

ECHUCA-MOAMA FAMILY HISTORY GROUP INC.

A Genealogical Society and Research Library

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RESEARCH ROOMS

Please check the Roster that was sent to you with the last issue of Bridges and Branches to see which days the research centre is open. The August dates have been posted on our Facebook page.

DENILIQVIN PASTORAL TIMES DIGITISATION PROJECT

To have the Pastoral Times digitised by the National Library of Australia (NLA) in Canberra, and then placed on Trove. We are assisting the Deniliquin Genealogy Society to promote and raise funds for the digitisation of the Deniliquin Pastoral Times newspaper by the National Library of Australia (NLA) and posting on the TROVE website. A committee has been formed and four members of EMFHG, John Howe, Catherine Murnane, Shirley Durrant and Brian Ellis are members of this committee. The Pastoral Times began publication a few years before the Riverine Herald and it covered the early years of Moama, Echuca, Womboota, Thyra and Mathoura districts, so is important for people researching family and local history in those early years.

A bank account has been opened where donations can be deposited:

Post to Treasurer, Deniliquin Genealogy Society Inc. **PO Box 332, Deniliquin NSW 2710**; or transfer direct to the **Deniliquin Genealogy Society – BSB 633 000 Acc No. 192631687** Please notify Deni GS of your name by email after depositing funds so that your donation can be confirmed and a receipt issued.

The National Library of Australia's TROVE have agreed to the project and \$5,000 has been forwarded to them to start on the digitisation. \$20,000 has been pledged by a private donor. This initial \$25,000 will cover digitisation from 1863 to 1925. Trove have advised that digitisation will begin in August or September. It is hoped that another \$20,000 can be raised so that the work can continue into the 1950s.

Deni Genies held a fundraising morning tea last week and raised \$5,000.

UPCOMING MEMBER EVENTS

- Tuesday 9th August @ 1 30 pm Monthly Meeting
- Saturday 20th August @ 1 30 pm GUEST SPEAKER – Alan McLean, an update on the Fifi Shipwreck and Early Newspapers – The colour & entertainment for family historians.
- Tuesday 13th September @ 1 30 pm Monthly Meeting
- Saturday 17th September- EXCURSION – Museum of Australian History & Art Gallery Maryborough
- Tuesday 11 @ 1 30 pm Monthly Meeting

BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE

We have been allocated another Sausage Sizzle it is on Saturday 3rd September, the day before Father's Day from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm. If you can help out on the day, even if only half an hour to give someone a break, please send me an email emfhg9@hotmail.com or ring Judy 0408 335 186

ON THE WEB

SCOTLAND

Do you have ancestors from the **Caithness** area?

The [Johnston Collection](#) includes the work of three generations of Caithness photographers who captured images of life in and around the area between 1863 and 1975. During that period they produced around 100,000 glass plate negatives of which around 50,000 survive and are held in trust by the Wick Society. Over 41,000 of the photos are online, and you can buy high quality reproductions at reasonable prices.

BRITAIN

[The Victorian Web](#) concentrates on Victorian Britain from 1837 to 1901, although there is material both before and after this period. It presents a network of related material on a subject, rather than a single authoritative

view, providing both visual and textual material. With topics including history, religion, literature, painting, architecture, book illustration and sculpture, it's a great go-to site to explore the social and political landscape of your Victorian ancestor.

ENGLAND

DustyDocs is a handy portal of English baptism, marriage and burial records between 1538 to 1900 sourced from freely available church records, validated by user contributions. The records relate primarily to the British Isles and can be searched using family names and/or locations. It also has related information and lists that help to contextualise the information found in these records, such as old occupations, old diseases, Chapman county codes as well as a surname database and distribution map.

MEMBERS INTERESTS DIRECTORY – THIS IS A VERY USEFUL SERVICE TO FIND OTHERS RESEARCHING YOUR FAMILY

Why not take advantage of this service for members, and submit the family names from your family tree to the Members' Interests Directory. It is a great and FREE way of finding others researching your family, visit our website <http://home.vicnet.net.au/~emhist> to view entries by other members; you never know someone could be looking for the same people you're searching for. Information on how to submit your research interests can also be found on the website also. **Email your member's interests to emfhg9@hotmail.com**

FAMILY HISTORY TALKS ON OUR LOCAL RADIO

Tune in on the second Thursday of each month at 10am and listen to members Val and Judy talking on various topics related to genealogy and family tree research. **EMFM 104.7**

DO WE HAVE YOUR UP-TO-DATE CONTACT DETAILS?

If you are about to change your address, change your telephone number, email address etc. Please send your current details to our Membership Secretary by email to emfhg9@hotmail.com or post to:

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