

Tomaree Family History Group Newsletter

JULY 2010



From the Secretary

At our July workshop we were treated to a rare insight into NSW's early history through the items brought in by Brian who gave us a very interesting talk about his treasured possessions. Thank you Brian.

Exciting news:

On Monday, 19th I received an email saying my application for a Volunteer Grant on behalf of TFHG has been successful. These applications take a long time to prepare so it was great to read it was worth the effort. T.F.H.G. is now \$2745 richer!!!!

Trip to State Archives:

Unfortunately this trip had to be cancelled as our numbers dropped to 11. We will endeavour to set another date later in the year. Marie will refund money at the next workshop.

August Birthdays:

August is a very popular month with our members. Birthday greetings are sent to: Roy Jeffrey 1st, Marg O'leary 4th, Alwyne Outridge 11th, Michelle Gilliver-Smith 16th, Val Spencer-Sun 18th, Marilynne Sharp 24th, Sue Moore 24th and Ann Watson 28th.

New members:

A very warm welcome is extended to our new members: Peter and Jane Foster, Lloyd Goodwin, Rosena Battam & Lorna Peters and to any others who may have joined and their paper work has not reached me.

10th Birthday Celebration:

T.F.H.G. is celebrating its 10th birthday with a Genealogical Seminar on **23rd October** at the Tomaree Community Centre.

Please keep this date free and support this function. There will be guest speakers, trading tables, bbq lunch. Cost \$5. Helpers will be asked for at the September meeting. [The wrong date was printed previously]

Tattler:

The Tomaree Tattler is due out now. I have asked for stories about member's first ancestors in Australia. The response has been 2. All I need is their name, date of arrival in Australia, how did they arrive, where did they settle? You can add more if you like.

National Family History Week:

This week. Suggestions of what to do are: Interview a family member about their life, organize family photos, organize a family reunion, start a journal, start writing your life story, talk to distant relatives, Investigate family traits....where do they come from?, visit areas of family significance.

Stockton Historical Society:

Gordon and Marilynne spent a morning last week doing Pioneer research down at Stockton. The people there were very friendly and helpful. We are now exchanging

journals with the group. Gordon and Marilynne were able to verify information that had been found and were given access to lots of photos of the pioneers.

Farewell to Brian Ahearn.

It is with sadness we say goodbye to Brian and Shirley Ahearn who are leaving in a couple of weeks. A very big thank you to Brian for his input into the group at the Executive Meetings and for his talks and friendship. We wish them well in the next step in their lives.

I hope all our members are well and that many attend the next workshop

*Best Wishes to all
Marilynne Sharp
Secretary
Phone: 49810177*



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Mailbag and Diary Dates



"Why waste
your money
looking up
your family
tree? Just go
into politics
and your
opponents
will do it for
you."

-- Mark Twain

FOR THE DIARY:

• **Dates for your Diary:**

August

- 7th Workshop
- 16th Marilynne to address P.S.H.S meeting
- 28th Members to attend P.S.H.S function about Glover Family Executive meeting

September:

- 4th Father's Day Breakfast Workshop
- 11th Open day at Newcastle Family History Group
- 25th Executive meeting

October:

- 2 Workshop—Maitland Seminar
- 23rd **T.F.H.G.Seminar**
- 30th Executive Meeting

Maitland Family History Group is holding an Expo on 10th October, 2010 at Maitland City Bowls, Sports and Recreation Club, Arthur St, Rutherford. Entry \$5. T.F.H.G. will have a table and use the day to promote our Expo on **23rd October**.

The Glover Family Tribute: 28th August at Tomaree Community Centre 1.30 – 4pm. hosted by Port Stephens Historical Society. If you would like to go please let Marilynne know as I have to R.S.V.P.

Timespan – Nepean Family History Society June 2010

Seminar : "Seeking the Elusive Ones"

11 September 2010. The Old School Hall, Emu Plains

Settlers at Parramatta & Norfolk Island
The Search for the Hand in Glove Murder.
Pioneers of West Maitland.
Lachlan Macquarie.

From Qld State Archives: Now available:

Mt Isa State High School Corporal Punishment Register
Dept of Aliens [non British subjects] created by Police Station Ingham 1946-7
Alphabetical register of Italian aliens 1939 -40, created by police Station Ingham.

Journals from:

- Port Macquarie
- Wagga Wagga
- Liverpool
- Hawks Nest/Tea Gardens

Resource Room

The new cupboard has been installed and now houses our very valuable collection of books. Librarian, Sue will have the books covered for us so until this happens they will not be available for use. A new laptop computer has been purchased and a table to sit it on. Thank you to Elaine, Andrea and the team of workers who helped make the Resource Room much more user friendly.

We have ordered a Pioneer Register from Port Macquarie, which hopefully should arrive soon.

MISSING DIARY: FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN AT THE RESOURCE ROOM LATELY COULD YOU PLEASE CHECK YOU HAVE NOT ACCIDENTLY PICKED UP OUR DIARY.

As you may have read in the Examiner, the library hours are being decreased. As a result of this our Saturday time will be decreased by 15 mins. **Saturday closing time for the Resource Room will now be 11.45am.**

Thank you to Brian for the donation of the following books:

If the gown Fits, A P Rowe

Recollections of D G B 1843, Daniel George Brock

Hunter Wine

Mark These men, Marcus Loane

Lily on the Dust Bin, Nancy Keesing

The sea Journals of Annie & Amy Henning, Joan Thomas

Leonara, Bertha Foott

Ancestor Treasure Hunt, R v Pockley

St James Church, Sydney

History Ireland

Workshop News



Next Workshop—Saturday 7 August

August workshop: Marilynne Sharp is doing a talk on who is buried in Birubi Cemetery.

There will be visitors present so please consider bringing something for morning tea and don't leave it to the same people every month.

September Workshop: As in keeping with past years we will be having a Father's Day breakfast before the workshop. We will need helpers. If anyone has something they could donate for raffle prizes it would be much appreciated. This will be discussed at the next workshop. Family members and friends are welcome to attend. Cost \$5.

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 Nelson Bay NSW Inc.



APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

I _____ /
We _____

(*PRINT full name of applicant(s)*)

Address: _____

Postcode: _____ Phone No.: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Occupation: _____

E-mail: _____

Hereby apply to renew my membership of the Tomaree Family History Group Nelson Bay NSW Inc., an incorporated association. I agree to be bound by the rules of the association for the time being in force.

Annual Subscription Due: (Please Tick):

Single \$30.00

Couple \$40.00

Enclosed is my cheque/cash for the above amount.

Signed: _____

