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**SAGe - the monthly  
newsletter of the  
Society of Australian  
Genealogists**



# SAGe - February 2025

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## In the News

### Thank you - Society constitution feedback

On behalf of the Society's Directors, our thanks to all of those who have provided feedback on the proposed constitution in the past months. **A general meeting to vote on the new constitution has been scheduled for Wednesday 2 April 2025 at 6.00pm AEDT.** Members will receive a Notice of General Meeting in the coming weeks.

### Membership rates increasing from 10 February

Our rates will increase slightly from \$90 to \$95 for a single membership and from \$135 to \$145 for a joint membership. Multi-year memberships will also increase for both categories. Full details are available on our [Membership](#) page and will be updated on 10 February to reflect the new prices.

### Crafting this month's events!

For the full line up of our crafty events this month see below and go to [this link](#).

### Last chance to join the Feb25 Certificate cohort

There is still time to join us for our next **Certificate in Genealogical Research** cohort which commences this coming Monday 3 February - click [here](#) for more information and to register.

### Huguenot Society of Australia

The first meeting for 2025 will be held on 15 February at the Gordon Baptist Church Hall, Park Lane, Gordon from 2pm. The topic is [Freda Du Faur - Pioneer Mountaineer](#) and will be presented by Dr Marcia Cameron.

All are welcome. Entrance is free and afternoon tea will be provided.

More information: Robert Nash [ozhug85@gmail.com](mailto:ozhug85@gmail.com)

**The theme for this newsletter is: Crafting for Family History.**

## Check out these Web Tips

Family History Chalkboard is an attractive way to display family photos. A tutorial to create your own is available [here](#).

Turning old watches into photographic keepsakes. A brief demonstration is available at [Glenda's World Blogspot](#).

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## in the Library

The SAG Library at 2/379 Kent Street holds a vast array of material relating to crafts. A select list can be found below.

- *The creative spirit in Australia: a cultural history* (1987). Geoffrey Serle. A3/32/21.
- *An Inventive Life: The Story of a Creative and the Woman Who Enabled Him* (2024). Colleen O'Sullivan. A6/BRO/33.
- *A history of the Society of Arts & Crafts of New South Wales, 1906-1991* (1991). Anne Cooke. B3/61/23.
- *Sydney savages, 1934-1955: a history of the foundation and first twenty-one years of the Sydney Savage Club* (1955). Adrian Ashton. B4.000/11/17a.
- *Barossa journeys: into a valley of tradition* (2000). Noris Ioannou. E3/30/4.
- *The forgotten arts: a practical guide to traditional skills* (1984). John Seymour. L3/44/1.
- *Living crafts* (1953). G. Bernard Hughes. M3/44/6.
- *Canal arts and crafts* (1994). Avril Lansdell. N4.3/35/Pam.1.

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## in the Archives

A reminder that our archives remain closed as we continue to deal with external contractors to remediate the moisture problems in the basement at Richmond Villa.

Please continue to search our MIDAS catalogue and note which files you would like to see - limited retrievals can be undertaken if the material has been digitised. Rest assured all files housed in the compactus are undamaged.

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## Don't miss these upcoming events

All of our events continue to be delivered online, through Zoom. **For up-to-date information about our events, always check the [Events page of the SAG website](#).**

With the exception of some DNA events where there may be privacy issues, **all of our webinars are recorded**, so even if you cannot attend at the scheduled time you can still book and receive the recording. Most of our events are open to **non-members** as well as members. However, members pay a discount price and can purchase season tickets.

**You must book for all events except for the Friday Hang Out sessions.**

Unless an event is fully booked, if you are paying online via PayPal, you can usually register for a session up until the time the event is due to start. As soon as your payment is processed you will receive an email containing the Zoom joining link. The event listing will state if registrations are closing earlier for any reason.

If you are a member, make sure you are logged into the website to claim the member rate, or call us on (02) 9247 3953 to make a booking over the phone.

## Upcoming Events

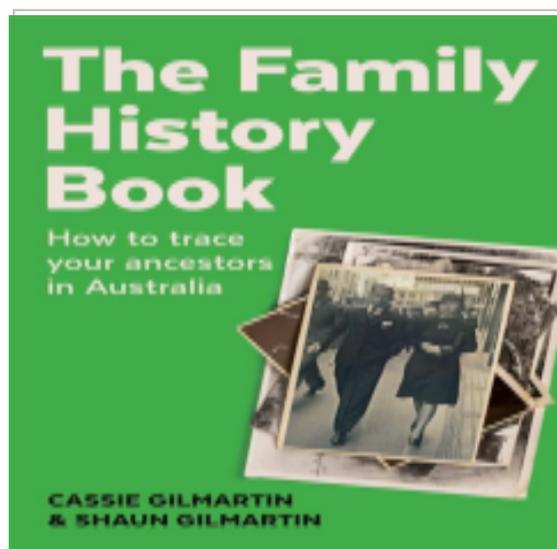
- Thursday 6 February, 5.00pm-6.30pm - [WEBINAR: Plan, manage and organise your family history research using Notion](#)
- Saturday 8 February, 10.30am-3.30pm - [GROUP: Family Tree Maker](#)
- Thursday 13 February, 10.30am-12.30pm - [GROUP: The Writing Group](#)
- Thursday 13 February, 7.00pm-9.00pm - [GROUP: English Research](#)
- Saturday 15 February, 10.00am-12.00pm - [GROUP: Legacy Software](#)
- Saturday 22 February, 10.00am-12.30pm - [WEBINAR: First Look at AncestryDNA - PLACES LIMITED](#)

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## **FREE FOR MEMBERS**

- Every Friday at 4pm - [Friday Hang Out with the SAG](#)
- Tuesday 4 February, 2.30pm - 3.30pm - [Family History Connect: Was Your Ancestor in the British Parliament?](#)
- Tuesday 11 February, 2.30pm-3.30pm - [ONLINE: Virtual Library Session](#)
- Wednesday 19 February, 7.30pm-8.30pm - [WEBINAR: SAG Book Club/Meet the Author - \*The Golden Thread\* by Tea Cooper](#)
- Thursday 20 February, 7.00pm-8.00pm - [WEBINAR: SAG New Member Induction](#)
- Monday 24 February, 7.30pm-9.00pm - [Let's Talk About...Crafting for Family History](#)

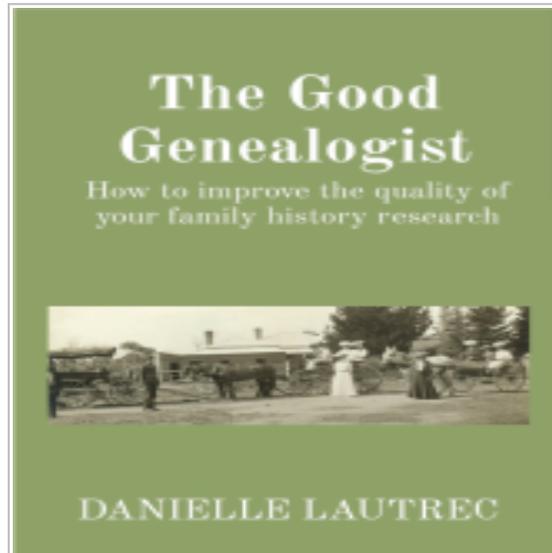
## **Online Shop**



[The Family History Book: How to trace your ancestors in Australia](#)

by Cassie Gilmartin & Shaun Gilmartin

\$32.99



[The Good Genealogist](#)

by Danielle Lautrec

\$44.99

Order online 24/7 or call 02 9247 3953

**Family History Making & Crafting**

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The SAG will be at **CraftAlive Sydney**  
Thu 13 - Sat 15 February,  
Rosehill Gardens Racecourse

Come along to our **Scottish & English Research Groups** in Jan & Feb for occupation & artisan talks

Join Tea Cooper in conversation about **The Golden Thread - SAG Book Club**  
Wed 19 Feb 7:30pm AEDT  
Online & free for SAG members!

Let's Talk About...**Crafting for Family History**  
Mon 24 Feb 7:30pm AEDT  
Online & free for SAG members!

Watch out for our Crafting Your Family History themed **Descent** magazine in March and attend our **online conference** showcasing trades and occupations on **Saturday 12 April**

[www.sag.org.au/events](http://www.sag.org.au/events)