

Tomaree Family History Group Newsletter

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From the Secretary

OBITUARY:

It is with great sadness that we advise members of the passing of Phyllis Hocking, mother of Marie Williamson, after a short illness. Phyllis, who would have turned 95 in November, passed away on 25 August 2011 at the Tomaree Community Hospital. A funeral service will be held for Phyllis at 10:30am on Tuesday 30 August 2011 at France Family Funerals, Nelson Bay.

BIRTHDAYS:

Happy birthday to the following members who will celebrate their special day in September

Noaline Fitzsimons 4th
Elaine Monro 8th
Vince Hughes 13th
Margaret Anderson 14th

SEPTEMBER WORKSHOP:

This will be our Father's Day Breakfast followed by our Annual General Meeting. "How did your journey into Family History Begin" will be topic for the workshop. Please indicate at the meeting on Saturday 6 August if you are able to provide food and assist in the kitchen on the day. Raffles will also be available and tickets are on sale now from Vince. Please bring your raffle tickets to the meeting. Room open 8am; Helpers 8.15am; Start Father's Day function 8.45am.

AGM:

AGM Nomination Forms have been received with one more Committee Member required. Nominations can be completed on Saturday before the AGM commences.

ROOKWOOD CEMETERY:

Bus Cost \$20 each, \$15 Entry Fee, Lunch available of a sausage sandwich for \$5 and \$1.50 for tea or coffee. We are meeting in the Library Car Park at 8.45am and leaving 9am sharp returning about 6 – 6.30pm. Please make your payment on Saturday at the meeting.

NSW STATE LIBRARY:

Bus cost \$20 each, bring own lunch, a Reader's Card is needed. Our Resource Room has a folder containing which records are available at the State Archives.

PIONEER BOOK REPORT:

The Pioneer Committee meet each Friday afternoon and are still working on the project.

RESOURCE ROOM:

Please consider giving a few hours each month or more if you are able to help new members and those having problems with their research. Training will be given. Please talk to Andrea or any of the Committee.

*Best Wishes to all
Elaine Monro
President*



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Workshop News



We pay for the mistakes of our ancestors, and it seems only fair that they should leave us the money to pay with.
Don Marquis

September Workshop:

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AGM:

All positions will be declared vacant. Nomination forms for all positions will be available at the next workshop. As per our Constitution Elaine will step down as President having served for three years. I am sure you will all agree Elaine has done an excellent job as President. Ann Watson will chair the AGM.

October Workshop:

John "Stinker" Clark is confirmed as guest speaker for 10am. .

November Workshop:

Terry St.George has agreed to talk at our November Meeting about the Sandgate Cemetery.

Who was my Grandmother? "Who was my Grandmother" was a success and our workshop in February 2012 we will run a "Who was my Grandfather" workshop.

Member Services

FOR NEW MEMBERS:

- Books and magazines can be borrowed from the Resource Room [not cds], please see the duty person.
- Photocopying/printing in the Resource Room must be paid for. [money to duty person]
- Stuck for a gift for a special occasion? Enquire about our Family Tree Certificates
- Tomaree Family History Group's first book "The Lives and Crimes of the Convicts who arrived in Sydney in 1791 on the Salamander" is available for \$25.
- Donations of food for morning tea are always welcome.
- The Secretary writes the monthly newsletter and the Tomaree Tattler. It is then sent to Michelle for distribution. Any correspondence should be sent directly to Marilynne not Michelle.
- Transcription order forms are available in the Resource Room.
- Please give the names you are researching to Michelle who will put them on our website. Fill out the details on the My Research Interests Form at the end of this newsletter. If you are unsure of what is held at the repositories have a look at their website or the Archives folder in the Resource Room.



Tomaree Family History Group is proud to be partnering with Port Stephens Council on the Pioneer Project, through Culture Port Stephens and as a recipient from the Cultural Projects Fund.



