



The Ghost

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Official Newsletter of the Campbelltown District Family History Society.

Website: www.cdfhs.org.au

Campbelltown District Family History Society

ABN 88 944 738 687

Meetings held on the First
Saturday of each month
(except January)

Place: In the Meeting Room,
Campbelltown
Library.

Time: 1.30 pm

ALL WELCOME

Annual Membership
Subscriptions:
Single.....\$20
Couple.....\$30
Name Badges..\$8 ea

Campbelltown District FHS Inc Meetings and Events

March, 2017

Saturday 4th March

Speaker: Members.

Topic: Discussions on Issues in
Genealogy.

April, 2017

Saturday 1st April.

Speaker: Heather Garnsey.

Topic: SAG - Caroline's Diary.

May, 2017

Saturday 29th April.

Speaker: Dennis Allsopp.

Topic: New Software.

Denise's Social Column

Sunday 19th Feb. We had our first course for the year. It was the Beginners Course given by David Beddie. It was a very big success with a full house. A lot of new information for beginners and old researcher alike. Thank you to David's wife Kim for helping with the catering.



ELIZABETH FARM VISIT: Thursday 23rd March. Arrangements will be finalized at the Meeting on 4th March 2017.

Seminar: Saturday 20th May 2017 at the Catholic Club.

Denise Baxter

Social Secretary.

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Bob Gollan

We are saddened to hear of the passing of Bob Gollan, on Saturday 18th February 2017.

Bob was Secretary of the Campbelltown District Family History Society for 10 years, from 1993 to 2002, and became a life member of our Society.

Bob was an avid woodworker and he created the "Family Tree" models, which we had for sale. He also documented the items in our Family History Room, which were loaded onto our old website.

The Society extends it's condolences to Bob's family.

Seminar 2017

"Examining the Past"

Campbelltown District Family History Society will be holding a Seminar on **Saturday 20th May 2017**. This will be from 10am to around 4pm.

Speakers: Gail Davis from State Records, Prof Michael Gillings from Macquarie University and Danielle Lautrec from SAG.

This will be held at the Campbelltown Catholic Club. Cost \$35 each.

<https://www.cdfhs.org.au/index.php/contact-us/seminar-2017>

Please set aside this date.

To book: Contact - social@cdfhs.org.au or 4625 8612.

Bookings Essential

CDFHS Website Update

Our website has been upgraded. Initially, you will see a reduced number of items on the website. However, it will expand as we bring back most of the items from our current website, plus some new items.

Please watch out for the changes and forward any comments on these to our webmaster.
webmaster@cdfhs.org.au

Our website is: <https://www.cdfhs.org.au/>

Local Studies Information

Campbelltown Library's local studies collection contains historic and contemporary materials covering life in the local government area.

<http://www.campbelltown.nsw.gov.au/RSF/ServicesandFacilities/Libraries/LocalInformation>

New and Updated Ancestry.com Databases

Following is a list of databases included or updated onto Ancestry.com over the last month, available at the Campbelltown Library. 32,838 databases in total.

- * London, England, London Transport Staff Registers, 1863-1931; Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [36,693 records].
- * Scotland, Rolls of Male Heads of Families, 1834-1842; Census & Voter Lists. [30,262 records].
- * New Zealand, The New Zealand Gazette, 1860-1894; Newspapers & Publications. [345,234 records].
- * New South Wales, Australia, Sheriff's Papers, 1841-1850; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [1,494 records].
- * Moray, Scotland, Local Heritage Index, 1632-2014; Birth, Marriage & Death. [583,776 records].
- * U.S. Passport Applications, 1795-1925; Immigration & Travel. [2,882,985 records].
- * U.S., Obituary Collection, 1930-2016; Birth, Marriage & Death. [36,987,613 records].
- * Germany and Surrounding Areas, Address Books, 1829-1974 (in German); Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [51,030,915 records].
- * Australia, Newspaper Vital Notices, 1841-2001; Birth, Marriage & Death. [382,883 records].
- * U.S., Cemetery and Funeral Home Collection, 1847-2016; Birth, Marriage & Death. [7,620,394 records].
- * U.S., Border Crossings from Canada to U.S., 1825-1960; Immigration & Travel. [5,395,724 records].
- * England & Wales, Christening Index, 1530-1980; Birth, Marriage & Death. [16,777,637 records].
- * Netherlands, Civil Marriage Index, 1795-1950 (in Dutch); Birth, Marriage & Death. [23,834,932 records].
- * Canada, WWII Service Files of War Dead, 1939-1947; Military. [43,870 records].

Find My Past

Following are some records available on FindMyPast.

- * United States Marriages
<http://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-records/united-states-marriages>
In this collection spanning from the 17th century to the 20th century, discover where and when your ancestor was married. You may be able to uncover the couple's ages, birth years, and parents' names. The entire collection now contains over 168 million records.
- * Periodical Source Index
<https://blog.findmypast.co.uk/persi-update-february-2017-2276336125.html>
Over 60,000 articles and 10 new titles have been added to the Periodical Source Index this month. PERSI enables you to easily locate key information about people and places through millions of entries from thousands of historical, genealogical and ethnic publications.
- * British Royal Navy Allotment Declarations 1795-1852
<http://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-records/british-royal-navy-allotment-declarations-1795-1852>
British Royal Navy Allotment Declarations 1795-1852 contains over 485,000 records held by The National Archives at Kew. A naval act of 1795 allowed petty officers, seamen, non-commissioned officers, and marines to remit part of their wages for the maintenance of their mothers, wives, or families. In order to achieve an allotment, the individual needed to complete an allotment declaration, and then their payments were entered into a register of allotments.

Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society

Saturday 18th March 2017.

Launch of Grist Mills

Title: "Living on the St Elmo Estates: The story of one man's trust". Compiled by Julie Crowley.

At Glenalvon Historic House, 8 Lithgow Street, Campbelltown. 10.30am including morning tea.

Please RSVP by Monday, 13th March to vicepresident@cahs.com.au or secretary@cahs.com.au or phone Kay on 0418 493 676.

Courses for 2017

The following date has been set aside for a course in 2017. Cost \$10.

This starts at 11am and goes to 3.30pm. Arrive by 10.45am.

To book please contact Denise.
social@cdfhs.org.au

* Brick Walls – workshop. 24th September 2017.

Books to be Published

Campbelltown District Family History Society and Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society are looking to jointly publish 2 books, during the next few years.

1. Campbelltown residents serving in Militia / Military units between 1788 - July 1914. To be published during 2017. This book will basically be a coverage of Colonial times and early Federation.

2. Campbelltown residents serving in / supporting military units during WWI. To be published 11th November 2018.

During 2017 we will continue to conduct research on these 2 books and we invite anyone who has relevant information to provide that.

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CDFHS Blog Site

<http://cdfhsinc.blogspot.com.au/>

Please look at this for interesting articles on people from Campbelltown's past.

Keep watching for interesting local family history postings.

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