



The Ghost

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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

November, 2017 – Note change of date.
Saturday 11th November.
Speaker: Members.
Topic: Member's Interests.

December, 2017
Saturday 2nd December.
Christmas Party
Cataract Dam. 10.30am.

February, 2018
Saturday 3rd February.
Speaker: To be advised.
Topic: To be advised.

Denise's Social Column

The Fishers Ghost stall went very well despite a shocking day, they raised \$95 in sales and sold \$65 in raffle tickets. A thank you to Robert Palmer and Michael and Jillian Murphy for coming up to my home to pack up the goods, tables etc. Also a big thank you to all the Volunteers who helped out on the day, you are most appreciated.



On Thursday 23 November, we will be having our Christmas Raffle Stall in Lithgow Street Mall, 10am- 3.00pm. We will need some volunteers for that event. Thank you.

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Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society

Saturday 25th November 2017.

Join in a special members tour of Glenalvon at 1:00 pm, followed by the business meeting, then enjoy a special Afternoon tea celebrating Christmas for all members.

No speaker, just members and friends! Our last meeting of 2017. Please join us!

<http://www.cahs.com.au/>

Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society - Facebook Page

Please visit this site and add your 'Like' to the page.

<https://www.facebook.com/CAHSoc/>

Glenavon House - Facebook Page

Please visit this site and add your 'Like' to the page.

https://www.facebook.com/Glenalvon-House-1594445787285883/?view_public_for=1594445787285883

General Register Office (GRO) - PDF Extended Pilot

The GRO is piloting a service from 12 October 2017 to provide portable document format (PDF) copies of digitised historical birth and death records. The pilot will run for a minimum of 3 months to enable GRO to assess the demand for this service over a prolonged period.

Applications for each PDF cost £6, must be made online, and include a GRO index reference.

England and Wales records which are available as PDFs in this extended pilot include:

Births: 1837 –1916
Deaths: 1837 –1957

Note: A PDF is not a certificate and has no "evidential" value, and therefore a certificate is required for official purposes, e.g. applying for a passport, driving licence or giving notice of marriage.

The announcement appears on their website at -
<https://www.gro.gov.uk/gro/content/certificates/gro/index.asp>

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. 32,870 databases in total.

- * Queensland, Australia, World War I Soldier Portraits, 1914-1918; Military. [28,141 records].
- * UK, University of London Student Records, 1836-1945; Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [188,619 records].
- * New South Wales, Australia, Colonial Secretary's Letters, 1826-1856; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [2,998 records].
- * New York, New York, Births, 1910-1965; Birth, Marriage & Death. [7,864,178 records].
- * Ontario, Canada, Toronto Trust Cemeteries, 1826-1989; Birth, Marriage & Death. [150,838 records].
- * U.S., Obituary Collection, 1930-2017; Birth, Marriage & Death. [38,983,363 records].
- * UK and Ireland, Find A Grave Index, 1300s-Current; Birth, Marriage & Death. [5,413,900 records].
- * Kent, England, Tyler Index to Parish Registers, 1538-1874; Birth, Marriage & Death. [619,265 records].
- * London, England, Church of England Births and Baptisms, 1813-1916; Birth, Marriage & Death. [21,401,400 records].
- * London, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812; Birth, Marriage & Death. [16,964,419 records].
- * London, England, Church of England Marriages and Banns, 1754-1931; Birth, Marriage & Death. [13,429,789 records].
- * Australia and New Zealand, Obituary Index, 2004-2017; Birth, Marriage & Death. [362,636 records].
- * Caribbean, Obituary Index, 2003-2009; Birth, Marriage & Death. [12,817 records].
- * Australia, World War II Military Service Records, 1939-1945; Military. [1,446,105 records].

Find My Past

Following are some records available on FindMyPast.

* [Greater London Burial Index](https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-Records/greater-london-burial-index)
<https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-Records/greater-london-burial-index>
 The Index contains over 1.6 million names from more than 230 parishes in the Greater London area and includes records from both Anglican and non-conformist parishes. Each record includes a transcript that lists the information found on the original index entry. The amount of information listed varies, but most records will include a combination of the following information about your ancestor; full name (including maiden name if female) birth year, death year, burial date, occupation, denomination, relationship and address.

* [Surrey Court Cases 1391-1835](https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-Records/surrey-court-cases-1391-1835)
<https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-Records/surrey-court-cases-1391-1835>
 Surrey Court Cases is an index of over 26,000 records covering four centuries of Surrey court cases. Each record consists of a transcript that will reveal the year of the case, the court it was held at and, in some cases, full texts comprising the names of others named in the court proceedings.

* [New York State Death Index Browse](https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-Records/new-york-state-death-index-browse)
<https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-Records/new-york-state-death-index-browse>
 Browse 71 indices of deaths from the state of New York. Images are broken up by year and cover the years 1880 to 1955. Records will reveal where your ancestor died, their date of death, cause of death, age at death and certificate number.

* [New York State Religious Records 1716-1914 Image Browse](https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-Records/new-york-state-religious-records-1716-1914-image-browse)
<https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-Records/new-york-state-religious-records-1716-1914-image-browse>
 Browse 120 volumes of baptisms, marriages, and deaths from dozens of New York State churches of various denominations. Records will reveal full names, dates, the names of parents and witnesses as well as lists of church members.

Courses for 2018

- * Sunday 18th Feb – Beginner's course
- * Sunday 20th May – Brick Walls Workshop
- * Sunday 15th July – TBA
- * Sunday 16th Sept - TBA
- * Sunday 18th November – DNA course

Venue: Campbelltown Library, Meeting Room 1.

Cost: \$10 per person

Times: 10.45 am - Arrive
 11.00 am - Start
 3.30 pm - Finish

BOOKING ESSENTIAL.

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Please watch our website for more information on these.

Books to be Published

Campbelltown District Family History Society and Campbelltown and Airs 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 2018. 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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