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Welcome to Family History month.

This month's meeting of the Family History Society will be held on **Friday 8th August 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 Christine Yeats – "Hear Your House Speak Through the Records".

Membership for 2025 is \$50 for an individual or \$60 for a joint or family membership. If you are new to the Society, then get your membership form online from our website or Facebook page or pick one up from Ian at the meeting. Also, there is an additional postage fee if you prefer to have your 'Explorer' magazine posted rather than picking it up at our meetings. Our mailing fee is \$15.

Trade table - Our trade table will be operating again, 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

Helpers are always needed and very much appreciated. Our street stall brought quite a few enquiries, so if you feel you are able to assist others with their research, why not have a chat to Helen about when you could become part of the Library team. If you're not sure then pop in one Thursday to see what happens-we all have different areas of interest and yours might be just what is needed.

Explorer's Tree Magazine

Jan is still needing a few more pieces for our final 2025 magazine. And of course, there is always next year to make a start on. I hope some of you have taken the leap and committed pen to paper and are ready to share your efforts with us. You know we will enjoy reading it. Please 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 **12th Sep 2025 at 10am** in our usual meeting place, the small hall behind the Presbyterian Church. The guest speaker will be Adrian Howe on The Howe Family

Upcoming Events:

- Family History Month is organised by the Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations. They regularly have a long list of What's On events but specifically for Family History month please check this website <https://www.affho.org/whats-on/> or this Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/AFFHOFamilyHistoryMonth>

- NSW State Library is running several free courses for Family History Month. They are all online. Check the website for more details: <https://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/whats-on>
- As always, you might want to use this month to finally schedule that trip to the Museums of History NSW (This used to be called NSW State Archives). Make sure you search the Collection and order your items before you go they are already waiting for you to collect. <https://mhns.w.au/collections/state-archives-collection/>

Don't forget that this week the Society will have volunteers available downstairs at the Springwood Library for Family History Week. They'll be there from 10am-12md on Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday, and 10am-1pm on Thursday, as an added bonus Ian will be talking about what resources are available at the library on Saturday.

Research Tips: Did you know that the National Library of Scotland has online, searchable maps of the United Kingdom and Ireland. They have 19th & 20th Century ordnance survey maps, town plans, road maps and more. They also have a Side by Side map viewer to see how an area has changed over time. <https://maps.nls.uk/>

Just for Fun



See you Friday.

Digital Journals & Newsletters Received - July 2025

RAHS - Journal of the Royal Australian Historical Society Vol.111 Part 1 June 2025
 RAHS - History - Magazine of RAHS March 2025 No.163
 Huddersfield & District FHS (UK) - Vol.38 No.4 July 2025
 New Zealand Family History Network - FamNet July 2025
 Bathurst District HS - Newsletter No.143 July-September 2025
 RAHS - eNewsletter 10 July 2025

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