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Member of the Year

From Lynne Bradley

Every year the committee award a Member of the Year at the AGM. In deciding the winner, the committee takes into account a member's contributions to:

- the activities of the group
- fellow members and visitors
- fundraising
- meetings

Voting is by secret ballot and no one knows until the AGM who has won. The member of the year receives a small trophy and has their name engraved on the perpetual plaque in the research room. They also receive free membership for the next year. This year two members stood out. One was Wendy Goodwin who has done a truly fantastic job as Publicity Officer for the Group. Wendy has also assisted with fundraising and other ventures and regularly attends meetings. Wendy would have been a most worthy recipient of the award but we can only have one winner. That winner also not only assists with fundraising but is largely responsible for a great share of the fundraising money raised in recent times. She has a fantastic and friendly nature, is always helpful to members and visitors alike and she is rarely absent from any activity the group is involved in. It gave me great pleasure to announce that our Member of the Year for 2006 is:

Shirley Peterson.



Lynne Bradley (right) presenting Shirley with her trophy.
(Photo courtesy of Pam Lowther).



***Sat 19th August**
VAFHO Local and Family History Treasure Chest, Dallas Brooks Centre, East Melbourne

***Wed 13th Sep at 8 pm**
General Meeting *note this meeting in lieu of Sat 9th**
Dr Amanda Third's topic will be "Does the Rug Match the Carpet: Race, Gender and the Redheaded woman".

***Sat 14th October at 2 pm**
Tom and Libby Luke will present a talk on 'Legacy' family history program.

***Wed 8th November at 8 pm**
Note change to summer time meetings. See page 2 for further details

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Vice President	Jenny Coates	Membership Officer	Pam Lowther
Treasurer	Anne Blair	Newsletter Editor	Jenny Coates
Minute Secretary	Eileen Durdin	Publicity Officer	Wendy Goodwin
Corres. Secretary	Fay McCoubrie	Research Room Manager	Carolyn Jones

<p><u>Membership & Meetings</u></p> <p>Membership: Single \$25 + \$5 joining fee Joint \$40 + \$5 joining fee Payable 1st July each year.</p> <p>Meetings are held in the Meeting Room at the Narre Warren Library, Overland Drive, Fountain Gate. Nov - May: 8 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of the month (except January) Jun - Oct: 2 p.m. on the 2nd Saturday of the month</p> <p>The cost is \$2 and includes a light supper.</p>	<p><u>Family History Research Room</u></p> <p>Our Family History Research Room is located within the Narre Warren Library, Overland Drive, Fountain Gate.</p> <p>Family History Research Room hours:</p> <table><tr><td>Tuesday</td><td>11 a.m. to 3 p.m.</td></tr><tr><td>Thursday</td><td>7 p.m. to 9 p.m.</td></tr><tr><td>Saturday</td><td>11 a.m. to 3 p.m.</td></tr></table> <p>We have a large collection of books, maps and microfiche available to our members. We also welcome visitors - a research fee of \$5.00 per day applies to non-members.</p>	Tuesday	11 a.m. to 3 p.m.	Thursday	7 p.m. to 9 p.m.	Saturday	11 a.m. to 3 p.m.	<p><u>Research Queries</u></p> <p>We offer a research service for those unable to visit our Family History Room personally but please note that we can only research our own holdings and those of the local municipal libraries.</p> <p>The cost for this service is \$10 per hour plus photocopying expenses. All research queries can be sent to the Research Officer at the above address.</p> 
Tuesday	11 a.m. to 3 p.m.							
Thursday	7 p.m. to 9 p.m.							
Saturday	11 a.m. to 3 p.m.							
<p><u>Family History Research Room Information Sessions</u></p> <p>For new members who would like to discover exactly what we have in the Family History Research Room - or for those members who are currently not using the holdings we have to their best advantage. Pam Lowther is holding friendly and informal information sessions with small groups of members. Morning, afternoon and evening sessions are available. For further information or to reserve a place at the next session please contact Pam on 0402 847 175.</p> <p>Members: Free Visitors: \$5 charge.</p>	<p><u>Publications for Sale</u></p> <p>Microfiche: <u>Berwick Cemetery</u> Register & Headstones 1867 to 1999 = \$22.00</p> <p><u>Harkaway Cemetery</u> Register & Headstones 1863 to 1999 = \$6.00</p> <p><u>Pakenham Cemetery</u> Register & Headstones c1850 to 1999 = \$22.00</p> <p>+ \$2.50 postage & packing for up to 3 sets of fiche</p> <p>Books: Harkaway Primary School - Origins to 1975 by Jennifer Boyer = \$20 (postage included)</p>							
<p>The Narre Warren & District Family History Group gratefully acknowledges the assistance of the City of Casey in allowing us the use of facilities at the Narre Warren Library.</p>								

The President's Report

What are we doing here? No, I don't mean the universal unanswered question that we all occasionally ponder - I mean what are we doing here, now, last week, next week in the research room, in the meeting room, at the library or the PROV?

I was recently invited to address the Hallam Valley Rotary Club at a dinner meeting. My task was to talk about what kind of records are available to family history researchers and what types of information you can find out about people. So, naturally once again I brought out Aunt Bridget and the axe murder at Winchelsea in 1859. Most of my audience seemed to be quite interested but during question time at the end one member of the audience accused family history people of being sticky noses and me in particular of making a hero out of a criminal (which was never my intent). I was speechless - well, for a second anyway! I had to agree that we are sticky beaks - what other motivation could we have? I also brought to the meeting's attention the contribution a lot of family historians have made to local history and history in general. I made reference to the deeply felt need some of us have to discover our roots and to honour those to whom we owe so much. On the way home, (as is often the case) I wished that I had had the presence of mind to mention that the family history group currently operates on a number of levels. The most obvious and basic one is of a research facility/group where family history is learnt and researched. The second is as a growing local history resource with the newsletter, the Casey-Cardinia Combined Index, Pioneer Profiles, Monuments & Memorials, etc. Last, but not least is the almost invisible and indefinable role the family history group plays in a lot of our lives. Away Days provide the opportunity for those who are unwilling or unable to visit repositories on their own a chance to do so in the security of a group situation.

An interest in family history almost always dictates an increased interest in history in general and geography, and more than ever, computers, the Internet and email. While we are learning new things and acquiring new skills we are to some extent exercising our bodies and our brains which cannot be a bad thing! For many of us the family history group is a place to try new things and to do things we never thought possible in a relatively safe environment. Yes, we all make our share of mistakes but so far I haven't noticed the earth stop spinning yet because of them and we haven't taken anyone out on a dawn date with a firing squad because of a mistake. I myself, have had the satisfaction of seeing some of our members growing more and more confident and taking on more with the expectation of success. I hope that one day, in the not too distant future, I will be passing on the Presidential Party Hat to one of them. The main reason I am President today is because Lorraine Taylor believed I could do it long before I did!

We owe a great deal of thanks to Lorraine Taylor and Di Christensen for their insight and dedication over the years. They will not be standing for election to the 2006-2007 committee but no doubt will still continue to support the group in other ways.

We must also thank Lyn Olney and Kaye Houghton who were elected to this year's committee but could not finish their terms of office so, Pam Lowther and Di Christensen stepped forward to fill the gaps. Ladies, our thanks to you all. I was so relieved when Clare Vivian put her hand up for the Librarian's job — Clare is a brave soul who has established herself in the librarian's role very nicely. Another coming and going that shocked us all was the resignation of our Local History Officer, Claire Sandell. There was a short period of uncertainty before Heather Arnold was appointed to the job and we all breathed a sigh of relief!

Thank you Heather for all your support and for the really generous donation of local history books to our research room. We must also thank Josie and her staff at the Narre Warren Library for their assistance. We must also acknowledge the support given to us by the Casey—Cardinia Library Corporation and the City of Casey.

We've just embarked on a new venture as a Host Organisation with Gippsland Education Centre in a Work for the Dole project. A few of our members have already met Jaynelle in the Research Room over the past couple of weeks. I am pleased to say that Jaynelle seems to be enjoying her time with us as much as we are enjoying having her with us. Jaynelle is working on consolidating our local history resources, currently entering the old Pioneer Profile Index Cards to a Legacy database.

Our Newsletter Editor continues to strive for excellence and does a wonderful job. Please support Jenny and the newsletter by giving her something to edit — if every member wrote just one thing for the newsletter just once a year her job would not be such a difficult one.

It's been a great year for Fundraising thanks to Lorraine and her dedicated team and Shirley with her sausage sizzles. Both ladies as always have done a fine job. Thanks also to all the members who have supported their efforts and sizzled sausages or bought books or socks. As a result of this we now have \$1,000 to spend on new resources for the Research Room. Our thanks also to Cr. Farley for the generous donation of \$217 to purchase resources from Ward Funds.

Wendy Goodwin has continued to bloom in her role as Publicity Officer, she may well turn out to be the best one we've ever had. Thank you Wendy. Thanks also to Pam Lowther who endeavours to keep the members and the computers in line - I'm not sure which group gives her the most trouble.

No meeting could occur without the support of our Minute Secretary, Eileen Durdin, or our Treasurer, Anne Blair. On behalf of the members I thank you both for your hard work and dedication. I would also like to add my personal thanks to Anne and Eileen because I rely heavily on these ladies to carry out their respective responsibilities properly and on time and they never let me down.

We have continued to network with other organizations during the year, and our joint hosting of the May SEHA meeting with the Heather Arnold and the Library Corporation was very successful. Di Christensen is our VAFHO Rep and Pam Lowther our GSV Rep. I, along with Jenny Coates and Lorraine Taylor are the group's SEHA

Reps and Lorraine and I have both attended the Casey-Cardinia Local History Reference Group meetings this year. A few of our members have attended the HVSG Seminar Days which I have found to be very interesting. What does this mean to you? Well, it means that these members are continually learning new things, seeing how others do things and bringing this experience back to us so that in turn we benefit. It also means that our interests are being actively represented within these organisations.

Our efforts to expand our Casey-Cardinia local history profile have been very encouraging and only made possible by the support of a handful of people assisting with local projects. I don't have a list of names of those who have contributed material to the M&Ms project so I will just have to say thank-you to all who have. Thanks also to Pam Lowther for her continued support of this project. Likewise, thank you to all who have indexed for the Combined Index and thank you to Eileen Durdin and Jenny Coates who have worked so hard to make this index a truly fantastic research tool.

Thanks to Diana Wheeler, Shirley Peterson and Alice Pattison for their help at general meetings. A special thank you to Diana Wheeler for organizing yet another memorable

Christmas Luncheon and Christmas Meeting. Although things didn't go quite as smoothly as we'd planned Jenny Hayes did an impressive impromptu stand up performance while Pam and Eileen wrestled with technology yet again. I am glad to say they won on the night.

Thank you to all who volunteer in the Research Room, write for the newsletter, sizzle sausages, have made or donated craft items, bought books and done other things to support the group.

The next year will no doubt be another challenging one, for the first time we'll be operating without the experience of Lorraine and Di at a committee level. We'll be trying to maintain current membership numbers despite the Internet and working towards increasing our knowledge and our holdings and completing some long standing projects. I know new challenges will also arise, they always do but I am quietly confident that as a group we have the knowledge, experience and skills to solve any problems we may encounter along the way.

Lynne Bradley



Winner of Category B (over 5,00 words) Jane Rivett-Carnac with judge Lesle Berry.

(Photo courtesy of Pam Lowther).

FAMILY HISTORY WRITING COMPETITION

After a break of several years, this competition was instigated again. Whilst we were not overwhelmed with entries, the five we received were of excellent quality and our judge, Lesle Berry, found it a difficult decision to make.

Lynne Bradley won the prize in Category A (less than 5000 words) with her story, 'Lifes Up & Downes - Taylor Made' and Jane Rivett-Carnac won category B (for an entry of over 5000 words). Jane's story, 'The Pittard Family' England to Australia was most interesting.

Other entrants in this competition were Pam Lowther, 'The Hildebrand Family'; Jenny Patterson with her story 'John Arthur Metson' and Alice Pattison with her tale of 'Hussey Burgh McCartney'.

Congratulations to all entrants for your hard work and many thanks to Lesle Berry for finding the time to judge the entries, and visit us to present the awards, plus a helpful written critique for each entrant.

Lesle has written a book 'Publishing Your Family History: a labour of love' and there are several pages on this in the Darwin Congress Papers, which will be in our Research Room very soon. Hopefully the competition will be held again next year so start thinking about your entry now.

Di Christensen

***** Change of Meeting Date *****

Please note that the General Meeting for September will be held on Wednesday 13th at 8 p.m. (Not Saturday the 9th).

Dr Amanda Third will give a very entertaining talk on red headed women through history on the 13th.

FREDERICK CHARLES ANNING, charged with obtaining goods by false pretences from John Steer, is said to be better known by the *alias* of Flash Harry. He is further described as having no front teeth, a hare-lip, and to be of dirty appearance. Offender's horse, saddle, bridle, and swag were found on the 8th instant, at Nar-nar-Goon, by the Berwick police, who took possession of them.

Victorian Police Gazette 17th April 1871.

e-Record4 Summary of Income and Expenses for 2005 - 2006

Summaries updated:
2 Jul 2006 at 10:04 AM

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Receipts Category Name	Total Receipt Amount	GST Amount	GST-exclusive Amount	Omit from Total	Payments Category Name	Total Payment Amount	GST Amount	Private Use GST-exclusive Amount	Amount Claimable	Omit from Total
A1 Interest Received	0.00	0.00	0.00		A1 Wages	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	X
A2 Dividends	0.00	0.00	0.00		PLUS Other (Deductions from wages/sales)					X
A3 Refunds from suppliers (GST-free)	25.00	0.00	25.00		A2 Gross Wages (Total of A1 and Other)					X
A4 Refunds from suppliers (Taxable)	0.00	0.00	0.00		A3 Private Drawings					X
A5 ATO/IRAS Refunds Received	0.00	0.00	0.00	X	A4 Superannuation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	X
A6 Loans Received				X	A5 ATO/BAS Payments					X
A7 Sale of Assets				X	A6 Refunds to Customers (GST-free)	25.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	X
A8 Other Capital Receipts				X	A7 Refunds to Customers (Taxable)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	X
A9 Other Non-Capital Receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00		A8 Bank Charges	3.90	0.00	0.00	3.90	X
A10 Bankings				X	A9 Interest Paid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	X
A11					A10 Loan Repayments					X
B1 Membership Fees	2,013.00	0.00	2,013.00		A11 Purchase of Assets	194.50	0.00	0.00	194.50	X
B2 Library Sales	215.40	0.00	215.40		A12 Asset Improvements					X
B3 Print Dots	240.50	0.00	240.50		A13 Other Capital Payments					X
B4 Visitors' Fees	161.50	0.00	161.50		A14 Other Capital Payments					X
B5 General Meetings/Conferences/Tables	787.00	0.00	787.00		A15 Petty Cash Reimbursement					X
B6 Fund-raising	1,412.15	0.00	1,412.15		A16 Credit Card Reimbursement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	X
B7 Sundries	1,509.20	0.00	1,509.20		B1 Purchase Library	640.44	0.00	0.00	640.44	X
B8 Donations	279.90	0.00	279.90		B2 Subscriptions-Groups	188.00	0.00	0.00	188.00	X
B9 Research Fees	50.30	0.00	50.30		B3 Subscriptions-Magazines	444.00	0.00	0.00	444.00	X
Total	6,693.55	0.00	6,693.55		B4 Rent Meeting Room	330.00	0.00	0.00	330.00	X
					B5 Postage	304.50	0.00	0.00	304.50	X
Balance at Bank 1 st July, 2005			\$ 3,570.74		B6 Stationery	204.85	0.00	0.00	204.85	X
Receipts - 2005/2006			\$ 6,693.65		B7 Insurance	570.00	0.00	0.00	570.00	X
					B8 Sunnies	1,516.90	0.00	0.00	1,516.90	X
Expenditure - 2005/2006			\$ 10,264.39		B9 Newsletter Printing	388.40	0.00	0.00	388.40	X
Balance at 30 th June, 2006			\$ 4,644.07		B10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	X
					B11 Grant - Pioneer Profiles Book					X
Balance at Bank 30 th June, 2006			\$ 4,682.17		B12 General Expenses	361.40	0.00	0.00	361.40	X
Cash in Hand Petty Cash			76.90		B13 Advertising	6.00	0.00	0.00	6.00	X
					B14 Expenses-Fundraising	148.00	0.00	0.00	148.00	X
Less Cheques nos. 227, 231			\$ 4,759.07		B15 Research Room Equipment	252.43	0.00	0.00	252.43	X
- unpresented at 30/6/06			115.00		B16 Printing	35.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	X
					B17					X
					B18					X
					B19					X
					B20					X
					B21					X
					B22					X
					B23					X
					B24					X
					B25					X
Total	6,693.55	0.00	6,693.55		Total	6,693.55	0.00	0.00	6,693.55	



LIBRARY NEWS

Hello Everyone,

Last time I wrote I was off on my trip to Broken Hill NSW and Burra in SA with my sister Dorothy. We had a good trip, lovely weather for travelling with cold mornings and sunny days. On the research side of things, we didn't find very much. I found out that the parish priest at St Joseph's in Burra was Father Quinn, and thought we had struck gold but alas, he was no relation of our Quinns. We saw the church where g.grandparents James and Amelia were married and looked at the street where Amelia's parents had lived until they died, which we found out at the family history library. They have original records there so it was exciting looking at the old books. We stayed in old miner's cottages which had walls about a foot thick, and we had to light a fire every night to keep warm. We nearly got smoked out a couple of times but it was very nice every evening sitting in front of the fire with a glass of wine.

The cottages are on three streets with an open area in the middle. On our first night there, a coven of witches lit a bonfire in the middle of the open area and were chanting with candles all around. Dorothy wanted to go over and join them but it was a full moon too so I pulled her inside and wouldn't let her out. They were harmless though. Apparently they were trying to pull down the moon but I don't think they succeeded.

We searched the cemetery where our g.g.grandparents are buried but there was no headstone. Interestingly, Amelia's sister Johanna married a man named Gould. I wonder if they have any connection with Gould Genealogy. I will have to chase it up. While we were in Broken Hill we caught up with George, who we think is a distant cousin but we still cannot prove it. He was so nice and thrilled to meet us. We went out to Silverton Museum and had a look there but didn't find anything of interest to us although it is well worth a look. I drove all the way on the trip and really enjoyed it and we travelled nearly 3000km.

Back home I went on the trip to PROV in June with Fay, Wendy, Di, Shirley and Betty. We had a great day and most of us found something of interest. Fay took Wendy and Betty and I drove Di and Shirley. I found my way OK to the end of the freeway and as we exited and turned right I was supposed to turn right at the road before Flemington Road. We were talking so much that I missed it and we ended up going down Flemington Road

in the left lane instead of the right. I turned into the next street and pulled into the gutter so I could do a U-turn and a car pulled in behind me. "Wouldn't you know someone else would want to pull in here," I said. The car behind pulled out again and followed me as I turned out of the street and then we realised that Fay, Wendy and Betty were in the car behind and unbeknown to me had been following us all the way from Narre Warren. I don't think I will live it down.

Now for some new additions to the library:

- Butler's Wood's Point Directory 1866®
- History of Upper F/Tree Gully to Gembrook Railway: Lineside Guide
- More Mickle Memories Koo Wee Rup Vol II
- Shire of Cranbourne Rate Books on CD-1940-47, 1947-51 ®
- The Dunera Internees
- Around the Campfire Ashes: Tales of Old Gippsland
- Recollections of Early Gippsland Goldfields
- Tatura and the Shire of Rodney
- Sandakan: The Last March
- Will to Survive - Tale of Changi and the Burma Railway

Some magazines that have arrived include:
Australian Family Tree connections May, June, July;
Irish Roots; The Genealogist; Tasmanian Ancestry;
Ancestor; Family Tree Magazine June, July, August;
Practical Family History March, April, May.

Thank you to Lorraine Taylor for donating:

- Fiche for Essex County
- Pigot's Directory 1830 for Cumberland & Westmoreland, Lancashire.
- Pigot's Directory 1830 for Cambridgeshire
- Huntingdonshire Trades and Professions.

The Family Histories that were entered in the Writing Competition are now in library. They can't be borrowed but you can read them in the rooms.

Inside the front cover of the book "Around the Campfire Ashes" is a map showing a small town of Eskdale. I don't think it is in existence now. Terry's father Ernie's first school was there so when I went to PROV, I looked up his teacher's record. He did his training at Sunshine, starting when he was not quite 16. His first posting was in 1919 at Little Snowy Creek via Tallangatta, near Esdale. Terry said his father told him tales of his three years there, including how he met Banjo Patterson who was travelling through the area. When the children were helping round up the cattle to take them to the higher pastures they wouldn't come to school and instead of just hanging around Ernie joined them. During the holidays he went back to Sunshine and that was where he met Terry's Mum, Eileen Thompson. The school record made very interesting reading and I am sure will be of interest to Ernie Vivian's many grandchildren and g.grandchildren.
That's all this time.

Clare Vivian

Minorca Poultry Farm

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(South Bourke & Mornington Journal 18 Aug 1897)

Some Casey-Cardinia newspapers at the State Library of Victoria

- Berwick Shire News and Pakenham and Cranbourne Gazette. Dates: No. 1 (Sept. 8, 1909)-Apr. 11, 1917.
- Kooweerup Sun, Lang Lang Guardian and Cranbourne Shire record [microfilm]. Dates: No. 1 (July 17, 1918)+
- Lang Lang Guardian [microfilm]. Dates: Vol. 1, no. 1 (Feb. 22, 1902)-July 12, 1918.
- Mornington County Herald 1889 – 1893
- Pakenham gazette and Berwick Shire news [microform]. Dates: [No. 1] (May 11, 1917)-no. 2704 (11th Sept. 1974)
- Shire News (Kooweerup, Vic.) Dates: Feb. 1, 1928-Sept. 29, 1937.
- South Bourke & Mornington Journal 1877-1927
- The Cranbourne and County Herald. Dates: Vol. 1, no. 1 (Mar. 24, 1893)-v. 9, no. 45 (Feb. 8, 1902)
- The Dandenong Journal. 1927-1972

Casey-Cardinia Research

Do you have family or local history interests in the City of Casey or Shire of Cardinia?

Please let us know the surname you are researching with a place, and approximate dates and we'll publish your interests in this newsletter.

Email the editor on jnyb@aol.com

Entries are free and you don't have to a member!

Casey – Cardinia web sites

Binding, Horsburgh, Stanlake families

<http://www.users.bigpond.com/nyoraton/MALSINDEX.HT ML>

The Bunyip and Me: the Weatherheads of Tynong

<http://thesource.melbournewater.com.au/content/Issue/O ctober1999/bunyip.htm>

Jock Marshall: One Armed Warrior

<http://www.asap.unimelb.edu.au/bsparcs/exhib/marshall/marshall.htm>

Kurth Kiln Gembrook

<http://home.vicnet.net.au/~fofkk/The%20Kurth%20Kiln%20Friends.htm>

Puffing Billy Heritage

<http://www.puffingbilly.com.au/fan/heritage/index.html>

South Bourke & Mornington Journal

20 December 1899

Berwick

The annual licensing court was held at Berwick on the 15th inst. The bench consisted of Messrs. Cresswell, P.M. (chairman), T. Smallman P.M., C. G. Holmes, P.M. Renewals of licences for the different hotels were granted, no objections being raised. The application of Mr. Michael O'Connor, of Menzies Creek for a roadside victualler's licence for premises situated at Menzies Creek, was refused on account of the premises being within a distance of ten miles from the nearest hotel. The same applicant applied for a colonial wine license at the same premises which was granted. Mr. Coburn appeared on behalf of the applicant. Charles F. Hogan, Gembrook Hotel, Pakenham, was granted a temporary license to sell and dispose of liquor at the race meeting to be held at Pakenham, on 3rd January next. W. A. Hitchon's application for a temporary license to sell and dispose of liquor at the Lang Lang Races on the 30th December. Was adjourned until the 22nd inst., on account of the applicant not having got the necessary authority from the Racing club.

South Bourke & Mornington Journal-December 4, 1895

Pakenham

Saturday, 7th December

At three o'clock at Hogan's hotel, adjoining Pakenham station, Brisbane and Hanson, by order of the mortgagee, will offer at auction, (through their auctioneer, W. Brisbane)

HILLMAN'S FARM

Being allotments 4 and 5, township of Pakenham, parish of Pakenham, County of Mornington, and containing 38 acres three roods 20 perches, with large six roomed W. B. House, outhouses, nearly new, land partly underground drained, waterhole and underground tank for house use. The whole is subdivided into three paddocks, half cleared and cultivated. Two acres Orchard, balance of cultivation used as a market garden, 1 ½ acres strawberries, currants and raspberries, rabbit proof fence round cultivation. About 2 miles from Pakenham railway station, on the main Gippsland Road, half a mile from the post office.

Also, by order of the mortgagee, allotment 4, section 8, township of Pakenham, parish of Pakenham, containing 1 acre of land, more or less, situated 1 mile from Pakenham station, on main Gippsland Road, all fenced, pickets in front, with six-roomed brick villa erected thereon, underground tank, dairy; 2 outhouses, verandah and flower garden in front, and known as Colvin's property.

Also by instruction from the owner, all that piece of land containing about 3/4 of an acre, with a three room W. B. cottage thereon, situated in Pakenham township, at the corner of Main and Carlisle streets and adjoining the residence of the Geo. Watson Esq. Liberal terms can be given and no reasonable offer will be refused.

For further particulars apply Brisbane and Hanson, 72 Elizabeth St, Melbourne.



Jesuit and Uniting Church Archives, Victoria
<http://www.uft.unimelb.edu.au/information/library>

Port Phillip residents 1844
<http://home.vicnet.net.au/~pioneers/pppg5at.htm>

Military Historical Society of Australia
<http://www.mhsa.org.au/>

Irish Source Records 1500s – 1800s
http://www.genealogy.com/genealogy/ifa/co_275toc.html

It's an Honour – Australian Awards and Honours
<http://www.itsanhonour.gov.au/>

Beaconsfield Gold Museum
<http://www.beaconsfieldgold.com.au/GrubbShaftMuseum.html>

Historical Directories
<http://www.historicaldirectories.org/>

[Knox Historical Society](http://home.vicnet.net.au/~khsinc/)
<http://home.vicnet.net.au/~khsinc/>

Yarra-Melbourne Regional Library Local History Database
Includes North Melbourne, Richmond, Carlton, East Melbourne, Fitzroy, Collingwood & North Fitzroy
<http://history.ymrl.org.au/all/>

Isle of Man cemeteries
http://www.geocities.com/researcherau/LINKS_CEMS_INDEX_IsleofMan.html

Geelong & District Directories Database Search
<http://www.zades.com.au/geelong/gddsrc1.asp>

Dictionary of New Zealand Biography
<http://www.dnzb.govt.nz/dnzb/>

National Archives of South Africa
<http://www.national.archives.gov.za/index.htm>

Dead Persons Society - Melbourne
<http://home.vicnet.net.au/~dpsoc/who.htm>

History of Australian Theatre
<http://www.hat-archive.com/>

Speakers Corner

From Di Christensen

In May, members told us about the books that had assisted in their research, most of them being available on our shelves. Eileen told us how helpful Wendy Eldridge's book *Family History Companion* is to take on research trips, with all your information being in the one spot. This book is available for sale in our research room for \$20. Eileen also mentioned the *Genealogical Research Directory* produced annually. Known as *GRDs*, we have all of these on our shelves. Eileen also mentioned the *Casey Cardinia Collection* that is so relevant to Local research. New book indexes are being added to this regularly. Lorraine told us about *Perilous Voyages to The New World* by Michael Cannon and *Sydney Burial Ground* which should be of interest to those who had relatives living in early Sydney. Wendy and Anne both told us about a particularly useful book for Tasmanian research, *Land Musters, Stock Returns and Lists: Van Diemens Land 1803-1822*. Lynne showed us a small book, *Sailing Ships, Shipwrecks and Crime* by Jean Uhl, which told some fascinating tales about some of the ships that came to Melbourne. This book can be found on our shelves at Aus/099 (Ref). My contribution was papers published when a Victorian State Conference or Australasian Congress are held. The papers from the recent Darwin Congress will be on our shelves soon.

In June Joan Hunt, Reference Officer from the Ballarat Public Record Office spoke to us about researching Exiles at the Public Record Office. Joan showed us how she followed the character, Herbert Swindells through records found at PROV. Joan had just returned from the Darwin Congress and told of the wonderful speakers and activities she experienced there in beautiful, balmy weather.

~ AWAY DAYS ~

In June our Away Day was to the Public Record Office of Victoria (PROV) at North Melbourne. Six members enjoyed the day, with everyone finding at least one item to help in their research. Wendy and Betty discovered that they both had relatives who were killed in the same mining accident in the central goldfields area of Victoria. It was unfortunate that winter ills had halved our attendance but that did not disappoint those who attended

Di Christensen

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HOW TO CLEAN THE HOUSE

1. Open a new file in your PC.
2. Name it "Housework."
3. Send it to the RECYCLE BIN
4. Empty the RECYCLE BIN
5. Your PC will ask you, "Are you sure you want to delete Housework permanently?"
6. Calmly answer, "Yes," and press the mouse button firmly.....
7. Feel better? Works for me!



New Members!

Nell Carland
Susan Hall
Fiona Martyn
Paul Martyn
Susan O'Neill
Reg Varty

Slaying Spelling Dragons

By Myra Vanderpool Gormley, CG



Dragons lie in wait for us as we venture forth into uncharted waters of genealogical research. The biggest one out there is the Old Spelling Dragon. He can gobble up your ancestors and sidetrack your research for years -- if you let him. Most of us have some stubborn ideas about the spelling of our surname and often refuse to look at other possible spellings. We waste time complaining about how a clerk "misspelled" our name. It is time to get over this preconceived notion about how names 'should' be spelled. If you are going to find your ancestors, take off the blinders, toss out your preconceived notions about your name and learn to look for all the variant ways the name might have been written.

Say your surname aloud and then write down all the ways you can think of that it might be spelled. It is usually the vowels that trip us up. Old Spelling Dragon often tosses in an extra "e" or throws out a "u" and then we can't find our ancestors in an index. When you are unable to find any listing for your surname in the indices, (e.g. censuses or marriages), it should raise a red flag that there is a spelling problem. Look for variants. Switch the vowels around. Toss them out. Check all forms of the first vowel in your surnames when searching any index.

And, you know about the other surname dragons -- Sneaky H and Shifty R -- don't you? Take the surname of Whiteley (Whitley) -- an old English habitational name -- as an example. You should routinely check indices for Wha, Whe, Whi, Who, Whu and Why. The "y" sounds like "i" so treat it like a vowel. Also, drop the "h" and look for Wa, We, Wi, Wo, Wu and Wy spellings. Other variants include Whitely, Whittley, Whittla, and Witley. Have someone from England, Canada, Australia, and Texas (USA) say the name for you -- then you'll hear the spelling problem loud and clear.

Look up your surname in a good name dictionary to discover additional spellings. Learn the ethnic origins of your families. Remember that surnames have histories just as families do, but the history of a particular surname is not necessarily the same as your family's. In other words, not all the HOLTs in America came from England, though the name is an English topographic name for someone who lived in or by a wood or copse. But, the surname also has German, Danish and Norwegian roots and could be a shorten version of Holtgrave, Holtgrive, Holte, etc.

For surnames that begin with a vowel -- a, e, i, o or u -- look under all the vowels, plus under Sneaky H. Some of Wild West personality Wyatt Earp's ancestors were uncovered in Maryland, hidden under Harp and Hearp. I have found my Autry (Awtrey) ancestors disguised as Hawtrey and Ottery. That Sneaky H can slink into names in peculiar places and bring your search to a screeching halt. Shifty R is another dangerous dragon. It is a semi-vowel, appearing helter-skelter in names. Be on the lookout for it, especially in unexpected places. Its appearance can put your names in mysterious places in an index. Don't let spelling peculiarities conceal your ancestors or the spelling dragons defeat you. Watch your vowels and search for variant spellings under which your ancestors are hidden.

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Quotable Quotes

We exist temporarily through what we take, but we live forever through what we give.

- Douglas M Lawson, 1936

Darebin Historical Encyclopedia

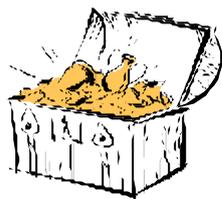
The Darebin Historical Encyclopedia was launched in April. If you had ancestors living in what is now the City of Darebin (Fairfield, Preston, Reservoir, Nothcote, Thornbury area) you may find something of interest. The best thing about the site is that it has 20 years of the Northcote Leader newspaper scanned from 1888-1908. The Northcote Leader covered Preston, Thomastown, Epping, Whittlesea, Fairfield, Heidleberg and Clifton Hill.

<http://dhe.darebin-libraries.vic.gov.au>

Heather Arnold

Local History Officer
Casey-Cardinia Library Corporation

FAMILY AND LOCAL HISTORY TREASURE CHEST



Saturday 19th August, 9 am to 5 pm

Dallas Brooks Centre,

300 Albert St, East Melbourne

For further details see:

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~ausvafho/events.html>

or: dichris@labyrinth.net.au

The Family and Local History Treasure Chest promises a host of goodies that includes lectures:

- Lonsdale Street archaeological dig
- Polly Woodside
- Melbourne's early social history
- Using newspapers
- How to Write a Family History

Research information for all Australian states, New Zealand, England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Italy, Germany, plus Jewish, Asian, Wendish & Huguenot. Specialist research available for trades and occupations such as police, Post Office, railways, tramways, military & miners.

Representatives will be present from: PROV, NAA, SLV, BDMs, RHSV.

Consultants on convicts, heraldry, desktop publishing, digital photography, dating family photos, archival products, calligraphy & much more.

Displays on Sovereign Hill, Flagstaff Hill, National Trust, the Immigration Museum.

Sales by Gould Books, GSV, Mapworks, AIGS (second hand books) and Eric Panther with a collection of old postcards. Scanning and photocopying will be available.

Many local and family history societies will be in attendance with their own products for sale.

Narre Warren & District Family History Group will be there so drop in and say hello. Take this opportunity to have a look at our far-famed Casey-Cardinia Index or just have a chat about your research.

Irish Technology

After digging to a depth of 100 meters last year, Russian scientists found traces of copper wire dating back 1000 years, and came to the conclusion that their ancestors already had a telephone network one thousand years ago.

Not to be outdone, in the weeks that followed, American scientists dug 200 meters and headlines in the US papers read: "US scientists have found traces of 2000 year old optical fibers, and have concluded that their ancestors already had advanced high-tech digital telephone 1000 years earlier than the Russians."

One week later, the IRISH newspapers reported the following: "After digging as deep as 5000 meters, IRISH scientists have found absolutely nothing. They have concluded that 5000 years ago, their ancestors were already using wireless technology."

"Monday Fodder" by hundred-acre-woods.com 10th Apr 2006

Huge crowd at "Coronation"

A huge crowd attended the wind-up ball of Berwick Sportsground Committee's Queen Competition, on Friday, April 11. Crowning of the winner, Miss Elaine Turner (Football Club), was performed by the wife of the Minister for External Affairs, Mrs. R. G. Casey. Mr. Casey was also present.

The contest raised the splendid total of £1033/19/- for improvements to the Berwick sportsground. Amounts raised by the competitors were as follows:

MISS ELAINE TURNER (Football) £330
MISS DOROTHY RICHARDSON (Bowls) £282
MISS MARY FRITZLAFF (Fire Brigade) £205
MISS LORRAINE ALLEN (Tennis) £117
MISS CATHERINE CARR (Cricket) £105

President of the committee (Mr. A. Funston) in congratulating the competitors, their committees and townspeople, said the amount had exceeded all expectations. It was a wonderful result and was a credit to all concerned.

The proceeds would enable a new pavilion to be erected in the near future, and other improvements to be carried out. Blind Institute Orchestra provided the music, and Mr. Fred Smith was M.C.

(Dandenong Journal, Wed., April 23, 1958)

A Most Painful Widowhood

Married on Saturday last by the Rev. James HARPER, Major William LOVE, age 62, to Mrs. Prudence (ROWLETT DICKINSON) BERRY, age 57. It is hoped she will find some consolation in the society of her new husband for her painful widowhood, which lasted the dreadful period of seven weeks.

From: Holston Intelligencer and Abingdon Advertiser 1812; courtesy of RootsWeb Review, 5 July 2006, Vol. 9, No. 27

Research Room Roster

Sep	Tuesday	Thurs		Sat	
				2	Pam Lowther - It & Cem Carolyn Jones -Aus & Gen
5	Anne Blair Tas Lorraine Taylor- Eng & Gen	7	Di Christensen Valma Newson	9	Lynne Bradley-Casey/Cardinia Jenny Coates- Casey/Cardinia
12	Fay McCoubrie Clare Vivian	14	Eileen Durdin- Casey/Cardinia Donald Connop	16	Robyn Jones Carolyn Jones- Aus & Gen
19	Jenny Patterson Mary McGrath	21	Nowella Alghren- Aus Gail Quinn	23	Shirley Peterson Lorraine Taylor - Eng & Gen
26	Jeanette Angee Carolyn Jones-Aus & Gen	28	Lynne Bradley- Casey/Cardinia Win Preston - Aus	30	Pam Lowther -It & Cem Wendy Goodwin- Tas
October					
3	Lorraine Taylor- Eng&Gen Anne Blair - Tas	5	Di Christensen Valma Newson	7	Val Holland Carolyn Jones- Aus & Gen
10	Fay McCoubrie Clare Vivian	12	Donald Connop Eileen Durdin-Casey/Cardinia	14	Lynne Bradley-Casey/Cardinia Jenny Coates- Casey/Cardinia
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SAUSAGE SIZZLES



Once again we had a successful sizzle on the 27th May. Our profits on the day were just over \$300, which is really great. But it would not have been possible without people like Fay McCoubrie, Val Holland, Helene Hayes, Jeanette Bell, Eileen Durdin and our one and only spruiker Jenny Hayes. Thank-you all, especially Eileen who has helped me on every sizzle.

Go-Lo gave us the venue and **Baker's Delight** donated the bread plus two bags of rolls which was fantastic. Next time you are shopping please consider supporting the businesses that support us.

Our next sizzles will be at 'Go-Lo', Fountain Gate, right next door to the 'Warehouse'. Between 10am and 4 pm. Dates for this year are:

- **Sunday 20th August**
- **Saturday 18th November**

I can always do with volunteers so if you can spare even an hour to help out please give me a call.

Shirley Peterson

Sausage Sizzle Co-ordinator: 9704 9738

Family History Programs

Looking for a family history program? Try a free trial version, available to download, or pick up the CD. Just ask the volunteers for the disk when borrowing the magazine.

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or download from - <http://www.bkwin.net>

Legacy 6

Mar 2006 Family Tree Magazine
or download from - <http://www.legacyfamilytree.com>

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Dec 2005 Practical Family History

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Jul 2005 Family Tree Magazine

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