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1982 Promises to be another successful and rewarding year for our Mid-Gippsland Group, with plans under way for many interesting activities during the year, and several new members welcomed at our last meeting.

Some of these activities are:

1. Bus trip to G.S.V. on March 27th.
2. Excursion to transcribe the Moe Cemetery with the East Gippsland Group either 17th April or 1st May.
3. A guest speaker Mr. Wright from the G.S.V. to speak on a topic of our choice, in June or July.

BUS TRIP

This trip to the G.S.V. library in the Block Arcade, Melbourne has been planned to give our country members an opportunity to use the library's facilities.

Date: 27th March.

Time: Depart Gippsland Folk Museum at 8.30 am

Depart G.S.V. 4.00 pm.

Cost: Approx \$8-00 (depending on numbers)

Lunch: b.y.o. or cafe near by

Tea: Stop on way home if required.

Non members are invited.

NOTE: Please bring your own notebook and pencils, no biros or ink pens permitted.

Remember to do your homework beforehand !!

For further details ring Secretary Karen Bush (051) 27 6178 up until 7th March, then Mrs. Audrey Bennett (051) 27 2614.

TRAVELLING ENGLAND

The highlight of our February meeting was a talk by Mr. Alec Wood, from the Traralgon Historical Society, who spoke on his recent trip to England and Scotland tracing his family history. One branch of Mr. Woods family came from Ripplingham, Eng. where he was able to visit the original family home which dates from Cromwells time.

Everywhere he went Mr. Wood found that people were interested in his research, particularly after they discovered he was from Australia. He found everyone from the village people to officials at the Genealogical Resource Centres helpful and willing to assist. However he had some interesting comments on the professional researchers, who had been researching for him in England. He was disappointed by their attitude as he found they were reluctant to meet him and were generally unco-operative. In some cases he was able to find information himself where the professional researchers had not been successful.

Thank you Mr. Wood for a very interesting and informative talk; I think we all caught some of your enthusiasm.

MOE CITY REPORTER

Watch the new local newspaper, Moe City Reporter, for items and notices concerning the Mid-Gippsland Genealogical Group.

LOCAL HISTORIES

A sub-committee has been formed to answer any queries received concerning local family histories or anything of a local nature.

THE WEEKLY TIMES

The Weekly Times has genealogical queries and notices of family reunions in 'Miranda's pages'.

COUSINS, COUSINS, COUSINS

If you are confused working out your relationship within your family then this table may help.

Example - Your fathers first cousin is your 1st cousin once removed (one generation away from you) and not your second cousin. Your grandfathers first cousin is your first cousin twice removed (two generations away from you).

C = cousin B = brother GGF = great grandfather
 U = uncle GF = grandfather 2GG = great great grandfather
 R = removed

4GG father			(b)					4GGU
3GC father			(b)					3GGU 1C5R
2GG father			(b)					2GGU 1C4R 2C4R
GG Father			(b)					GGU 1C3R 2C3R 3C3R
G father			(b)					GU 1C2R 2C2R 3C2R 4C2R
father			(b)					U 1C1R 2C1R 3C1R 4C1R 5C1R
YOU	brother							1C 2C 3C 4C 5C 6C
son	nephew							1C1R 2C1R 3C1R 4C1R 5C1R 6C1R
G son	G nephew							1C2R 2C2R 3C2R 4C2R 5C2R 6C2R
GG son	GG nephew							1C3R 2C3R 3C3R 4C3R 5C3R 6C3R

SCHOOL HISTORIES

The history of education in Victoria and the histories of all Victorian State Primary Schools (until the Education Department's Centenary in 1973) has been published under the title "Vision and Realization" (3 volumes).

Volume 1 covers the history of the Education Department and Volumes 2 and 3 cover the history of each school, including those which have been closed. Some of the school histories include names of head teachers, some name famous ex-pupils, but names of pupils attending the schools are not included.

"Vision and Realization" is currently out of print and not generally available but each State Primary School has a copy, and your local school principal would probably be pleased to let you use these books if they are of interest.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

Membership of one of the following societies may be useful for those interested in extensive genealogical research.

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| (1) The Australian Institute of Genealogical Studies,
P.O. Box 68,
OAKLEIGH 3166 | (2) The Society of Australian Genealogists,
Richmond Villa,
120 Kent Street,
OBSERVATORY HILL, Sydney 2000 |
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PUBLICATIONS

Roots and Branches - Errol Lea-Scarlett - Now available in paperback \$5-95 from the G.S.V.

THE AUSTRALIAN ARCHIVES

This information was taken from a pamphlet distributed by the Australian Archives.

The Australian Archives is responsible for all Commonwealth Government Records once they are no longer needed for current use. Commonwealth records can be described generally as any records which have been received, created or kept by a Commonwealth agency or official in the course of official business.

The majority of records in the custody of the Australian Archives date from Federation (1901). Commonwealth records complement records of the State Governments which are maintained separately in State archival institutions.

As well as official records, the Archives hold the personal records of individuals such as Ministers and senior public servants who have been closely associated with the Commonwealth Government.

The records consist of paper records in a variety of formats, such as correspondence files, maps, plans, charts, letterbooks, certificates and so on, as well as records in other media including photographs, films, etc.

Every branch of the Archives has a public search room where records can be consulted. In accordance with Government policy access to records less than 30 years old is not permitted.

Any member of the public who wishes to use the records may visit or contact the Archives by telephone or writing.

It is not Archives policy to undertake detailed searching for specific information or documents for researchers, although every effort is made to assist those who are unable to visit within the limitations of available resources.

Address of Regional Branch of the Australian Archives.:

Victoria

Senior Archivist,
Kevin Martin,
Outer Crescent,
MIDDLE BRIGHTON 3186

Postal Address:
P.O. Box 33,
BRIGHTON Victoria 3186

Examples of Records of the Victorian Branch of the Australian Archives

- (a) Postmaster - General records, lists of appointments, promotions and transfers (1852-1949)
- (b) Victorian Customs and Excise Officers service records (1841-1926)
- (c) Returns of public servants, Victoria (1884-1900)
- (d) Permanent staff lists, Commonwealth Public service (1901-1972)
- (e) Victorian colonial Defence Department and Boer War records, World War I, World War II.
- (f) Records of payment of pensions, mainly for military service.
- (g) Lists of crews of ships of vessels in Victorian Ports (1882-1965)

TRARALGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Newspapers on micro-film.

Recently the Traralgon Historical Society has purchased from the State Library of Victoria micro-film copies of three newspapers. The papers being, the Traralgon Journal, the Rosedale Courier and the Port Phillip Gazette. The Traralgon Journal is presently available. The Rosedale Courier and Port Phillip Gazette are to arrive shortly.

These papers can be read on a micro reader at the Traralgon Library. For further information on the availability of these newspapers please contact the Traralgon City Library. Phone (051) 74 2534

MONIGATTI

Bartolo Monigatti was born in Poshiavo, Switzerland. He married Mary Lenioni at Poshiavo approx. 1860-63. They had two children, John, born in 1863, and Angelo, born in 1864. It is thought that Bartolo's wife Mary, died after the birth of Angelo, and that Bartolo married again. This time to Mary Ganornia.

In 1887, Bartolo and his two sons, John and Angelo, came to Australia and settled at Eaglehawk, Victoria. Bartolo Monigatti died in May of 1904.

In 1891, on the 21st July, at St. Aidiens Church, Bendigo, Angelo (son of Bartolo), aged 27 years, married Martha Augustina Lettellier Franscella, aged 20 years. Martha was born at Whipstick, on the 16th January, 1871, the daughter of Mary Anne and Paul Franscella. This couple had eleven children.

A fair amount is known of the family of Angelo and Martha, but nothing is known of Angelo's brother John. If anyone has any information on John Monigatti or any descendants, who are thought to have resided in the Eaglehawk area, please contact Mr. John Rogers, 68 Hennessey Street, Moe.

TEA ROSTER FOR 1982

March 25th	Glad Macreadie, Bev Reynolds Harry Bennett	August 26th	Joan Graham Don Macreadie Mr. Peterkin
April 22nd	Elaine Paice, Lawn Cowley Margaret Beckett	September 23rd	David Tatnell Irene Arnott
May 27th	Gay Rogers Annette Perthbridge	October 28th	John Kelly Joan Thege Dot Needham
June 24th	Audrey Bennett Rae Billing Helen Robinson	November 25th	Cheryl Nielsen Ruth Hutchison
July 22nd	Daryl Wilson Suzanne Postlethwaite		

Next Meeting

25th March, 1982

at 8.00 pm

at the Moe Regional Education Centre

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