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GENEALOGISTS

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





Image of "Adams House" now Henty House, current location of the Society's Family History Library & Research Centre (level 2) from a collection of photographs circa 1950 taken by Max Dupain & Associates from the digital collection of the State Library of NSW.

SAGe - November 2025

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In the News

Calling any Irish Centenarians!

From our recent, **Let's Talk About...Census and Census Substitutes** (available to members in our Webinar Library), there is a call out from the National Archives of Ireland to the Irish, whether in Ireland or part of the diaspora, to come forward and share their stories. More information is available [here](#). Our thanks to Zoë Reid, Keeper Public Services & Collections, National Archives of Ireland, and Adjunct Associate Professor Carol Liston AO, for their support in talking about the Irish censuses and colonial musters.

End of Year Party registrations open

As 2025 draws to a close, we will gather together to celebrate another chapter in our Society's story and highlight the achievements of our many volunteers. We'll be hosting a festive morning tea on Friday 12 December at the Mechanics' School of Arts in Sydney, with presentations to celebrate our dedicated volunteers and opportunities to socialise with fellow volunteers and members, many of whom you only see on ZOOM. SAG Volunteers will be provided with a registration code by email shortly for complimentary tickets and members, partners/friends are also welcome. Click here for more [information](#).

See you at Kingswood on Sat 22 November!

The SAG will have a stall at the Museums of History NSW Western Sydney Records Centre Open Day - for details and free talk registrations go to [this link](#).

Let's Talk About...Family History Societies Mon 24 November

Our final Let's Talk About... online event for 2025 will be held at 7.30pm AEDT on Monday 24 November. This is a free member event, with registrations available [here](#). The panel will be talking about their local family history society including guests from the New Zealand Society of Genealogists, Tasmanian Family History Society Inc, and Suffolk Family History Society.

2026 Launch Event - Sat 29 November

Join us for a special one-hour online event as we unveil the Society of Australian Genealogists' [2026 Program of Events and Courses](#). Be the first to discover what's coming in the year ahead - from exciting new initiatives and workshops to the return of much-loved favourites that continue to inspire our members. This is your chance to get a first look at what's planned, hear from the team behind the program and learn how you can make the most of the Society's learning opportunities in 2026. Don't miss this celebratory launch - a lively and informative session for all SAG members who love exploring family history!

Exam season

Wishing all of our Certificate students and Diploma candidates undertaking exams the best for their results!

The theme for this newsletter is: Family history societies

Check out these Web Tips

Sometimes it's hard to know what family history societies exist - [Internet History Resources](#) provides a one-stop site, with a focus on New South Wales, Queensland and Western Australia, with societies listed alphabetically within each state. Basic access information is provided where available, together with contact details.

[NSW & ACT Association of Family History Societies Inc.](#) hosts a similar listing of societies with postal addresses and email links provided.

[Family History Federation](#) provides an equivalent service, listing local societies both within the UK and internationally, as well as one name societies and other localised groups.

in the Library

The SAG Library at 2/379 Kent Street holds a vast array of material relating by family history societies and we are so thankful for the donation of these

items to the Society's collection.

We can't possibly list them all here, but have included a select list below of pioneer registers compiled by family history societies:

Campbelltown federation register 1900-1920, including earlier pioneers not covered by the Pioneer Register (2008) by Campbelltown District Family History Society Inc. B5/90/41b

Blue Mountains pioneer register (2004) by Blue Mountains Family History Society Inc. B5/90/60

Red Cliffs pioneer & lawn cemeteries register a & monumental inscriptions: 1930-2003 (2004) compiled by the Mildura & District Genealogical Society Inc. C7/11/16

Far North Queensland pioneer register to 1940 (2003) compiled by the Cairns and District Family History Society Inc. H5/90/13

Upcoming Events

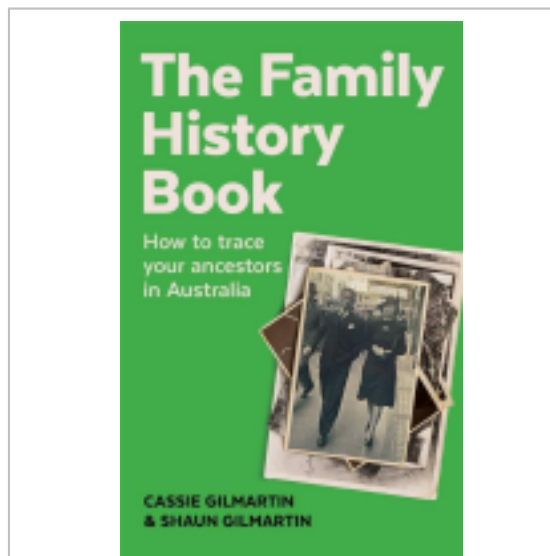
- Wednesday 5 & 12 November, 6.00pm-7.00pm - [Introduction to Visual Phasing and Visual Phasing in Action](#)
- Saturday 8 November, 9.30am-4.00pm - [WORKSHOP: Online Writing Family History Workshop with Dr Betty O'Neill](#)
- Saturday 8 November, 10.30am-3.30pm - [GROUP: Family Tree Maker User Group](#)
- Tuesday 11 November, 7.30pm-9.00pm - [GROUP: One Place Focus Group](#)
- Thursday 13 November, 10.30am-12.30pm - [GROUP: The Writing Group November Meeting](#)
- Saturday 15 November, 10.00am-12.00pm - [GROUP: Legacy Software Users Group](#)
- Saturday 15 November, 10.00am-12.00pm - [GROUP: Aotearoa New Zealand Research Group](#)

- Saturday 15 November, 3.00pm-5.00pm - [GROUP: Colonial Australia Research Group](#)
 - Wednesday 19 November, 2.00pm-3.00pm - [WEBINAR: Sweet, White and Deadly: A Social History of Sugar](#)
 - Saturday 22 November, 10.00am-12.00pm - [GROUP: USA and Canada Research Interest Group](#)
 - Sunday 23 November, 10.00am-11.30am - [WEBINAR: First Look @ Ancestry Pro Tools](#)
 - Wednesday 26 November, 7.30pm-9.00pm - [GROUP: AI & IT Special Interest Group](#)
 - Friday 28 November, 9.30am-4.30pm - [Digital Skills for Family History – Intensive One-Day Workshop](#)
 - Saturday 29 November, 10.00am-12.00pm - [GROUP: English Research Group](#)
 - Saturday 29 November, 10.00am-12.30pm - [WEBINAR: First Look at AncestryDNA](#)
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FREE FOR MEMBERS

- Every Friday at 4pm - [Friday Hang Out with the SAG](#)
- Tuesday 18 November, 7.00pm-8.00pm - [SAG Diploma FHS Information Session](#)
- Monday 24 November, 7.30pm-9.00pm - [Let's Talk About...Family History Societies](#)
- Saturday 29 November, 4.00pm-5.00pm - [2026 Program Launch of Events & Courses](#)

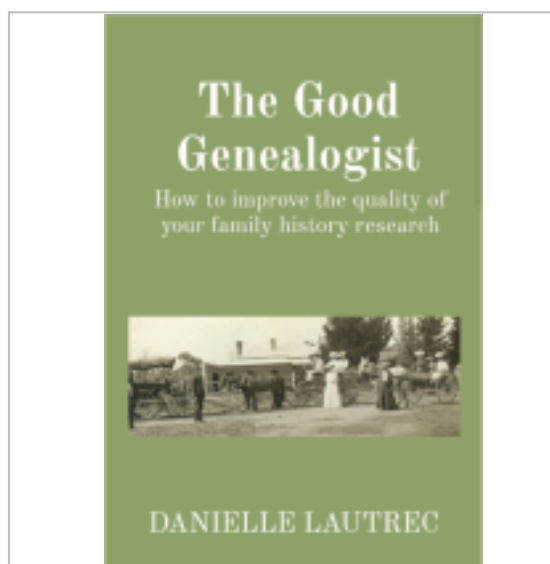
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by Cassie Gilmartin & Shaun Gilmartin

\$32.99



[The Good Genealogist](#)

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