

HAWKESBURY FAMILY HISTORY GROUP MEETING NEWS

Wednesday 8 November 2023

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HAWKESBURY FAMILY HISTORY GROUP ~ MEETING DATES ~ 2023

8 NOVEMBER	Parramatta Female Factory riots ~ GAY HENDRIKSON
13 DECEMBER	Show & Tell (plus Christmas morning tea)
NO MEETING IN JANUARY 2024 – FIRST MEETINGS 14 FEBRUARY 2024	

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.

NEXT MEETING

The final meeting for the year is Show & Tell on Wednesday 13 December, starting at 10am. Bring along an item of interest to share. It can be a story, a photograph, family memorabilia or resource. Please join us for the December meeting and then share Christmas morning tea. This meeting is only in-person and will not be accessible on Zoom, online meetings will continue in 2024. There is no meeting in January and we will restart the new year on Wednesday 14 February 2024 with a very special guest speaker. Watch this space!!

NEWS

Finding resources about convict history webinar

Between 1788 and 1842 about 80,000 convicts were transported to New South Wales. This session will present some essential resources for researching convict history. Check out this free webinar which will be held Wednesday 15 November 10am–11am. Bookings <https://mhns.wa.gov.au/whats-on/events/finding-resources-about-convict-history/>

Rootstech 2024

Registrations now open

Registrations are now open for RootsTech. The event will take place in Salt Lake City in the US 29 February to 2 March 2024. The theme for next year's conference is "Remember your story" and you can book by visiting www.rootstech.org

It is free if attending online or USD\$69 1 day pass or USD\$99 for a 3 day pass, if attending in person.



Registration is open!

Feb. 29–Mar. 2, 2024
Visit rootstech.org

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The banner features two circular images: on the left, a man in a military flight suit and helmet; on the right, a young girl in a winter hat and jacket. The background is a gradient of teal and purple.

Passing of Rosemary McKenzie

The Heraldry and Genealogy Society of Canberra Inc have announced the death of the Society's President, Rosemary McKenzie on 28 October 2023. Her passing was unexpected and sudden. Her contribution to their society and genealogy in general was extraordinary and she will be sadly missed.

In Search of...DNA Connections

Sessions held over weekend of 24 November 2023 and 25 November 2023. A virtual conference dedicated to uncovering information and resources about DNA. Presentations will include using the Leeds Method to sort matches plus more advanced topics such as Y-DNA and mtDNA. This event will commence with a one-hour Friday evening session, followed by further presentations on the Saturday. Speakers include Martin McDowell, Fiona Brooker, Louise Coakley & Mags Gauden. Presented by the Society of Australian Genealogists. Cost is Members – \$80 + Non-members – \$120. Bookings <https://www.sag.org.au/event-5322521>

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

Mossie's Musings: A place for storing materials to help in researching our family history with the assistance of DNA by Christine Woodlands

<https://mossiesmusings.blogspot.com/>

Official Histories, Rolls & Unit Diaries (Australian War Memorial)

<https://www.awm.gov.au/collection/official-histories-rolls-unit-diaries>

The Genemonkey: My Family History and DNA Research Projects

<https://genemonkey.com/>

South Australian State Records

<https://www.archives.sa.gov.au/>

How to use GENUKI genealogy gateway to UK records

<https://www.genuki.org.uk/org/help/visitors>

Gateway to Isle of Mann records

<https://www.genuki.org.uk/big/iom>

Australian Indigenous family history

<https://www.nla.gov.au/research-guides/finding-indigenous-family-history>

Janelle's family tree addiction

<https://janellestree.blogspot.com/>

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>