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Welcome to May and once again a time to reflect on all the mothers down through the ages.

Our Mother's Day Street Stall fundraiser took place on Saturday 3rd May. A huge thank you to those who contributed with donations and their time. At last the rain held off for us. We raised over \$400, Ian will give us the final total on Friday.

Thank you to Steven Ford for last month's interesting presentation about researching Australian Military History. He certainly had some fascinating mementos on display from his personal collection.

This month's meeting of the Family History Society will be held on **Friday 9th May 2025 at 10am** in our usual meeting place, the small hall behind the Presbyterian Church, right in the centre of town. Visitors are warmly welcome! Morning Tea will be served costing \$2 for tea/coffee and a biscuit.

This month's presentation will be given by Michele Corin on her book "The Secret Suburb" the story of Lapstone. She will have copies of her book available for \$45, cash only. Apparently this will be one of her last presentations so do come along.

Trade table - Our trade will be operating again this month, so you can donate any unwanted good quality items to the table display. If something from the table catches your fancy, please drop some cash in the Society's moneybox for the item, then take it. Remember that if your donated items don't sell, you will need to take them home again.

Library News

Remember, that free access to Ancestry, Find My Past and the British Newspaper Archive is available through the Library computers at any library in the Blue Mountains, at any time

Explorer's Tree Magazine

Perhaps you are a new writer considering sending something in. Don't be shy. Written pieces are always needed. Send your work in a Word Document, with photos or images as attachments to Jan Koperberg.

j.koperberg@bigpond.com for upcoming issues of "The Explorer's Tree". Remember to include references and sources if they come with the article.

Next month's meeting of the Family History Society will be held on **13th June 2025 at 10am** in our usual meeting place, the small hall behind the Presbyterian Church. The guest speaker will be Tanya Kirk – Kirks of the Blue Mountains.

Research Tips

Thanks to John for the following forewarning...

Queensland Registry of Births Deaths and Marriages – have introduced a new ID system for online users. If you have previously purchased a certificate from them, you will have an account. You will therefore have been issued with an QDI (Queensland Digital Identity) based on your email address. If you

are only searching the BDM index but not purchasing this does not apply. The QDI is only for viewing previous purchases or making new ones.

Just for Fun



Thanks to Helen for covering for me on the newsletter this month. Enjoy the meeting. Tanya

Digital Journals & Newsletters Received - March 2025

RAHS - eNewsletter 27 February 2025
Illawarra Family History Group - IFHG Branches Journal 142 - 2024
New Zealand Family History Network - FamNet March 2025
Family History Canberra - The Ancestral Searcher Vol.48 No.1 March 2025
S.A.G. - Descent March 2025: 2025-1
S.A.G. - Descent 2024 Combined Edition 1, 2, 3, & 4
Mount Victoria Museum - Newsletter Jan-Mar 2025
Parramatta Female Factory Friends - Newsletter No.62 Mar-Apr 2025
Society of Genealogists (UK) - Genealogists' Magazine Vol.35 No.1 Mar 2025
Toowoomba & Darling Downs FHS - The Gazette Vol.38 No.1 March 2025
Burwood & District FHG - Ances-Tree Vol.38 No.1 March 2025
Caloundra FHR (QLD) - Caloundra Clipper No.128 March 2025
Federation of Australian Historical Societies - Newsletter No.57 March 2025
Dubbo & District FHS - Newsletter 77 March-April 2025

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New Zealand Family History Network - FamNet April 2025
Huddersfield & District FHS (UK) - Journal Vol.38 No.3 April 2025
Shoalhaven Family History Society - Time Traveller No.137 April 2025
Colo Shire FHG - Family Ties No.55 Vol.10 Issue.2 April - May 2025
Kempsey FHG - Cedar Branches Newsletter Vol.12 No.1 Jan-Apr 2025
BMACHO - Heritage Newsletter Issue. 98 May-Jun 2025 + References
Queensland FHS - Queensland Family Historian Vol.46 No.1 January 2025
Queensland FHS - Queensland Family Historian Vol.46 No.2 May 2025
Friends of Rookwood - R.I.P. (Rookwood in Profile) Vol.30 No.1 March 2025