

HAWKESBURY FAMILY HISTORY GROUP MEETING NEWS

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HAWKESBURY FAMILY HISTORY GROUP ~ MEETING DATES ~ 2023

9 AUGUST	Women of the early Hawkesbury ~ JAN BARKLEY JACK
13 SEPTEMBER	Brickwall Solutions ~ MICHELLE NICHOLS
11 OCTOBER	Follow the sources ~ WAYNE KEDWARD
8 NOVEMBER	Parramatta Female Factory riots ~ GAY HENDRIKSON
13 DECEMBER	Show & Tell (plus Christmas morning tea)

The Hawkesbury Family History Group is now meeting in person and bookings not required. Meetings are still held via Zoom, book via Eventbrite <http://hawkesburylibrary.eventbrite.com> or phone 4560 4460.

NEWS

NATIONAL HISTORY MONTH 2023

August is National Family History Month and it is a busy month packed with lots of events to celebrate see <https://familyhistorymonth.org.au/>

TOP TIPS

Everyday during August, discover family history hints and resources from Hawkesbury Library Service and the Hawkesbury Family History Group on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/HawkesburyFHG - see right >

DEALING WITH SENSITIVE MATERIAL

Speaker will be Anita Jacoby will be giving the closing Family History Month event on **Thursday 31 August at midday** at the Metcalfe Auditorium at the State Library NSW. It will a live event discussing how to deal with sensitive family history material in research and publishing. It may be on Zoom? Register via <https://familyhistorymonth.org.au/> or email jan@jansquire.com

TREASURES ON TROVE - TUESDAY 15 AUGUST, 10.30-11.30AM

As part of Family History Month learn about the free online resources on TROVE - newspapers, maps, photographs & more plus the best searching techniques.

FREE - IN PERSON - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL <https://hawkesburylibrary.eventbrite.com/>

SEPTEMBER EVENT



The following Hawkesbury Library Service event will be held in September. **WINDSOR CEMETERY TOUR – SATURDAY 16 SEPTEMBER, 9.30-11AM** Discover 2 historic cemeteries (Catholic & Presbyterian) in Windsor & find out some of the interesting people & tragic stories. Tour details at booking. \$10 - IN PERSON - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL <https://hawkesburylibrary.eventbrite.com/>

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TOP FAMILY HISTORY TIPS #6/31
A great way to focus on an ancestor is to create a profile. In a word document (or in a notepad) write a person's full name, then add birth death & marriage information. Go through your notes and keep adding information, e.g. started Windsor Public School 1 Feb 1901; was bridesmaid for sister Jane at Ebenezer Church 12 Mar 1920; aged 22 years gave birth to 1st son, Karl on 4 Jun 1923. Then add snippets of historical information e.g. World War 1 1914-1918; Stanley Bruce (1883-1967) was Prime Minister in 1922 etc.
Profiles can assist your research, see below 
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#hawkesburyfamilyhistory

Create a profile



- A profile is an outline - useful for family history research
- Create a profile for an ancestor
- Profiles work best in chronological order
- Helps with contextual details
- Gives a picture of someone's life
- Facilitates with problems or brickwalls
- Look for comparisons
- Link family to historical events
- Shows what is known & what is yet to discover.

FAMILY HISTORY MONTH @ STATE LIBRARY OF NSW

Series of webinars presented by State Library of NSW on a variety of topics including Birth & Baptism records, Trove, Family research - 7 strategies to get unstuck and Death and Burial records. Book here <https://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/research-and-collections/using-library/researching-your-family-history/family-history-month>

REMINDER - JOIN THE LIBRARY TO WIN!

Joining is FREE! All new members during August receive:

- An entry into the draw to win one of two Samsung tablets
- A joining gift

Lost your card or haven't been for a while? Visit the Library during August and have your card replaced for FREE.



SURFING THE INTERNET ~ FAMILY HISTORY SITES

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.

New Zealand - Papers Past

<http://paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/>

Project Gutenberg Australia (includes First Fleet material)

<http://gutenberg.net.au/>

Australian Cemetery Geolocations

<http://www.auscem.com/auscemlist.php>

Archives Maps

<http://archivemaps.com/mapco/index.htm>

State Records ~ Ask an Archivist

<https://mhnsw.au/collections/state-archives-collection/ask-an-archivist/>

Shipping & Passenger Guide (State Library of NSW)

https://guides.sl.nsw.gov.au/shipping_passengers

Possible family history cruises with Unlock the Past

<https://www.gouldgenealogy.com/2023/04/unlock-the-past-cruises-2024-2026/>

Sackville North Methodist Cemetery (Find a Grave)

<https://www.findagrave.com/cemetery/2625096/memorial-search>

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) in the Tebbutt Room, Hawkesbury Central Library, 300 George Street, Windsor NSW 2756. Anyone interested in local and family history welcome to attend, and it is free to attend. For more information about the Hawkesbury Family History Group contact the Local History Librarian e: history@hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au t: 02 4560 4466.

The Local Studies Collection for all your family & local history research, is located in the Central Library, 300 George Street Windsor 2756. See <https://www.hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au/library/services/local-and-family-history-resources>