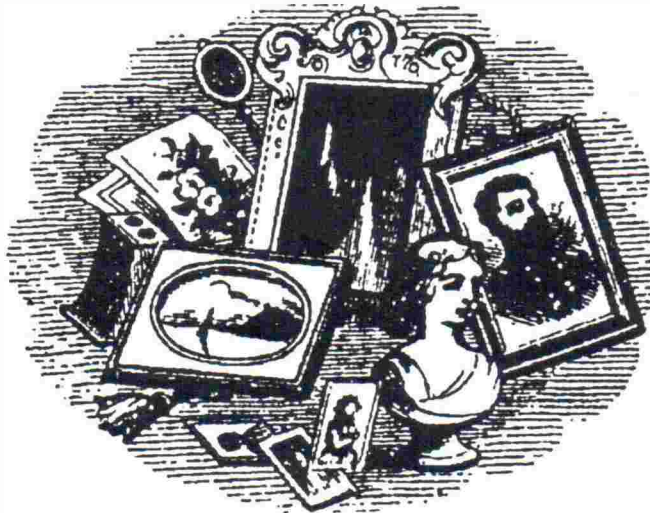


THE
MID GIPPSLAND
FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY Inc.
NEWSLETTER



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Meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month, except December, at the Meeting Room, entrance at the rear of the Moe Library, Kirk St, Moe. Our Library will open at 7:00 pm, with meetings starting at approximately 7:30pm.

Fees 98/99: Membership Single \$18 ; Family \$25
Library: gold coin donation per visit for non-members

There is a research fee of \$10 plus SAE for any enquiries requiring research, with additional charges for large amounts of photocopying and/or postage. Enquiries should be clear and concise.

Please direct all enquiries to The Secretary, PO Box 767, Morwell, 3840, and mark the envelope "Research Query".

Articles for this newsletter are accepted in good faith and, while every effort is made to ensure accuracy, the editor takes no responsibility for submitted items.

Welcome Rosemary Marks is the latest member of our group and we wish her well in her research.

The Annual General Meeting saw some changes in our line up (see opposite page). A big thank you to outgoing committee members and also to those who have taken up or continued on in positions.

Thank You!

Some positions remain vacant. Can you fill the gaps?

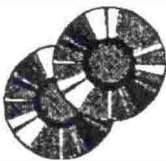
I am continuing on as editor and would love some contributions for the newsletter. Does any one have anything suitable for a cover or some good sites on the internet to share with the group?

Thanks to Mavis for representing our group at the hospital open day. Thanks also to Elaine, Lori and Wendy who spent some time there as well.

In June seven of our members travelled to the G.S.V with mixed results. Some found nothing and others had varying degrees of success. I was quite pleased as I tackled the English censuses for the first time and learnt more about a couple of families I am researching. The new premises got the thumbs up from everyone as there was no problem getting readers, records, seats etc., as in previous years.

At the July meeting we looked at some ways of recording and presenting our family history. Pam's method was most interesting and quite unique. She has made an ancestral cloak. The cloak is of felt, which she has made, and on the cloak are copies of her family photos which she has transferred onto fabric.

Membership fees are now due. They are \$18.00 single and \$25.00 family. Only financial members will receive a newsletter after this issue.



Two CDs are now available for loan. They are the 'Tasmanian Pioneers 1803-1899' and 'Hatches, Matches & Dispatches - an index of over 31 000 baptismal, marriage and burial/death records of Ballarat and surrounding areas'.

A roster for each CD is on display in our meeting room so you can check out when they are available, write your name in and get the number of the person you need to contact to organise collecting the

CD. More details on the borrowing procedure are available in our library and with the CDs. This is a first so the borrowing system is on trial and can be changed if problems arise. Thanks to Don for getting things going here.



Seminar: Saturday 5th September. Promises to be an informative day. See the details opposite and see you there!

The La Trobe Shire Community Library Service has published two guides which will be of interest to many of us. They are *Family History Records in the Latrobe Valley - a brief guide to the location of records available for family historians* and *Published Histories of the La Trobe Shire available from the La Trobe Shire Community Library Service*. The former covers records held by all family history centres, not just the Community Library, and the latter includes a list of local history contacts. The publications are available in our library and the various branches of the Community Library.

Gay Rogers has released a new book called 'Jericho on the Jordan a Gippsland Goldfield History.' According to The Express, Monday, 15 June, 1998 this is her fifth book and describes the history of the discovery of gold in this region and the lifestyle and changes that occurred along the Jericho, between Walhalla and Woods Point. It is a 332 page hardcover and is available from local bookshops RRP \$45.00 or from Gay at P.O Box 866, Moe, 3825 for \$50.00 (including postage).



COLONIAL OCCUPATIONS continued from last issue

Ironmonger	Dealer in iron goods
Jorman	Journeyman
Keller	Salt keeper
Kellog	Slaughter man
Lardner	Official in charge of pig food
Limeburner	Maker of lime
Macon/Marson	Mason
Malster	Malster or brewer of malted beverages (beer)



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SEMINAR

Saturday 5th SEPTEMBER 1998
VENUE: St Andrew's Church Hall
Fowler Street, Moe.

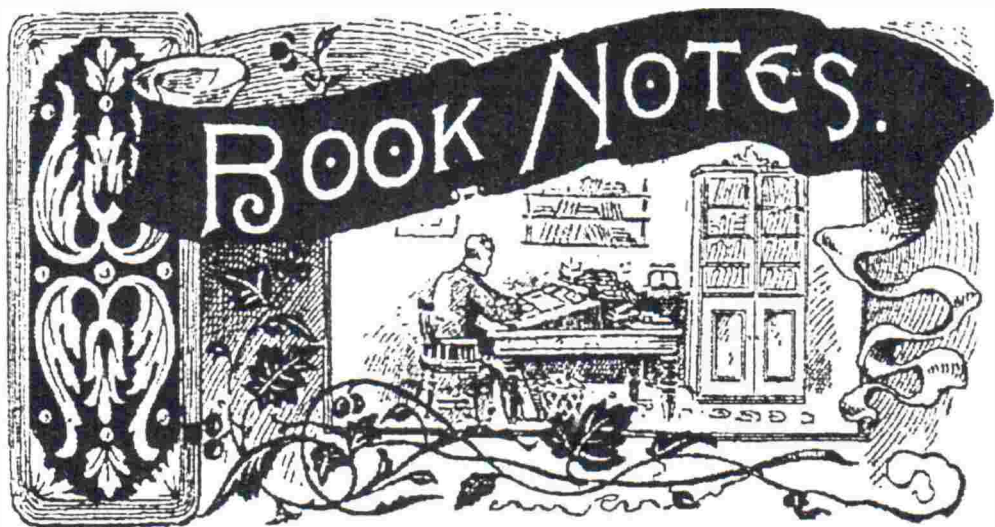
GUEST SPEAKERS

Peter Free - Police Historical Records
Denis O'Riordan - Irish Research
Irene Fullerton - G.U.M. (Internet Research)
Graeme Reynolds - Government Gazettes

TIME: Registration 9.15am
FINISH: 4.30pm
COST \$10.00 per head
Morning and Afternoon Tea Supplied
B.Y.O. Lunch

MACBETH BOOKS & MICROFICHE FOR SALE

For further details contact
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New in the Library- with special comments from Bob.

G.R.D. 1998. No need for further comment. A well known annual publication.

Eaglehawk & District Pioneer Register Vol. 2 "D" to "I". The next book in a series of a register of the pioneering families of the Eaglehawk district.

Donson. The family history of the Donelly family from England to Australia. Written by our own member Rod Donelly and donated by Rod.

My Ancestor Was A Methodist. A guide for researchers whose ancestors were of the methodist faith and where to find the records.

1998 British Road Atlas. An up to date road directory of Britain. Donated by Rod Donelly.

Port Albert Maritime Museum Holdings.

Philimore's Atlas.



New Microfiche

Victorian Crown Grantees Index Part 1 1838-present.

South Australian Records prior to 1841.

Land Owners Ireland Part 1 - Leinster
 Part 2 - Munster
 Part 3 - Ulster
 Part 4-Connaught

Land Owners Scotland (South) Parts 2-5

Immigration to Victoria Series.

*Index to Inwards Passenger Lists from Foreign Ports 1852-1879

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Charters Towers Discharge Book 1890-1901

Charters Towers Jurors and Witnesses 1920-1937

Keilor Collection

Depasturing Licences Index 1840-1851

Tickets of Leave & Certificates of Freedom Index 1840-1851

Pubs & Publicans Index 1840-1854

Some Asylums & Licenced Houses

The Button Index

Victorian Assessment on Stock 1857

Electoral Roll Melbourne & Surrounds 1851



1798 - 1998 in AUSTRALIA

LEVISTON

Reunion of Descendants

Sunday November 22nd 1998 - 10-30am

McKay Hall, Eureka Stockade Ballarat

BYO. Picnic Gear & Food.

Hot water available

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Ballarat



Ernie Stares had a great find on the internet recently, the details of the will of one of his ancestors from the year 1639!

Will of William Stares of Grange, Rowner 1639

<http://www.portsdown.demon.co.uk/wws.htm>

Description: Abstract of Will of William Stares of Grange, Rowner 1639

Reference: Winchester County Record Office 1640A/164-1

R. Towner 13th February 1995

Will of William Stayres, Yoeman

Being sick of body commend my soul to Almighty God, etc

To Winchester Cathedral, twelve [shillings]

To Elizabeth my wife the bed on which I lie and all things hereto belonging. One brass pan which was hers before marriage. One brass bottle and a brass pot. One great chest standing in the little parlour and two colfers and a box in the chamber where I lie. Besides those such household stuff (sic) and goods as she my said wife shall think fit for her own use up to a value of three pounds lawful English money.

I give and bequeath unto my son William Stayres the bed in the chamber over the little parlour (not the steadle(?) unless paying what the steadle(?) cost) and all things appertaining thereto. One bottle and pot of brass. One dungpot, one cartlade and a pair of wheels the best sanc(?) one pair. One plow and all things appertaining thereto.

I give and bequest unto my son James Stayres fifty pounds of lawful ... to be paid ten pounds on the next 25th March and ten pounds annually until the sum be used up. Also one brass pot, one featherbed with bolster, a pair of blankets and a coverlet which are now in my lodging chamber.

I give and bequest unto my son Thomas Stayres forty pounds ... upon he accomplishes the age of 22 years twenty pounds to be paid to him and twenty pounds the following year. Also one copper bottle and one bed which is at Fishberry's(?).

I give and bequest to my daughter Agnes Stayres forty pounds etc at her full age of 24 years.

[A clause giving her the money if she married earlier has been crossed out].

I give and bequest to my son Robert Stayres forty pounds etc on accomplishing the full age of 23 years.

I give to my son Nicholas Stayres the truckle bed that is in my lodging chamber with the blankets, coverlet and all things belonging.

I give to Elizabeth Bound, Mary Bound and Jane Bound my grandchildren twenty shillings apiece as they shall accomplish the age of 21 years or on the day of their marriage whichever first shall happen.

I give to Mary Garret and Annie Garret the children of William Garret ten shillings to be paid [as above].

I give to Elizabeth Bound my daughter (wife to Nicholas Bound) forty shillings to be paid within one year of my demise.

[Clause as to what happens if any of the legatees die before inheriting etc.]

I make my son John Stayres the sole executor of this my last will and testament.

Overseers my beloved friends Nicholas Bound of Crofton and William Garret of Stubbington, yoemen. For their pains, thirty shillings.

Signed William Stayres



NEWSLETTER NOTES

We now receive **Australian Family Tree Connections**. As a society which subscribes to this magazine our members are entitled to some **discounts and free ads**. Check out the magazine for details.



The Genealogist June 1998 has an article on creating **genealogy homepages and surfing the net**. Includes some relevant addresses. Read the same issue if you are interested in **Merri Creek, Immigration Records and research in Ballarat and District**.

One of the latest newsletters of the 1850s Group of Victorian Colonists has information on **The Larpent Ship and Settlement**.

The March 1998 newsletter of the Cobram Genealogical Group Inc. includes the final section to the index of the ledger kept by Mrs Winchester in her General Store 1901, 1902, 1903.

The Colac & District Family History Group Inc. are collating a **Colac & District Armed Forces Personnel Photo File** and a **Pioneer Register pre 1900-1920**. See their Autumn 1998 newsletter for details.

If you are confused about **Irish land divisions** check out the Heyfield Family History Group's August newsletter for an explanation of counties, baronies, townlands, etc.

The Lithgow and District Pioneer Press from February has a list of local records held by the society and the May issue contains the **Index to Rydal Public School Register 1886-1965**.

Lists and notes on **some Irish Parish Histories** are continued in the Port Fairy Genealogical News of May 1998.

If you know the date of an important family event but would like to know which day of the week it occurred on you will find the formula for doing so in Furphy Murmurs (Shepparton Nov '97-May'98).

See The Mail (Descendants of Convicts) July-August 1998 if **Norfolk Island** interests you.

As well as the usual articles on Family Tree Maker, Ultimate Family Tree and Reunion 5 you will find information on **creating your own family page** on the web and **graphics tips** in the July 1998 issue of GUM.

The Mt Isa Society's May newsletter includes some notes on research in **county Monaghan and using estate records as sources**. Notes are from the 3rd Irish Genealogical Congress 1997. In the same issue are; extracts of the **QLD Govt Mining Journals - Inspector's report for Cloncurry** October 1912, the **latest prices for BDM certificates in Australia and overseas** and a list from 1892 of people who were going to be removed from the electoral roll for the district of Barcoo.

See Origins May 1998 (Cairns & District) for information on **Chillagoe** including the 1902 Post Office Directory.



MORE COLONIAL OCCUPATIONS

Marshall	Horse servant, or groom
Mayer	Physician
Millow	Miller
Millwright	One who designs or builds mills
Nettir	Knitter
Osler	Bird-catcher
Osnard	Herder of oxen
Outrider	Mounted attendant riding before or behind a carriage
Packman	Itinerant peddler
Parochus	Rector, pastor
Peever	Pepper seller
Pilcher	Maker of pilches
Ploughwright	One who makes or repairs plows
Porcher	Pig-keeper
Porter	Gate-keeper or door-keeper
Poulterer	Dealer in poultry





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PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE

Books (postage cost on application)

Childers Cemetery Register & Transcriptions	1879-1994	\$ 5.00
Gippsland Crematorium Register	1985-1995	\$15.00
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Hazelwood Cemetery Transcriptions 2 vols	1879-1995	\$30.00
Moe Cemetery Register	1891-1996	\$20.00
Moe Cemetery Transcriptions 2 vols	1881-1997	\$30.00
Toongabbie Cemetery Register	1872-1995	\$15.00
Toongabbie Cemetery Transcriptions	1873-1994	\$15.00
Trafalgar Cemetery Register	1887-1995	\$15.00
Trafalgar Cemetery Transcriptions	1886-1994	\$20.00
Traralgon Cemetery Transcriptions 2 vols	1872-1994	\$40.00
Walhalla Cemetery Transcriptions	1869-1995	\$15.00
Willow Grove Cemetery Register & Transcriptions	1898-1993	\$15.00

Microfiche (postage included)

Childers Cemetery Register & Transcriptions	1879-1994	\$ 4.00
Gippsland Crematorium Register	1985-1995	\$ 8.00
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Hazelwood Cemetery Transcriptions	1879-1995	\$15.00
Moe Cemetery Register	1891-1996	\$10.00
Moe Cemetery Transcriptions	1881-1997	\$15.00
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