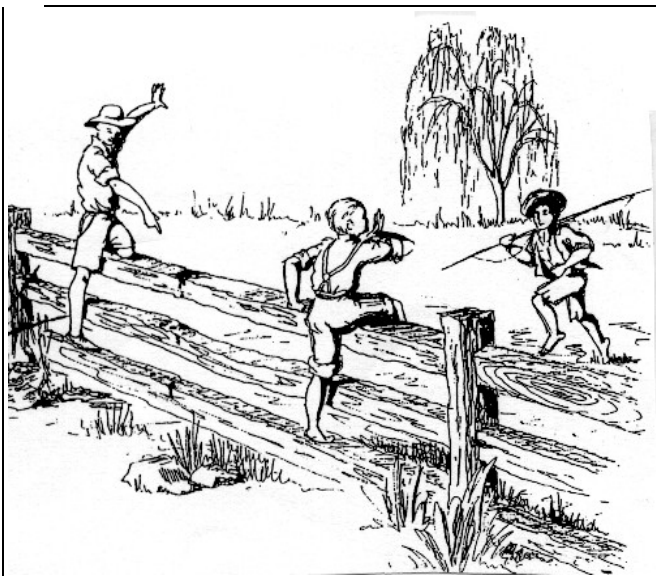


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## ***Editorial***

*Hi to all,*

*Welcome to another edition of the Ghostbuster magazine.*

*New courses have been setup for 2018. See below for more information.*

*We are including, in this edition, several submissions by members, on “Unusual Cemetery Headstones / Memorials. Unexpected finds.”. Also included are several photos of unknown people, who you may be able to identify.*

*Please continue to visit our Family History room and the Local Studies room at the Library. Please also check out the library collections for Family History items. Please see our website for resources that are in our library.*

*Our volunteers are available in the Family History Room, at the Campbelltown Library, Monday to Saturday, 10 am to 12 Noon, except for December and January.*

*Welcome to any new members of the Society. We hope we can assist you in your researches.*

*David Beddie and Ellen Smith*

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### **Courses in 2018**

Our courses in 2018 will be as follows:

- \* Sunday 15th July – Irish & Scottish research.
- \* Sunday 16th September – Convict research.
- \* Sunday 18th November – DNA.

Please contact Denise Baxter for bookings and more information on this event.  
4625 8612. or [social@cdfhs.org.au](mailto:social@cdfhs.org.au)

Please check our website for a list of any other course that are upcoming in 2018. <https://www.cdfhs.org.au/>

## *From the President's Pen. . . .*

Hello Members,

Here we are, June half way through 2018 already.

Since my last pen to paper we have had Dennis Allsopp at our March meeting give us a talk on "Strategies for securing your Family History research"

Our April meeting several members shared their research and our May meeting David gave a talk on "Navigating around Ancestry".

Our May course, "Brick Walls", presented by David Beddie was very informative and very helpful.

At our June meeting our speaker is Allan Murrin (Joy Murrin's husband) informing us on FamilySearch and how to use it.

Our other courses for the rest of the year are;  
Sunday 15th July - Irish and Scottish family research.  
Sunday 16th Sept – Convict research.  
Sunday 18th Nov - DNA course.

At our meetings we now have a "Suggestion Box" where you may put your suggestions on how we could improve our Society.  
One suggestion is happening on the Thursday the 14th June where we are organizing a bus trip to Berrima, we will visit the Berrima District Historical & Family History Society, the Berrima District Museum and other sites in the area. This we hope will be the first of many outings together.

If you are interested in joining us or if you think of an outing that is different and would be very interesting to do could you contact Denise by Email on [social@cdfhs.org.au](mailto:social@cdfhs.org.au) or phone on (02) 46258612.

My thank you goes to all the committee members for what they do behind the scenes.

Best Regards,  
Robert PALMER  
CDFHS President.



## **Campbelltown District FHS Inc - Calendar**

### **Sat 7th July 2018**

Member's Meeting.  
Speaker: Jeff McGill  
Topic: New book on Campbelltown.

### **Sat 4th August 2018**

Annual General Meeting.  
Speaker: Lisa Murray.  
Topic: Sydney Cemeteries.

### **Sat 1st September 2018**

Member's Meeting.  
Speaker: To be advised.  
Topic: To be advised.

### **Sat 6th October 2018**

Member's Meeting.  
Speaker: To be advised.  
Topic: To be advised.

### **Sat 3rd November 2018**

Member's Meeting.  
Speaker: To be advised.  
Topic: To be advised.

### **Sat 1st December 2018**

Christmas Party.  
Cataract Dam.

Any questions on these should be directed to Denise Baxter  
[social@cdfhs.org.au](mailto:social@cdfhs.org.au)

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## **CDFHS Blog**

<http://cdfhsinc.blogspot.com.au/>

Topics:

- \* Captain Francis ALLMAN (1780-1860)
  - \* William and Martha Bridle – early pioneers in the Campbelltown area.
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## **Our Updated Website**

<https://www.cdfhs.org.au/>

Please see our updated website, which came on-line in late February 2017, and has been updated from August 2017, by our new webmaster: Dennis Allsopp.

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## **Contact Details**

Do we have your up-to-date contact details?

If you have changed your address, phone or email address please advise us at:

[maged@cdfhs.org.au](mailto:maged@cdfhs.org.au)



Our Altered Family History Room

## Unusual Cemetery Headstones / Memorials. Unexpected finds.



Head left outside of grave



Headstone has alien grass eyes.

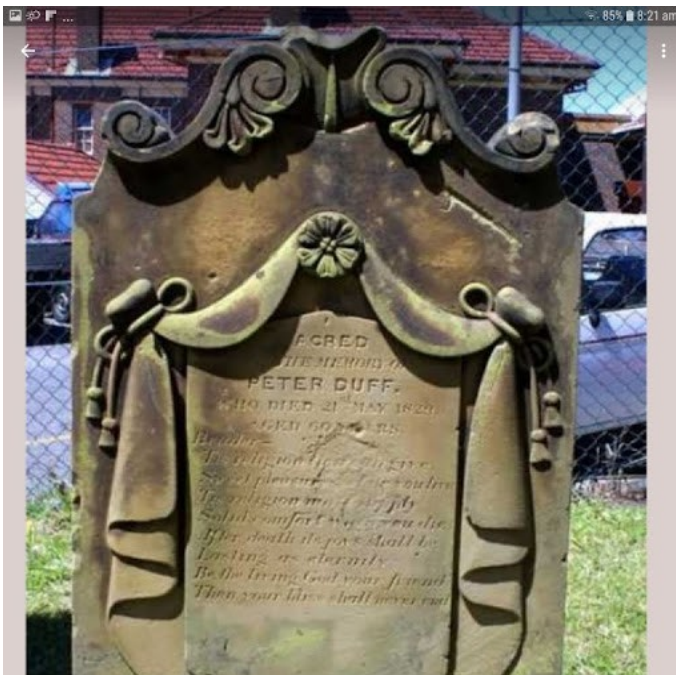


Gathering of aliens or teletubbies headstones.

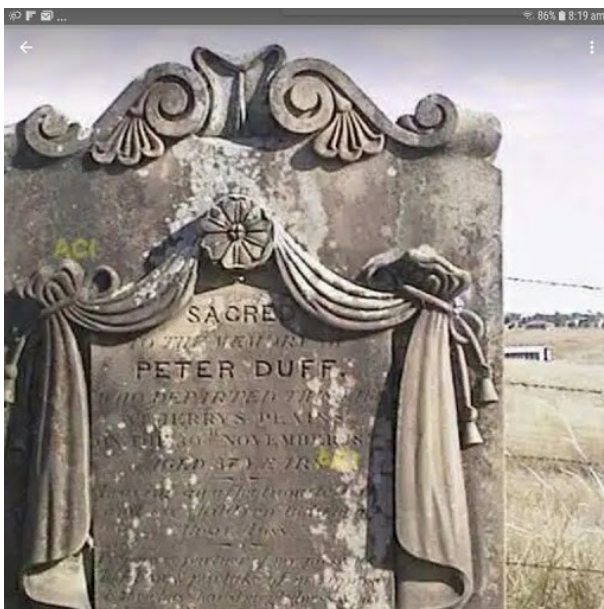




Hidden grave photo



Peter Duff Snr, red coat soldier, one of only a handful of headstones to survive destruction by Newcastle Council.



Sarah Ann Hobden 's 1st husband Peter Duff ,d. 1850 , Jerry 's Plains.  
Same headstone as his father in Newcastle 's Christ Cathedral.



Graves of convicts Ann O'Brien d.1874 and William Watts in  
Warkworth's St Phillips cemetery, Jan Neaves ancestors.

## Unknown Photos



Fancy dress teachers? Collection of Alice Done circa 1810, Wilton NSW, teacher.,daughter of Rev. Done, Tumbarumba.



Unknown child in collection of Alice Done, teacher in country NSW, circa 1807. Alice's mother was a Green, lived in Wilton, father Canon?

# **The Confusion of Ancestors with the Same Name**

By Jan Neaves

## **Chapter 1 – "The Mystery of the Two Violets.**

My great grandmother Violet May Whittall was the mother of 3 red-headed girls: - Muriel Christina Straw; Vera Sarah Straw (my grandmother), both born in Collie W.A., and Winnie Partridge, born in Sydney.

In 1900 Violet May married handsome coalminer Andrew Straw in Newcastle, aged 19. In their wedding photo she has long auburn curls and he has a big moustache. Together with his parents, they moved to Collie in remote Western Australia to pioneer coalmining.

Sadly Andrew died of pneumonia 6 weeks after baby Vera was born. So Violet moved back to N.S.W. With 2 little children, a widow; in 1904.

5 years later she remarried to a wharfie in Newcastle called Alfred Partridge and 3<sup>rd</sup> daughter Winnie Patridge was born. But to escape domestic violence, Violet fled to Parramatta. Violet abandoned the Partridge surname and was known as Straw, as was Winnie, from then on.

Violet May Whittall / Straw / Partridge was born in 1889 to Charles and "Christina" Whittall, in Newcastle (B.C. 23503). Her parents don't seem to have a marriage certificate but raised a large family of 10 children. Her father Charles was the son of convict Joseph Wittall ("Maitland 1", 1840) and free Irish girl Eliza Keogan. Her mother "Christina" had an even more interesting (I believe) background, being born as Charlotte Cheers on board a convict hulk called "Harmony" in Quarantine Bay, Sydney Harbour! She changed her name to Christina Charlotte Streit on her mother's marriage 6 years later, (to Peter Streit). I am sure, but have no proof.

The second Violet, was born Violet A Whittall in 1900 (NSW B.C. 30328), 19 years after my Violet. Her parents were Charles William Whittall and Anastitia Scott. Did this Violet marry Robert Burton in Burwood in 1904 (NSW M.C. 8784)? No, she would only have been 4 years old! (So, it must have been my Violet, when she returned to N.S.W., who remarried hastily the same year her first husband had died!) Sadly Robert also died shortly after, (my Mrs Violet Straw seems also to have been "May Burton").

Violet May Amelia Burton's death certificate 4759/1936 states father Joseph, mother Charlotte Ann. Where is Charles? Was he Charles Joseph? As her mother was really born Charlotte, not I believe Christina; this seems to be my Violet, or perhaps not.

My g-grand is buried in a family plot with both parents and daughter Winnie in Northern Suburbs Cemetery (Bapt Sect). This Violet's death certificate 18322/1944 also states "father Joseph" and "mother Christina".

Now I am really confused! Trove has the funeral notice 28/9/1944 Sydney Morning Herald – "Violet May ... relict of the late Andrew Straw ... mother of Muriel, Vera , Winnie". So this must be my Violet! Were the 2 Violets, half sisters, or full sisters, or aunt and niece? Cousins?

My Violet ran a sweetshop in Marrickville; living upstairs, where she died. 4 years later, I was born there in the home of my great grandmother, in 1948. However, I did not know that till a few weeks ago.

## **Chapter 2 – The Charles Whittalls of Sydney, N.S.W.**

Trove reveals in the "Sydney Evening News" of 4/1/1919, Charles Whittall, retired public servant had a fatal fall in Petersham and died in P.A. Hospital. However, I can't find his death certificate online.

The "Sydney Morning Herald" funeral notice for Violet May Burton states "daughter of Mr & Mrs J. Whittall, sister of Charles."

Trove also says Charles Whittall "of Lavender St, Fivedock" was injured in a quarry rock fall and applied for compensation, in 1930 (Oct, "Labour Daily").

Charles William Whittall, late of Fivedock, died 31/3/1948, according to his will in Government Gazette 114. (His wife Charlotte Ann d. 1939, also of "Five Dock"). His D.C. 4287/1948 says "father Joseph".

Convict Joseph Wittal (Maitland 1, 1840) married Eliza in 1850, having 6 children including, I believe Joseph Junior (1847 – 1922), Elizabeth, Charles and maybe Violet? This Charles may be Charles Joseph.

Another death certificate for Charles was N.S.W. "1019/1936 age 81 years of Lane Cove", reg Chatswood. So he was born in 1855 and was very likely

convict Joseph's son. Whereas convict Joseph's son (Joseph) may be the father of Charles William. The Notice in the paper says "of Amarna Parade, Roseville".

Are you confused by these recurring Whittall names? I sure am. To complicate matters the surname spelling varies; going back further it even changes at times to "Whitehall".

So, which Charles was my great-great grandfather? Or was he really a Joseph?

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### **Facebook – Campbelltown District Family History Society**

Campbelltown District Family History Society has a Facebook page.

We can be found at: <https://www.facebook.com/cdfhs>

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### **Campbelltown and Airs Historical Society**

#### **Facebook Pages**

You can now visit the **Glenalvon** Facebook page, adding your 'Like' to the page. Please include comments on the page to encourage others to visit.

<https://www.facebook.com/Glenalvon-House-1594445787285883/>

There is also now have a facebook page for the Society.

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

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#### **Website Shop - CAHS**

Please visit the updated Campbelltown and Airs Historical Society website shop.

<http://www.cahs.com.au/the-society-shop.html>

They include 68 titles, including Grist Mills, IGT Publications and General books.

## **Resources in the Family History Room**

### **Convict Records**

#### **CDs / Microfiche / Microfilm etc.**

- \* Australian shipping [CD-ROM] : arrivals and departures, 1788-1968 / compiled by Peter Larson... [et al.]. [Multimedia]
- \* Convict arrivals 1788-1842 [Microfiche] : [Convict indents] / by the Principal Superintendent of Convicts. [Microform]. Series:Genealogical research kit [Microfiche] ;Volume:614-744.
- \* Convict assignment registers 1821-1825 [Microfiche] / by the Principal Superintendent of Convicts. [Microform]. Series:Genealogical research kit [Microfiche] ;Volume:745-748.
- \* Convict death register, 1828-1879 [Microfiche] / by the Principal Superintendent of Convicts. [Microform]. Series:Genealogical research kit [Microfiche] ;Volume:749-751.
- \* Convict pardons [Microfiche] : tickets of leave issued in the colony of New South Wales, 1810-1875, index / compiled by Perry McIntyre. [Microform].
- \* The convict ships 1787-1868 [CD-ROM] / by Charles Bateson. [Multimedia].
- \* The convicts and exiles transported from Ireland, 1791-1820 [Microfiche] / by James Hugh Donohoe. [Microform].
- \* Convicts marriage banns [Microfiche] / compiled by Joan Reese and Joan Tuck. [Microform].
- \* Convicts to NSW 1788-1812 [CD-ROM] : complete listings from the transportation records / compiled and edited by Carol J. Baxter ; for the Society of Australian Genealogists. [Multimedia].
- \* The convicts to Port Jackson 1788-1842 [CD-ROM] / indexed by Lesley Uebel. [Multimedia].
- \* Down to New South Wales [Microfiche] : my Irish rogues / compiled by Noelene Williams. [Microform].



- \* Down to Van Diemen's Land [Microfiche] : "A world away" / compiled by Noelen Williams. [Microform].
- \* Female Factory Parramatta 1826 to 1848 index [Microfiche] / compiled by Joan Reese. [Microform].
- \* The First Fleet families [Microfiche] / by James Hugh Donohoe. [Microform].
- \* The forgotten Australians [Microfiche] : the non Anglo or Celtic exiles / by James Hugh Donohoe. [Microform].
- \* Index of New South Wales convict indents [1788-1842] [Microfiche] / by the Genealogical Society of Victoria. [Microform].
- \* Index to convict indents 1837-1842 [Microfiche] / by the Principal Superintendent of Convicts. [Microform]. Series:Genealogical research kit [Microfiche] ;Volume:803-806.
- \* Index to more Tasmanian convicts [Microfiche] : papers re convict ships 1814-1845 / compiled by the volunteers of the FHC Resources Group, Kiama NSW. [Microform].
- \* Index to probationary convicts to Sydney & Moreton Bay 1849-1850 [Microfiche] / [compiled by Australian Genealogical Education Centre]. [Microform].
- \* Index to Tasmanian convicts miscellany 1821-1854 [Microfiche] : assignment lists of 108 ships held in the Mitchell Library, Sydney / compiled by Volunteers of the Australian Genealogical Education Centre. [Microform].
- \* The paracensus of Australia 1788-1828 (interim) [Microfiche] / by James Hugh Donohoe. [Microform].
- \* Principal Superintendent of Convicts - New South Wales : Ticket of leave butts 1827 - 1867 / [microform]. [Microform].
- \* Queensland Family History Society pre-separation population index of Moreton Bay region 1824-1859 [Microfiche]. [Microform].



- \* Register of absolute pardons and registers of recommendations for absolute pardons 1791-1843, 1826-46 [Microfilm]. [Microform]. Series:Genealogical research kit [Microfilm].
- \* Register of conditional pardons 1791-1825 [Microfiche] / by Colonial Secretary. [Microform]. Series:Genealogical research kit [Microfiche]; Volume:820-823.
- \* Register of tickets of leave 1824-1827 [Microfiche] / by the Principal Superintendent of Convicts. [Microform]. Series:Genealogical research kit [Microfiche] ;Volume:752-754.
- \* Registers of convicts' applications to marry, 1825-1851 [Microfiche] / by the Principal Superintendent of Convicts. [Microform]. Series:Genealogical research kit [Microfiche] ;Volume:780-802.
- \* Registers of convicts recommended for conditional pardons, 1826-56 [Microfiche] / by Colonial Secretary. [Microform]. Series:Genealogical research kit [Microfiche] ;Volume:824-835.
- \* Stories and tales of the transported convicts [Microfiche] / by James Hugh Donohoe. [Microform].
- \* Tasmania colonial collection 1803-1923 [Microfiche] / [compiled by Kiama Family History Resource Group]. [Microform].
- \* Tasmanian colonial index [Microfiche] / [compiled by volunteers of the Kiama Family History Resource Group]. [Microform].
- \* Tasmanian convicts [CD-ROM] : the complete list from the original records. [Multimedia].
- \* Tickets of exemption from government labor, 1827-1832 [Microfiche]. [Microform].
- \* Tickets of leave and certificates of freedom index 1840-1851 [Microfiche] / indexed and supplied by Marion Button. [Microform].
- \* Wives and families of convicts on bounty ships, 1849-1855 [Microfiche]. [Microform]. Series:Genealogical research kit [Microfiche] ;Volume:837-838.

\* "Worthy of reclamation" [Microfiche] : index to probationary convicts to Sydney and Moreton Bay 1849-1850 / [compiled by Australian Genealogical Education Centre]. [Microform].

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## **Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society Inc**

### **Program of Events**

Meetings are held on 4th Saturday of each month, except for December and January, starting at 1.30 p.m.

The Museum is open to visitors on 1st Monday, 2nd Saturday, 4th Saturday of each month, February to Mid December, 10.00 am -1.00 pm; other times by appointment.



For bookings and further information please contact CAHS on 02-46251822 or email to: [secretary@cahs.com.au](mailto:secretary@cahs.com.au)  
You can also visit the CAHS website at: [www.cahs.com.au](http://www.cahs.com.au)

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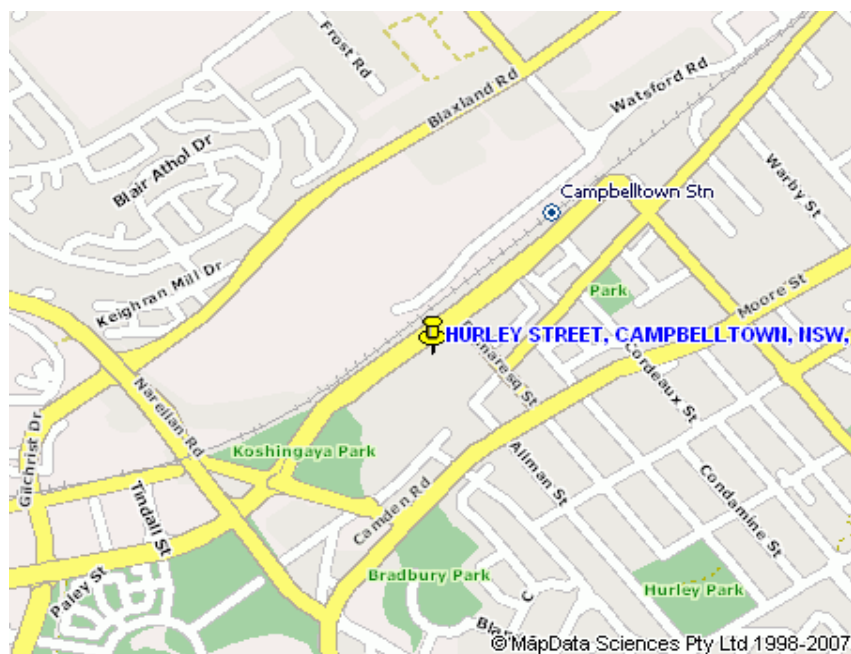
### **Social Secretary's Report**

We have just had our Brick Wall Course and it was a big success, we will probably do another course next year.

On Sunday 15 July we are doing an IRISH and SCOTTISH COURSE at the Library, please book early.

I am arranging a TOUR of SAG, just waiting for a date from them, TBA.

*Denise Baxler*  
*Social Secretary*  
[social@cdfhs.org.au](mailto:social@cdfhs.org.au)



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* Campbelltown Pioneer Register 1800-1900 CD 2nd edition	\$30
* Campbelltown Federation Register	\$15 (special)
* Campbelltown Cemetery Pictorial CD – only special request	\$10
* To purchase Pioneer Register plus Cemetery Pictorial together costs	\$40.
* Triple CD - Pioneer, Federation & Cemetery Registers [1 CD]	\$105.00
* Ghost Busters (Our Journal, Free To Members) Non Members	\$2.00
* Ingleburn Soldiers Memorial Park.	\$15.00 + \$6.95 p&h
* 5 Generation Chart	\$2.00
* 7 Generation Chart	\$4.50
* 9 Generation Chart	\$4.00

Check on-line shop for other products eg. books, combo CD  
<https://www.cdfhs.org.au/zenshop/>

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