m. on 3rd Tuesday of each month, except January and December.

Day Meeting 1st Monday of the month at 10:30 except January and February.

---

### **DEVONPORT**

Phone: (03) 6424 4005 (Branch Secretary)

Library Rooms 9, 10 & 11, Days Building, Cnr Best & Rooke Sts, Devonport

Tuesday 10:00 a.m.\*4:00 p.m.

Wednesday 10:00 a.m.\*1:00 p.m.

Thursday 10:00 a.m.\*4:00 p.m.

Meeting Meeting Room 2, Devonport Library, Fenton Way, Devonport at 7:30 p.m. on last Thursday of each month, except December. Enter from Town Hall car park.

---

### **HOBART**

Phone: (03) 6243 6200 (Branch Secretary)

Library 19 Cambridge Road, Bellerive

Tuesday 12:30 p.m.\*3:30 p.m.

Wednesday 9:30 a.m.\*12:30 p.m.

Saturday 1:30 p.m.\*4:30 p.m.

Meeting Rosny Library, Bligh Street, Rosny Park, at 8:00 p.m. on 3rd Tuesday of each month except January and December.

---

### **HUON**

Phone: (03) 6239 6529 (Branch Secretary)

Library Soldiers Memorial Hall, Marguerite Street, Ranelagh

Saturday 1:30 p.m.\*4:00 p.m.

Wednesday 1:30 p.m.\*4:00 p.m.

Meeting Branch Library, Ranelagh, at 4:00 p.m. on 1st Saturday of each month except January.

Please check Branch Report for any changes.

---

### **LAUNCESTON**

Phone: (03) 6344 4034 (Branch Secretary)

Library 2 Taylor Street, Invermay, Launceston

Tuesday 10:00 a.m.\*3:00 p.m.

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.\*8:30 p.m.

Closed Wednesday night during June, July and first two weeks of August.

Saturday 2:00 p.m.\*4:00 p.m.

Meeting Branch Library 2 Taylor Street, Invermay, at 7:00 p.m. bi-monthly on 4th Tuesday each even month, except December.

# MEMBERSHIP OF THE TASMANIAN FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY INC.

Membership of the TFHS Inc. is open to all interested in genealogy and family history, whether resident in Tasmania or not. Assistance is given to help trace overseas ancestry as well as Tasmanian.

Dues are payable each year by 1 April. Subscriptions for 2003–2004 are as follows:-

Ordinary member	\$39.00 inc. GST
Joint members (2 people at one address)	\$49.00 inc. GST
Australian Concession	\$27.00 inc. GST
Australian Joint Concession	\$37.00 inc. GST

## **Membership Entitlements:**

All members receive copies of the society's journal *Tasmanian Ancestry*, published quarterly in June, September, December and March. Members are entitled to free access to the society's libraries. Access to libraries of some other societies has been arranged on a reciprocal basis.

## **Application for Membership:**

Application forms may be obtained from the TFHS Inc. State Secretary, or any branch and be returned with appropriate dues to a branch treasurer or sent direct to the TFHS Inc. Treasurer, PO Box 191 Launceston Tasmania 7250. Dues are also accepted at libraries and branch meetings.

## **Donations:**

Donations to the Library Fund (\$2.00 and over) are *tax deductible*. Gifts of family records, maps, photographs, etc. are most welcome.

## **Research Queries:**

Research is handled on a voluntary basis in each branch for members and non-members. Rates for research are available from each branch and a stamped, self addressed, business size envelope should accompany all queries. Members should quote their membership number. A list of members willing to undertake record searching on a *private basis* can be obtained from the society. *The society takes no responsibility for such private arrangements.*

## **Advertising:**

Advertising for *Tasmanian Ancestry* is accepted with pre-payment of \$27.50 per quarter page in one issue or \$82.50 for four issues including 10% GST. Further information can be obtained by writing to the journal committee at PO Box 191 Launceston Tasmania 7250.

ISSN  
0159 0677

Printed by *The Franklin Press Pty Ltd*—Hobart Tasmania  
Print Broking—*Terry Brophy and Associates*



# QUERIES

## **CAMPBELL/DINHAM/WRIGHT**

Seeking information or living relatives of Leo CAMPBELL born 9 September 1899, Hobart. Leo's parents were George Campbell and Minnie Gertrude (nee DINHAM) and his grandparents were James Campbell and Amelia Jane (nee WRIGHT). I am trying to verify if my great-grandfather William Campbell was Leo's father's brother. Miriea Matthews, PO Box 149 Melton VIC 3337 or email [tmat@optusnet.com.au](mailto:tmat@optusnet.com.au)

## **CLAMPETT/GARDINER**

Dorothy CLAMPETT (c.1865–1956) married John Williams GARDINER (1869–1942) at Don, Tasmania, in 1896. They had four sons: John Williams, Robyn Alexander Edwin, Wallace Douglas and 'Lou'. Details on the marriage registration of her parents Rev. Joseph Clampett and Catherine Clampett, identify Dorothy as a sister of Margaret Mary (Clampett) CUMMINGS, my g-grandmother. Dorothy stated she was born in Adelaide. However, research into the family of Rev. Joseph and Catherine shows daughters Catherine b.1865, Margaret Mary b.1867, Josephine b.1869 and Mary Ann b.1885, but no Dorothy. Was Dorothy originally either Catherine or Josephine? Both seem to disappear from records. Can any GARDINER descendants or connections offer any information about Dorothy's origins, please?

(Mrs) Jennifer Croxton, 232 Nelson Road, Mt Nelson TAS 7007

☎ (03) 6225 3503 or email [jmcrox@southcom.com.au](mailto:jmcrox@southcom.com.au)

## **CRAWFORD**

Seeking any information about or descendants of Abraham CRAWFORD and Mary CASH, who arrived in 1857 from Lincolnshire and eventually settled at Hagley. Children were Mary Ann, married John BINGHAM 1857; William Cash, (arrived separately); John Smith, married Martha WARREN 1866 and had a large family; Robert Hunsley, d.1858; Fanny, married Christopher INGAMELLS 1860; Betsy, married Joseph Donald KING 1861; Sarah Jane married John HOULDER 1869, Henry, married Mary PAGE 1872; George, married Sarah Ann JORDAN 1884 (my g-grandparents); Samuel Tasman, d. infant. I am especially interested in the families of John Smith, Fanny and Sarah Jane, but all information is welcome.

(Mrs) Jennifer Croxton, 232 Nelson Road, Mt Nelson TAS 7007

☎ (03) 6225 3503 or email [jmcrox@southcom.com.au](mailto:jmcrox@southcom.com.au)

## **FORD/MURRAY/HORNE/ROBINSON**

Louisa Mary Jane FORD b.26 September 1886 (dau. of Edward Giles and Jane nee YOUNG) married twice m.1 Richard MURRAY (c1865–1 April 1909) in Hobart 4 May 1885. Three known children: Richard John (3 June 1886–23 November 1954) m 1914 Una Gertrude TOWNSEND; Louisa Jane (10 October 1887– ?) m.1917 Horace COOLEY; Eliza Mary (29 May 1891–24 November 1891). After the death of Richard, Louisa remarried some three months later to m.2 John Axel HORNE (c1859–13 August 1931) (Axel Charles HORNE at his death), four known children: Gertrude Ruth (20 October 1899–2 December 1970) married three times m.1 A.J. (Jim) ROBINSON; m.2 Clarendon James REID (c1927–26 June 1953) m.3 Joseph William Steele ROGERS

(1900–October 1970); Frederick Axel (October 1901–25 February 1902); Lila Ruby (1903–16 March 1981) married twice m.1 Thomas Henry McLAUGHLIN on 3 May 1920, m.2 Frank SHAW; Hermaine Eva (1903 twin of Lila Ruby). Any information about these families would be appreciated, particularly about John Axel HORNE, his birth and parents, also Gertrude's husbands.

Leonie Brooks, 16 Ferntree Road, Eaglehawk Neck TAS 7179

### **JONES/SARFIELD**

Seeking contact or information about descendants of two convicts, Charles Henry JONES and Mary Ann SARFIELD who married in Hobart in 1851. After receiving his Ticket-of-Leave Charles Henry was sent to Fingal, where he was a district constable for several years, and later took up farming. He and Mary Ann had four children: Mary Amelia b.1852, Henry William b.1853, James Michael b.1856 and Esther b.1862. Esther married John BAKER at Bothwell in 1883. Charles Henry died at Oatlands in 1863. Please can anyone help with the history of this family?

Sylvia Macleod, 151 Tranmere Road, Howrah TAS 7018 ☎ (03) 62478751  
or email [s\\_macleod@bigpond.com](mailto:s_macleod@bigpond.com)

### **KENNEDY/KEOGH**

Who were the parents of Mary KENNEDY of Westbury? She married Jeremiah KEOGH at Westbury in 1856 and was aged sixteen. They lived at Red Hills and Deloraine. The married names of four of their daughters were: ANDERSON, CLINCH, FLYNN and LAMB. The first three went to Victoria and Hannah Lamb, my grandmother, came to Beaconsfield. Was Mary the daughter of a Westbury Military pensioner? Her death certificate has Ireland as her birthplace. Any help would be appreciated. Margaret McKenzie, 33 High Street, Beaconsfield TAS 7270

### **WATTS/LANGLEY/COWDERY**

William WATTS (born England), married Isabella RIDDLE (born Scotland), in 1855 at St George's, Hobart. Records show eight children: male b.1855 Hobart, male b.1857 Hobart (probably Thomas, d.1881 Hobart), male b.1859 Hobart, John Apsley b.1861 Glamorgan, Isabella d. infant, Elizabeth b.1866 Hobart, Annie b.1868 Hobart, Emily Leslie Stuart b.1872 Hobart. William was a joiner. Elizabeth, my g-grandmother, married Anthony COWDERY in 1885. Annie married Charles Curtis LANGLEY in 1895 in Hobart; children found are Ethel Maud b.1896 Launceston and Charles Curtis b.1897 Launceston. Emily Leslie Stuart may have married a HANWELL. Any information about descendants of this family would be appreciated.

(Mrs) Jennifer Croxton, 232 Nelson Road, Mt Nelson TAS 7007

☎ (03) 6225 3503 or email [jmcrox@southcom.com.au](mailto:jmcrox@southcom.com.au)

**Queries** are published free for members of the TFHS Inc. (provided membership number is quoted) and at a cost of \$11.00 (inc. GST) per query to non-members. Members are entitled to three free queries per year. All additional queries will be published at a cost of \$11.00. Only one query per member per issue will be published unless space permits otherwise.

**Queries should be limited to 100 words** and forwarded to  
The Editor, *Tasmanian Ancestry* PO Box 191 Launceston TAS 7250  
or email [editor@tasfhs.org](mailto:editor@tasfhs.org)

# NEW MEMBERS' INTERESTS

NAME	PLACE/AREA	TIME	M'SHIP NO.
ANDREWS, Harry	Wesley Vale TAS AUS	1893	5750
ANDREWS, Harry	Northdown TAS AUS	1893-	5750
ARCHER	HEF ENG	1700-	5764
ARCHER	TAS AUS	1800-	5764
ATKINS, Lewis	TAS AUS		5788
AYRES, Isaac	ENG	1780-1860	5781
BAKER	Green Ponds TAS AUS	1800s	5777
BALL, Marian	Southend-on-Sea ESS ENG	1800s	5795
BALL, Marian	Southend-on-Sea ESS ENG	1860s-1944	5799
BARNES, John S		1860-	5798
BARNES, Sarah	SAL ENG	1813-1830	5782
BAULCH, Charles	Evandale TAS AUS	1842-	5776
BETTERMAN, Harriet	Adelaide SA AUS	1866-	5779
BLADES	Horsington LIN ENG	1680-1900	5773
BLYTH, Edward P	TAS AUS		5788
BOUCHER, Mary	Co Cork IRL	1833-1923	5745
BROWN	FIF SCT	1700-1880	5774
BURDEN, Jane	TAS AUS	1850-1940	5763
BURDEN, William	TAS AUS	1830-1950	5763
BURGESS, John	Geeveston TAS AUS	1825-1879	5761
BUTLER, Edward W	Launceston TAS AUS	c1876	5798
BYERS, William	Ecclesmachan SCT	c1800	5755
CAMPBELL	Legsby Nettleham LIN ENG	1770-1930	5773
CLYNE, Peter	Launceston TAS AUS	1831-1858	5747
COLLIE	KCD & ANS SCT	1700-1950	5774
CONRADES, Augusta	GER	1840-1920	5782
CONWAY	Hamilton TAS AUS	1800s	5777
COOPER, Joseph	ENG	1861-1913	5779
COUSINS, Edward	LAN ENG	pre 1894	5794
CREELY	IRL	All	5787
CRONICAN, Ellen	LIM IRL	1836-	5798
CROSS, William Vernon	Rochester ENG	1800-1880	5796
DALLAS	Morey SCT	1760-1870	5762
DALLAS	TAS	1855-	5762
DANN	Grasby Ulceby LIN ENG	1700-1880	5773
DARCEY, Cora C	Launceston TAS AUS	mid 1900s	5790
DARCEY, Josephine Theresa	Launceston TAS AUS	mid 1900s	5790
DAVIES, Elizabeth	Llantwit Fardre WLS	1847-	5778
DAVIES, Elizabeth	Pontypridd GLA WLS	1849-	5778
DEANSHAW	Hamilton TAS AUS	1800s	5777
DELASY-SIMPSON	SCT	c1800	5754
DONNELLY	Lancashire ENG	1700-1920	5762
DOXFORD, Walter	Newcastle-on-Tyne ENG	1800-	5754
DRAKE	TAS AUS	All	5791
EBERHARDT, Johan	Hamburg GER	1855-	5798
EDWARDS, Richard James	WLS	1817-1842	5780
EDWARDS, Thomas	Jericho / Oatlands TAS AUS	1816-	5771
EMMERSON, Walter	VIC AUS	1870-1945	5781
EMMETT, Skelton Buckley	Stanley TAS AUS	1818-1898	5776
EXALL	Mid-Kent KEN ENG	1700-1900	5772
EXALL	TAS AUS	1820-2002	5772

# NEW MEMBERS' INTERESTS

NAME	PLACE/AREA	TIME	M'SHIP NO.
EXCELL	Mid-Kent KEN ENG	1700-1900	5772
EXCELL	TAS AUS	1820-2002	5772
EXELL	Mid-Kent KEN ENG	1700-1900	5772
EXELL	TAS AUS	1820-2002	5772
FAIRMAN, Edward	Walthamstow LND ENG	1880s-1962	5795
FAIRMAN, Edward	Walthamstow LND ENG	1870-1962	5799
FEIL	TAS AUS	1803-	5768
FOREMAN, Elizabeth	Hobart TAS AUS	1833-1905	5761
FOREMAN, Elizabeth	Geeveston TAS AUS	1833-1905	5761
FOREMAN, Richard John	Hobart TAS AUS	1829-1833	5761
GARTH, Sadie	Sandy Bay TAS AUS	1900-	5751
GARTH, Sadie	Upper Norwood SRY ENG	1910-	5751
GILLIE, William	TAS AUS	1840-1940	5763
GOSS, Leaver Henry	Southsea ENG	1800-1899	5796
GREEN, Solomon	Huon area TAS AUS	1880-1965	5799
HARTNOLL, William	Bristol ENG	pre 1826	5793
HARTNOLL, William	TAS AUS	1826-1887	5793
HAYES, Agnes	STS ENG	1861-1913	5779
HEASHAM, Ann	Hartfield SSX ENG	1837-1918	5744
HELLESSEY	Green Ponds TAS AUS	1800s	5777
HIGGINS	Bothwell TAS AUS	1800s	5777
HUDSON, Henry John	Launceston TAS AUS	1880-	5793
IRELAND	ENG	1800-	5770
JACOBS, Aaron	London ENG	1770-1803	5753
JACOBS, Charles	London ENG	1803-	5753
JACOBS, Charles	Lymington TAS AUS	1803-1896	5753
JAMES, William	Hobart TAS AUS	c1800	5761
JONES, Ann	Braunton DEV ENG	1800-1860	5781
JONES, William	Braunton DEV ENG	1790-1860	5781
KINDER	Hertfordshire ENG	1700-	5764
KINDER	TAS AUS	1800-	5764
KING, Simon	CLA IRL	1833-1897	5776
KITSON, William	Launceston TAS AUS	1830-1850	5747
LAMONT, Robert	Rothsay SCT	pre 1855	5788
LAYTON, Fred John	George Town TAS AUS	1880-	5776
LE FEVRE, Michael	Pyengana TAS AUS	?-1956	5753
LENNON	IRL	c1800	5754
LOCKLEY	TAS AUS	1803-	5768
LUCK	Green Ponds TAS AUS	1800s	5777
LYON, Matthew	YKS ENG	1800-	5770
MANSFIELD	Longford TAS AUS	1840-	5791
MARNEY, John	London Eng	1850-	5771
MARNEY, John	Colebrook TAS AUS	1850-1953	5771
MAYNE, John	Colebrook TAS AUS	1830-1882	5771
McARTHUR, Eliza	WAT IRL	1830	5788
McCARTHY	IRL	All	5787
McGEE, John	IRL	1850-1920	5781
McVILLY, Laura	IRL	1850-1920	5781
MILES, Edward	Hartfield SXX ENG	1878-	5744
MILES, Henry	Hartfield SSX ENG	1871-	5744
MILES, Thomas	Hartfield SSX ENG	1866-	5744

# NEW MEMBERS' INTERESTS

NAME	PLACE/AREA	TIME	M'SHIP NO.
MILES, William	Hartfield SSX ENG	1835-1911	5744
MONKS	TAS AUS	1803-	5768
NEWBY	Harrowgate ENG	1850-1940	5769
OATES, Charles	Bentley YKS ENG	pre 1840	5788
OLIVER, Alice	Codford WIL ENG	1868-	5744
PAGE, Amelia	Huon area TAS AUS	1880-1965	5799
PALMER	ENG	1790-	5764
PALMER, Wilfred Osborne	Manchester ENG	1890	5754
PARK	Glasgow SCT	1800-1907	5796
PEEVER	All	All	5784
PETRIE, Gairden	ENG, SCT, IRL or WLS	1790-1880	5782
PIERCE, John	Green Ponds / Dysart TAS AUS	1818-	5771
PILLING, Charles	Castle Forbes Bay, TAS AUS	1840-1880	5761
PORTER, Elizabeth	Launceston TAS AUS	1819-1880	5747
PORTER, Samuel	Launceston TAS AUS	1815-1840	5747
POULSON, Walter Cox	Adelaide SA AUS	1861-1955	5779
PREST	YKS ENG	1750-1850	5769
RANCE, Ellen	Walthamstow LND ENG	1874-1974	5795
RANCE, Ellen	Walthamstow LND ENG	1874-1974	5799
RAVENSROFT, Frederick	Manchester ENG	1868	5754
RODMAN	All	All	5784
ROOKE	HEF ENG	1700-	5764
ROOKE	TAS AUS	1800-	5764
ROSS	MLN SCT	1700-1880	5774
ROTHWELL, Edith	Ormskirk ENG	1800-1895	5796
SALTMARSH	TAS AUS	All	5791
SAMS	LND ENG	1700-	5764
SAMS	BKM ENG	1700-	5764
SAMS	TAS AUS	1800-	5764
SAMS	NZ	1850-	5764
SARGENT, Elizabeth	STS ENG	c1830	5755
SAUNDERS, James	ENG	1790-1880	5782
SAUNDERS, Richard Henry	Blaenavon MON WLS	pre 1881	5794
SHEA, Matthew	KER IRL	1815-1895	5745
SMITH	TAS AUS	1803-	5768
SMITH, John	Newcastle NBL ENG	1787-1853	5776
SMITH, John	Marchington ENG	1787-1853	5776
SOLOMON, Judah	Sheerness KEN ENG	1778-	5780
STONEHOUSE, Thomas	Beaconsfield TAS AUS	1818-1895	5776
STUBBINGS, William	All	All	5788
SUTTON, Ada	Sorrento VIC AUS	1880-1950	5782
TAIT, James	Launceston TAS AUS	1852	5753
TAIT, Mary Ann	Launceston TAS AUS	1852-1929	5753
TAYLOR, James	Devonport TAS AUS	1800-	5750
TAYLOR, James	STS ENG	c1830	5755
THETFORD, Alfred	Islington MDX ENG	1881-	5785
THETFORD, Charles H	Islington MDX ENG	1881-	5785
THETFORD, Edwin	Islington MDX ENG	1881-	5785
THETFORD, Elizabeth	Clerkenwell MDX ENG	1881-	5785
THOMPSON, Sarah	Hobart TAS AUS	1824-	5761
THYER, Mary Ann	Middlesex ENG	1818-1893	5753

# NEW MEMBERS' INTERESTS

NAME	PLACE/AREA	TIME	M'SHIP NO.
TOTTENHAM, Stanley	LND ENG	pre 1900	5794
UNDERWOOD, Albert	Southend-on-Sea ESS ENG	1800s	5795
UNDERWOOD, Albert	Southend-on-Sea ESS ENG	1860s–1944	5799
VERNON, Henry	IRL	1771–	5780
WADDELL, John	Launceston TAS AUS	1812–1882	5747
WADDELL, Margaret	Launceston TAS AUS	1812–1837	5747
WALKER, Henry	Richmond TAS AUS	1829–	5798
WALSH Thomas Patrick	Westbury & Launceston TAS AUS	1885–1957	5790
WALSH, Chris James	Westbury TAS AUS	1874–	5790
WALSH, Elizabeth Frances	Westbury TAS AUS	1889–	5790
WALSH, Joseph John	Westbury & Launceston TAS AUS	1880–1953	5790
WEBB, Judith	Hobart TAS AUS	1880–	5751
WEBB, William	Stowey SOM ENG	1792–	5793
WESTICOTT, Mary Ann	Campania TAS AUS	1840–1928	5771
WHITE, Captain Joseph	Hobart TAS AUS	1797–1858	5765
WILLIAMS, Joseph	TAS	1800–1930	5763
WILLIAMS, Thomas	TAS	1820–1960	5763
WILLIAMS, Thomas	Green Ponds / Kempton TAS AUS	1838–1939	5771
WILSON, Margaret	Ecclesmachan SCT	c1800	5755

If you find a name in which you are interested, please note the membership number and check the *New Members'* listing for the appropriate name and address. Please enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope and don't forget to reply if you receive a SSAE.

**All names remain the property of the Tasmanian Family History Society Inc.  
and will not be sold on in a data base.**

# NEW MEMBERS

On behalf of the Society, a warm welcome is extended to the following new members.

5744	MILES Mr Lee G	1 Bath Street lmiles@winnet.com.au	BATTERY POINT	TAS	7004
5745	SHEA Mr Terence	262 Carella Street sheahowrah@bigpond.com	HOWRAH	TAS	7018
5746	SHEA Mrs Patricia	262 Carella Street sheahowrah@bigpond.com	HOWRAH	TAS	7018
5747	O'DWYER Ms Patricia	4 Monash Avenue paodwyer20@yahoo.com.au	BALWYN	VIC	3103
5748	GRIFFITHS Mrs Ellen	PO Box 988	DEVONPORT	TAS	7310
5749	GRIFFITHS Mr David	PO Box 988	DEVONPORT	TAS	7310
5750	TAYLOR Mr Robert	2 Waniora Street	DEVONPORT	TAS	7310
5751	WALTON Mrs Sylvia	Ivy House, Wheelock St Middlewick Cheshire, UK roseblade@one-name.org.uk	CW10 9AB		
5752	GRUBB Mrs Margaret	125 Madden St gaggie@eip.net.au	DEVONPORT	TAS	7310
5753	JACOBS Mr Lindsay	PO Box 245 ljacobs30@bigpond.com	MOWBRAY	TAS	7248
5754	PALMER Mr Graham	3 Nile Road thylacine@dodo.com.au	EVANDALE	TAS	7212
5755	SPROULE Mrs Denise	14 Bird St sproule@southcom.com.au	BURNIE	TAS	7320
5756	SPROULE Mr Daryl	14 Bird St sproule@southcom.com.au	BURNIE	TAS	7320
5757	RUTHERFORD Mr Gerald	42A View Rd bennjac@bigpond.net.au	BURNIE	TAS	7320
5758	RUTHERFORD Mr Ben	42A View Rd bennjac@bigpond.net.au	BURNIE	TAS	7320
5759	AUBERT Mrs Heather	82 Princes St	SANDY BAY	TAS	7005
5760	BARNES Mrs Bonnie	71 Pawleena Road	SORELL	TAS	7172
5761	BENDER Miss Ann	75 Nelson Road rtbender@compuserve.com	SANDY BAY	TAS	7005
5762	DONNELLY Mr Phil	660 Nelson Rd pdonnelly@our.net.au	MT NELSON	TAS	7007
5763	LONG Mrs Joan	19 Walker St	ROSETTA	TAS	7010
5764	STANLEY Miss Katherine	5 Cameron St	SOUTH HOBART	TAS	7004
5765	WHITE Mr Gerald	44 Carella St gfreddie@tassie.com.au	HOWRAH	TAS	70180
5766	COSSTICK Mrs Carol	75 Valley Road ccosstic@tassie.net.au	DEVONPORT	TAS	7310
5767	SHEEHAN Mr Timothy	PO Box 619	FORTH	TAS	7310
5768	LOCKLEY Mrs Dianne	391 Sandfly Road	MARGATE	TAS	7054
5769	PREST Mr George	854 East Yolla Rd gwprest@bigpond.com	YOLLA	TAS	7325
5770	PREST Mrs Margaret	854 East Yolla Rd gwprest@bigpond.com	YOLLA	TAS	7325
5771	WILLIAMS G Graham	113 Jansens Rd hillsidestud@bigpond.com	SOUTH RIANA	TAS	7316
5772	HALSEY James	18 Parkhill Rd Blackwater Camberley je_halsey@yahoo.co.uk	SURREY	UK GU17 0NB	
5773	CAMPBELL Mr David	12 Neagarra St bearclan@ozemail.com.au	DODGES FERRY	TAS	7173

# NEW MEMBERS

5774	CAMPBELL Mrs Helen	12 Neagarra St bearclan@ozemail.com.au	DODGES FERRY	TAS	7173
5775	CRANFIELD Mrs Tammy	3 Volcanic Drive	PONTVILLE	TAS	7030
5776	EMMETT Mr Reginald	725 Acton Rd regemm@ozemail.com.au	ACTON PARK	TAS	7170
5777	FORSTER Karen	PO Box 192 karzig@bigpond	BRIGHTON	TAS	7030
5778	HANEL Elizabeth	103 Molle St	WEST HOBART	TAS	7000
5779	HODGMAN Mr John	71 Leura St hodghome@ozemail.com.au	ROSNY	TAS	7018
5780	HODGMAN Mrs Jane	71 Leura St hodghome@ozemail.com.au	ROSNY	TAS	7018
5781	MCGEE Mr Alan	43 Nicholas Drive alanmcgee@bigpond.com.au	KINGSTON BEACH	TAS	7050
5782	MCGEE Mrs Suzanne	43 Nicholas Drive alanmcgee@bigpond.com.au	KINGSTON BEACH	TAS	7050
5783	MCLENNAN Mr Shane	2/20 Rosny Esplanade	ROSNY	TAS	7018
5784	COUTTS Mrs Carol	PO Box 359 info@sc4wd.com.au	JIMBOOMBA	QLD	4280
5785	CHITTY Mrs Yvonne	2/2c Delamere Crescent	TREVALLYN	TAS	7250
5786	GRIFFIN Mr Robert	Unit 4/ 23 Clyde St	INVERMAY	TAS	7248
5787	MATHEWSON Johanne	433 Burnside Rd	SCOTTSDALE	TAS	7260
5788	OATES Mr Clyde	145 Westwood St clyde.oates@bigpond.com	BRIDPORT	TAS	7262
5789	WARD Ms Jennifer	PO Box 49 jamit@vision.net.au	MEANDER	TAS	7304
5790	ROBINSON Mrs Julie	'Lissadell' Shop Lane juliejameson@slevison.demon.co.uk	Goulceby Louth	LINCS	UK LN11 9UW
5791	BRADLEY Mrs Dona	1 South St kdbradley@austarnet.com.au	BRIDPORT	TAS	7262
5792	BRADLEY Mr Keven	1 South St kdbradley@austarnet.com.au	BRIDPORT	TAS	7262
5793	PRINCE MS Sheridan	'Lightfoot' 29 Esplanade SherryPrince@bigpond.com	SWAN POINT	TAS	7275
5794	SAUNDERS Mr Jean	7 St Albans Court SaundersTony@bigpond.com	GRINDELWALD	TAS	7277
5795	BEVILACQUA Mrs Christine	56 Corinth St	HOWRAH	TAS	7018
5796	BRIGGS Mrs Barbara	19/13 St Canice Av	SANDY BAY	TAS	7005
5797	CROSS Mr Leaver	148 Black Snake Lane lcross@southcom.com.au	GRANTON	TAS	7030
5798	GOURLAY Susan	320 Sandy Bay Road smgourlay@hotmail.com	SANDY BAY	TAS	7005
5799	WALKER Mrs Marion	27 Salacia Ave	HOWRAH	TAS	7018
<b>CHANGE OF DETAILS/CORRECTIONS</b>					
1861	SHORT Mr Wally	PO Box 236 wally_s@bigpond.com	MOONAH	TAS	7009
3774	MESECKE Coralie	mesecke@southcom.com.au			
4880	RILEY Mr Christopher	vdjourneys@dodo.com.au			
5153	STEWART Mrs Patricia	37 Allunga Rd	CHIGWELL	TAS	7011
5711	STAGGARD Mrs Mary	hmstaggard@southcom.com.au			