

THE
MID GIPPSLAND
FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY Inc.
NEWSLETTER



Mid Gippsland Family History Society representative Eddie Tunn presents Hazelwood Cemetery Trust secretary Sue Culliver with the record of the Hazelwood Cemetery.

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MONTHLY MEETINGS FOR 1996

Meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of every month (except December) at Moe Public Library, Kirk St, Moe

MARCH	CEMETERIES, speaker Robyn Walker
APRIL	ANZAC THEME Night. Yes, this meeting is on the Public Holiday.
19th MAY	GSV trip
MAY	GERMAN ANCESTRY with Faye Guthrie
JUNE	EARLY ASYLUMS & How easy it was to be incarcerated with speaker Janice Chesters
JULY	AGM & Jean's tortourous trivia focusing on Australian genealogy.
AUGUST	Beginner's night & Librarian's night 'Bring a friend'
7th SEPT	SEMINAR
SEPTEMBER	Workshop night
OCTOBER	Speaker - to be confirmed
NOVEMBER	Logie night - award night for your most wierd and wonderful ancestors
NOV/DEC	Group Breakup



DEATH OF MR J. H. NOY

We deeply regret having to record the death of Mr James Harris Noy, eldest son of Elizabeth and the late George Harris Noy, which sad event took place on Monday afternoon at his late residence, Morwell. Deceased, who was 47 years of age, had been in the railway service more than half his life, and for years was the driver on trains running between Sale and Warragul.

About two years ago, owing to ill health, he retired from the railway service on a pension, and soon settled down in Morwell, where he lived privately. For some time past his health has been indifferent, but on Saturday afternoon he suddenly took a very bad turn, and had passed away within twenty-four hours., death being due to heart failure.

He was a man very highly esteemed by all with whom he associated, and much sympathy is expressed for his wife and daughter and other relatives in their sad bereavement. The remains of the deceased were interred in the Hazelwood cemetery yesterday, the Rev. E. J. Colman officiating at the grave.

Deceased was the brother of Messr W. and R. Noy, Mesdames M. Fleming, H. Wilkinson and S. Powell..

OCCUPATIONS

birdscarer - usually the work of a child of about eight years of age. Bird scaring involved the child sitting in a paddock and scaring the birds away when they came to feed on the seed which had been recently sown, or on the crops almost ready for harvesting. They used a wooden rattle affair (similar to the clacker used at an English Football match) to scare birds

brushmaker - after a seven year apprenticeship, a lad became a brushmaker, and due to the nature of the work, was usually a journeyman, moving from panshop to panshop. (a panshop was the place for making brooms and brushes).

Cadger- a carrier, pedlar of smallwares

Right of Burial

A 'Right of Burial' is the right acquired when a grave is "purchased". When you "purchase" a grave, you do not "own" that grave. Rather, you have a licence (or right) to use the grave to bury deceased persons. The number of persons who may be buried in a grave varies according to cemetery policy.

Some cemeteries place a tenure on pre-purchased, unused graves. In most cases, the tenure in Victoria is for 25 years. This means that if no burial occurs in the grave within 25 years from the date of purchase, the Right of Burial will revert to the cemetery by law. However, if a burial in the grave occurs before the tenure period expires, the Right of Burial remains with the purchaser (or descendants) forever.

In addition, when a grave is purchased and immediately used, there is no tenure. The right to use the grave remains with the purchaser and their descendants forever.



Clive Allison,
Managing Director



If you would like more information, please feel free to contact your local branch on 13 1363.

"experience is a wonderful thing, it enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again"

Did you know that during the Great Plague of London in 1665 there was a plague bell to announce the arrival of the "collector of corpses". Citizens fought the disease with a supposed antidote, a so-called treacle made of gunpowder, oil and sack (sherry). Deaths were recorded by Parish Clerks in Mortality Books.

Wedding notice in the Northamptonshire Mercury, 1st July 1826 - "On Monday se'nnight, Mr Edward Green, fisherman to Mrs Day, both of Boston -being his fifth wife and her second husband, The bridegroom applied to the clergyman for some abatement of the usual fee on the grounds of his being such a good customer. The bride was given away by the bridegroom's son-in-law."



John Allison/Monkhouse

AUSTRALIAN OWNED FOR FIVE GENERATIONS

ROLL CALL AT THE PEACE

(continuing the list of SECV personnel who served with the armed forces in WORLD WAR II from S.E.C. Magazine 12th Dec 945.)

THE ARMY

Electricity Supply Department (cont)

Birnie, H.

Black, J. J. (DR)

Black, L. F.

Blyth, J. R. (DR)

Bowd, M. F.

Bowen, W. C. E. (DR)

Boyce, L. F. (DR)

Boyd, R. L. (DR)

Braithwaite, H. S.
(DR)

Brentwood, A. L. (DR)

Bridger, R. R.

Bricse, A. L.

Bristow, E.

Brockley, S.

Brown, F. J.

Buckingham, D. J.

Bulpit, R. L.

Burke, A.

Burke, R. E.

Burrell, R. H.

Butson, A. A. (DR)

Calder, G. T. (DR)

Campbell, P. W. (DR)

Cannon, J. M. (DR)

Carlow, K. H. L. (DR)

Carter, L. F.

Casey, S. M. (DR)

Cassidy, R.

Caterer, F. W.

Champion, L. E.

Cheffers, P. T.

Chipperfield, F. P.
(DR)

Clark, G. G.

Clarkson, J. H.

Coffin, L. G.

Coffin, T. A.

Cohen, C. G. (DR)

Colins, J. A. (DW)

Connaughton, V.

Connaughton, W. J.
(DR)

Considine, B. C.

Cook, J.

Cook, J. C.

Cornwell, H. L.

Cousins, T. A.

Crosby, R. H.

Crosling, W. H.

Curtis, S. R.

Da Costa, H. S.

Davies, B. A. (DI)

Davies, F. E.

Davis, H. W. (DR)

Davison, J. R.

Day, L. J. (DR)

Deagan, K. J.

Devlin, K. S. (DR)

Dewhurst, S. F. (DR)

Dimsey, L. S. (DR)

Donchi, L. V.

Donohoe, J. H.

Doolan, E. J.

Doyle, B. J.

Dracger, R. V.

Dredge, A. C. (DR)

Drummond, G. (POW)

Du Blet, V. (DR)

Duff, K. C.

Dunne, W. F. (DNR)

Dunning, C. (DR)

Eaton, C.

Eaton, G. A. (DR)

Edgar, C. C.

Edmondson, F.

Enever, K. J. (M)

Evans, S. J.

Ferlazzo, B. (DR)

Fithail, J. H. H.

Fordham, C. W. M.

Foster, W. S. (DNR)

Fowler, G. E.

Francis, J. W.

Francis, R. G. (DNR)

Franklin, H. (DR)

Fraser, W. J.

Frencham, H. V.

Fussel, G. S.

Fredericksen, C. G.

Freeman, W.

Gartlan, H. L.

Gatehouse, C. V.

Gay, A. H. (DR)

Gervasoni, F. C.

Gervasoni, W. J. (DR)

Gibbons, J. H. (DR)

Giles, H. C.

Gillespie, D. J. (DR)

Gilmour, L. (DR)

Glennon, A. W.

Goddard, A. L.

Goodall, F. D.

Goodall, W. J.

Goodman, F. W. (DR)

Goodsir, L. H.

Gormann, H. J.

Gormly, J. A.

Goss, P. C.

Goulding, C. E. J.

Grant, R. McD.

Greenwood, R. J. E.

Griffin, R. E.

Griffin, R. J. E.

Groom, C. R.

Grove, I.

Haber, L. V.

Hackett, P. P. (DRL)

Hall, R. J. (DNR)

Hall, W. H.

Hansen, B. R.

Harcourt, L. W.

Harding, A. W.

Hawkins, E. R. (DR)

Henderson, R. A.

Henry, W. B.

Hewson, J. H.

Hide, W. G.

Hill, J. B.

Hill, W. A. (DR)

Hindle, A. G. (POW)
 Hoarse, J.
 Hoban, D. E.
 Hocking, R. B. (DR)
 Hodges, H. J.
 Hodges, N. H.
 Holland, H. J.
 Holmes, F. J.
 Holt, H. L.
 Hooton, R.
 Horsburgh, D. F.
 Hosken, B. J.
 Howell, F. J. (DR)
 Hudson, A. A.
 Hughes, A. G.
 Hurst, W. G. (DR)
 Husquin, W. J. B.
 Hussey, A. (POW)
 Hutchings, R. J.
 Jacka, C. S.
 James, B.
 Jenkin, F. C.
 Jenkins, R. H.
 Jenkins, R. F. L.
 Job, F. R.
 Johnson, R. E. M.
 Johnstone, W. C. J.
 (DR)
 Jolly, A. S.
 Jonas, L. A. (DR)
 Jones, E. J.
 Jones, S. G.
 Kenney, W. L.
 Kelly, H. G.

Kerr, J. S.
 Kift, L.
 Kilbey, A. J.
 Kuhn, M. T.
 Kincaid, A. D.
 Knight, V. I. (DR)
 Knights, A. H. (DR)
 Laidlaw, G. M.
 Langford, S. F. (DR)
 Lawrence, J. W.
 Lean, W. J. (DR)
 Lewis, H. W.
 Libby, E. M.
 Longmuir, A. R.
 Longmuir, L. J.
 Lowe, A. J. (POW)
 Lowe, W. J.
 Lynch, R. T.
 Mack, P. C.
 Mackey, T. L.
 Mahoney, G. (DR)
 Marshall, I. L. (DR)
 Martin, A. H. L.
 Matthews, R. W.
 Mills, I. M.
 Miller, C. T.
 Miller, F. C. (DR)
 Mills, K. (DR)
 Misikin, R. H.
 Moir, P. F. (DR)
 Monk, H. C. (DR)
 Moore, M. H.
 Moore, S. F.
 Mortimer, H. (DR)

Mountford, H. J. (DR)
 Murphy, J. (DR)
 Murphy, J. (DR)
 Murray, J. (DR)
 McAllester, J. E.
 McCombie, W.
 McCornell, G. F.
 McDonald, A. (DR)
 McFaul, R. G.
 McGregor, K. R. B.
 (DR)
 McGuinness, B. D.
 (DR)
 McIntyre, G. A.
 McKelvey, D. C. (DR)
 McLean, D. C. A. G.
 McMillan, H.
 Nash, A. H.
 Newton, F. A. (DR)
 Newton, G.
 Nicholson, G. S.
 Niquet, P. G. (DR)
 Oakes, J. R.
 Oaten, C. H.
 O'Callaghan, J.
 Ockleshaw, K. R.
 O'Gorman, T. J.
 Old, G. (DR)
 O'Neil, W. J. (DR)
 Padbury, G. G.
 Page, C. K. (DR)
 Palce, W. E.
 Palmer, G. C.
 Parker, H. W. (DNR)

Symbols:

(M)	Missing
(DNR)	Discharged; did not resume duty with the Commission
(DRL)	Discharged; resume, and subsequently left the Commission's service
(DR)	Discharged; resumed duty with the Commission
(DI)	Died of Illness
(DW)	Died OF wounds
(POW)	Prisoner Of War
(K)	Killed In Action
(AD)	Accidently drowned
(AK)	Accidently killed

CHINESE DROWN

The Inglewood Advertiser says: "A mournful memorial of the great flood of 1863 has been discovered in one of the now newly dry holes of the River Loddon... one of the daughters of Mr Denis Rowse, whilst walking up the west bank of the Loddon, near Bridgewater, had her attention attracted by some bones lying at the bottom of a hole from which the last of the water had evaporated within the past few days. Among the bones, she discovered a human skull. On her return home, the matter was reported to police. The bones were carefully collected together, and conveyed to the Harp of Erin Hotel. It will be remembered that the flood of June, 1863 was most disastrous in its results. Very many lives were lost, and much property destroyed.

The Eddington Bridge was nearly destroyed, and the bridge at Bridgewater, then in course of erection, was considerably injured. At Janevale, the residence of the Rev. A. Hamilton, one man lost his life... By the time the flood reached Bridgewater, it had assumed a power and volume that overturned everything in its course.

At Newbridge, considerable damage was done, and on Albion Flats one of the most pleasant residences in the district was nearly destroyed. Mr Day, the proprietor of the Albion Brewery, had, unfortunately erected his business premises and dwelling close to the bank of the river, and as the water rose, it appeared questionable whether the house or the brewery would be saved.

It was at Bridgewater, however that the greatest loss of life occurred, and of this calamity, the skeleton is a memorial. On the evening of the 6th June 1863, the Chinese gardeners, residing on the Loddon were entertaining some friend from Burnt Creek, and in the midst of their entertainment the waters of the flood burst upon them, and they were at once carried away. Their cries were heard by several people in the vicinity and efforts to rescue them were quickly made. Mr Woolf, the boatkeeper at the Loddon, heard their cries for help, and succeeded in taking them from off the ridge-pole of the tent to which they had fled for refuge. By some unfortunate mishap, however, the boat was upset, and two, if not three of the Chinamen swept away.

The next morning one of them was discovered in the bough of a tree, but neither of the others was ever found until Friday last. At the inquest the foregoing circumstances were narrated. A watch found near the bones was identified as being like one known to have been in the possession of the lost Chinaman. This watch had stopped at twenty minutes to one o'clock, and the last that was heard of the Chinaman was at midnight. There was also 12s in silver found with the skeleton. The medical evidence was to the effect that the remains were those of a male Mongolian, about twenty-five years in age, five feet four inches high, and of slight make, and the jury returned an open verdict ...

TRIVIA

the first woman to vote in a parliamentary election: Mrs Lily Maxwell, owner of a small shop selling kitchenware who voted in the Manchester by-election on 26 Nov 1867. As a ratepayer, she was mistakenly put on the electoral roll . At the polling booth, contrary to expectations, her spoken vote was met by ringing cheers from the whole assembled crowd , irrespective of party persuasion. In the 1868 election, more women ratepayers asserted their right to vote (at least 8 in Manchester and 3 in London). However, by November 1'1868, female suffrage was declared illegal.

the secret ballot was pioneered in 1856 in a general election for the Victorian Legislative Council

compulsory voting: Queensland General election, 1915.

The first **recorded Cremation** in Britain took place on 26 Sept 1769, when the body of Honoretta Pratt was burnt in her open grave at St George's Burial Ground, Hanover Square, London. Mrs Pratt was the daughter of Sir John Brooks of York and widow of the Hon. John Pratt, Treasurer of Ireland.

the first Chiropodists originated as corn-cutters, was first mentioned in ...1653: "Broome boyes and comecutters (or whatsouer trade is more contemptible" Contempt was indeed the general lot of these early specialists in foot care, who generally led a wandering life, plying their trade at fairs or on street corners. The first Chiropodist to style himself as such was David Low, who had established the first hotel (q.v.) in London in 1774, but abandoned the catering trade in 1780 to take up corn-cutting (which at a guinea a visit may have been more lucrative)

the first photograph of a living person was a study made on paper by the Rev. Joseph Bancroft Reade in 1838 of his gardener leaning against the greenhouse in the grounds of the Vicarage at Stone, Buck.

the first numbering of houses was introduced on the Pont Notre-Dame, Paris in 1463.

the first telephone directory was published in 1878 in New Haven, Connecticut. It listed 50 names

from "The New Shell Book of First" by Patrick Robertson



NEW BOOKS FROM JULY 1995

Willing Primary School Records	Donated
West Gippsland Members Int	Donated \$3
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Victorian Government Directory 1993	Donated
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Phillimore's	\$115.00
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Gippsland Crem. Trans	
Walhalla Cemetery Trans.	
Gippsland Crem Register	
Hazelwood Cem Trans. Vol I	
Hazelwood Cem Trans. Vol II	

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Childers Cemetery	
Toongabbie Cemetery	
Traralgon Cemetery	\$25.00
Convicts and Exiles Trans. Ireland	\$13.00
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Ballarat & District Cemetery Records Index	\$70.00
Ballarat & District School Records Index	
Childrens Registers	\$175.00



Easier access to cemetery records

FAMILY historians will now have easy access to the records of the Hazelwood Cemetery, thanks to the work of the Mid Gippsland Family History Society (MGFHS).

Society representative Eddie Tunn presented Hazelwood Cemetery Trust secretary Sue Culliver with a two volume record of the cemetery last Wednesday.

The books cover the transcriptions of headstones and plaques in the cemetery.

MGFHS president Dawn Cowley said the books would be a valuable addition to the cemetery's own records.

"For the sake of their ease of sourcing this makes an ideal addition to their resources," she said.

MGFHS members, who are all volunteers, spent days at the cemetery recording data and more time writing and producing the information.

The books include maps and a history

of the cemetery written by society member Claire Wood.

It is a computerised update of the work done by the group in 1985.

Mr Tunn said society members discovered five or six headstones were missing from the 1985 work, reinforcing the importance of documenting the information.

"In that 10 year period, we had lost something like five or six," he said.

"It (the book) is a historical record for the area itself."

The society has also completed records of the Walhalla, Willow Grove, Trafalgar, Toongabbie, Childers and Traralgon cemeteries and the Gippsland crematorium.

The records are available for purchase from the society, which is based in the Moe library.

For further information contact Mr Tunn on 26 1085 or Dawn on 27 1780.

AS OTHERS SEE US

COPIED FROM A TEATOWEL PURCHASED IN SCOTLAND

There were Scots who kept the Sabbath
Any everything else they could lay their hands on.
Then there were the Welsh.
Who prayed on their knees and everything else.
Who never knew what they wanted
But were willing to fight for it anyway.
Lastly there were the English
Who considered themselves a self made nation.
Thus relieving the almighty of a dreadful responsibility

MID-GIPPSLAND FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE

	\$ (+ postage)
BOOKS (postage cost on application)	
<i>Hazelwood</i> Cemetery Transcriptions (2 vol)	30 (set)
<i>Gippsland Crematorium</i> Transcriptions	15
Gippsland Crematorium Register	15
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<i>Willow Grove</i> Register & Transcriptions	15
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