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Website: www.cdfhs.org.au

**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**

May 2026

Saturday 2nd May.

Location: Glenalvon. 1.30pm.

Speaker: To be advised.

Topic: To be advised.

June 2026

Saturday 6th June.

Location: Campbelltown Library. 1.30pm.

Speaker: To be advised.

Topic: To be advised.

July 2026

Saturday 4th July.

Location: Campbelltown Library. 1.30pm.

Speaker: To be advised.

Topic: To be advised.

**The Research Room and
Library**

**Campbelltown HJ Daley Library
reopened on Monday 4th August
2025.**

The Library is now located at the Old
Spotlight Building, 147-157 Queen
Street.

All three floors will be used for Library
and community, with the potential for one
floor to be dedicated to after-hours
services.

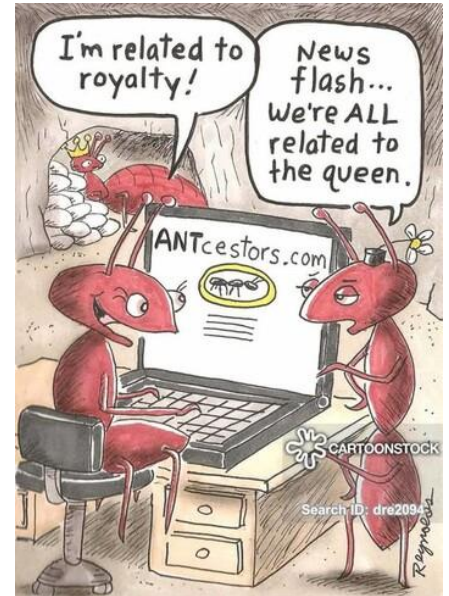
The Campbelltown District Family
History Society will hold its' meetings in
the meeting room, at the library.

Books in the 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 contact
Gail Algie for a list. library@cdfhs.org.au

Some other titles in the Member's
Library that members may borrow:

- * Sydney Cemeteries – A Field Guide.
- * Under the Colony's Eye – Gentlemen and Convicts on Cockatoo Island 1839-1869.
- * Soldiers in Different Armies.
- * How to Find Shipping & Immigration Records in Australia.
- * Guide to Index for D, D & M Records in Australia & United Kingdom 2024 – Joy Murrin.
- * Rachel – Jeff McGill.



Research Interests

<https://cdfhs.org.au/research-interests/>

This includes 169 entries, 17 pages of people CDFHS members and visitors to this website are researching and seek any information that may help them move forward in their research endeavours.

Sunday Sessions

2nd and 4th Sundays. Starting early January 2026.

See the website for details of upcoming events.

<https://cdfhs.org.au/proposed-workshops/>

Australian Heritage Festival

18 April - 18 May, celebrating the theme 'Change'.

<https://australianheritagefestival.org.au/events/nsw>

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. 33,921 databases in total.

- * Ireland, 1926 Census of the Irish Free State; Census & Voter Lists. [2,972,451 records].
- * U.S., Colonial Wars Societies, 1894-1911; Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [52,200 records].
- * Carrington Hotel Guest Registers, New South Wales, Australia, 1950-1955; Census & Voter Lists. [30,890 records].
- * Ireland, Griffith's Valuation, 1849-1865; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [1,347,783 records].
- * Web: England, Bedfordshire Gaol Index, 1770-1901; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [52,421 records].
- * Washington, District of Columbia, U.S., Land Transfer Books, 1900-1962; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [2,281,604 records].
- * Hawaii, U.S., Certificates of Identity, 1908-1943; Immigration & Travel. [92,119 records].
- * Hawaii, U.S., Sugar Plantation Records, 1909-1972; Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [680,302 records].
- * Shropshire, England, Wills and Probate, 1858-1940; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [205,769 records].
- * Ireland and Northern Ireland, Newspapers.com™ Stories and Events Index, 1800's to current; Newspapers & Publications. [124,816,700 records].
- * Scotland, Newspapers.com™ Stories and Events Index, 1800's to current; Newspapers & Publications. [134,006,386 records].
- * Somerset, England, Marriage Registers, Bonds and Allegations, 1754-1924; Birth, Marriage & Death. [1,596,992 records].
- * Somerset, England, Church of England Baptisms, 1813-1924; Birth, Marriage & Death. [3,000,165 records].

Find My Past

Following are some new and updated records available on FindMyPast.

* Ireland, Directories and Almanacs 1844-1928

<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/discover/newspapers-directories-and-social-history/directories-and-almanacs/ireland-directories-and-almanacs-1844-1928>
Explore Ireland's rich history from the Great Famine through the fight for home rule to the Easter Rising of 1916 and the creation of the Irish Free State in 1922. Directories and almanacs are an incredibly valuable tool for researchers and genealogists as they help bring the past to life by tracing ancestors around the streets they once inhabited and knew.

* Ireland National Census Reports 1926-1991

<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/discover/census-land-and-surveys/census/ireland-national-census-reports-1926-1991>
Step into the townland your ancestor knew. Census reports reveal how people lived, worked, and endured change within the places they called home. They are incredible sources for learning more about your ancestral homeland. These reports are available from the Central Statistics Office/An Phríomh-Oifig Staidrimh.

* England & Wales, Divorce Court Index

<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/discover/birth-marriage-death-and-parish-records/civil-marriage-and-divorce>
Civil Marriages are marriages recorded by government and other civil authorities. These essential marriage and divorce records are the building blocks for your family tree. Civil registration began in Britain in 1837. In Ireland registration for all non-Catholic marriages began in 1845, and for Catholics in 1864. The majority of records in this category are indexes. There are details below the transcripts explaining how to order the full marriage certificate.

* Ireland, Dublin Port Employment Records, 1862-1925

<https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-records/ireland-dublin-port-employment-records-1862-1925>
This new set consists of 1,636 employment records from the 19th and 20th centuries.

Ghostbuster Magazine

July 2026 Issue

Topic:
" My Brick Walls and success."

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

Submission Date by: Saturday 6th June 2026.

Extra item for the magazine: "Unidentified Photographs".

Ask a Volunteer

The Family History Society provides volunteers at Campbelltown Libraries. 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.

See the front page re the new Library location.

Contact Robert Palmer:
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