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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

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Campbelltown District FHS Inc Meetings and Events

March, 2025

Saturday 1st March.

Location: Campbelltown Library. 1.30pm.

Speaker: Sharon Greene.

Topic: Discussion on the Australian Cemeteries Index.

April, 2025

Saturday 5th April.

Location: Campbelltown Library. 1.30pm.

Speaker: Robert Nash.

Topic: The Huguenot Society.

May, 2025

Saturday 3rd May.

Location: Glenalvon. 1.30pm.

Speaker: To be advised.

Topic: To be advised.

Meetings – 2025

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)

Any enquiries to Pam Shea.
Email: secretary@cdfhs.org.au or
Phone: 02 46211321.

Positions Vacant

We have 2 positions vacant on our committee.

Social Secretary and Publicity Officer.

If anyone wants either of these roles, please contact Pam Shea:
secretary@cdfhs.org.au

Thank you to Denise Baxter who has been our Social Secretary since 2002.

Also, thank you to Lee McKerracher who has been our Publicity Officer in this last year.

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

CDFHS Member's Library

Our Member's library has a number of books that are not being borrowed, and we would like to make some of those available to our members. Please see Gail Algie for a list.

Websites of Interest

* Australian Cemeteries Index

<https://austcemindex.com/>

Over 6300 cemeteries, 2.9 million inscriptions and 1 million images online. Search for people and cemeteries by name or ID.

* FamilySearch - Church of England

Records 1813 and Onward

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/img_auth.php/6/6b/Church_of_England_Records_After_1813.pdf

The Church of England, or Anglican Church, was the predominant and state religion in England and Wales from 1536. They began keeping church records in 1538. Beginning in 1812, Church of England church records began being kept on printed form.

* Ancestry.com - England, Clergy of the Church of England Index, 1540-1835

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collection/s/63019/>

Original source: The Clergy of the Church of England Database 1540-1835. England: Arts and Humanities Research Council. <https://theclergydatabase.org.uk/> Accessed: Mar 2024. Ancestry.com has searchable indexes; database results and some digitized images are available with a fee-based subscription. Free articles and helpful research materials.

FamilySearch Affiliation

Campbelltown City Library has arranged FamilySearch affiliation.

You can access FamilySearch, including extra items not available from your normal access. Only available at the library.

Users **MUST** register with Family Search to use their search facility - this has always been the case, whether from home or the library.

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. 33,731 databases in total.

- * New South Wales, Australia, Easts Rugby Club Team Photos 1882-2023; Pictures. [3,236 records].
- * Ireland, Police Report Abstracts, 1845-1885; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [28,880 records].
- * New York, New York, U.S., Vital Records, Births 1847-1897, Marriages 1847-1903, Deaths 1798-1900; Birth, Marriage & Death. [1,647,252 records].
- * Global, Geneanet Cemetery Index, 1500-current (in French); Birth, Marriage & Death. [18,718,921 records].
- * New Zealand, The Cyclopedia of New Zealand, 1897-1906; Reference, Dictionaries & Almanacs. [67,217 records].
- * Victoria, Australia, Land Registers, 1863-1962; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [187,718 records].
- * Scotland and Northern Ireland, Death Index, 1989-2024; Birth, Marriage & Death. [953,672 records].
- * Washington, U.S., Petitions for Naturalization, 1860-1991; Immigration & Travel. [539,928 records].
- * U.S., Selected Federal Census Non-Population Schedules, 1850-1880; Census & Voter Lists. [6,400,488 records].
- * England and Wales, Death Index, 1989-2024; Birth, Marriage & Death. [7,674,311 records].
- * Washington, District of Columbia, U.S., Birth Certificates, 1874-1895; Birth, Marriage & Death. [263,221 records].
- * Washington, District of Columbia, U.S., Marriage Certificates, 1870-1920; Birth, Marriage & Death. [400,465 records].
- * Australia, City Directories and Almanacs, 1845-1948; Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [37,480,812 records].
- * London, England, Electoral Registers, 1832-1965; Census & Voter Lists. [217,124,900 records].

Find My Past

Following are some new and updated records available on FindMyPast.

- * New Zealand Cemetery Records
<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/discover/birth-marriage-death-and-parish-records/parish-burials/new-zealand-cemetery-records>
 New Zealand's cemeteries are places of history, memory, and connection. Each record tells a story, offering a glimpse into the lives and legacies of your New Zealand ancestors. The records included in this set cover cemeteries across New Zealand and burials that took place 19th - 21st century.
- * Scotland Monumental Inscriptions
<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/discover/birth-marriage-death-and-parish-records/parish-burials/scotland-monumental-inscriptions>
 Was your ancestor buried in Scotland, or had close relatives in the country? Discover final resting places, together with many details about lives lived in this collection of Scottish cemetery gravestone inscriptions, the largest of its kind online.
- * United States, Passenger and Crew Lists - California
<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/search/results?datasetname=united%20states%2c%20passenger%20and%20crew%20lists&state=california&sid=999>
 If your ancestors arrived in the Golden State between 1947 and 1952, their name may appear within these exciting California additions.
- * Greater London Marriage Index
<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/discover/birth-marriage-death-and-parish-records/parish-marriages/greater-london-marriage-index>
 Search Findmypast's vast collection of marriage records from the Greater London area. You will find marriages from as early as 1502 and up to 1871. Learn more about your family history by searching the records by spouse name or parish and reveal your ancestor's marriage record. The collection includes Anglican, Non-conformists, and Quaker marriages.
- * What's New?
<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/blog/new>
 From new releases each week on Findmypast Friday to site feature updates and company happenings, keep on top of the very latest genealogy news and events from Findmypast.

Ghostbuster Magazine

March 2025 Issue

Topic:
" An Unexpected Discovery".

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

Submission Date by: Saturday 7th June 2025.

Extra item for the magazine: "Unidentified Photographs".

Ask a Volunteer

The Family History Society provides volunteers at Campbelltown Library. You can ask our volunteers for information on how to find details of your ancestors.

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 also want to volunteer in the Family History Room?

Contact Robert Palmer:
president@cdfhs.org.au

Research Interests

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