



# The Ghost

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## Campbelltown District Family History Society Inc

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, 2023

Saturday 4th March.

Location: Campbelltown Library. 1.30pm.

Speaker: Dennis Allsopp.

Topic: Cemetery Transcript program.

#### April, 2023

Saturday 1st April.

Location: Campbelltown Library. 1.30pm.

Speaker: To be advised.

Topic: To be advised.

#### May, 2023

Saturday 6th May.

Location: Gelnalvon – 8 Lithgow St.

Speaker: To be advised.

Topic: To be advised.

### Meetings – 2023

1st Saturday of each month.

Time: 1.30 pm to 3.30 pm.

Location: At Either: Glenalvon – 8  
Lithgow St, Campbelltown or  
Campbelltown Library.  
(To be advised)

This will be a **Covid Safe Event** and we  
will be following relevant requirements.  
You will be required to sign in on an  
attendance form. Social distancing and  
masks will be recommended.

Any enquiries to Pam Shea.  
Email: [secretary@cdfhs.org.au](mailto:secretary@cdfhs.org.au) or  
Phone: 02 46211321.

### Beginner's Course

**Saturday 15 April 2023**

Arrive 10.45am

Start 11am

Finish 3.30pm.

Cost will be \$15 payment only on the day  
in case of cancellation.

Covid restrictions have now been eased,  
but masks and social distancing are still  
recommended.

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL. (as  
there are limited numbers).

Email: [social@cdfhs.org.au](mailto:social@cdfhs.org.au)  
or Phone: Denise: (02) 46258612

Please watch our website for more  
information on this.

### Research Officers

The society has two research officers  
who are available to help members and  
their friends with the research that they  
are undertaking.

Please contact our research officers at:  
[research@cdfhs.org.au](mailto:research@cdfhs.org.au)

### Websites of Interest

#### \* Canadian Great War Project

<https://canadiangreatwarproject.com/>  
The largest fully searchable database of  
Canadians serving in the First World War,  
or other nationalities who served in the  
CEF. The site differs from others like the  
Libraries and Archive Canada sites, or the  
Canadian Virtual War Memoria by making  
all information, including birthplace or  
next of kin, available as part of the search  
criteria, making it very useful for  
genealogical research. There are currently  
over 70,000 entries, with more being added  
daily. The site includes many other features,  
including transcribed/searchable war  
diaries, book reviews, transcribed letters,  
images and statistics on Canada in the  
Great War.

#### \* State Library of Queensland - British convict transportation registers

<https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/british-convict-registers>  
Over 123,000 out of the estimated 160,000  
convicts transported to Australia are  
recorded in this database. These include  
prisoners sent to New South Wales, Van  
Diemens Land.

#### \* FamilySearch - United States, New York Land Records, 1630-1975

<https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2078654>

Land and property records from the New  
York Land Office and county courthouses.  
The records include land grants, patents,  
deeds, and mortgages. This collection  
includes all counties except Franklin,  
Nassau, and Queens. Researchers, please  
note that the Oneida County records will be  
found with the Herkimer County records.

#### \* The New York City Marriage Index, 1950-2017 - presented by Reclaim The Records

<https://nycmarriageindex.com/>  
The first searchable database of the  
4,757,588 marriage licenses filed in New  
York City between 1950-2017.

## 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. 33,281 databases in total.

\* UK, British Air Force Lists, 1919-1922 and 1938-1945; Military. [3,965,249 records].

\* UK and Ireland, Find a Grave™ Index, 1300s-Current; Birth, Marriage & Death. [16,638,739 records].

\* Canada, Newspapers.com™ Obituary Index, 1800s-current; Birth, Marriage & Death. [41,722,241 records].

\* Australia and New Zealand, Newspapers.com™ Obituary Index, 1800s-current; Birth, Marriage & Death. [5,852,427 records].

\* UK and Ireland, Newspapers.com™ Obituary Index, 1800s-current; Birth, Marriage & Death. [22,595,438 records].

\* Australia and New Zealand, Find a Grave™ Index, 1800s-Current; Birth, Marriage & Death. [10,520,324 records].

\* New Zealand, Birth Index, 1840-1950; Birth, Marriage & Death. [1,228,209 records].

\* Spain, Phone Book Indexes, 1999 and 2001-2015 (in Spanish); Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [273,036,648 records].

\* Italy, Phone Book Indexes, 2001, 2003, 2004, 2007, 2010, and 2011 (in Italian); Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [134,007,168 records].

\* Pennsylvania, U.S., Death Certificates, 1906-1969; Birth, Marriage & Death. [24,895,731 records].

\* Florida, U.S., Newspapers.com™ Stories and Events Index, 1800's-current; Newspapers & Publications. [957,954,239 records].

\* Web: Manitoba, Death Index, 1871-1951; Birth, Marriage & Death. [580,338 records].

\* U.S., Newspapers.com™ Obituary Index, 1800s-current; Birth, Marriage & Death. [1,056,609,084 records].

## Find My Past

Following are some new and updated records available on FindMyPast.

\* Greater London Burial Index  
<https://search.findmypast.com.au/search-world-records/greater-london-burial-index>

Discover your ancestors who were buried in the Greater London area between 1399 and 1992. The records may reveal your relative's name, age, occupation, religious denomination and where they were buried. The Greater London Burial Index is a collection of the Middlesex Burials & Memorial Inscriptions, South London Burials Index 1545-1905, City of London Burials 1754-1855 and Middlesex Burials 1538-1992.

\* Civil Service Commission Appointments, Promotions and Transfers 1871-1942

<https://search.findmypast.com.au/search-world-records/civil-service-commission-appointments-promotions-and-transfers-1871-1942>

Did your ancestor forge a career with the Civil Service? If they did, you may find them listed here in this collection of over 870,000 records detailing Civil Service certifications following examination, or appointments, transfers and promotions.

\* Second World War Civilian Casualties In Britain 1940-1945

<https://search.findmypast.com.au/search-world-records/second-world-war-civilian-casualties-in-britain-1940-1945>  
Did your ancestor lose their life as a result of enemy action in Britain during the Second World War? If they did, you'll want to search this collection which celebrates and extends the work undertaken by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.

\* British Newspapers

<https://search.findmypast.com.au/search/british-newspapers>  
Gathered from one of the largest collections in the United Kingdom, our British newspapers include thousands of local and regional publications across the England, Wales, and Scotland. Each page has been completely digitized and fully indexed, offering you the ability to search every word within an article. To see a full list of newspaper titles included, select "By Newspapers" from the filters on the left. Additional newspapers will be added to the collection over time.

## Ghostbuster Magazine

### July 2023 Issue

Topic:  
" My Convict Ancestor(s)."

Maximum 600 words. Plus a picture if you have one.

Submission Date by: Monday 3rd June 2023.

Extra item for the magazine: "Unidentified Photographs".

### Volunteers in the Family History Room

The Family History Society provides volunteers at Campbelltown Library. There was a slight delay in early 2023, so ask Robert Palmer for any updates.

We volunteer from 10 am to 12 Noon. Monday to Saturday. To book with the library to see a volunteer, phone: 02 4645 4444.

There may be covid safe requirements at the library: QR codes, masks, and safe distancing.

### **Do you want to volunteer in the Family History Room?**

Contact Robert Palmer:  
[president@cdfhs.org.au](mailto:president@cdfhs.org.au)

### Research Interests

<https://www.cdfhs.org.au/index.php/other-content/visitor-interests>

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