

HAWKESBURY FAMILY HISTORY GROUP

MEETING NEWS

13 June 2018

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HAWKESBURY FAMILY HISTORY GROUP ~ MEETING DATES ~ 2018 (10-11.30AM)	
13 JUNE	Familysearch: Everything you need to know with John Parton
11 JULY	Notable residents of 19th century Hawkesbury with Michelle Nichols
8 AUGUST	
Check http://www.hawkesbury.net.au/community/hfhg/meetings.html for the full calendar	

NOTE FOR MEETING WEDNESDAY 8 AUGUST

EXCURSION TO FOOD BOWL FARMING EXHIBITION

Wednesday 8 August 10-11.30am @ HAWKESBURY REGIONAL MUSEUM

An excursion to the latest exhibition which focuses on the cultural history of food production in the Hawkesbury. Includes a special talk about the exhibition. No meeting at Hawkesbury Library - meet at Hawkesbury Regional Museum 8 Baker Street, Windsor. FREE – no need to book.

FAMILY HISTORY CLASSES

WHAT DID THEY DO? FINDING ANCESTORS' OCCUPATIONS

Tuesday 3 July 6.30-8.30pm

Discover where to find out what your ancestors did for a living. **

TOP 10 FAMILY HISTORY RESOURCES

Tuesday 30 August 6.30-8.30pm

This session will focus on the top 10 favourite genealogical resources of our Local History Librarian. Some such as Trove, and UK Census records, are well known, but there will be some surprises! **

** All events \$5 – bookings essential <http://hawkesburylibrary.eventbrite.com> or phone 4560 4460

EVENTS

BOOK LAUNCH: THE STONY GROUND

Sunday 8 July 2018 1.30-3.30pm

Hawkesbury Regional Museum will host book launch of *The Stony Ground* (Waterside Press) by Michael Crowley, UK based poet/playwright. The debut novel, tells the story of Cornish farmworker James Ruse, reprieved from the hangman's noose and transported via the First Fleet in 1788. Eventually pardoned, at Experiment Farm he became Australia's first settled farmer and the first ex-convict to be granted land. 8 Baker Street Windsor.

Free book www.eventbrite.com/e/book-launch-the-stony-ground-tickets-46705445244

SAVE THE DATE – GOW FAMILY GATHERING PLANNED 3 & 4 October 2020

All descendants of William Pashington Terry Gow are invited to attend this gathering of the Gow family at St John's Anglican Church at Wilberforce. William (b ca 1795) was indicted at the Old Bailey on 29 May 1816, along with John Primrose, for "burglariously breaking and entering. William received a death sentence but later commuted to transportation for life,

arriving on the "Morley" in 1817. William was employed as the first schoolmaster of the newly opened Macquarie Schoolhouse at Wilberforce in 1820, remaining in that position until 1842. He also fulfilled the role of parish clerk during this time and his beautiful copperplate writing in the parish registers has been described as "a delight to see". William married Maria Dunstan, daughter of Third Fleeter David Dunstan, in 1821 and they had 10 children. William died in 1872 and is buried at St Peters Cemetery in Richmond along with his wife Maria and daughter Maria, wife of Henry Richmond Powell. Keen to make contact with descendants or to see where they fit in the family tree. Barbara Gow, Stephen Gow, Penny Gow email: wptgowdescendants@gmail.com

Crew & Passengers Index, 1828-1841

Now available - this index may assist those searching for crew of ships arriving in NSW between 1828 - 1841.

www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/collections-and-research/guides-and-indexes/crew-and-passenger-records

SURFING THE INTERNET..... SITES FOR FAMILY HISTORIANS

Check out some of the following interesting family history related websites. Hawkesbury Central (Windsor) and Richmond Branch Library provides free access to the internet for members, and FREE wireless if you have your own device. Password is displayed in Library.

Claim a convict (search & browse)

<http://www.hawkesbury.net.au/claimaconvict/search.php>

New newspaper titles coming on Trove

<http://www.nla.gov.au/content/new-titles-coming>

Climbing my family tree blog

<https://climbingmyfamilytree.blogspot.com/2018/05/do-write-thing-for-genealogy-be-honest.html>

Whitfeld Index (Tasmanian Section) a selective personal name index for 19th century Tasmania

[https://linctas.ent.sirsidynix.net.au/client/en_AU/library/search/detailnonmodal/ent:\\$002f\\$002fSD_ILS\\$002f0\\$002fSD_ILS:676413/one](https://linctas.ent.sirsidynix.net.au/client/en_AU/library/search/detailnonmodal/ent:$002f$002fSD_ILS$002f0$002fSD_ILS:676413/one)

Discovering Anzacs

<https://discoveringanzacs.naa.gov.au/>

Let us know of sites, that you have tried with (or without) success

Hawkesbury Family History Group meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month (except January) Meets in the Tebbutt Room of Hawkesbury Central Library, 300 George Street Windsor NSW 2756. Email history@hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au Anyone interested in family & local history, welcome to attend. Enquiries contact the Local History Librarian at above address. T: (02) 4560 4466 E: michelle.nichols@hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au