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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**

September, 2025

Saturday 6th September.

Location: Campbelltown Library. 1.30pm.

Speaker: Lynn Byass.

Topic: Bringing Documents to Life.

October, 2025

Saturday 4th October.

Location: Campbelltown Library. 1.30pm.

Speaker: Members.

Topic: Open discussion.

November 2025

Saturday 1st November.

Location: Campbelltown Library. 1.30pm.

Speaker: Members.

Topic: Open discussion

**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.

Courses in 2026.

We anticipate holding some courses in
2026.

Topics will include:

* Beginners.

* DNA.

We will advise further in coming months.

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

Positions Vacant

We have 3 positions vacant on our
committee.

Social Secretary, Publicity Officer and
Assistant Magazine Editor.

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

**New Committee for CDFHS Inc
2025-2026**

Our new committee elected on 2nd August
2025 is as follows:

- * President – Robert Palmer
- * Vice President – Michael Murphy
- * Secretary – Pam Shea
- * Minutes Secretary – Michelle Hatfield
- * Treasurer – David Beddie
- * Assistant Treasurer – Sharon Greene
- * Membership Officer – Jillian Murphy
- * Research Officer – Greg Dillon
- * Assistant Research Officer – Sharon Greene
- * Volunteer Coordinator – Robert Palmer
- * Magazine Editor – David Beddie
- * Assistant Magazine Editor – Vacant
- * Social Secretary – Vacant
- * Publicity Officer – Vacant
- * Webmaster – Dennis Allsopp

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

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. 33,856 databases in total.

- * Ireland, Jury Lists Index, 1798-1898; Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [39,587 records].
- * Web: Western Australia, Australia, Burial Records, 1899-2024; Birth, Marriage & Death. [700,434 records].
- * Singleton, New South Wales, Australia, Church Records, 1840-1899; Birth, Marriage & Death. [10,232 records].
- * Newcastle and Singleton, New South Wales, Australia, City Directories and Residency Records, 1866-1901; Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [9,004 records].
- * New South Wales, Australia, Mineworker Fatalities, 1869-1939; Birth, Marriage & Death. [1,696 records].
- * New South Wales, Australia, List of Convicts and Deserters, 1790-1868; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [1,114 records].
- * New South Wales, Australia, Early Newspaper Index, 1828-1919; Newspapers & Publications. [4,000 records].
- * New South Wales, Australia, Occupation Records, 1832-1921; Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [10,194 records].
- * Quebec, Canada, Notarial Records, 1637-1935 (in French); Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [16,529,462 records].
- * U.S., Department of Veterans Affairs BIRLS Death File, 1850-2020; Military. [18,536,919 records].
- * Mayo and Sligo, Ireland, School Registers, 1802-1928; Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [728,466 records].
- * Canada, Selected School Yearbooks, 1901-2005; Schools, Directories & Church Histories. [2,763,108 records].
- * Texas, U.S., Marriage Index, 1824-2021; Birth, Marriage & Death. [19,324,444 records].

Find My Past

Following are some new and updated records available on FindMyPast.

- * Military Service Memorial Collection
<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/discover/military-armed-forces-and-conflict/medal-rolls-and-honours/military-service-memorial-collection>
 Have you ever wondered where your military ancestor is memorialised? Whether they fell in battle or returned home, this remarkable collection can help you discover how they were remembered by their community. This growing archive includes over 100,000 photographs and records from more than 4,000 memorials across the UK, the former British Empire, and Allied nations.
- * Ireland, Irish Memorials Association Published Baptisms
<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/discover/birth-marriage-death-and-parish-records/parish-baptisms/ireland-irish-memorials-association-published-baptisms>
 Have you ever imagined the church where your ancestor was baptised, or wondered who stood beside them at the font? To delve into the earliest chapters of your family's story, the Journal of the Association for the Preservation of the Memorials of the Dead in Ireland offers an unexpected source: transcribed baptism records taken from parish registers and newspaper announcements. These rare entries, gathered by volunteers between 1892 and 1934, can help you place your ancestor in a time, place, and family—often when no other records survive.
- * England & Wales, Crime, Prisons & Punishment
<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/discover/institutions-and-organisations/prison-registers/england-and-wales-crime-prisons-and-punishment-1770-1935>
 Unlock the secrets of your family's past with unparalleled access to over 5 million crime records spanning from 1770 to 1935 in England and Wales. Delve into the intriguing history of your ancestors and uncover their encounters with the law.
- * 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

November 2025 Issue

Topic:
" My DNA Discovery".

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

Submission Date by: Saturday 4th October 2025.

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 Friday
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 Library move.

Contact Robert Palmer:
president@cdfhs.org.au

Research Interests

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

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