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CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER:

Finally I have found time to jot a few lines down for the newsletter. This year took some time to settle down but is now starting to run smoothly. The attendence at the January Bar-B-Que was disappointing and the February meeting was changed due to the Toongabbie Cemetery headstones having already been transcribed. In March, Dawn Cowley gave a wide ranging talk on "Genealogical Resources:. Dawn's talk was full of information and was very valuable to our newer members. At the April meeting, Anne Tainton spoke on the work being done by the Church of Latter Day Saints in their library in Traralgon. Anne's description of the present programmes being undertaken and the efforts being made by the church around the world in the recording and storage of genealogical records made us all appreciate the value of their library as a resource centre. Some of our members plan to visit the B.A.R.C. centre in Bena on May 6th. This is the collection of genealogical resources used by Janet Reakes. These are now owned by Jim Riddell who has set up the library in the old church at Bena in South Gippsland. Our May meeting will be an open night at our library where there should four fische readers available for use. In June we will attempt a Trivial Pursuit games night based on genealogical knowledge.

The following notice appeared in the Melbourne "SUN", on Saturday 24th February, 1990.

> Birth, Death and Marriage Certificates REVISED FEES 26TH FEBRUARY, 1990

Full Certificate (Search and Issue)	\$23-00
If Registration No. supplied	\$11-50
Change of Name Certificate	\$11-50
Extract of Entry	\$1150
Priority Fee (Additional)	\$21-50

Registry of Birth, Deaths and Marriages 295 Queen St, Melbourne Vic 3000 P O Box 4332, Melbourne Vic 3001

Telephone: 03 603 5800 (General Enquiries) 03 11530 (Recorded Information)

INDEX TO EXTRA B.D.M. CERTIFICATES-NO.3:

Mrs. Dawn Cowley has released the next edition of the Index to Extra B.D.M. Certificates. There are approximately 2,000 entries. The cost is \$5-00 including postage.

Those wishing to obtain a copy of the Index, or wishing to submit information, please write to:

Mrs. Dawn Cowley "TAKAMUNA" 27 Shanahan Parade Newborough Vic 3825

ENGLISH CERTIFICATES:

Please note the new address for the above:

General Registry Office Smedley Hydro Trafalgar Road Southport Merseyside PR 82HH England United Kingdom

NEW ACQUISITION:

Our Librarian, Mrs. Florence Butcher, is in the process of purchasing both ENGLISH and IRISH STAMPS, for members of The Mid-Gippsland Group.

English Stamps are approximately 37p, allowing for an exchange rate of approximately 90 cents to a \$1-00.

Irish Stamps-will be available. Exchange rate to be advised.

By purchasing one stamp, this works out much cheaper than purchasing one I.R.C.

MCDONNELL HERITAGE SERVICES
RMB H839 DAWES RD INVERMAY VIA BALLARAT VIC 3352
PHONE NO: 053 32 6800

This is an outline of the services provided by Mrs. D. McDonnell. All information is as at 28th February, 1990.

ENGLAND

Certificates including Deaths are at \$27-50 This includes a five year search and all expenses.

\$34-50 includes a ten year search and all expenses.

Please Note: This is based on the February exchange rate and will be reviewed monthly.

SCOTLAND

Scottish Certificate (Extract) \$28-50

Scottish Certificate (Full) \$36-50

Census - A deposit of \$18-00 is required.

The price varies and you will be invoiced for any further cost.

Submitted by Mrs. Florence Butcher.

SNIPPETS:

Early convict warrant poser

The history of our convict era may be the story of a great miscarriage of justice. The Habeas Corpus Act of 1769 made it unlawful to hold a person prisoner without the authority of a warrant of custody. Warrants issued in Britain were (and are) not valid outside Britain. In 1849 and Irish convict Terence McManus applied to the Supreme Court in Hobart for issue of the writ of Habeas Corpus. The court ordered Governor Denison to produce McManus and the warrant. Denison had no warrant and was ordered to free McManus. He did so, but then wrote to England and asked that legal warrants be sent with convicts. Instead, Secretary of State Sir James Pakington in 1852 ordered that transportation be terminated. Australia had received 180,000 convicts and no warrants of custody.

— Bert Rice, Bayswater

Submitted by Mrs. Jean McNally "The Sun" 15.08.1989

TOWNS DIE QUIETLY

MORE than 30 rural communities in Victoria have finally admitted defeat over the future of their towns. Towns with such colorful titles as Albucutya, Boigbeat, Pier-Millan and Kooloonong will soon die - althrough it can be argued they were never really alive. The demise of the townships is one of the little known recommendations in the Land Conservation Councils recently released report on the Mallee. The LCC does not expect much opposition to the recommendations, considering there are no town residents to protest. These small areas of Crown land were set aside for townships during settlement of the Mallee from the turn of the century until 1925. Unfortunately, the optimism of government planners wasn't matched by the settlers' ability to populate the Mallee. Those early blocks of half a square mile were found to be profitable which led to the establishment of much larger holdings. Municipal councils in the Mallee have urged the LCC to revoke the townships. The LCC insists that no cemetery land will be revoked. The townships earmarked for revokation are: Albacutya, Annuello, Bambil, Bannnerton, Barraport, Benetook, Boigbeat, Boinka, Bolton, Boonconar, Cocamba, Curye, Danyo, Galah, Goschen, Goyura, Karawinna, Karween, Kiamil, Kooloonong, Kulwin, Merrinee, Miralie, Mittyack, Morkalla, Natya, Nowingi, Panitya, Pier-Millan, Pirlta, Pira, Torrita, Tutye, Yarrara, Yarto, Yatpool, Yungera.

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