

HAWKESBURY FAMILY HISTORY GROUP

MEETING NEWS

Wednesday 13 April 2022

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HAWKESBURY FAMILY HISTORY GROUP ~ MEETING DATES ~ 2021	
13 APRIL 2022	The Internet Archive ~ <i>Michelle Patient</i>
11 MAY 2022	Turning family history research into a truth-telling exercise ~ <i>Louise Wilson</i>
8 JUNE 2022	Story of Rev Docker ~ <i>Michelle Nichols</i>

To attend via Zoom book via Eventbrite <http://hawkesburylibrary.eventbrite.com> or phone 4560 4460.

NEWS

As of April it is **no longer necessary to book into attend the Hawkesbury Family History Group meetings in person**. At this stage we intend to continue offering attendance via Zoom. It is still necessary to book via Eventbrite <http://hawkesburylibrary.eventbrite.com> or ph 4560 4460.

Colonial Secretary's 1788-1825 Index and Papers now available

The index, now includes the digital copies of the Colonial Secretary's Papers 1788-1825

<https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/collections-and-research/guides-and-indexes/colonial-secretarys-papers>

EVENTS

HISTORIC CEMETERY TOURS ~ Wed 20 April 10am-12pm

& Sat 30 April 9-11am

Visit McGraths Hill and Pitt Town to rediscover some of Hawkesbury's lesser-known cemeteries, & discover some of the stories about people buried in these historic places.

\$10 Book via Eventbrite at

<http://hawkesburylibrary.eventbrite.com>



FREE WRITING WORKSHOP ~ Wednesday 20 April 6-7.30pm

Want to start your creative writing journey? Book into this practical and FREE writing session and discuss methods for developing plot structures, creating interesting characters and settings, and examine the different uses of language. Presented in partnership with West Words and WestLit libraries. Held Hawkesbury Central Library, 300 George Street Windsor.

Book via Eventbrite at <http://hawkesburylibrary.eventbrite.com>

MAKING SENSE OF THE CENSUS ~ Tuesday 3 May 6-7.30pm

With the recent release of the 1921 UK Census what better time to revisit census records. In this session we will focus Census resources, and how to make the most of them in your family history research.

\$5 Book via Eventbrite at <http://hawkesburylibrary.eventbrite.com>

DNA AND ITS USEFULNESS FOR FAMILY HISTORY RESEARCH WITH MEL HULBERT

Saturday 23 April 2022 at 10am Presented Colo Shire Family History Group
Tebbutt Room, Hawkesbury Library (Deerubbin Centre), 300 George Street, Windsor
To attend book with Neil Renaud, Colo Family History Group by 18 April 2022

E: nrenaud@bigpond.com or P: 0423157089 or 4571 2472. Cost \$5 (members) \$7 (non-members)

FAMILY HISTORY MAGAZINES AND BOOKS ONLINE

Through Overdrive you can access a range of books and magazines relating to family history for free. You do need to be a library member. If you are not a member, join for free, see instructions below. Go to Overdrive <https://hawkesbury.overdrive.com/> and log in with your library card and pin. Type in family history in the search bar. Look for **Family Tree UK** There are magazines as well as books to borrow.



FREE MEMBERSHIP

If you are not a member, it is free to join. While the Library is closed you can join **online** <https://aurora.hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au/library/Join.aspx> but just phone the Library 4560 4460 to activate the card so you can start using our resources.

NEXT CRIER

The next issue of the Hawkesbury Crier will be out in June. If you have any information, reunions, research that you may want to share, please email to history@hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au by 30 May.

SURFING THE INTERNET..... 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.

Prisoners' Letters to the Bank of England, 1781-1827

Letters held in the Bank of England's archives, many from women *"begging help to cope with prison conditions and with the journey to Australia"* the *"story of a surprising relationship between convicted prisoners and a mighty financial institution."*

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/london-record-soc/vol42>

Familysearch

<https://www.familysearch.org/>

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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. Bookings are now required, phone (02) 4560 4460 or via Eventbrite <http://hawkesburylibrary.eventbrite.com>
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