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Anzac Day, 25 April, marks the anniversary of Australian and New Zealand forces landing at Gallipoli, the first major military action our Anzacs saw in World War I.

We remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice in war – the First World War and all other wars.

We hold local ceremonies in each and every town in the country and the dawn ceremony at the Shrine of Remembrance is a memorable occasion.



The Shrine of Remembrance - Eternal Flame

In remembering the men who fought and died also give a thought to the many women who bandaged the soldier's wounds in the most unfavourable conditions at times. These miraculous women must have felt like they were in hell, all of those bodies broken and bloody. All of the women that stayed at home and worked in the jobs where their men previously toiled.

There were also a great deal of animals that aided our soldiers and at times helped to keep them safe. The "Walers", horses that carried the men of the light horse in the Middle East and WWI. "Horrie the wog dog", found as a puppy in Egypt, became the unofficial mascot of the 2/1st Machine gun battalion. Horrie had his own uniform to protect him from the cold. He warned of approaching enemy aircraft and survived the sinking of the ship that evacuated the unit from Greece to Crete. He was smuggled back into Australia in 1942 and lived out his life in

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General Meetings

14th June at 2 pm

➔ Ada Ackerley

Non Issued Probates & Admins.



12th July at 2 pm

➔ John Donaldson

Digitize Your Family History



9th August at 2 pm

➔ Brenda Stevens-Chambers

- History of the CWA

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Membership & Meetings

Membership:

Single \$25 + \$5 joining fee

Joint \$40 + \$5 joining fee

Payable 1st July each year.

Meetings are held in the Meeting Room at the Narre Warren Library, Overland Drive, Fountain Gate.

Nov - May: 8 p.m.

2nd Wednesday of the month (except January)

Jun - Oct: 2 p.m.

2nd Saturday of the month

The cost is \$2 and includes a light supper.

Family History Research Room

Our Family History Research Room is located within the Narre Warren Library, Overland Drive, Fountain Gate.

Family History Research

Room hours:

Tuesday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Thursday 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Saturday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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.



Research Queries

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. 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.

Family History Research Room

Information Sessions

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. Jane Rivett-Carnac is currently 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 Jane

Phone: (03) 9796 1421 or

Email: research.room.workshop@nwfhg.org.au

Members: Free Visitors: \$5 charge.

Publications for Sale

Microfiche:

Berwick Cemetery

Register & Headstones 1867 to 1999 = \$22.00

Harkaway Cemetery

Register & Headstones 1863 to 1999 = \$6.00

Pakenham Cemetery

Register & Headstones c1850 to 1999 = \$22.00

+ \$2.50 postage & packing for up to 3 sets of fiche

Books:

Harkaway Primary School - Origins to 1975

by Jennifer Boyer = \$20 (postage included)

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 FROM THE RESIDENT

It's been a funny week, we had our highlight last weekend when Fay accepted a rather large donation of Family History Resources on Cd (those with Nottinghamshire interests should watch their newsletters). And the low point was last night when I accepted our Membership Officer's resignation due to ill health. Shirley, you are already sorely missed, please be good, do what you're told and return to us asap.

On a brighter note has anyone got lost in the research room yet? I realise that to 'do duty' you should bring your own compass to go with the map that Jane has drawn in the blue message book that accompanies the copious notes on where things were and where they are now. What a fantastic job, she's done!

This is the last newsletter before the AGM in July, as always there'll be spots to fill on the committee and some of our V.I.P.s may want a rest from their duties as well. It takes dedication and commitment to keep a group of 100 members and a research room that opens 3 days a week going. Please think about coming to the AGM and supporting us – possibly even joining us.

My thanks to this year's committee members and V.I.P.s, research room volunteers, sausage sizzlers and everyone else who helped the NW&DFHG this year. All contributions to the job at hand, whether large or small are important to us, that's what keeps us going.

Speaking of small contributions (and just changing hats) would anyone be able to index 5 newspaper articles for the Research Officer (that's me too). I don't care if you have a computer or not, or if you have email or not, I just need the willingness to help!

Lynne

Narre Warren & District Family History Group Inc.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday 12th July 2008 at 2 p.m.
The Meeting Room,
Narre Warren Library
Overland Drive, Narre Warren

AGENDA

1. The reading and acceptance of the minutes of the 2007 AGM
2. The reading and acceptance of the Committee Reports
3. Election of Office Bearers for 2008-2009.
President
Vice President
Minute Secretary
Correspondence Secretary
Treasurer
4. Election of Committee Members for 2008-2009.
Librarian
Newsletter Editor
Publicity Officer
Research Room Manager
Membership Officer

All positions will be declared vacant and a ballot will be held if two or more persons nominate for the same position.

Membership Renewal Forms and Proxy Forms are available on page 11 of this edition of Spreading Branches.

Nominations in writing to the Correspondence Secretary (*see contact details page 2*) or may be left in the specially designated box in the Research Room.

**Please note that only financial members may vote at the AGM. Membership fees are due 1st July. Please arrive by 1.30 p.m. if you wish to pay your membership fees on the day.*

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country Victoria. Horrie's uniform is on display at the Australian War Memorial.

"Red Lead" the little black kitten that joined the six hundred men aboard the HMS Perth. But this cat decided that it was time to find a new home and tried to leave the ship, three times in fact, but was returned to the deck by a sailor each time. The official log at the end of the day read "Red Lead, ship's kitten, endeavoured to desert, but was brought back on board, despite vigorous protests." Maybe Red Lead knew what was to come, maybe the cat knew that even having nine lives wouldn't be enough in the coming battle. Well the cat was right and the Perth was sunk after a desperate battle with the Japanese and over three hundred and fifty men, the captain and one little black cat went down with the ship.

(Source: Australian War Memorial Encyclopedia)

Australian War Memorial Encyclopedia

<http://www.awm.gov.au/encyclopedia/index.htm>

Australian Women in War

<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/war/war.html>

The Shrine of Remembrance - Melbourne

<http://www.shrine.org.au/>

AWM Roll of Honour Photographs

The Australian War Memorial is looking for wartime photographs of the more than 102,000 men and women who died while on active service, and whose names are on bronze panels of the Roll of Honour. The Roll of Honour is available on the AWM's website. If photographs are held they are linked to that person's entry on the Roll.

The ultimate objective of this project is to have a photograph for every name. There are presently 6,600 photographs linked to the online Roll of Honour.

This project was the idea of Charles Bean in the 1920's. The concept motivated the first Director of the Memorial, John Treloar to write thousands of letters to families in search of photos. With increasing interest in family and military history the project has acquired new life.

If you would like to help and have a photograph of an appropriate service person, first check if a photograph is already linked to that individual. If not contact the Memorial to find out how you can help by providing a photograph.

Phone: (02) 6243 4593

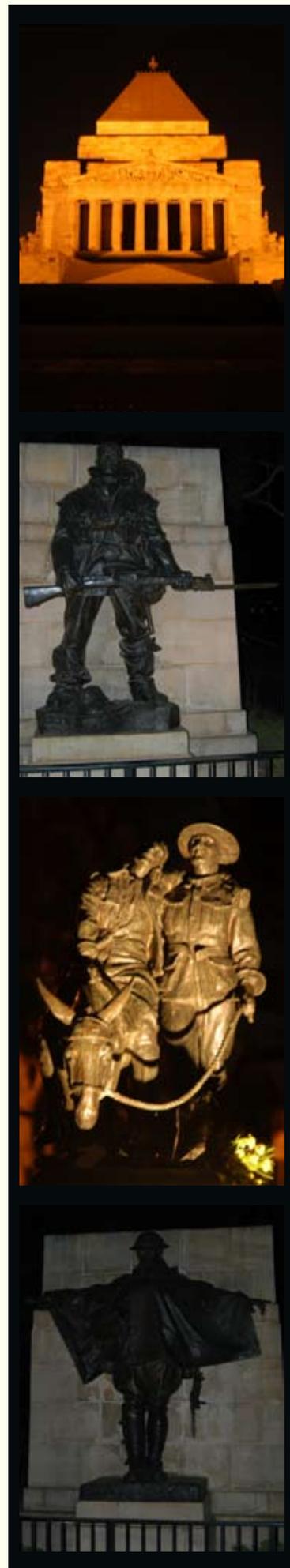
Email: photographs@awm.gov.au

More information is available on the website.

Australian War Memorial - Roll of Honour Photographs

<http://blog.awm.gov.au/awm/2008/04/14/roll-of-honour-photographs/>

Shrine of Remembrance Photos courtesy of Trevor Lowther



JAMES HERRICK

Cobb and Co Mail Contractor

My great grandfather James Herrick was born in 1852 at Mt William, on the Chirnside Run on the Grampians Plains. His parents were John Herrick and Bridget Marksman who immigrated from Tipperary, Ireland to Hobson's Bay, Victoria in 1851.

Recorded as a pupil (RC) at Inverleigh Free Church school about 1856 he was said to be aged 2? James was one of two children born in Australia the others of the fourteen were born in Ireland. A baby girl, Mary was born on the ship but sadly died and was buried at sea.

James married in 1874 at St Mary of the Angels, Geelong to Katherine Maria McNeill. The first of their children, Annie, was born in Geelong in 1875. The other ten children were born in the district surrounding Pyramid Hill north of Bendigo where James, his father and most of his siblings selected in the late 1870's.

James was a farmer but in ¹ 1894 he successfully tendered to Cobb & Co for the Reedy Creek Mail run near Broadford which was a stopover for horse-drawn coaches crossing the Hume Highway to the goldfields. The family moved to 127 High St Broadford which was next to the Mechanics Hall at that time. He continued this employment until 1921 when he sold the Reedy Creek Run.

As described in the following article the mail coach was used for other purposes when needed.

² Death of James McGrath-miner. A miner of Reedy Creek died age 46 at Mr. Herricks home.

"The death occurred last Saturday morning of Mr James McGrath a miner residing at Reedy Creek. Mr McGrath had been ailing for some time, and at the request of a number of his friends decided to obtain admittance to the Kilmore Hospital and came in with Mr Herrick in the mail coach last Friday evening. Mr Herrick very kindly put McGrath up for the

evening in his own home. As Mr Herrick's son was making arrangements to take the deceased to the hospital next morning he took a bad turn and expired soon after."

It was an emotional time for James and Kate between 1914 and 1916 as many of their brave lads left Australia's shores to face the conflict of WW1. They all returned with life and limb intact but were among thousands who suffered from their experiences overseas with obvious changes to their personalities. Two of their younger boys also joined up for service in WW2.

James was mentioned many times in the Broadford Courier newspaper between 1914 and 1921 but the final mention was the saddest, on the death of his beloved wife Kate.

1 September 1933

Mr James Herrick and family wish to convey their sincere thanks to relatives and friends for letters, telegrams, floral tributes and personal expressions of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement especially thanking Dr King Scott, Lieut. Sykes, Mrs N Ross, Mrs G Mills, Mrs L Aitken, Mrs J Arbuthnot and Mrs W Sinclair. Will all please accept this as a personal acknowledgement of our deepest gratitude.

James died 25 Sep 1936 while living with his daughter Annie in Shepparton. He is buried with Kate in Broadford Cemetery.

Jeanette Angee



Kate and James Herrick at Broadford

¹ *A Country Life-A History of Broadford & District.*"

² *Broadford Courier 31 July 1914*

“How to Do Everything with Your Genealogy”

by George C Morgan

This is a very interesting book for those of us addicted to family history. It had been sitting on the table near the research Room door for sometime before I stopped and dipped into it. Then I had to borrow it!

Beginners and long term researchers alike will find something of interest. George is an American but he devotes time to UK and other countries also.

Some section headings-

- 🔍 Why explore your genealogy?
- 🔍 Create your Family tree
- 🔍 Place your ancestors into context and locate vital records
- 🔍 Use census schedules and records to locate your ancestors
- 🔍 Further your research with advanced record types
- 🔍 Use records of military service and land documents
- 🔍 Locate and use immigration and Naturalization records
- 🔍 Discover where to locate Documents about your family
- 🔍 Locate your ancestors on the internet
- 🔍 Follow alternate research paths to locate difficult records
- 🔍 Plan a very successful genealogical research trip
- 🔍 Select hardware, software and accessories to aid your work
- 🔍 Select and use a genealogical database program to store data

It is an easy book to read and browse through-one that could find a permanent spot on your own shelves.

This book can be found in the Casey-Cardinia Libraries (Call No. 929.1 MOR)

Di Christensen



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August 2008

The Deadline for the August 2008 edition of Spreading Branches is 15th July 2008.

EXTENSIVE FIRE AT THE BEACONSFIELD HOUSE.

(By wire.From Our CORREPPONDENT.)
Wednesday Morning.

The occupants of that stately building known as the "Sanitorium," about six miles from the Beaconsfield Railway Station, and lately owned by Mrs.A.H. Somner, who has figured so prominently in the Moss-Somner will case a week or two ago, was thrown into a state of terrible consternation, when it became known that the building was completely enveloped in flames, and a frightful and ineffable confusion took place amongst the inmates in their endeavor to escape from the horrible fate of being burnt to death, which at first seemed almost inevitable. The occupants of the building rushed in all directions in a state of frenzied excitement, and one woman in trying to effect her escape was completely overwhelmed by the dense smoke which was rushing with great force over the house, and was with great difficulty rescued from the flames. The scene was a most agonising one-men women and children were running in all directions in a half nude state, availing themselves of every opportunity that was open whereby they would be able to escape from the excruciating torments of the fiery demon. Next morning there was nothing to be seen of what was a few hours ago a complete homestead. The children, who lay huddled together without boots and very little clothing, presented a frightful picture. On the road to the station several lodgers were met tramping down in borrowed clothing. The house was completely gutted and absolutely nothing was saved with the exception or the horses and human beings, some of the latter having hairbreath escapes from a painful death. The fire is one of certain incendiariism, the fire having commenced quite remote from any chance of fireplace or otherwise, and it is quite likely that an inquiry will be held. Mr Wilckens, the proprietor, intended making alterations.

27 February 1890, Dandenong Advertiser

Have you looked at.....?

Tips from Lorraine Taylor

Interested in your ancestors occupation?

A good place to start your search is Family Tree Magazine.

The following have a series of articles on Ancestors at Work.

Railway Staff	February 2005
Victorian Sportsmen	June 2005
Was Grandma on the Buses	July 2005
Metropolitan Policeman	August 2005
Agriculture Labourers	September 2005
A Dyeing Trade (boatman/wharf)	October 2005
Internet Sources on Coal mining	December 2005
Also Undertakers & Funeral Directors	

February to December 2006 include Shopkeepers, Station Staff/Railway-man, Postman, Gamekeepers and Warreners, On the Buses, Ploughmen & Penny Boys, Women's Land Army, Salvation Army.

March, July and August 2007 cover Butchers, The Victorian Seamstress and The Baker.

Practical Family Tree carries on the occupational theme in September and October 2005, an Apothecary in the family and tips on those employed as servants.

July and October 2006 Hatters/Gloves website and Old Occupations.

February, April and June 2007 A-Z of Old Occupations

June's Guest Speaker - Ada Ackerley will speak on Non Issued Probates & Administrations

Have you ever gone looking through the probate index, expecting to find great uncle Bill's will, because there is a story that he left one but there's no will there? Or, the family is sure there was an administration file but you can't find one either? Maybe you should be looking in the "Non-Issued Probates" files of the Registrar General.

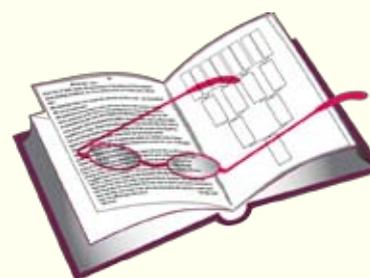
These one hundred and forty two boxes of physical records were lodged with the Victorian Public Records Office some years ago. These records were "alphabetised" chronologically as they were filed, in a Register at the Probate Office

Until now, to access one of these non-issued files you had to go to the Probate Office, dig the file number out of the Register and then request file at the Public Records Office.

Ada Ackerly has been indexing these files and has arranged them in a similar style to the Probate Index. "Part One" will be available for perusal (1851-1965) at the meeting.

Ada has also very kindly offered to donate a copy of her index to our collection.

Ada will be speaking at 2 pm, 14th June in the Meeting Room, Narre Warren Library.



New in the research room

	"Australia's Founding Mothers" can be found under New South Wales
	Australian Family Histories: Bibliography and Index edition 3
	Samuel Lewis's Topographical Dictionary of England 1859
	South Bourke & Mornington Journal Index 1877-1886
	Universal British Directory 1793-1798

Research Room News

Hello fellow Genies,

First a big thank you to "Rex and the Mermaids", for the laughter and team work that kept me sane while we 'Did the Fiche', this year's stock take has been completed. Thank you to Faye and Shirley for their assistance we have begun our reorganisation plan for books and magazines, slowly we are gaining a few inches of space and hopefully at the same time making our research room more inviting and easier to navigate.

One of the advantages of my role is I get to read all the newsletters from the other family history groups, every month I find interesting snippets and new web sites to visit. In the Forbes Family History Group newsletter No 88 Summer 2008 was a recommendation for checking English Census returns for Australians visiting the mother country, you may find a missing link on your tree. If you are looking for information on early workers and employment in Australia, the Casino & District Family History Group newsletter No 80 February 2008 has a very good article about the Noel Butlin Archive (Australians at work) held at the Australian National University in Canberra. One of the other newsletters had a website for photos of Churches throughout the British Isles, <http://www.churches-uk-ireland.org/>

I have spent the last month filing and reorganising my home library after all the good hints Wendy Eldridge gave us in her talk at the March meeting, at the same time I have spent hours taking all my photos out of the old 'magic page albums' what a nightmare that was. I read an article about the damage these particular albums cause, with a lot of patience, feet of dental floss and a razor blade all the photos have been removed from the sticky backing and fortunately only a relatively small number of photos delaminated, so these I will scan and reprint. So if you have your wedding photos, children or grand-children's pictures in these albums which have been around for 30 years and are still available, get to it, buy new archive albums and save your family's history for your descendents and future generations.

Happy reading,

Jane Rivett-Carnac

The Adventures of "Rex and the Mermaids"



Illustration by Pam Lowther

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Research Room Roster

	Tuesday		Thursday		Saturday	
JUNE	3	Fay McCoubrie Clare Vivian	5	Win Preston Wls & Shp Eileen Durdin C/C	7	Lorraine Taylor Eng & Gen Val Holland
	10	Jeanette Angee Carolyn Jones Aus & Gen	12	Nowella Ahlgren Gen & BI Valma Newson	14	Lynne Bradley C/C Wendy Brock
	17	Wendy Brock Lorraine Taylor Eng & Gen	19	Donald Connop Di Christensen	21	Carolyn Jones Aus & Gen Pam Lowther IT & Cem
	24	Bev Lambie Mary McGrath	26	Lynne Bradley C/C Gail Quinn	28	Robyn Jones Wendy Goodwin Tas
JULY	1	Fay McCoubrie Clare Vivian	3	Win Preston Wls & Shp Eileen Durdin C/C	5	Lorraine Taylor Eng & Gen Carolyn Jones Aus & Gen
	8	Jeanette Angee Carolyn Jones Aus & Gen	10	Nowella Ahlgren Gen & BI Valma Newson	12	Lynne Bradley C/C Wendy Brock
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Legend

Aus = Australia
Con = Convict
Shp = Shipping

BI = British Isles
Eng = England
Tas = Tasmania

C/C = Casey/Cardinia
Gen = General
Vic = Victoria

Cem = Cemeteries
IT = Computers
Wls = Wales

AIGS INDEX OF EXPIRED TENURE PLAQUES AT SPRINGVALE NECROPOLIS

THE AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF GENEALOGICAL STUDIES HAS COMPILED AN INDEX OF THE
EXPIRED TENURE PLAQUES AT SPRINGVALE NECROPOLIS.

THIS IS AN EVENT THAT HAD A PERSONAL IMPACT ON ME BECAUSE MY GRANDFATHER'S ASHES
WERE UNDER A PLAQUE IN ONE OF THE LONG AVENUES OF ROSES LINING THE MAIN BOULEVARD
LEADING INTO THE GROUNDS. I THINK OF MYSELF AS ONE OF THE LUCKY ONES WHO KNEW THIS
WAS HAPPENING AND I MANAGED TO GET MY ANCESTORS ASHES BEFORE THEY WERE REMOVED.

EACH OF THE UNCLAIMED PLAQUES HAVE BEEN INDEXED AND PHOTOGRAPHED BY MEMBERS
OF THE AIGS. THE INDEX CAN BE SEARCHED ONLINE AND AN IMAGE OF EACH PLAQUE CAN
BE PURCHASED FOR A \$10 FEE PER IMAGE. OF COURSE THE INDEX IS NOT A COMPLETE LIST OF
'TENURE EXPIRED' PLAQUES AS A PERCENTAGE OF PLAQUES AND/OR ASHES WERE COLLECTED AND
SO ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR RECORDING. MANY PLAQUES CONTAIN ONLY THE NAME OF THE

DECEASED AND THE DATE OF DEATH BUT SOME DO CONTAIN MORE INFORMATION
*I AM SURE THAT WE ARE ALL HAPPY TO SEE THAT THE A.I.G.S. HAS COMPILED THIS INDEX SO
THERE IS A PERMANENT RECORD OF THESE INTERNMENTS.*

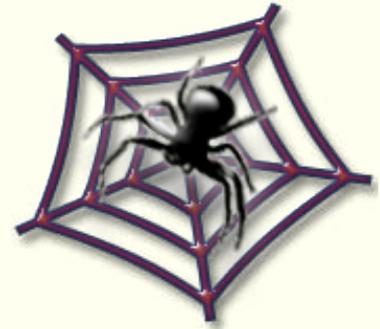
EXPIRED TENURE PLAQUES AT SPRINGVALE NECROPOLIS – INDEX TO SURNAMES
[HTTP://WWW.AIGS.ORG.AU/NECROPOLIS.HTM](http://www.aigs.org.au/necropolis.htm)

Welcome New Members



Lynne Mcalister
 Carole Krygger
 Neil Charman
 Heather Nielsen
 Lynn Thomson
 Rachel Espie
 Cliff Harris
 Judi Harris
 Valerie Davies
 Merryl Krumins
 Robyn Whitfield

On the Web



1891 Women's Suffrage Petition
<http://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/WomensPetition/>

EPPI – Enhanced British Parliamentary Papers on Ireland, 1801-1922
<http://www.eppi.ac.uk/eppi/digbib/home>

Papers Past
<http://paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/cgi-bin/paperspast>

A Database of all Victorian MP's since 1851
<http://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/re-member/>

Australia @ War
<http://www.ozatwar.com/index.htm>

Yesterdays Journey
<http://homepages.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~spire/Yesterday/index.htm>

Our First Families New Beginnings
<http://www.homeofhouston.com/certificates.htm>

Mariners and Ships in Australian Waters
<http://mariners.records.nsw.gov.au/>

Milton Ulladulla Local and Family History
<http://www.ulladulla.info/history/>

Gazetteer of Markets and Fairs in England and Wales to 1516
<http://www.history.ac.uk/cmh/gaz/gazweb2.html>

Western Australia War Memorials Register
<http://www.anzac.dpc.wa.gov.au/index.cfm?event=warMemorials>

Bendigo Cemeteries Trust – Search Axedale, Bendigo, Eaglehawk, Kangaroo Flat, Neangar & White Hills cemeteries
<http://www.bencemtrust.com.au/search.asp>

The Workhouse
<http://users.ox.ac.uk/~peter/workhouse/index.html>

Visit Gallipoli
<http://www.anzacsite.gov.au/>

Member Profile	
Name	Carole Krygger
Born	South Camberwell, Victoria
Siblings	Robyn Kaye, Marjorie Valda, Peter Charles
Education	Year 10
Profession	Retired (General office work)
Married	Divorced
Spouse	-
Children	Joanne Elizabeth, Craig McLean
Time in the district	10 years
Hobbies	Reading
Researching	Barnett, Parsons, Stanwix, Kittelty, Callaghan, Waterson
Reason for starting	Always interested in family
Time researching	18 years
Most interesting find	Joseph Stanwix Convict Records

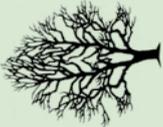
A Few Devon Websites

These are just a few of the Devon websites I have found useful in my research

Devon Heritage
<http://www.devonheritage.org>

Devon Parish, Non-Parochial and Civil Registers and Map of Devon Parishes
http://www.devon.gov.uk/parish_register_list

Devon Family History Society
<http://www.devonfhs.org.uk/>



FORM OF APPOINTMENT OF PROXY
FOR THE NARRE WARREN & DISTRICT FAMILY HISTORY
GROUP INC.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2008

I, _____ (please print)

of _____

being a member of the Narre Warren & District Family History Group Inc., hereby

appoint _____

of _____

also being a member of that Incorporated Association, as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the Association to be held on the 12th day of July, 2008 and at any adjournment of that meeting.

My proxy is authorised to vote in favour of/against (delete as appropriate)

the resolution _____

(insert details)

Signed: _____

Date: _____



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2008/2009
Narre Warren & District Family History Group Inc.
P O BOX 149 NARRE WARREN VICTORIA 3805

(Mr Mrs Miss Ms Dr) _____

SURNAME

Given Name/s _____

FIRST NAME

MIDDLE NAME/INITIAL

Address _____

Postcode _____

Telephone _____

Mobile _____

E-mail _____

PLEASE REMEMBER EMAIL IS CASE SENSITIVE

Membership Category	Fee	Amount Paid
Ordinary/Single	\$25.00	
Joint	\$40.00	
Late Joining Fee (Only if Paid After 1 Oct)	\$5.00	
Optional Library Donation	\$	
Total	\$	\$

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE VOLUNTEER ON DUTY

Membership No: _____ Date: _____ / _____ / 2008

Receipt No: _____ Payment Method: Cash Chq Money Order
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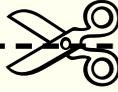
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Staying safe online!

Most of us use the internet these days to help us research our family history and keep in touch with family and friends. Whether you are just emailing the family or you are more active online it is really important to protect your computer. The fact is that the internet can be a nasty place but if you take a few simple precautions it can save you a lot of heartache. Trojans, viruses, rootkits, spyware, malware, worms, keyloggers, browser hijackers, dialers..... The list goes on! The bad guys are continually unleashing these threats on to the World Wide Web. New threats are being discovered all the time and the speed at which they are spreading is increasing. Unfortunately not everyone out there uses the internet responsibly and protects themselves against these threats. In turn having contact with one of these people will heighten your risk of being infected.

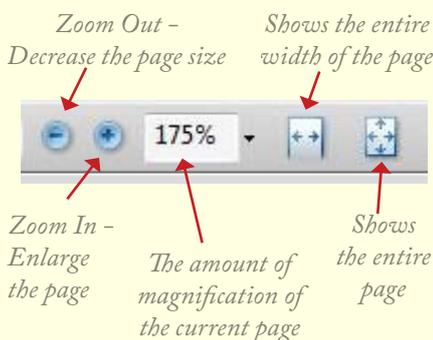
How to counteract these threats?

- Never trust a CD, floppy disk email, etc. Get into the habit of running a virus scan on any data source (CD, floppy disk email, etc.) that comes from an outside source.
- Update your security programs regularly or they are no use at all! I think it is a good idea to set your security program/s to update daily and automatically, to avoid the possibility of forgetting.
- I believe that a minimum level of security is a good antivirus program and a firewall (Also a spyware program if that is not already covered by the antivirus or firewall programs) Now they don't have to be expensive to be good and there are even free alternatives available. The best way to find the optimum program for you is to do some research. Read reviews online (just Google "firewall reviews"). These products are also reviewed in popular computer magazines.

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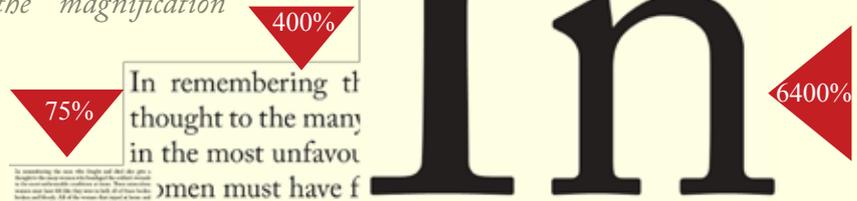
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When you receive your newsletter it is set to open showing the whole front page. I try to make sure the front page is at least a little bit spectacular so it catches your eye when you open your new newsletter. But I realise that not everyone has great eyesight and the text at this magnification may be a bit small for everyone to read. Well help is at hand! It is really easy to zoom in and out so you can have the text whatever size you need it to be.



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To get the most out of this great feature packed, interactive Spreading Branches you may want to consider updating to the newest version of Adobe Reader. It's easy just click the button .

If the thought of maintaining and running three separate security programs is daunting there are "all inclusive" alternatives. There are a few of these inclusive packages on the market and thanks to a few new brands prices have dropped recently, so they will not cost you an arm and a leg! A couple of examples of "All Inclusive" security packages, Norton Internet Security and Kaspersky Internet Security.

Free Anti-Virus Programs

Avast 4 Home Edition - http://www.avast.com/eng/free_virus_protectio.html

AVG Free Anti-Virus - <http://free.grisoft.com/>

Free Firewall Programs

ZoneAlarm Free Firewall - http://www.zonealarm.com/store/content/catalog/products/sku_list_zs.jsp#

Comodo Firewall Pro (Free) - <http://www.personalfirewall.comodo.com/index.html>



Free Anti-Spyware Programs

Ad-Aware 2007 Free - http://www.lavasoftusa.com/products/ad_aware_free.php

Spybot - Search & Destroy - <http://www.safer-networking.org/en/download/index.html>

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You can't trust that everyone takes these precautions so it is up to you to keep your computer system safe and free of threats!

Please note: Things move very quickly in the world of internet security so this information has a very brief half life. There is no substitute for doing your own research to make sure you get the best product for your needs at that time. These product have been chosen as a sample of what is available, we are not recommending these products in any way.