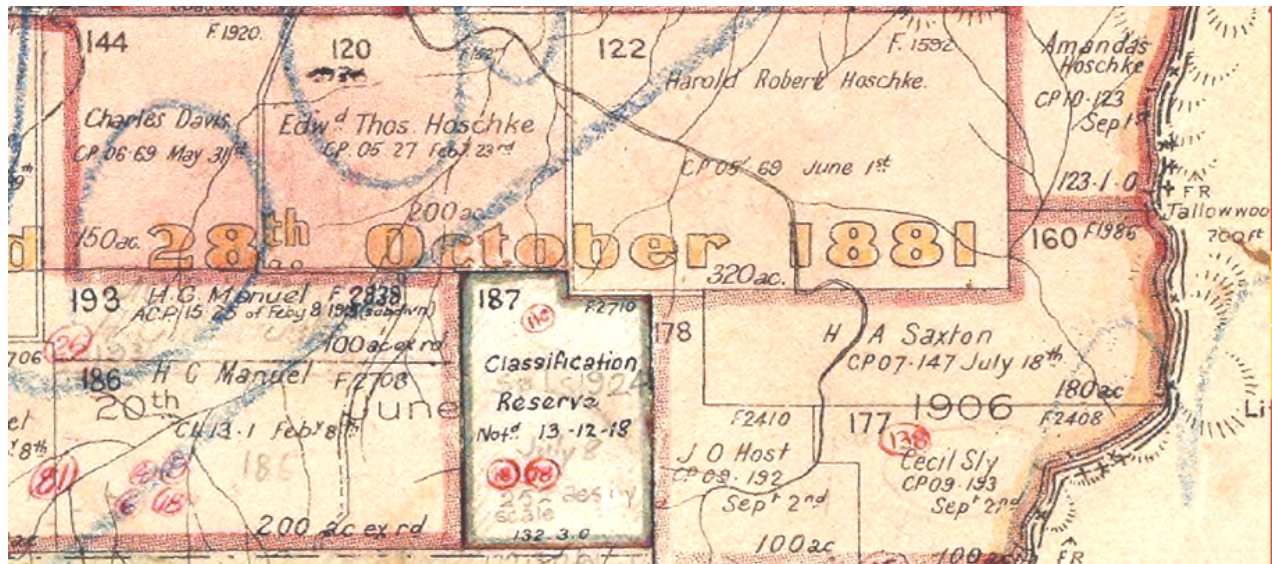


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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It has been quite a busy but very rewarding year for our Society.

The Annual Meeting was held twice this year as we did not get a quorum for our first meeting. The second was held a week later - as per the constitution. I would encourage members to attend these meetings, as it is from here that the committee take direction.

Funds held by our Society: A question was asked at the meeting as to why we need to hold so much in funds. We hold funds for the betterment of the Society. Websites have to be paid for, (around \$2500.00), rent has to be paid, resources are acquired and we have maintenance on all our equipment as well as having to replace ageing computers. We also have to be aware that, as we are in rented premises, there is always the chance that one day we may need to move on from our present home. Incidentally, the funds held equate to a year of all membership received.

This year we have to say farewell to Barbara Smith. Barb has been a member for quite a while holding membership #318. She has been our Resource Co-ordinator for a number of years and will be a great loss to the Society. We wish you all the best at Port Macquarie, Barb.

Diane Fitton, a thirty year certificate recipient, sent an email that I will copy here:

'Membership of the Society has given me a lot of pleasure over the years, not just because of the wealth of assets that are held, but also because expert assistance is always available and freely and happily given. It is a pleasurable experience to visit the rooms and I thank the leaders and workers who have made the Society great, and who keep it in such a robust condition'.

Sincerely, Diane Fitton

Thank you Diane it is great to receive such emails.

Another member sent an email after the last seminar and I quote: *'The monthly workshops are fantastic - they really stir you up to keep going with family research.'*

The Seminar conducted by the R.A.H.S. was well attended and the speakers imparted a great deal of information on how to make our research more productive. My personal thanks to all who helped to make the day a huge success.

Our next function is our end of year Christmas party to be held at the Sawtell Golf Club on Saturday 10th December commencing at 12pm at a cost of \$30.00. I hope as many of you as possible can be in attendance. Our rooms will be closed for research on that day.

In conclusion I would like to wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas and New Year and much success in the search for your ancestors.

Stan Gordon, President #1610



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

CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR BREAK

This year our research room will be closed from 4pm on Thursday 15th December and will open again on Tuesday 24th January 2017 at 10am. Our rooms will not open for research on Saturday 10th December – our Christmas Party. We will also be closed on Thursday 26th January for Australia Day.

30 YEAR MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

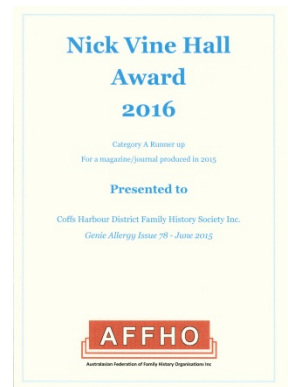
Nora Secombe and Diane Fitton joined our Society on 15th February 1986 and have now received their 30 year continuous membership certificates. Nora is one of our Life Members and was on our Committee from 2001 firstly as Workshop Co-ordinator, then President and was Vice President until 2015 and Diane has been a loyal member since 1986. Congratulations Nora and Diane.

NICK VINE HALL AWARD 2016

The Nick Vine Hall Award is awarded annually to member societies in two categories based on membership for the best family history journal/newsletter in Australia and New Zealand. Category A Award is for societies with less than 500 members.

Our Society received the *Category A: Runner up Award* for the second year for our June 2015 issue of Genie Allergy. Congratulations go to our Journal Editor, Narelle Hoy on the excellent job she does each quarter and also to the members whose articles were included in the journal.

We will try again in 2017 for the 1st place award for one of our 2016 issues.



COFFS HARBOUR CHRISTMAS ATTRACTIONS

(December 21, 1950) Coffs Harbour Advocate p. 1.

Local residents who will be spending Christmas around the family table, as well as visitors to the district, will find Coffs Harbour Festive Season's bill of fare a veritable cornucopia of entertainment to meet all tastes. Organised attractions include: world championship woodchops and ring events at the Showground, aquatic carnivals on the harbour and adjacent beaches, bowls, golf, cricket, tennis, surfing, fishing, tours to the beautiful Dorrigo Mountains and Bellinger River, picnics to the lovely Orara Valley and numerous beach resorts, dancing in town and at beach camping reserves, films, and the meeting of friends. What town could offer more? What more could the holiday-maker desire? From near and far visitors will come to Coffs Harbour by air, rail and road transport, to bask in the sun; to cast for the finny denizens; to picnic by cool river glade; to indulge in the general fun and games. The spark of holiday spirit will be touched off with family reunions on Christmas Day. It will crescendo into a fun parade at the Surf Club and Band aquatic carnival on Boxing Day, and reach full illumination that evening at the Show Society's six-night carnival.

THE WOODCHOPS

Fifty of the world's greatest axemen will hew through 800 blocks during the carnival. Outstanding features will be the world championship events: 14-inch standing and 16-inch underhand chops. Local residents will remember the magnificent chopping in the 16-inch underhand last year when GEO. PARKER and TOM KIRK chopped blow for blow with machine-like precision. PARKER struck the final blow a fraction of a second before KIRK but the effort had sapped his strength and he collapsed as he stepped from his log. In that fraction of a second Kirk had severed his log, bounded to the ground and supported his collapsing opponent, who, incidentally, had that second taken the world

championship crown from him. Kirk won the other title. He and other championship holders and ex-holders will be appearing at this year's carnival.

An excellent programme of ring events will be staged on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights. They include a spectacular water jump, hunting events, camp drafting and bullock riding. The ring will be under the stewardship of Mr. W. MORRIS, who has loaned 50 bullocks for the occasion. Indications are that large entries and the proven skill of local rough-riders at past carnivals will make a very attractive programme.

Boxing will be conducted by Messrs A. THOMPSON and A. COTTELL in an arena erected on the grounds. Local talent will provide fight fans with a feast of leather-pushing.

Committee members will be running chocolate wheels with exceptionally good prizes. The ever-popular cooked lobsters and hams will be "on again" as well as many other valuable prizes.

Soft drinks will be served adjacent to the wood chopping arena. The Ladies' Auxiliary will serve tea and sandwiches in their new pavilion, which has been improved for the occasion.

The President, Mr. A. P. SMALL and organising-secretary, Mr N. JORDAN, have marshalled their forces and set the stage for another first-class Christmas Carnival.

AQUATIC CARNIVAL

At the Jetty Beach on Boxing Day the Citizen's Band and Surf Club will conduct a monster Aquatic Carnival. A special train will run from Grafton for the day and buses from Macksville, Bellingen, Sawtell, Orara, Coramba, Glenreagh, Nana Glen and Woolgoolga will cater for district patrons. Speed-boat racing will be the special attraction on the Aquatic programme. Ten to twelve boats from Maclean, Grafton, Kempsey, Taree, Gladstone, Bellingen, Nambucca, and Woolgoolga will vie for honours with local boats and thrills galore are in store for spectators. Demonstrations of water skiing will be given between races. Over the past weeks local ski riders have reached a high standard in this spectacular sport and are sure to turn on a good show on Boxing Day. Other harbour attractions will be model yacht racing - (these models are three feet in length and carry up to seven feet of canvas), canoe races for youths and swimming races in which local champions will face the starter. On the beach there will be events for the children. The Sawtell and Coffs Harbour ladies March Past teams will give a demonstration. Boxing contests, chocolate wheels, luncheon booth and a publican's booth will be located on the higher land over-looking the beach and harbour. Every form of entertainment for the holiday-maker will be featured at this big Aquatic carnival.

SURF CARNIVAL

Sawtell Surf Club will stage its annual carnival on the Sawtell beach on Sunday, December 31. Here again there should be exciting competition amongst the best surf men on the North Coast, and lots of thrills provided by surf boat and surf ski in their respective events. Teams will be competing from all clubs from Yamba to Kempsey-Crescent Head. The array of trophies for the carnival, on display in business house windows, is the most extensive and expensive ever to be offered for surf competition on the North Coast.

BONVILLE RESERVE

The ever-popular Bonville Reserve is already a canvas city as holiday-makers streaming in day after day. Swimming in the creek for the juveniles and in the surf for the more efficient; fishing from headland and beach; the nightly dancing in the Reserve Hall, all have their special appeal. On New Year's Day all turn out in force and join the frolic and fun at the sports carnival and woodchops. Indications are that this year's figures will surpass last year's record totals.

FISHING

The angler, be he of the rugged deep-sea type, the beach caster, the estuary fisherman, or the fellow who elects the cool banks of the running inland streams, should find good sport. Reports this week were that Jewie are running out Moonee way, and Whiting are biting along Boambee beach. In the creeks Flathead of the larger variety have been bagged, while at spots along the Orara and

..... bait. Other popular spots that will interest the angler are North Beach, Urunga, Sawtell, Campbell's, Digger's and Park beaches. [*Parts of this section were illegible - editor*]

SURFING

All day and any day is surfing time in this clime, with a selection of beaches ranging from quiet seclusion to boisterous surf. However, nice as these quiet spots may be for that little family outing, bathers are advised to surf on beaches patrolled by lifesavers. These are Woolgoolga, Sawtell, Hungry Head and Park Beach.

OTHER SPORT

Splendid greens and links are available for the sportsman who would like to indulge "the rollup" or "the hit-off" over the holidays. A warm welcome awaits visitors to the Bowling or Golf Clubs. Tennis courts are conveniently located around the township and the visitor looking for the "hit over" will find plenty of takers amongst local followers of this sport.

INLAND TOURS

The car tour to the Dorrigo Plateau is a never-ending delight. The Bellinger River Valley; Thora, the mountain climb; the changing vegetation from hardwood to softwood forests and tropical growth; the panoramas from vantage points; waterfalls – all are encompassed en route. This trip is regarded as one of the State's most scenic tours. For the shorter outing the Orara Valley and Friday Creek have many charms. Here under a willow tree or in shady glade is the ideal picnic ground. Verdant sward and clear-running, shingled-bottomed swimming pools run in an endless chain along these streams. The casual picnicker will find it just a matter of pulling up wherever fancy directs. The younger generation, too, will find plenty of amusement. Nightly dancing, films and the various side-lights at carnivals all offer an abundance of good fun for these devotees. Yes, Coffs Harbour has an excellent bill of fare this holiday season. *sic*

FUN WITH SHARKS (Uralla Times, Thursday 28 October 1943, page 2)

Coffs Harbour 'Advocate' states: Fishing from the rocks at the quarry last Sunday morning Messrs GORDON JARRETT, MILTON SMITH and CHARLES GILBEY had some exciting times with large sharks that are numerous along the coastline just now. Earlier in the morning Mr Smith landed two nice schnapper but after that the sharks started to bite. Three 8ft. 6in. long and weighing about 400 lb each were landed. Mr Jarrett had a great tussle with his shark, landing it with a No. 13 cuttyhunk line and light rod. He was about three quarters of an hour before he succeeded. *sic*

HOTEL FOR SAWTELL (Coffs Harbour Advocate, Tuesday 23 February 1932, page 4)

SOME INTERESTING STATISTICS: Evidence given at Bellingen when FRANCE TYSON applied for permission to transfer the license of the Imperial Hotel at Fernmount to Sawtell contained many interesting statistics concerning Sawtell showing how it has grown. From the "Courier" we take the following:

SERGEANT H.O. JOHNSTONE, Licensing Inspector, stated that he had made inquiries in connection with the application and submitted the following report to the Bench:

1. The site to where it is proposed to remove the license of the "Imperial Hotel" Fernmount and also the existing buildings, are Lots 1 and 2, 1st Avenue, Sawtell which is about 8 ½ miles by road from Coffs Harbour and about 19 miles from Fernmount. Sawtell is a tourist and camping area and is adjacent to Bonville tourist and camping reserve.

2. The permanent adult population of Sawtell and Bonville is approximately 350. During the summer months, swelled by tourists and campers, the population is large.
3. The only accommodation at present at Sawtell is a boarding house, run by a Mr. ENGLAND. It contains 28 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, 2 downstairs and two upstairs, with dining room, kitchen, etc. One or two private houses take in two or three boarders each, otherwise the boarding house mentioned is the only accommodation available. It is situated on the opposite side of the lane from the proposed site of the hotel.
4. It would appear to me that the accommodation available at Sawtell for the public visiting the locality is not adequate, and that further accommodation is necessary for the convenience of the public.
5. The existing buildings of the "Imperial Hotel" at Fernmount, which it is proposed to remove to Sawtell, and re-erect are old, of wood with iron roof, and would appear unsuitable as hotel premises at Sawtell. The building suggested in attached plans and specifications would appear to be suitable so far as size is concerned but I would recommend that materials used be fibro cement or brick, instead of wood. I suggest that an adequate septic tank service be installed in the premises at Sawtell, assuming the application is granted. I might, mention that the site is of a very sandy nature and I would suggest very suitable for septic tank installation.
6. At the time of my visit to Sawtell the licensee of the "Imperial Hotel" Fernmount, who is the applicant in this matter, produced a document to me, purporting to be a petition, carrying 48 names, apparently signed by such persons, the greater number of whom are known to me to be residents of Sawtell. This fact is mentioned to act as a guide to the Licensing Bench so far as the feeling of local residents is concerned in connection with the proposed removal.
7. Both Fernmount and Sawtell are situated in the Bellinghen Licensing District. There is no school, hospital, or place of worship in the vicinity of the proposed site. I have not and will not, lodge any objection to the removal.

EVIDENCE OF THE APPLICANT: The applicant, FRANCE TYSON, stated:

"I am the licensee of the Imperial Hotel, Fernmount, and am the applicant for the removal of that license to premises to be erected at Sawtell. My idea is to remove the building from Fernmount and re-erect it at Sawtell. There are approximately 20 rooms in the proposed building. I have not provided for any sewerage system. I was leaving that for the court. I have not provided for electric light. I have a Gloria plant to put in pending the coming of the Nymboida scheme, which will come through Sawtell. Negotiations are in progress with the Bellinghen Shire Council now. They have concluded a contract with Dorriggo Shire for the scheme and as Sawtell is on the boundary of the Dorriggo Shire, it will not be long before the light will come to the Bellinghen Shire. I expect that the scheme will be adopted by Bellinghen Shire from six to nine months hence."

To the Bench: "The license fee of the Imperial Hotel is about £15. I have no permanent boarders at Fernmount. I had only 22 casuals for the whole year. Sawtell is in the same licensing district and the same electoral district. My idea was to erect the old building at Sawtell. I would be prepared to do whatever the Board requires, provided it was not too expensive. I could get water there easily. I would be prepared to put pipes through the drain running at the rear of the proposed site. I have not received any objections. I would be agreeable to fill up the block almost level with the street. I am the owner of the freehold of the hotel at Fernmount."

In a statement, which was admitted as evidence, Mr. Tyson read the following statistical information to the Court:

'Railway Traffic: The North Coast railway passes within about a mile of Sawtell, where there is a platform. There is also a platform at Bonville, within a few miles, which also serves the locality. Passengers booked from the two stations for the year 1931: Bonville—January 118, February 61, March 52, April 58, May 49, June 39, July 44, August 45, September 46, October 61, November 34, December 87, total for year, 694. From Sawtell— January 211, February 158, March 185. April 121, May 159, June 119, July 143, August 144, September 163, October 135, November 157, December 219, making a total of 1859, or a grand total from the two stations of 2553. There is a service between the Sawtell station, connecting with the township of Sawtell and the adjoining Bonville Reserve. Sawtell is a permanent township, which has sprung into existence during the past nine years. It is one of the favoured seaside resorts of the North Coast. It is a residential and business area.

The principal established businesses are: butcher, baker, store, boarding house, milk vendor, chemist and dentist, refreshment rooms and picture show. These businesses serve the adjoining Bonville Reserve. There is good surfing and swimming together with river and ocean fishing. Its popularity as a seaside resort is increasing every year.

Bonville Reserve: This reserve is immediately adjacent to Sawtell Township and within one quarter of a mile of the proposed site for the erection of hotel. There are a great number of cottages on this reserve and it is also extensively used by campers during the summer months. The major portion of the cottages are occupied by permanent residents. Taking the Christmas period as 8 weeks there were 150 camps pitched on the reserve. All camps paid a ground rent and were occupied by an average of five persons per camp. Taking a period of 18 months prior to 31st December, 1931, Miss JEAN BAILEY, who conducts an agency for letting cottages, received 414 applications by post. Families occupied the cottages and in some cases visited the locality 4 and 5 times during this period. The caretaker of the reserve is Mr. J. BAILEY, and during the 12 months ended December 31, 1930, he made a practice of collecting empty bottles for sale. He sold 63 cases of 4 dozen to a case. The bottles were beer, whisky, rum and wine. All collected in the locality. Nine years ago there was only one cottage on the reserve and the township of Sawtell had not sprung into being. There are today 54 first-class cottages on the reserve alone and 71 at least on Sawtell. There are 17 at Lyon's Estate, three quarters of a mile away. The total is 142. During a period of 4 weeks dating from Christmas Eve, 1931, the dance hall revenue was £122 at the door. There were regular dances conducted at the admission of 1/- per head. There are 80 children attending the school in the locality. The school building had to be enlarged to provide for an additional 30 pupils during the last nine months. There were 115 votes recorded on the area at the last Federal elections.

The petition presented to the Court was personally obtained by the applicant and contains the names of 97 bonafide adult male and female residents living within a radius of one mile of the site of the proposed hotel."

OTHER EVIDENCE

PERCY CHARLES HARDAKER, car service proprietor, from the railway to the town, at Sawtell, said "he also let houses. He had repeatedly seen 200 to 250 people get off the train at Sawtell. He had seen that in almost every month throughout the year - particularly at Easter and other holiday times. He had on an average five applications for cottages during nine months of the year. He had not been able to nearly supply the accommodation. His cottages had always been filled for three months ahead. He had gone round all the other agents and had frequently to return people to the train the same

afternoon. He considered that it was necessary for an hotel to be erected at Sawtell for the convenience of the public. The population of Sawtell was increasing.”

GEORGE REYNOLDS JOHNSTON, dairy farmer, residing at Bellingen, but who up to a few months ago was living at Sawtell, said the place had gone ahead a good deal, and he did not consider that there was enough accommodation there. An hotel would supply the necessary want. It was a recognised thing that an hotel was under control as regards accommodation.”

CHARLES ALT FINCH, stated that “he was a resident at Sawtell and also owned the picture hall there. He had lived at Sawtell about 41 years permanently. His reasons for considering that an hotel was necessary were that during the time he had been there he had heard the expression of a number of people to the effect that they would like hotel accommodation and service. From what he could gather a certain proportion of the people preferred a boarding establishment, while others preferred an hotel for the additional conveniences provided by the hotel. Those were generally the people from inland. They wanted the best accommodation they could get and preferred an hotel. The population of Sawtell was certainly increasing. About two years ago he got a petition for an hotel license, and it was signed by most of the people. It was not then proceeded with.”

OSMUND CAMPBELL SAWTELL, freeholder, residing at Sawtell, said “he was the founder of Sawtell. He heard the statement read out by the applicant (F. TYSON). It was correct with the exception of one part. There are 54 houses on the reserve, 71 at Sawtell and 17 on Lyon’s Sub-division, which is three quarters of a mile away. There are 142 houses altogether.” Continuing, witness added:

“I have been living out there for some years permanently. At the present time there is a baker's shop there and he bakes on the average 1000 loaves a week all the year round. There is a picture theatre with an up to-date machine installed. There is a dentist's surgery and a butcher's shop with a refrigerating plant. There is a joiner's shop, two refreshment rooms and three boarding houses and two general stores. Up to the present I got particulars off different agents and Mrs. BAILEY has taken 400 tourists Mr. Hardaker, another agent, has taken about 80. Mrs. CAMPBELL, another agent, has taken about 100. There are three others from whom I did not get particulars. Commercial and men from inland come to Sawtell but they do not stop, mainly because I think they require an hotel. I think that an hotel would create a greater demand. Mr. ENGLAND has a boarding house consisting mainly of flats. I got a letter from the other boarding houses, from Mrs. SPOKES and from Mrs. SCHEEF. I now read those letters to the court. I know of my own personal knowledge that Mrs. Spokes has turned people away. I have met people who have been looking for hotel accommodation, Mrs. Scheef runs a boarding house and she can only accommodate 12. She has turned people away several times. I have taken people up to her place myself and she could not accommodate them. A railway siding was put in at Sawtell about 5 1/2 years ago. I put it in thereto enable the railway to deal with the traffic. A good many railway employees come to Sawtell on passes. One morning I saw about 290 railway employees get off there on passes. They generally put in a fortnight or three weeks there. That happened about seven or eight months ago. Last Saturday week there were over 150 people got off the train there. They would not all be railway employees. I am the owner of the site of the hotel Mr. Tyson has an option of purchase. I will fill up the road part of the site. I will get the soil from the block opposite. The drainage goes into the little creek and the creek runs into the ocean, you would have to go down about eight feet for fresh water. There would be no difficulty in getting good water for drinking and sewerage. The sand foundation would be very good. I think that a license is necessary there for two reasons - (1) Drink is brought there now, and handed out to young people under age, and if there was an hotel there, it would be kept under better control. (2) Men up on the Dorriggo have told me that they would go there and stay if there was a hotel there. In an hotel the accommodation is kept to a certain standard and is under the control of the police.”

This concluded the evidence in support of the application. The Bench then intimated that the matter would be adjourned to 17th March, 1932, and that the Court was prepared to approve the matter upon suitable plans being submitted. *sic* Newspaper articles transcribed by Narelle Hoy, editor #1300

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The Australian Government assumed responsibility for passenger arrivals and departures in 1923 and our holdings mostly date from 1924. Earlier records include arrivals into Fremantle from 1898 and microfilm copies of earlier lists of passenger arrivals for some Queensland ports dating back to the 1850s. Passenger records for the years before 1924 are generally held by the State Government Archives in the state in which the person arrived. Sharon Ingersole #1548

GENEALOGY EVENTS – WHAT’S ON

9-12 March 2018 15th Australasian Congress Genealogy & Heraldry 2018 “Bridging the Past & Future”, International Convention Centre, Darling Harbour, Sydney. More Information at <http://www.congress2018.org.au/>

DIXON FAMILY REUNION

The Descendants of:

FREDERICK HORATIO and JANE (NEE ECKFORD) DIXON

Are holding a family reunion on the 25th November 2017 at Maitland NSW
To celebrate the 200th Anniversary of Fred Arriving in Australia

Some associated families:

BAKER, BELL, BLACK, CAPP, CLIFT, COWARD, ECKFORD, GALLEN, HILLS, MITCHEL,
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Our Workshops and Seminars are listed under the Workshops Heading in this journal as well as on our Website. For a listing of more events, go to <http://www.unlockthepast.com.au/events>

If there are any other events you would like included in the next Journal please give the details to Narelle Hoy, our Journal Editor.

Merry Genealogical Christmas!

Remembering all your ancestors from the past
This New Year how many new ones will you find?

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS



We welcome the following new members to our Society since our last issue of Genie Allergy and wish you well with your research.

Bronwyn Taylor #1869	Ben Hall #1870	Katie O'Connor-Hall #1871
Bruce Moon #1872	Stuart Lessells #1873	Jasmine Braun #1874
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It is important that a form is completed for all membership renewals at the time you are paying your renewal and if you choose to pay by **direct deposit** into the Society's bank account, **IT IS ESSENTIAL** that you complete a form and email it to us so that both the Treasurer and Membership Secretary are aware of the deposit. You can also use the form for changes to your contact details.

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Please contact me if you need help in locating and ordering microfilms/fiche. The order book is under the desk where the book scanner is located.

- To find the details of film you would like to order go to www.familySearch.org
- On the menu bar go to Catalogue, click on Place Search, enter the town you are looking for and choose your country. This will then open to what records you are searching for. Alternatively you can browse by location, choose your country, this will then open to the records listed available for that country.
- Orders to be entered into the RED FOLDER beside the FamilySearch cabinet with name and telephone number. The cost is \$9 per film/fiche and a receipt will be issued.
- PLEASE allow 4-6 weeks for delivery. You will be notified when your film arrives.
- Please supply film/fiche numbers (if applicable), place and whether they are Parish Records, Census, and Bishops Transcripts etc.
- Films may be viewed anytime during normal opening hours however please phone the rooms and book a time if you would like to use the View Scan.

FamilySearch: A GUIDE to the BRITISH BATCHES created by Archer Software

This website lists the extracted batches for the British Isles - previously formed part of the IGI. The introduction is self-explanatory and easy to use.

This site is worth a look and although it doesn't offer all the information provided by the IGI Batch Numbers Website created by Hugh Wallis, it updates and amplifies much of that information.

Look at: www.archersoftware.com.uk/igi/

Helen Hull #1324 FamilySearch Administrator 6652 3339

WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

As I put together the workshop schedule for 2017, I am wondering if there is a particular workshop that you would prefer to have on some aspect of Genealogy that you are interested in - or if there is a special speaker you would like to hear. If there is, please email me at shaz.ingersole.com or telephone me on 02 6653 9240.

Sharon Ingersole #1548 Workshop Co-Ordinator

ITEMS of INTEREST from EXCHANGE JOURNALS

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?

- **Summer 2016:** Page 21 15 Things you didn't know about FamilySearch; Page 60 Focus on Inquest Records; and Page 81 Around Britain – Shropshire.
- **Jul 2016** Page 58 How to Create a Slick Family History Slideshow; and Page 81 Around Britain – Leeds.
- **Aug 2016:** Page 17 10 Top Tips & Tricks for Better Searches (Internet); Page 49 Best Websites – Evacuees; Page 61 Focus on Scottish Valuation Rolls; Page 65 Occupational Hazards – Out of Work, Out of Pocket; and Page 81 Around Britain – Isle of Man.

UK FAMILY TREE:

- **Jul 2016:** This issue remembers the Somme Centenary in 2016 and includes several related articles: on Page 14 How to Start Researching your Tommy at the Somme; and Page 70 Discovering Death Certificates.
- **Aug 2016:** Page 19 Why Visit an Archive? Page 33 20 Easy Ways to Make an Awesome Family History; Page 42 Seeking Your Scottish Ancestry; and Page 66 BMDs - Beyond the Usual Records.
- **Sept 2016:** Page 216 150 Years of Barnardo's – Every Picture Tells a Story (how a family historian might trace a former Barnardo's child).
- **Oct 2016:** Great issue with heaps of tips incl. Page 47 How to get started with Key Documents (excellent article); Page 56 Get Back to Basics; Page 64 Clues to Date Your Family Photos; and Page 70 Illegitimate Ancestors.

IRISH ROOTS:

- **1st Quarter 2016 Issue 97:** Page 10 Tracing Your County Carlow Ancestors; and Page 20 The Usefulness and Limitations of Family Letters in Genealogy.
- **2nd Quarter 2016 Issue 98:** Page 16 What you need to know to successfully research Church Records online; and Page 18 What's New? Review.

FAMILY HISTORY GROUPS, ETC.:

Descent (Society of Australian Genealogists):

- **Jun 2016 Vol 46 Part 2:** Page 86 DNA: Frequently Asked Questions.
- **Sep 2016 Vol 46 Part 3:** Page 145 Land & Property Information Update.

The Tamworth Family Historian Jul 2016 (Tamworth & District Family History Group Inc.): Page 13 Extract from "A History of Werris Creek and District" (The War Years 1914-1918 includes list of veterans).

Dust of Ages Jun 2016 Issue 157 (Armidale Family History Group Inc.): Page 15 Researching Railway Ancestors (all states).

Footsteps Aug 2016 No 140 (Pt Macquarie & Dist. Family History Soc. Inc.): Page 18 Have You Ever Tried Looking In ...? (Suggests several online databases); and Page 21 Searching the SMH at State Library Website Part 1 (very detailed instructions).

Maitland Reminiscences Jul 2016 Vol 18 No 2 (Maitland & District Genealogical Soc. Inc.): Page 6 Reading Old Handwriting and Deciphering Street Names in the UK Census; and Page 9 Storage of Old Documents and Photographs.

Illawarra Branches Jun 2016 No 127 (Illawarra Family History Group Inc.): Page 9 Place Names of the Wollongong Region.

The Crossing Place Aug 2016 No 114 (Casino and District Family History Group Inc.): Page 5 Aboriginal Ancestry; and Page 6 Other Organisations with Aboriginal Records.

Parramatta Female Factory Friends Inc. Newsletter Aug-Sep 2016 Issue 10: Page 6 - The Female Orphan School – a Brief History.

The South Australian Genealogist Aug 2016 Vol 43 No 3 (SA Genealogy & Heraldry Soc. Inc.): Page 16 - The Young Gentleman (details give clues to dating photographs)

Prospect Local History Group Newsletter, SA Jul-Aug 2016 Issue 55: Page 2 Eating Houses of Adelaide (incl. mention of Balfours who most people with SA interests would remember as having delicious pies).

The Ancestral Searcher Jun 2016 Vol 39 No 2 (The Heraldry & Genealogical Soc. of Canberra Inc.): Page 70 Beyond the WWI Service Record – Filling in the Gaps.

Queensland Family History Aug 2016 Vol 37 No 3 (Qld Family History Soc. Inc.): Page 103 New Zealand Search Sites; and Page 110 RBDM Death Records (or why can't I find an historical death record of someone who I know died in Queensland).

Bremer Echoes Jul 2016 Vol 34 No 2 (Ipswich Genealogical Soc. Inc.): Page 6 Cemetery Trustees Information (from a number of small churches that have closed down); and Page 12 Upper Brisbane Street 1918 ((Ipswich).

Rootes Sep 2016 Issue 122 (Gold Coast Family History Soc. Inc.): Page 22 Our Orphans of the Female Orphan School, Parramatta NSW Part 2.

Family Ties Vol 20 No. 1 Sep 2016 (Bundaberg Genealogical Assoc. Inc.): Page 10 Qld State Archives Index available online – Indigence Cases 1899-1948, and Divorces 1861-1895 Explanatory notes (could help if you're researching them)

The CQ Genie-ologist Jun 2016 Issue 120 (Central Qld Family History Assoc. Inc.): Page 35 Rockhampton War Cemetery (incl. list of burials); Page 20 Irish Naming Patterns; and Page 21 A Bit of Blarney (names and naming info).

Ancestor Sep 2016 Vol 33 Issue 3 (Genealogical Society of Vic. Inc.): Page 41 Soldier Settlement in Victoria.

Coladjins Winter 2016 Issue 99 (Colac & District Family History Group): Page 4-5 Almost Forgotten Pre-1900 Burials in Colac Cemetery.

The South-West Genealogist Jul 2016 Newsletter #266 (Warrnambool Family History Group Inc.): Page 3 onwards Warrnambool & District Historicals – inclusions in "Warrnambool Standard").

Peninsula Past Times August 2016 No 143 (Mornington Peninsula Family History Soc. Inc.): Page 16 Migrant Settlement Act 1922 continued (surnames starting with Bi).

Roses & Thorns Mar 2016 (Benalla Family Research Group): Page 5 Benalla's Special People.

Their Past is our Future 2016 Vol 2, No 1 and 2 (Albany Regional Family History Society Inc., WA): These are the first two newsletters we have from Albany, WA and they both have useful research information in them.

Midwest Ancestry Jun 2016 Vol 113 (Geraldton Family History Society Inc.): Page 4 Find Hidden Treasure (good article).

Dunedin NZ Family History Group Newsletter:

- **Jul 2016:** Page 3 Macandrew Road School (incl. pupil details H-L). (A-G were in Jun newsletter); Page 8 Karitane Cemetery.
- **Aug 2016:** Page 2 Oteramika School and War Memorial; Page 5 Where There's a Will There's a Genealogist; and Page 7 Macandrew Road School (incl. pupil details M-Q).
- **Sep 2016:** Page 2 Otatau War Memorial; and Page 5 Macandrew Road School (incl. pupil details R-Z).

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.

Leonie Baker, Exchange Journals Officer #769

USEFUL WEBSITES, ETC. FOR GENEALOGY

* **Snipping Tool for Genealogy and More:** There was a blog published by Louise Coakley in 2014 on using the Microsoft Snipping Tool. It's a fantastic tool so if you don't already use it, this blog could help you to get started. Go to <http://www.genie1.com.au/blog/42-snipping-tool-for-genealogy>

* **Really Useful Information Leaflet:** The Federation of Family History Societies in UK publishes two free information leaflets which are essential guides to family history research – an Australasian version and a version for the British Isles. To download free copies: for the Aussie version, go to <http://www.affho.org/news/FFHS-Aus-RUL-Booklet-FINAL-2016-Interactive.pdf> and for the British Isles version, go to <http://www.ffhs.org.uk/tips/RUL-2016-0712.pdf>

* **Hill End & Tambaroora Gathering Group** has recently updated their website. The site includes a large number of databases containing names of many of those who passed through the area in the exciting times of the gold rushes. Volunteers have trolled through petitions, school records, land records, mining records, census material and many more primary sources to transcribe the names on the old documents and make them available in one location through their website. See www.heatgg.org.au

* **Cemeteries Headstone Photo Collections:**

- **Australian Cemeteries Index:** <http://austcemindex.com/>
- **CoraWeb:** Cora Num's site with many useful genealogy website links including Cemeteries, see <http://www.coraweb.com.au/categories/cemeteries/> or click on the links on the left side of the page for other topics.
- **S.E. Qland cemeteries headstone photo collection:** www.chapelhill.homeip.net/FamilyHistory/Photos/
- **Gravesites of Tasmania:** This site has a lot of information and photos. <http://www.gravesoftas.com.au/>
- **Greater Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust, Vic.:** Access to burial and cremated remains records for cemeteries managed by GMCT. <http://gmct.com.au/deceased-search/>

* **Adelaide Hospital Admission Registers:** To view PDF files of inpatient admission registers for the Adelaide Hospital (after 1939 known as the Royal Adelaide Hospital) go to <http://www.archives.sa.gov.au/search/node/admission%20registers>

* **Victorian Western District Families:** Stories of Pioneering Families from the Western District of Victoria. Check them out at <https://westerndistrictfamilies.com/>

* **Victorian Government Gazette-Online Archive 1836-1997:** This online archive of historic government gazettes provides access to over 160 years of official information published in and about Victoria. You can view images of individual gazette pages, or download and print PDFs of entire gazettes and search the gazette indexes by keyword, phrase, and date or gazette number. Go to <http://gazette.slv.vic.gov.au/>

* **Kent Parish Registers:** CityArk is the online catalogue of the Medway Council Archives Service based at the Medway Archives and Local Studies Centre in Kent, England. They preserve and make available the archives of the Medway area of Kent and also the parish records of north-west Kent. See <http://cityark.medway.gov.uk/>

* **The Anglican Record Project** is an ongoing endeavour to make the registers of baptism, marriage and burial from Church of Ireland parishes available in a digital format. The online version is hosted by the Representative Church Body Library and will periodically introduce new transcripts of parish registers. For more information and links to online archives available go to <https://www.ireland.anglican.org/about/rcb-library/anglican-record-project>

* **FamilySearch (free)** additions include: **Victoria** Inquest Papers 1840-1925; **Limburg, Belgium** Civil Registration records; **Denmark** 1911 Census; **Schleswig-Holstein, Germany** Civil Registration Records; **Hungarian** Civil Registration Records Births 1895-1829, Marriages 1895-1950 and Deaths 1895-1980.

* **Ancestry** has again added many records including: **Victoria** Police Gazettes 1893-1924; **England & Wales** National Probate Calendar, Index to Wills and Administrations 1858-1966, 1973-1995; **UK & Ireland** Nursing Registers 1898-1968; **Glasgow, Scotland** Electoral Registers 1857-1962; **Saxony, Prussia** Lutheran Baptisms, Marriages & Burials 1760-1880.

* **FindMyPast** has also added additional datasets including: **NSW** 1891 and 1901 Census; **Tasmania** Convict Records 1800-1893; **Victoria** Coastal Passenger Lists (3 million records); **London** Post Office Directories 1842, 1851 & 1861; **England & Wales** Crime, Prisons & Punishment Records 1770-1935; **Middlesex, London** Old Bailey Court records 1674-1913; **Ireland** Valuation Office Books (preparatory to the Griffith's Valuation); **Linlithgowshire, Scotland** (West Lothian) Electoral Registers 1864-1931 (485 volumes); **Scotland** Monumental Inscriptions Index; **Monmouthshire, Wales** Workhouse Registers 1837-1929.

* **The Genealogist** has added more records including: **Irish** Births 1864-1915, Marriages 1882-1940 and Death records 1891-1965. Work is ongoing to extend the marriage records back to 1845 and the death records back to 1864; **North Warwickshire UK** Parish Records 1813-1911 (depending on Parish).

NOTE: Our Society has subscriptions to Ancestry, Findmypast and The Genealogist.

* **Scotland's People** has revamped their website. You can register for free but need to pay to download most records. See <https://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk/>

All links were checked and valid on 3rd November.

REMEMBER: Keep checking sites you have searched before as most are constantly adding new records, especially Trove Newspapers, Findmypast, Ancestry, The Genealogist, etc.

MEMBERS' INTERESTS**DIANNE McCOSKER Member No. 1441** Email: mccosker@wn.com.au

FAMILY NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	TIME PERIOD	CITY/TOWN	STATE or COUNTY	COUNTRY
CLIFFE	Charles Walter	1830-1900	Oldham	WRY	ENG
PATRICK	Richard	1760-1850	Buriton	HAM	ENG
BAKER	Lily Jane	1880-?	London	MDX	ENG
BARTON	Joseph	1850-1900	Chartham	KEN	ENG
ADAMS	Robert	1810-1870	Edinburgh	MLN	SCT
MONGER	Robert	1820-1870	Folkestone	KEN	ENG
BARRETT	George	1790-?	Corscombe	DOR	ENG

BETH KENNEDY Member No. 1357 Email: Isabella.1827@gmail.com

FAMILY NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	TIME PERIOD	CITY/TOWN	STATE or COUNTY	COUNTRY
MENZIES		1750-current		ROX	SCT
STEWART	Robert	1750-current	Wilton	ROX	SCT
STEWART nee KEAY	Isabella	1750-current	Midlothian	MLN	SCT
STEWART	Matthew	1750-current	Midlothian & Wilton	MLN/ROX	SCT
RENWICK		1750-current	Hawick	ROX	SCT

NEW RESOURCES**BOOKS****SHADOW OVER TASMANIA: THE WHOLE STORY OF THE CONVICTS:* Donated Val Griffith**THE ABEL FAMILY PART 1:* Donated Peter C Sims**LOWER CLARENCE CEMETERY LIST.***ON OUR SELECTION AT BOAMBEE: THE GRANT FAMILY HISTORY.***SUMMER HILL:* Donated Bev Salter**A REFERENCE GUIDE TO THE TEXAS CEMETERY:* Donated Bev Salter**IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JOHN TURNBULL: THE TURNBULLS OF EBENEZER C 1950:* Donated Bev Salter**WHEN MABEL LAID THE TABLE: FOLKLORE OF EATING & DRINKING IN AUSTRALIA:* Donated June Dziedziczak**GLENREAGH PUBLIC SCHOOL CENTENARY 1887-1987:* Donated June Dziedziczak**TIMBER TOWN HISTORIES: DORRIGO PLATEAU NSW:* Donated June Dziedziczak**THE FRAUENSTEIN LETTERS: ASPECTS OF NINETEENTH CENTURY EMIGRATION FROM THE DUCHY OF NASSAU TO AUSTRALIA.***IMAGING AUSTRALIA IN BLACK & WHITE: NEWSPAPER ILLUSTRATIONS 1880-1940 SELECTIONS FROM THE MOFFITT COLLECTION.* Donated Rosie Doherty**GOLDEN DIGGERS: THE HILL END & TAMBAROORA DISTRICT'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE FIRST WORLD WAR.***WEST STREET CEMETERY CASINO – 4TH EDITION.***USB****PUBS & PUBLICANS IN NSW 1860-1900.*

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 #435

MEMBER ENTITLEMENTS

- Use of Society's resources including books, microfilms, microfiche, computer system etc
- Receive quarterly Journal Genie-Allergy
- Attend meetings and monthly workshops
- Guidance with research in our library
- Resource borrowing scheme
- Free entries in Member's Interests Directory
- 2 hours free research per year for members who are resident 50km or more from Coffs Harbour.

JOURNAL DEADLINES

# 1 st February	1 st Quarter	March Issue
# 1 st May	2 nd Quarter	June Issue
# 1 st August	3 rd Quarter	September Issue
# 1 st November	4 th Quarter	December Issue

Members are invited to submit stories of interest, enquiries re their research, or questions about research for inclusion in our Journal. Material needs to be received by the deadline as above to be included in the next available issue.

ITEMS FOR SALE

Pedigree Charts	20c ea.
Family Group Sheets	20c ea.
Pedigree Chart	20c ea.
Printouts from Computer	20c ea.
Photocopies A4	20c ea.
Brothers Keeper Family Tree CD	\$3.00 ea.
Legacy Family Tree Standard CD	\$3.00 ea.
Researcher's Notebook	\$2.00 ea.
Convict Research Booklet	\$2.00 ea.
Beginning Your Family History Booklet	\$2.00 ea.
Replacement Card Holders	50c ea
Seven Generation Charts A3	\$5.00 ea.

MIDWIVES: Coffs Harbour District, Bellingen & Dorrigo, Nambucca Valley

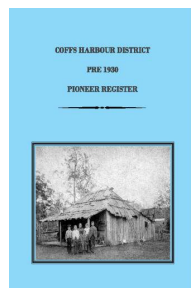
MIDWIVES



COFFS HARBOUR DISTRICT
BELLINGEN AND DORRIGO
NAMBUECA VALLEY

**\$20.00 each
Plus \$7.50 P&H**

COFFS HARBOUR DISTRICT PRE 1930 PIONEER REGISTER



**\$20.00 each
Plus \$15.00 P&H**

DAD'S DIARIES

The diaries of Roy Jordan, son of Walter George Jordan, a pioneer of the Coffs district.
\$18.00

COFFS HARBOUR AND DISTRICT WORLD WAR I VOLUNTEERS' LETTERS HOME (as published in 'Coffs Harbour and Dorrigo Advocate')

COFFS HARBOUR AND DISTRICT WORLD WAR I HONOUR BOARDS

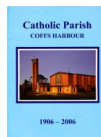
\$6.00 each

*Writing Family History
Templates and Guide*
Dr Noeline Kyle 2009



PRICE: \$10.00
(includes Book & CD)

CATHOLIC PARISH, COFFS HARBOUR 1906-2006

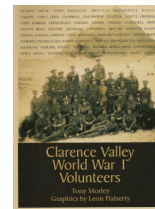


ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL COFFS HARBOUR 1913-2013

\$10 each

If you would like to purchase any of these items, please ask the Duty Monitor when in our Research Room or phone or email the Society

CLARENCE VALLEY WORLD WAR I VOLUNTEERS
By Tony Morley



**\$30.00 each
plus
P&H**

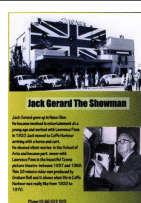
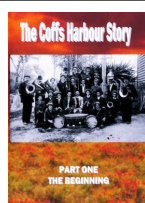
CORA NUM BOOKS

How Did They Get Here? Arrivals after 1924 **\$10.00**
Shipping and Migration Research on the Internet **\$12.00**

DVDs PRODUCED BY GRAHAM BELL \$20 EACH

The Coffs Harbour Story Part 1
The Way It Was
Coffs Harbour 150 Years Old – Looking Back in 2011
Jack Gerard the Showman
100 Years on the Eastern Dorrigo
Jack Hurley and The Lions Road

OTHER TITLES AVAILABLE BY SPECIAL ORDER



A most informative record of those who served in WWI from the Clarence Valley area which encompasses quite a large part of NSW (includes Coffs Harbour, Woolgoolga, Dorrigo, Ebor, Gleniffer, etc).

It gives details of where units were sent, lists Gallipoli casualties, deaths and awards, chronological battle information and an alphabetical list of volunteers with a brief description of each.