

Tomaree Family History Group Newsletter

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From the Secretary

BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST:

Alwyne Outridge 11th
Michelle Gilliver-Smith 16th
Marilynne Sharp 24th
Ann Watson 28th

TRIP TO ROOKWOOD CEMETERY:

A bus trip to Rookwood Cemetery has been organised. It will be on Sunday October 2nd 2011, pick up at the Library car park at 9am, and return about 6—6.30pm. A bbq will be available at around 12.30pm \$5 for a sausage sandwich with your choice of salad \$1.50 for tea or coffee – soft drink.

Following lunch we do some walking in the heritage area & then take the bus around to look at lots of other interesting places as well as talking about interesting people.

Rookwood is around 300 hectares or 800 acres so there is a lot to see. Over 80 religious and cultural groups use Rookwood as a last resting place for their loved ones & many areas reflect the funerary customs that they have brought with them from many countries.

Please register your interest at the next meeting. Costs for the bus will be available shortly.

TRIP TO STATE ARCHIVES:

A trip to State Archives is planned for November 19th 2011. Remember to organise your readers ticket in advance and order any files you want to view. It makes things faster on the day. You will be required to

provide your own lunch and refreshments for this trip as nothing is available on site.

CENSUS 2011:

We are encouraging our members to tick the box for future storage of their details. Remember if you choose to complete the census online you can download a hard copy to keep for your files.

AUGUST WORKSHOP:

We have a guest speaker, Tom Sweeney from Macquarie Park Cemetery & Crematorium. This should be a very interesting talk. Workshop commences at 9:30am at Tomaree Library and Community Centre on Saturday 6 August. Hope to see you all there. Donations for morning tea always appreciated.

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



August Workshop:

We have a guest speaker, Tom Sweeney from Macquarie Park Cemetery & Crematorium. This should be a very interesting talk.

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.

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:

Guest speaker to be confirmed.

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.

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

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.



