



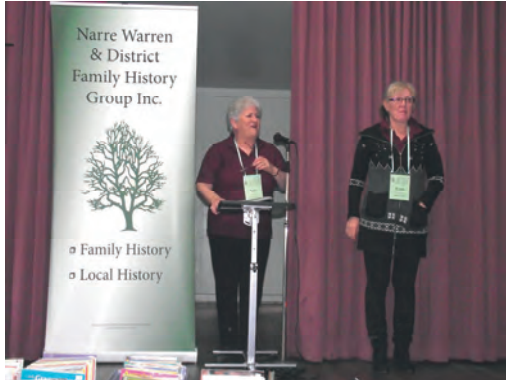
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General Meetings:

December 12 @ 7.30pm

Christmas Meeting with
Closet Awards and
Christmas Quiz hosted
by Fay McCoubrie &
Lyne McGregor

February 13 @ 7.30pm

Our Irish Collection
hosted by TBA

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South East
Victoria Family &
Regional History
Expo September
2012 - Article on
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Family History Research Room

Location:

Narre Warren Branch Library, Overland Drive, Fountain Gate Vic 3805.

Meetings:

Narre Warren Library Meeting Room. Entry Cost \$3.00

October - April: 7.30 pm 2nd Wednesday of the month (except January).

May - September: 2 pm 2nd Saturday of the month.

Membership:

Single \$30 + \$5 joining fee, Joint \$ 45 + \$5 joining fee. Payable 1st July each year. Casual visitors \$5.00 per day. We have a large collection of books, maps, microfiche, CDs and journals from all over the world available to our members and visitors.

Opening Hours for Research:

Tuesday 11am to 3pm, Saturday 11 am to 3pm, (Room closes at 2 pm on Saturdays of our General Meeting)

Thursday 7pm to 9pm (From October to April), Sunday 2pm to 4pm (From May to September).

Research Queries:

We offer a research service for those unable to visit our Research 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 \$15.00 per hour plus photocopying expenses. All research queries can be sent to the Research Officer at the above address or email:

research.officer@nwfhg.org.au

The Narre Warren & District Family History Group gratefully acknowledges the assistance of the Casey – Cardinia Library Corporation and City of Casey in allowing us the use of facilities at the Narre Warren Library.

President's Report

Do we have a story to tell? Yes – in fact, we've got about 35 stories to tell and we're not going to be able to tell them all on the Cranbourne Cemetery Tour. We've got just under two weeks to go and I'm buried under paperwork. It's fabulous! At the last count, we had fourteen members researching various individuals and families for possible inclusion in the tour, 18 people booked in for the tour and an appointment with a reporter from the Casey Weekly with a view to having a story in the paper the week before the tour. I am very encouraged by the support from our members; help has been offered and given in many ways – thank you. We can't pull something like this off without you.

Congratulations to Wendy Brock for another very successful Seniors Week. Two workshops and one free research session has resulted in a lot of publicity, good will and I think about 6 or 7 new memberships. Well done Wendy and thank you!

Congratulations also to Jenny Hayes and Wendy Eldridge for an unbelievably successful Expo. It was so encouraging to see the family history group roll their sleeves up get behind them and the results of that were easy to see. Well done Wendy and Jenny and thank you!

Following on from our totally vertical learning curve with the Expo Facebook page, we've got a Narre Warren & District Family History Group Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/NarreWarrenDistrictFamilyHistoryGroup?ref=hl> – we'd love you to like us!

The Committee and I wish all members and their families a safe and Merry Christmas.

Lynne Bradley

PROV Visit 12th September 2012

What a beautiful day for my first visit to the Public Records Office in Melbourne.

As a new member of Narre Warren & District Family History Group, I took the opportunity to join 11 other ladies to travel to North Melbourne in a Casey Council bus driven by Jenny Hayes, to find out a bit more about my history.

What a noisy lot we were travelling up there, talking about what we might find, what to expect, we were all anticipating great things. I just hoped that I was prepared, but you never are, and what a place. Lovely new building that houses National Archives as well as the Public Records of Victoria.

It was a great set up, with very strict rules for protection of very old records, but quite accessible, with lockers and a refreshment area to use when it all gets too much for the brain to take any more.

The staff were marvellous and gave me assistance and direction for my first time visit. All I can say is WOW! I hope I get the opportunity to take a trip back again.

It was a quiet trip home, as we all digested the information learnt. The consensus was that we all had a great day.

Thank you Jenny for driving us and thank you to all the lovely ladies that went, you made my day memorable.

Gwen Woods.

VIP Positions

Away Days Coordinator—Position Vacant

Casey Cardinia Officer—Eileen Durdin

Casey Cardinia Local History Reference Group Representatives—Lynne Bradley & Wendy Brock

Door Officer - Rex McFarlane & Position Vacant

Fundraising Coordinator - Jenny Hayes

Genealogical Society of Victoria Representative - Wendy Eldridge

Research Officer - Lynne Bradley / Steven Smith

Sales Officer - Alice Pattison

Sausage Sizzle Coordinator - Shirley Peterson/Jenny Hayes/Wendy Brock

SEHA Representatives - Lynne Bradley & Lyne McGregor

Supper Host/Hostess - Anne Blair & Mary McGrath

Victorian Association of Family History Organisations Representative - Position Vacant

For information on the vacant positions please enquire with a committee member.

Research Room News

Hello fellow Genies,

When I came to write this report I was surprised at how many of our new resources had arrived in the past couple of months. As you will see by the list I have been busy cataloguing and updating our records however spare a thought for our IT guru Paul who has to check and install more than 120 CDs. Paul is a little swamped with all we have received but a little wait is worth it for all the new data we will soon have on our computers.

I have enjoyed researching the two families I was allocated for the Cranbourne Cemetery Walk I thought it would be hard to find much on a 24 year old and easier for an older early settler. How wrong I was, the 24 year old's story turned out to be much more interesting. I have also been in discussion with Wendy our Research Room Manager on the best way to create some more space on the shelves and in the room. With input from some of the volunteers and Rex McFarlane's muscles we have come up with a plan that we hope will be of benefit for everyone who attends our room. There might be the odd fine tuning needed but I hope you will all find the changes good overall.

If you think you had a convict ancestor on Norfolk Island and you 'lost them' have a look at one of the books Heather Arnold donated to the group. "Exiled Three Times Over" has heaps of names and information on convicts who were sent from Norfolk Island to Tasmania, a very interesting book. I also found "Port Phillip Gentlemen" and "Old Melbourne Town" both had lots of names and good indexes. The Irish Old Graveyard series of books are little gems full of monumental inscriptions and the two new books covering Irish in India in the time of the Raj also have good photos and biographies, the graveyard books are in a white basket on the Ireland book shelf.

Happy Reading

Jane Rivett-Carnac

Publications for Sale Microfiche

Berwick Cemetery Register and Headstones 1867—1999.

\$22.00 + Postage & Packaging

Harkaway Cemetery Register and Headstones 1863—1999.

\$6.00 + Postage & Packaging

Pakenham Cemetery Register and Headstones 1850—1999

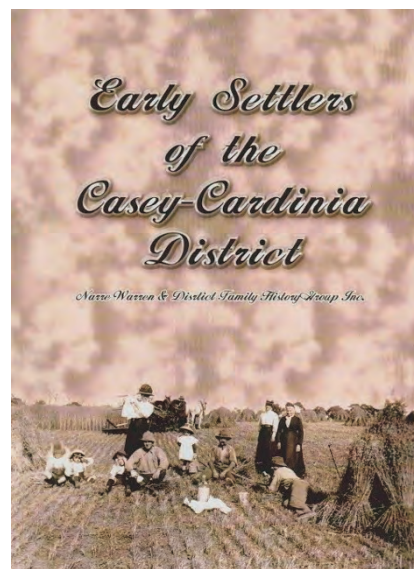
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Postage + Packaging add \$2.50 for up to 3 sets of fiche.

Books

Kindred Spirits -20 years of the Narre Warren & District Family History Group 1989 – 2009. \$25.00 + \$6.00 Postage + Packaging

Early Settlers of the Casey-Cardinia District \$30.00 + \$11.50 Postage + Packaging Order forms available from the Research room or download from our web site.



The **Early Settlers of the Casey Cardinia District** (published 2010 by the Narre Warren & District Family History Group Inc.) is a 274 page book complete with index to people, properties and ships; plus a bibliography. There are over 300 entries containing birth, death and marriage information for individuals and families, many of which were submitted by descendants of those people and include photographs not published elsewhere. In many cases detailed biographies have been written by descendants or compiled by the family history group, giving an insight into the early days of many Casey Cardinia families and individuals.

Member Profile

Welcome to New Members:

Name	Janine Nolan (nee Lee)
Place of Birth	Dandenong, Victoria
Siblings	Trevor Mark Lee
Education	Berwick Secondary College, Chisholm TAFE, Swinburne University
Profession	Self Employed co-ordinating work place training and assessment
Married	Since 2004
Spouse	Michael (Mick) Nolan
Children	5

Maurice Dean
Janette Gill
Verna Henderson
Susan Latchford
Faye Marr
Lynette Mowat
Janine Nolan
Tony + Yolanda Quint
Leanne Rogers

Length of time in district About 25 years

Hobbies Country Fire Authority-15 years (Current Captain-District 8 Head
quarters Brigade)

Names researching My side -Lee, Fenn, Lucas, Nugent, Barry, Reid (Reed) Mackinlay and
many more. Husbands side - Salotti, Burns, Marshall, Horsbrough
and more

Reason for starting, how long researching and most interesting find:

For me these questions are tightly connected. My mother died in 2006 and I wanted my children to have a source of information that would let them know where they came from and what wonderful (and sometimes quirky) people they were descended from. Other than ensuring that documents and photos were safe, I didn't really do anything about it.

I adore my father-in-law and he had always told me that he didn't know much about his father's (Vincent Michael Nolan) childhood. When he asked, his father told him that he doesn't need to know. Whilst said in jest at the time, my father in law was quoted as saying we might not be Nolans!

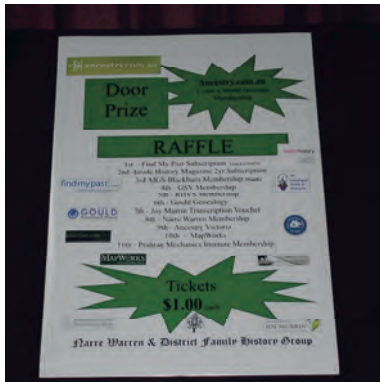
In early August 2012 after coffee with a friend I was introduced to Ancestry. Person by person I quickly built the Nolan family tree with what I knew but started to hit brick walls trying to find Vincent's parents. When Vincent's military service record was opened a letter in the file indicated he was in Toowoomba in 1945 as Vincent Leslie Nolan. My curiosity peaked and I enlisted the Toowoomba / Darling Downs Family History Society to help.

Two days later the society emailed me stating they had found quite a bit of information and sent me a report. Vincent Michael/ Vincent Leslie Nolan and Roderick John Salotti are probably the same person. The four page report contained heaps of information on the Salotti family, including current contact details of Vincent's 2 surviving brothers. You could probably imagine my concern about calling the brothers, but I did. Douglas, 84 and Alan 71, had not heard anything about their brother since 1943—69 years ago. Since then we have exchanged photographs and stories on a regular basis.

Not everyone has their head around the situation yet. My father-in-law in particular went through a bit of an identity crises, but is excited by the find. Many of the family wonder why Vincent didn't tell anyone before he died but that's a question that will never be answered.

My husband and I, along with Vincent's 2 daughters are going to Brisbane for 4 days to meet our "new" extended family on 11 October 2012 and I look forward to taking my father-in-law in the near future.

South East Victoria Family & Regional History Society



Door Prize

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11th

Prize

Ancestry.com.au Subscription

Findmypast Subscription

Inside History Magazine Sub

AIGS Membership

GSV Membership

RHSV Membership

Gould Genealogy Voucher

Joy Murrin Transcription

Voucher

NW&DFHG Membership

Ancestry Victoria Voucher

Mapworks Voucher

PMI Membership

Name

Linda Barraclough

Tracey Burley

Fay Boag

Shirley Peterson

Nancy Atkins

Joan Lehmann

Kathleen Garraway

Diana Wheeler

H. Ebery

Lyn Olney

Brian Knox

Zoe Baile



Our First Prize Raffle Winner
Tracey Burley



Above and Right: Our wonderful volunteers



Excitement was palpable at the Dandenong Family and Regional History Society's annual AGM and Social Evening held at the Dandenong Ranges Community Centre on Saturday 1st September. The evening was a success to the sounds of the Dandenong Ranges Community Centre's band. Exhibitors presented exciting and informative displays to the visitors that came through the door. On the day there were special events such as a quiz, a raffle, and a display of original Australian police cars and a Wolseley police car.

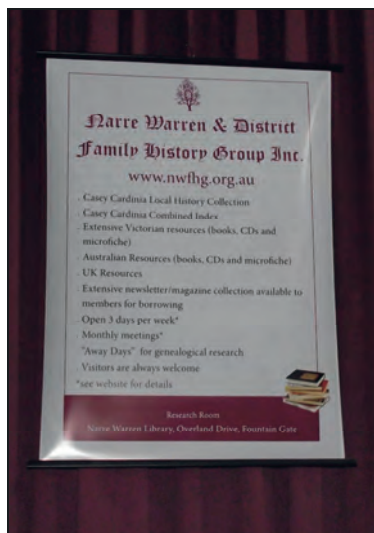
NW&DFHG volunteers were plentiful and gave a helping hand. The volunteers helped with the exhibitors, performed kitchen duties, and were the cleanup crew. At the end of the evening, the society was proud of the involvement of their members in this most successful gathering.

A very big thank you to our supporters and volunteers.

1 History Expo September 2012



Left: Jenny Hayes



Left: The town crier with Jenny Hayes

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and an English 'Bobby' with



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a duty, hosted and became
he day NW&DFHG are so
members in making this a



Above, below and Left: Our exhibitors and their displays



New to the Research Room

Books

Return to Rosstown	Donated H Arnold
Old Melbourne Town	
Port Phillip Gentlemen	
Exiled Three Times Over	
The Squatting Age in Australia	
Vic Roads Country Street Directory edition 6	Donated P Stevenson
Melways edition 30	
Outer Melbourne Street Directory	
History of Australian Travel and Tourism	Donated S Smith
Act as Known Vaudeville 1900-1960	
Looking Back Papua New Guinea 1880-1960	
Mountain Gold	Donated Anon
Old Irish Graveyards Co. Cavan vol 1-5	Purchased for group
Achill Burial Grounds Co. Mayo	Sligo Cemetery Old Section
Strabane Cemeteries Co. Tyrone	Donegal Graveyards Vol 1-7
Tyrone Graveyards Vol 1-5	Kells Burial Grounds Co. Meath
Co. Leitrim Graveyards Vol 1-4	Co. Fermanagh Graveyards Vol 2-8
Early burials in Co. Monaghan 1625-1800	
Co. Monaghan graveyards Vol 1-4	
Co. Sligo graveyards Vol 1-5	
Irish War Graves in India, Burma & Beyond 1914-1945	
The Forgotten Irish Memorials of the Raj	

Casey Cardinia Books

Pakenham Upper Community Hall 1819-1992	Purchased for the group
The Story of Gilwell in Victoria	
One Bag in Six: Onion Growing in Gippsland 1900-2007	
100 Years in Skye 1850-1950	
Nicol A Family History	Donated E Massey
Red & Blue 71 Kooweerup Football Club	Donated Kooweerup Football Club
Bunyip Mechanics Institute Hall	Donated Bunyip Hall

Microfiche

Metropolitan Police born Buckinghamshire 1791-1868	Purchased for group
York All Saints Parish Register Vol 2 1690-1738	Donated Mike Healey

CDs

1798 Irish Rebellion
1851 Dublin City Census
Alumni Dublin Students Trinity College
Bedfordshire Parish Register Index to 1812
Bootle Parish Registers Cumberland
Bromfield Parish Registers
Buckinghamshire Registers vol 1 Aston Abbotts & Edg-
cott 1538-1887
Buckinghamshire Registers vol 2 Drayton Parslow
1559-1837
Caerwent & Llanfair Parish Register
Caulfield Railway Disaster Cheltenham Cemetery
Great Harwood Cemetery Burial Registers 1887-1999
Hampshire Bishops Transcripts 1780-1812
Index to Buckinghamshire Assize Records 1784-1855
Irish Education Inquiry 1826
Irish Memorial Inscriptions vol 2
Kelly's Directory of South Wales 1895
Layton Cemetery Blackpool Monumental Inscriptions
London Church Registers Compendium Sets 1 & 2
Marriage Licences Sudbury Suffolk 1684-1839
Marriage Licences Hampshire 1689-1837
Marriages Yorkshire West Riding vol 1-4
Medical Directory of Ireland 1852
Melbourne's Benevolent Asylum Cheltenham Cemetery
Memorials of the Dead Galway & Mayo vol 1
Monmouthshire Llanfihangel Ystern Llewern Parish
Register 1685-1812
Monumental Inscriptions Cambridgeshire A-W
Monumental Inscriptions Hundred of Holt Norfolk
Monumental Inscriptions North Erpingham Norfolk
Murder Victims Fate's Wicked Child Cheltenham
Cemetery
Muthill Register Baptisms 1697-1847
Nash School Log Books 1864-1906
Parish Register Gatton & Sanderstead Surrey
Parish Register Hove & Preston 1538-1812
Parish Register of Grosmont Monmouthshire 1599-
1812
Parish Registers Holy Trinity Chester 1532-1837
Parish Registers of Claverley Shropshire
Parish Registers Putney Surrey 1735-1812
Phillimore's Berkshire vol 1-2
Phillimore's Buckinghamshire vol 1-9
Phillimore's Cambridgeshire vol 1-8
Phillimore's Cheshire vol 1-5
Phillimore's Cornwall vol 1-26
Phillimore's Derbyshire vol 1-15
Phillimore's Devon vol 1-2
Phillimore's Dorset vol 1-7
Phillimore's Essex vol 1-4
Phillimore's Gloucestershire vol 1-17
Phillimore's Hampshire vol 1-16
Phillimore's Hertfordshire vol 1-3
Phillimore's Huntingdonshire vol 1
Phillimore's Kent vol 1-2
Phillimore's Leicestershire vol 1-12
Phillimore's Lincolnshire vol 1-11
Phillimore's Norfolk vol 1-12
Phillimore's Northamptonshire vol 1-12
Phillimore's Oxfordshire vol 1-2
Phillimore's Suffolk vol 1-4
Phillimore's Warwickshire vol 1-3
Phillimore's Wiltshire vol 1-14
Phillimore's Worcestershire vol 1-2
Pigot's Commercial Directory Ireland 1824
Pigot's Directory Bedfordshire 1823
Pigot's Directory Isle of Man 1825
Register of St George Devon
Registers of Bath Abbey 1569-1800 Somerset
Robson's Directory Guernsey & Jersey 1839
Rossall School Directory Lancashire 1844-1882
Royal Buckinghamshire Militia List 1831'
Sedberg School Register 1546-1895
Sedberg Parish Register 1594-1800
Slaters Directory of North & Mid Wales 1895
Sudbrook School Admission Registers 1881-1896
The Agricultural Labourer Ireland vol 4 pts 1-4
1893
The Registers of Canterbury Cathedral
The Registers of Durham Cathedral
Uppingham School Roll 1824-1921
Westmoreland Poll Book 1820

Christmas Party & The Closet Awards

At the December meeting we will be holding The Closet Awards with Fay McCoubrie and I as hosts.

Awards will be given to the member, who has an ancestor, whose life achievements were a little different to most or similar as the case maybe.

Strange as this may sound to some of you, if you had a grandparent who died the strangest death, you might be awarded a prize. It might be a great great grandparent, it might be an aunt or uncle but you need to be able to support your claim!

So preparation is needed by you, the reader, before the December meeting.

You need to check your research to see if you have an ancestor who might match one or more of the following criteria. Proof of that claim would then need to be brought to the meeting and hopefully a great story to go with the claim to the award.

Our awards will be:

The person who has the youngest descendant as at 25 December 2012.

The person who travelled the furthest to get to Australia.

The person who has the most number of grandchildren not children as at 25 December 2012.

The person who has the longest name.

The person who has the most number of convicts.

The person whose ancestor lived the longest.

The person whose relative married more than once.

The person with the oldest hand written letter.

The person whose ancestor died the most tragic death.

The person who has an ancestor with a trade or profession the next or other generations have continued.

Please join us for our Christmas meeting where we can share supper and we will have a modified Christmas quiz.

Spreading Branches Deadline

The deadline for contributions for the February 2013 edition of Spreading Branches is January 15.



Vale

Bill Taylor, husband of Lorraine and great supporter of the Narre Warren & District Family History Group from its inception. Our first meetings were held in the home of Lorraine and Bill.

Rest peacefully

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4	Fay McCoubrie Mary McGrath	6	Nowella Ahlgren Eileen Durdin	8	Wendy Goodwin Shirley Peterson
11	Anne Blair Lynne Bradley	13	CLOSED	15	CLOSED
Jan 2013					
Research Room closes 3pm Thursday 11 December 2012 Re opens 11am Tuesday 5 February 2013 Please enjoy the time and stay safe					
Tuesday		Thursday		Saturday	
Feb 2013					
5	Fay McCoubrie Gwen Leighton	7	Wendy Eldridge Claire Stevenson	9	Steven Smith Robyn Jones
12	Mary McGrath Maureen Stagg	14	Di Christensen Jane Rivett-Carnac	16	Wendy Brock Judy Mehegan
19	Lynne Bradley Rona Gibson	21	Donald Connop Nowella Ahlgren	23	Wendy Goodwin Shirley Peterson
26	Anne Blair Joyce Masters	28	Eileen Durdin Valma Newson		

If you wish to swap your duty, please contact your fellow volunteers.

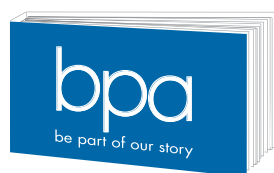
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