

HAWKESBURY FAMILY HISTORY GROUP

MEETING NEWS

14 August 2019

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| HAWKESBURY FAMILY HISTORY GROUP ~ MEETING DATES ~ 2019 | |
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| 14 AUGUST | THE HISTORY OF LOCHIEL HOUSE, KURRAJONG HEIGHTS - DEBORAH HALLAM |
| 11 SEPTEMBER | SIX FEET UNDER DOWNUNDER - CEMETERY RECORDS IN AUSTRALIA - JILL BALL |
| 9 OCTOBER | BIRTHS DEATHS & MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES IN NSW – MARILYN ROWAN |

EVENTS

REMINDER - REX STUBBS SYMPOSIUM Saturday 31 August 2019

Don't forget about the Rex Stubbs event on Saturday 31 August if you are interested in family and local history. You can come for half a day or the full day. It is FREE and lunch is supplied. Book by phoning 4560-4460 or online at Eventbrite www.eventbrite.com.au/e/rex-stubbs-history-symposium-tickets-64219202363



FILLING THE GAPS IN FAMILY HISTORY - Tuesday 27 August 6.30-8pm

The questions to ask and the places to seek in order to fill the gaps of your family history research. Cost is \$5

SEARCHING ON FAMILYSEARCH - Tuesday 5 September 6.30-8.30pm

Learn how to use Familysearch, one of the largest, and free, online family history databases.

****Bookings for both events essential, online <http://hawkesburylibrary.eventbrite.com> or phone 4560-4460**

RIVERSTONE WAR MEMORIAL - CAN YOU HELP?

Riverstone War Memorial turns 100 this November and Riverstone & District Historical Society is researching the history of the monument as well as the names of the people recorded on it. As part of the project the group are seeking photographs or video of the war memorial which stands in front of Riverstone Railway Station. Please look through your photo collection and those of your parents and grandparents, even partial views of the monument will assist. If you can help, please contact the Society rivercenotaph@gmail.com by 10 Sep 2019. Photographs of the following men listed on the monument are also being sought:

WWII - George Frederick GRANGER

KOREA - Patrick GREEN

FIRST WORLD WAR - Cyrus CLOUT, Oroya FORSSBERG, Alfred Joseph OUVRIER, Robert RANKINE, John Thomas ROBBINS, William Eric SMITH & Norman WILSON.



Pie Crickshank - Rumeys Family Collection

WINDSOR PUBLIC SCHOOL CELEBRATES 150TH - Friday 6 September 11am-8pm

Windsor Public School, Dight Street will be celebrating 150 years of public education on Friday 6 September and anyone interested is welcome to attend. The official ceremony starts at 12noon. Historical tours and displays between 11-8 plus food trucks and live music from 5pm. More information, and lots of photographs, see Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2137977453183693/>

The organising committee are still seeking memorabilia and photographs email windsorps150@gmail.com

35TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE NSW & ACT ASSOCIATION OF FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETIES (Friday to Sunday) 11-13 October 2019

The annual conference, hosted by the Ku-ring-gai Historical Society will be held at Knox Grammar School, Pacific Highway, Wahroonga. Check out the amazing program on the website <http://exploringthepast.khs.org.au/program.html> Bookings available for 1-3 days, to register go to <http://exploringthepast.khs.org.au/register.html> For more information please email conference@khs.org.au

NEW HISTORICAL LAND RECORDS VIEWER

NSW Land Registry Services (LRS) have recently relaunched the new Historical Land Records Viewer (HLRV). The new viewer has quite a few enhanced features to assist local and family history researchers so that researchers can access over 19 million items relating to maps, plans, titles, registers and indexes relating to the history of NSW.

- Users can access HLRV online via the Online Portal at <https://hlrv.nswlrs.com.au>
- For more information please visit <https://www.nswlrs.com.au/About/About/Announcements/48>

IN THE NEWS

State Archives (NSW) to launch new collection search

State Archives will be launching a new and improved Collection Search in the next week. This enhanced catalogue will be the main point of entry to their vast archival holdings and will have over 1.8 million items that can be searched from home. Check out <https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/> for more information.

National Archives of Ireland new free website

The National Archives of Ireland has now developed a new family history website to facilitate access to digitised collections that are useful for family and local history research. Access to these records is free of charge. For more information see <https://www.nationalarchives.ie/article/our-genealogy-website/>

SITES FOR FAMILY HISTORIANS

You may be interested in checking out the following sites. Both Windsor and Richmond libraries, provide free internet access to members, and FREE wireless for your devices.

WEBSITES

Geographical Names Board (GNB) https://www.gnb.nsw.gov.au/place_naming/placename_search

North of Ireland Family History Society (Northern Ireland) <https://www.nifhs.org>

FreeREG <https://www.freereg.org.uk/>

Shipping & passenger records (State Library of NSW) https://guides.sl.nsw.gov.au/shipping_passengers

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Hawkesbury Library www.facebook.com/HawkesburyLibrary

Windsor Public School's 150th Anniversary group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2137977453183693/>

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.

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