



**Journal of  
Coffs Harbour District Family History Society Inc.**



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## ALL ENQUIRIES WELCOME

**RECIPROCAL RIGHTS:** Reciprocal rights are offered to members of all family history societies who visit our room to do research (proof of current membership is required).

The Society does not hold itself responsible for statements made or opinions expressed by authors of the articles published in Genie-Allergy. All care is taken to be accurate, however the Editor reserves the right to publish abridged articles/special features due to space constraints.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Our Family History Rooms opened at the end of January with many members enjoying getting back into their research and cooling off in the air-conditioned surroundings.

Our first Workshop for the year was held on Saturday February 23 and the topic was "Starting Your Family Tree". The presenters were members, Maggie Heffernan and Leonie Baker, both of whom have extensive experience and knowledge of family history, as all our members would know. Thank you to these two ladies for always being so willing to share their expertise.

The March Workshop has been changed from the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month to the 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday, March 30, due to room availability at the Community Village. Our Guest Speaker will be Ken Hunt from Port Macquarie Family History Society, where he is the organiser for their DNA Support Group. This should be a most interesting and informative workshop and of assistance to our members. Our Society is setting up a DNA Support Group for members with Diane Smith and Maggie Heffernan as its organisers and convenors. We are very grateful to Ken for his willingness to assist the Society in this interesting and topical area.

There will be **no workshop in April** due to various public holidays over Easter and Anzac Day.

Our first full day **Seminar** on Saturday, May 25, will have Gail Davis as Guest Speaker. Gail is from the NSW State Records Archives and will speak on several very interesting topics relating to "State Archives – The Family Historian's Friend."

During the last three months of 2018, two of our members, Lyn Brotherton and Nita Robson, have been very busy finding information that needed to be added to our Accession Register. Each Thursday afternoon they spent time recording and working on this. In January holidays Lyn spent many more hours entering this information on to our Society's Computer records. On behalf of the Society I would like to express our gratitude to you both for this wonderful effort. The work was necessary for our hopeful future at the proposed Cultural and Civic Space in a couple of year's time.

Happy researching.



Rosie Doherty, President, #396

. The tree of life for some has cast its shade. We must make sure their memories never fade.

## THE DON DORRIGO, GUY FAWKES AND COFF'S HARBOUR

*Coff's Harbour Advocate Tuesday 18 February 1908*

**Written by Surveyor J. O. Burgess**

"Sir, - It is upward of 28 years since I first visited the above localities in pursuance of my duties as a Staff Surveyor in the district of Grafton, then under Mr District **Surveyor Donaldson**. It may be noticed that I am using the name **Don Dorrigo**. In 1880 **Mr. Oliver Trickett**, now Surveyor and officer-in-charge of the Jenolan Caves, surveyed the country boundary from the Guy Fawkes to the Clarence River, and in 1881 I relieved him and continued the survey of the Dividing Range north to Queensland border, near Mt Lindesay, and was fortunate in securing Mr Trickett's pack-horses, which had already been broken in to rough country.

“Through Mr Trickett I first heard of the **Guy Fawkes**, and in the latter end of the 1880s, on personally visiting the district, at once became greatly attracted with this beautiful land of running streams and waterfalls, situated in a temperate climate only 70 miles from the semi-tropics of the northern rivers.

“The most difficult work I had on the **Don Dorrigo** was the survey of the Dividing Range from the Bald-hills run to Tucker’s Nob, at an average height from 4000 to 2000 feet, through a continuous thick forest scrub for a distance of 50 miles. To do this we could only establish three main camps, one on **Meinhard**’s selection above Dangar’s or Beilsdown Falls, the next down on the Bellinger, on **Mrs McFadyen**’s selection under **Tucker’s Nob**, and the last up at the head of the Deer park. There was no road made then. A 4ft bridle track had been cut, but hearing it was partly washed away and obstructed by fallen timber, we never attempted to use it, so had no alternative but to get up and down what was well known then as the Ferny Face, a portion of steep descent of 2400 feet to the Bellinger.

“And now for **Woolgoolga and Coff’s Harbour**, the designing and naming of streets of which was entrusted to me, it is generally desirable to have a record as to why the names were originally appropriated. At **Woolgoolga** the names of the streets almost speak for themselves. **Nightingale -street**, after Florence Nightingale, being adjacent to the proposed hospital site; **Gordon-street**, after General Gordon; **Scarborough, and Hastings**, after English seaside resorts.

“In June 1893, I was engaged with an extended design down to the Jetty, and in that month telegrams reached Australia announcing the collision between Her Majesty’s ships ‘Victoria’ and ‘Camperdown’ of the Mediterranean Fleet, with the total loss of the ‘Victoria’, Admiral Tryon, and 358 officers and men. They were in the fleet of eight battle ships and five cruisers, so I conceived the idea of naming the streets of a rising Seaport after some of those ships.

“So as the Town Map will show streets were named after the following ships – **Victoria, Camperdown, Nile, Collingwood, Edinburgh and Edgar streets. Orlando Street** was named after the flagship of the Australian station at that time. **Mildura and Katoomba streets** were ships of the Australian auxiliary squadron. **Hood and Nelson streets** were other ships of Her Majesty. And to perpetuate my own memories, **Salamander and Curacoa**, were ships in which I served on the Australian station in the 1860s.”(Sic)

Yours etc., **J. O. BURGESS. February 10, 1908.**

*\*First published in Sydney Telegraph 11<sup>th</sup> February 1908*

*\*Copied from National Library of Australia (NLA) Digitised Newspaper Collection*

## **MONITORS**

The Roster for 2019 is now complete and has been forwarded to monitors via email or snail mail. If some monitors have not received their email rosters, please contact me with your updated email address and/or phone numbers.

The Society has gained a new monitor, Vicki Knight, who has recently joined our Society and I thank her for volunteering her time to monitor. A long standing member, Robyne Moulds has volunteered to do an emergency shift when needed. Thanks Robyne.

If you are a member and would like to become a monitor, you will find not only do you meet and assist some great people but also the experience is enjoyable and very interesting. If you can help please contact me by email: **mheff.1940@gmail.com** or phone **0428 176 387**.

Maggie Heffernan, Monitor Co-ordinator

## GENEALOGY EVENTS – WHAT’S ON

- 24-26 May 2019      ‘Waves in Time’ 3<sup>rd</sup> Queensland State Conference. More information at <http://www.wavesintime2019.org.au/>
- 14-30 Aug 2019      ‘DNA Down Under Roadshow’ with Blaine Bettinger. The roadshow will be held in Australian capital cities with an extended in-depth 3-day conference in Sydney. For more information or to register your interest, go to <http://www.dnadownder.com>
- 7-Sept 2019          The **Dalwood** Restoration Association Inc. is comprised of descendants of the **Wyndham** family, and descendants of some of the convicts who were assigned to work for them on one of their properties.  
A function is to be held at the Dalwood Estate Cellars, Branxton NSW, to bring together descendants of anyone who worked on one of the Wyndham properties between 1828 and 1900, including those descended from the convicts, Indigenous people, free settlers, colonial born, or German vine-dressers. The names of over 150 convicts have been identified so far and the challenge is to let their descendants know about this function, as we don't know who they are? Any advice you may be able to provide would be greatly appreciated.  
Further information: [secretary@dalwood.org.au](mailto:secretary@dalwood.org.au)
- 11-13 Oct 2019      35<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the NSW & ACT Association of Family History Societies will be at Knox Grammar School, Wahroonga, hosted by Ku-rin-gai Historical Society. You can find more on the conference Website at <http://exploringthepast.khs.org.au>
- Our Workshops and Seminars are listed elsewhere in this journal as well as on our Website. For a listing of more events, go to <http://www.unlockthepast.com.au/events/all> If there are any other events you would like included in the next Journal please give the detail to Narelle Hoy, our Journal Editor.

## SCANNING SERVICE FOR MEMBERS

The Society is offering this service to members who would like their old photos, slides or negatives digitised. Stan Gordon has offered to assist members by doing the scanning. He would prefer that members go to his home at Toormina and take their photos, negatives and slides as well as a USB drive so the scanned images can be saved to the USB. The cost of this new service is 50 cents per image which will be added to our Society’s funds. If you would like to take up Stan’s offer, please phone him on 02 6658 7955 or email him at [stngordon@gmail.com](mailto:stngordon@gmail.com) to arrange a suitable time.

If you have large documents, such as foolscap BDM certificates or newspaper pages up to A3 size, etc., you are able to scan them using the **A3 Book Edge Scanner** we have in our room. This Scanner is now installed on the WIN7 computer and the scanner unit is on a trolley under the bench ready to wheel out and use. The scanned images will be saved to the computer and then can be copied to your USB drive or you will be able to print them. As our Society’s printer is an A4 one, the scanned images are reduced in size to fit but if you would like to have them printed as A3, you will be able to do this at a print shop. Please ask the monitors on duty for assistance.

## WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS and EVENTS

Sharon Ingersole #1548

DATE/ TIME/VENUE	SPEAKER	TOPIC
30/3/2019 1.30pm Coffs Harbour Community Village, Earl Street. <b>NOTE: 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday</b>	Ken Hunt, Port Macquarie Family History Society – DNA Support Group Organiser	<b>Genealogy and DNA</b>
April 2019		<b>NOTE:</b> No Workshop will be held in April this year. Our Research Room will still be closed on the 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday (27 <sup>th</sup> April).
25/5/2019 10am-4pm Cavanbah Hall, Harbour Drive, Coffs Harbour.	Gail Davis, Senior Archivist, NSW State Archives	<b>SEMINAR: ‘NSW State Archives – The Family Historian’s Friend’.</b> Gail will speak on: “Getting to know the NSW State Archives; Marriage and Divorce Records; Colonial Secretary’s Correspondence”.
22/6/2019 1.30pm Coffs Harbour Community Village, Earl Street.	Mike Hayward, Glen Innes	<b>‘First Fleeter Convicts’.</b> More information to follow.

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS



A warm welcome to the following new members. We hope you will make yourselves at home and find us to be a friendly and helpful group.

Don’t be afraid to ask the Monitors on duty for help - they will do their best to steer you in the right direction with your research.

#1945 Penny Speed	#1946 Geoff Speed	#1947 Noel Marchant
#1948 Denis Bond	#1949 Margaret Bond	#1950 Maureen Waight
#1951 Esmé Langridge		

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS, CONTACT DETAILS, ETC

**IT IS ESSENTIAL that a form is completed for ALL membership renewals.**

If a Membership Application/Renewal Form is included with this Journal, your membership is due for renewal before **1<sup>st</sup> June 2019**.

**Complete the form and select the method of payment.**

1. If paying by cash or cheque you can do this at our Research Room or mail the form with your cheque to PO Box 2057, Coffs Harbour, 2450. If you would like your new card posted, please include a stamped address envelope.

2. If you are paying by Direct Bank Deposit, **please include your name and member number** when setting up the transfer AND email your completed form to **coffsgenie@gmail.com**.  
\*\*Direct Deposits can also be made in person at a Bananacoast Credit Union Branch using the details shown on the Membership Form.

Renewed membership cards will be placed in the Card Box on the Admin Desk in our Research Room for your collection if you haven't included a stamped addressed envelope with your renewal.

Marlene Gordon, Membership Secretary #1307

### **MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

Members' Interests received by the Society are now being added to our website at  
**<https://www.coffsharbourfamilyhistory.com>**

To check the current listing, hover on the Membership tab, click on Members Interests in the dropdown list and you will be able to open the Full Name listing for submissions received. All financial members are welcome to have their Interests included in Genie Allergy and on in this database by completing the necessary form and possibly receive feedback from others with the same Interests. Please collect a form from our Research Room or contact the Membership Secretary to have one emailed to you, then return the completed form attached to an email to **coffsgenie@gmail.com** or put in in the Membership Secretary's tray in our room.

### **ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A CHDFHS INC. MEMBER INTEREST GROUP?**

You will see elsewhere in this issue of Genie Allergy that a DNA Group is planned for our Society.

If you are interested in the formation of a Group relating to another area of research, the Committee will be pleased to hear from you - email **coffsgenie@gmail.com**. Possible Groups could be of a country (e.g. Irish), a particular family history software program (e.g. Legacy or Brother's Keeper), Convicts, FamilySearch, etc.

When the Society forms an Interest Group, a convenor or joint convenors will be appointed to the Group and each Group formed by popular demand would be for members only, meeting on a regular basis, time and place (possibly once a month), with the aim to help participants in that specific area of interest.

### **ADVERTISEMENTS from the SYDNEY GAZETTE AND NEW SOUTH WALES ADVERTISER**

**(NSW 1803 - 1842), Saturday 26 December 1818, page 2**

#### **HANKINSON'S SALE and COMMISSION ROOMS.**

The following Goods will be SOLD by AUCTION, on Thursday next, the 31st inst. at 11 o'clock. Some handsome pier, swing, and other Glasses; cut glass decanters, wines, rummers to match ; Worcester china; earthenware ; locks and latches of every description, steelyards, iron boilers, tea kettles, porter measures, and wash-hand basins, tea and coffee-pots, brass bur cocks, frying-pans, rod, bar, bolt and other iron; iron pots, broad cloths: blue, green, black and olive; kerseymeres, stocking webb, stockings, gloves, Scotch cambric, jacanet and cambric muslins, lenos, calimanco, linen stuffs, diaper, thread, canvas, tape and bobbing; black and white hats, felt do. children's hats, gingham, prints, calico sheeting, gurrachs, Bandanna handkerchiefs, spices, confectionery, ribbands, dimity, ready-made shirts, trousers, marseillas, toilinet, stationary, chintz for furniture, wax and tallow candles, soap, tobacco, copper scales, black jacks, brown holland, medicines, viz. jalap, blister plaster, calomel, emetic, tartar emetic, white and red precipitate, rhubarb, salts, &c. one pipe of Madeira wine, claret and port, Isle of France rum, fine cognac brandy, cheeses, two very elegant time pieces, one pair of superior Spanish paintings, &c. &c. &c (sic) Conditions will be made known at the time of sale.

## ITEMS of INTEREST from EXCHANGE JOURNALS

Our Society subscribes to some journals and exchanges journals/newsletters with a large number of other societies and groups (family history and historical societies, etc.). Members are able to borrow 'exchange journals' from our research room. If you see an article listed below that you would like to read, feel free to borrow it on your next visit to our room. Also check the districts these journals are from and if there is an area not covered, let me know and we will do our best to track it down for you.

### Bathurst F H G- Carillon Chimes - No. 196 November 2018

The Story of Bathurst's War Memorial Carillon Part 4 Pg. 8-11

New Country, New Life Pg. 30-31

Relatives of Jewish Persons in Hiding Visit the Hideaway Which Was Found Near Eiberge  
Pg. 32-33

### Cornish Association of NSW - No. 374 - May / June, 2018

Some Cornish Surnames Pg. 3

The Fruit Garden of the Western District Pg. 5

### Cornish Association of NSW - No. 375 - July / August, 2018

Some Cornish Surnames Pg. 3

Some Noted Folk of Cornwall Pg. 3

Holy Wells - Menacuddle Well Pg. 5

### Cornish Association of NSW - No. 376 - September / October, 2018

Some Cornish Surnames Pg. 3

Holy Wells - Dupath Well Pg. 4

A Bit of Cornish History Pg. 5

### Dunedin Family History Group - No 131 November 2018

Name Changes in Otago and Southland Pg. 2

Using DNA to Do Your Research Pg. 4

### Botany Bay Family History Group - The Endeavour - No 136 September 2018

History of the Grand Department Stores of London - Harrods Pg. 22

### Illawarra Family History Group Inc - Illawarra Branches - Number 136 - September 2018

Gloves: A Traditional Accessory Pg. 3

### Ipswich Genealogical Society - Bremer Echoes - Vol 36 No. 3 November 2018

Ipswich Fire Brigade Part 2 Pg. 11

Historic Motorcycle Ipswich Branch Pg. 15

Ipswich Land Selection 1872 Pg. 16

### Maryborough District Family History Society - Forebears - Volume 39 No 2 November 2018

Stoneleigh House at Teddington - The House's History Pg. 5

Windows 10 Fast Start-Up Pg. 32

### Cooroy-Noosa Genealogical & Historical Research Group - Missing Link Vol 43 No. 3 Nov 2018

The Story of Rev. James Bean Pg. 4

Noosa Shire Celebrates the End of World War 1 Pg. 5

What About Alice?' Pg. 12

Irish Emigration in the 19th Century to Australia Pg. 13

John Robb, Wine, Cups and Teapots Pg. 14

### Mornington Peninsula Family History Society - Peninsula Past Times No. 152 November, 2018

When Horse Racing Came To Frankston Pg. 4

Writing Family History Pg. 14

Chinaman's Creek (Rosebud West-Capel Sound) Pg. 17

### Wagga Wagga and District Family History Society - Murrumbidgee Ancestor No. 125 - October 2018

Copyright and the Family Historian Pg. 11

My Uncle Fred "Big Fred" Harry Smith Pg. 16

An Old Scrapbook Sharon Wheatley Pg. 18

Brother and Sister at War Diana Thomson Pg. 20

How Gundagai Celebrated the End of the War Pg. 24

### Queensland Family History Society - Queensland Family Historian Volume 39 Number 2 May 2018



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Queensland Family History Society - Queensland Family Historian Volume 39 Number 4 November 2018  
 The Woman's Part - Part 2 Pg. 146  
 Tom, Dick & Harry Pg. 133  
 Australians and New Zealanders with Serbs in World War One Pg. 139  
 History of Queensland Separation Day Pg. 157  
 Bendigo Family History Group - Bendigo Genealogist - September 2018 No.123 Marriages at  
 "Springhurst" Garsed Street Pg. 4  
 Bendigo Jam Factory 1902-1974 Pg. 7  
Narre Warren & District Family History Group - Spreading Branches - Issue 118 - November 2018  
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Maryborough Family History Group - Wattle Bark - Volume: 25 Number 2 Spring 2018  
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The Warrnambool Family History Group - The South-West Genealogist - Newsletter 288 September 2018  
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Wyong Family History Group - Tree Of Life - Vol 35 No.34 November 2018  
 A Challenging Life: From Convicted Criminal to Colonial Architect to Farmer Pg. 13  
Young & District Family History Group - The Lambing Flat Leader - Volume 40 No.3 September 2018  
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 West Corner of Queensland Pg. 12  
Maitland and Beyond Family History, Inc - Tracks and Trails, Volume 20, No. 3, Nov. 2018  
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 Websites - Tracing London Convicts in Britain and Australia, 1780-1925 Pg. 9  
Ku-ring-gai Historical Society Inc November 2018 Newsletter Vol. 36 No. 10  
 Historical Moments Sydney Cove, 1789 Pg. 4

Leonie Baker Member #769 Exchange Journals Officer

## USEFUL WEBSITES, ETC. FOR GENEALOGY

- \* **Register of Cases of Bubonic Plague 1900-1908:** This record has been opened to public access after 110 years and can be searched by the name of the Plague victim at NSW State Records & Archives at <https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/magazine/bubonic-plague>
- \* **Irish Genealogical Research Society (IGRS) Useful Links:** Websites you will find on the link below will help you to undertake your Irish family history research by accessing online records, documents, catalogues, finding aids or advice. Many of the resources can be accessed freely but some require registration and possibly a subscription cost (indicated by the (£/€/ \$) tag). For websites marked

with an \* you can find indexes and transcripts on several of the main subscription sites or free on Family Search. Go to: <https://www.irishancestors.ie/useful-links/>

\* **Australasian Wills and Probate Indexes** (Collection by Susie Zada): You might find Wills & Probate indexes or records for the various Australian states, territories and New Zealand (as at June 2018). Be aware that these change regularly with more indexes and records being digitised and available online or with new URLs. Go to: <https://www.pinterest.com.au/susiezada/australasian-wills-and-probate-indexes/>

\* **East Perth Cemeteries**: Friends of Battye Library and National Trust of Western Australia have launched an upgraded website for the East Perth Cemeteries. New burial data, faster and more sophisticated search abilities and a fantastic mapping component is available at [www.eastperthcemeteries.com.au](http://www.eastperthcemeteries.com.au)

\* **Cornish Association of NSW**: There are many Cornish people working or retired in Australia and up to 2% in the State of NSW have strong Cornish ancestry which started in 1788 with the arrival of convict James Ruse and his countrymen on the First Fleet. The CANSW follows an earlier association in the late 1880s which lasted well past the 1920s, with some existence known until the 1950s. The modern CANSW was formed by post-WWII Cornish immigrants for social and cultural activities but soon gained many members of Cornish descent (up to the 6th generation). CHDFHS Society Members, Joy and Chris Dunkerley (who joined towards the end of 2018) are President and Treasurer of the Association. If you have Cornish ancestry, have a look at the site and the links listed. Go to: [www.celticcouncil.org.au/cornish/nsw.htm](http://www.celticcouncil.org.au/cornish/nsw.htm)

\* **Tracing London Convicts in Britain & Australia, 1780-1925**: The resources on this British website are vast and it is impossible to describe all that you might find. Millions of searchable records from 50 datasets contain information on the lives of 90,000 convicts from the Old Bailey sentenced to transportation or imprisonment. The records are divided into 6 categories: Trial Records; Post-Trial and Sentencing Records; Transportation Records; Colony Records; Civil Records; and Imprisonment Records. In some cases, the data can be viewed directly on the website, in other cases the search directs you to datasets that can be accessed on subscription websites such as Findmypast. Go to the site at: <https://www.digitalpanopticon.org/>

\* **Scottish Indexes**: This website at <https://scottishindexes.com/> has added over 133,000 Scottish High Court records to their website. The High Court in Scotland was responsible for hearing everything from serious criminal cases (such as murder and treason) to cases of repeat offenders for less serious crimes. The information held in each record in this collection varies greatly depending on the crime and the circumstances. One nice thing about criminal records is that they often contain a great deal of information not often found in an ancestral record, but which is of interest to genealogists, e.g. many criminal records contain detailed physical descriptions and photographs of the accused. The records in this collection can be searched by first name, last name, occupation, residence, year of birth and court/prison. Access is free.

\* **FamilySearch** has added many new records and images as well as indexing additional records including **Historic German Lutheran Church Records 1500-1971** (in partnership with Ancestry) and **Ireland 1901 Census Records** (another 900,000 records added).

**SUBSCRIPTION SITES**: Our Society has subscriptions to Ancestry, Findmypast and The Genealogist as well as BDA and BNA and we are an Affiliated Library of FamilySearch.

\* **Ancestry** has updated or added many collections including **Australian Convict Transportation Registers – Other Fleets & Ships 1791-1868**.

\* **FindmyPast** additions include **Ancient English Marriage License Records** dating back as far as 1115 for 15 different counties incl. London, Lancashire, Suffolk, Exeter, Lincoln and Yorkshire; and Cheshire.

**REMEMBER** to keep re-checking sites you have searched before as most are constantly adding new records especially the free National Library of Australia website (incl. Trove) and also The Ryerson Index. All links were checked and valid on 5 February 2019.

Marlene Gordon Member # 1307

## NEW RESOURCES

Choosing new resources for our Society is often a difficult job for the Committee and we welcome input from our members. We try to choose resources that will be well used by many and cover a broad field. If you would like to offer suggestions please fill out the form which is in the Brown Folder on the Admin Desk in our rooms and place in the Resources Tray near the Admin Computer.

Gloria Small – Resources Officer #43

### BOOKS

*Tumut Pioneer Cemetery*. Donated Marie Payne

*West Limerick Families Abroad* - Donated Marie Payne

*Convict First Fleeters: Alexander, Charlotte, Friendship, Lady Penrhyn, Prince of Wales and*

*Scarborough* - Donated by Ian O'Hearn

*Sydney Cove 1791-1792* - Donated

*Female Orphan Institution 1814 Rydalmere Hospital 1986* - Donated

*Burials of First Fleeters in Van Diemen's Land 1807-1860* - Donated

*Coffs Harbour District Birth Records 1880-1910* - Donated by Ian O'Hearn

*Orange & District Pioneer Register to 1860*

## I'M MY OWN GRANDPAW

Dwight Latham and Moe Jaffe

Can you work out the relationships in the song?

In the 1930s in the USA, Dwight Latham had a group, the Jesters, on network radio; their specialties were bits of spoken humour and novelty songs. While reading a book of Mark Twain anecdotes, he once found a paragraph in which Twain proved it would be possible for a man to become his own grandfather. In 1947, Latham and his songwriter friend, Moe Jaffe expanded the idea into a song, which became a hit.

'Many, many years ago when I was twenty-three  
I was married to a widow who was pretty as could be  
This widow had a grown-up daughter who had hair of red  
My father fell in love with her and soon they too were wed  
This made my dad my son-in-law and really changed my life  
For now my daughter was my mother, cause she was my father's wife  
And to complicate the matter, even though it brought me joy  
I soon became the father of a bouncing baby boy  
My little baby then became a brother-in-law to dad  
And so became my uncle, though it made me very sad  
For if he were my uncle, then that also made him brother  
Of the widow's grownup daughter, who was of course my step-mother  
Father's wife then had a son who kept them on the run  
And he became my grandchild, for he was my daughter's son  
My wife is now my mother's mother and it makes me blue  
Because although she is my wife, she's my grandmother too  
Now if my wife is my grandmother, then I'm her grandchild  
And every time I think of it, it nearly drives me wild  
Cause now I have become the strangest case you ever saw  
As husband of my grandmother, I am my own grandpaw

I'm my own grandpaw, I'm my own grandpaw  
It sounds funny I know, but it really is so  
I'm my own grandpaw!'



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- 2 hours free research per year for members who are resident 50km or more from Coffs Harbour.

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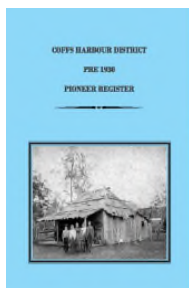
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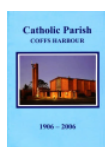
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