

# Tomaree Family History Group Newsletter

MARCH 2010



## *From the Secretary*

Everyone who was at the March workshop would have been enthralled listening to the very detailed talk Brian gave on the Bollard murders. Brian's depth of knowledge and artistic skills impressed everyone.

As mentioned at the last workshop there will be no April workshop because of Easter. Members are invited to visit Newcastle Family History Group's Open day on 17th April at Elder Street, Lambton.

Members of the Pioneer research team put on a display at Tomago House on the weekend of 10th/11th April. The weekend was called "Links to the Past". Not only will we be supporting a very worthwhile local cause we will be promoting our Pioneer Register.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Alf Scales, one of our new members whose wife died recently.

Happy Birthday to Valerie Dawes who is the only member who celebrates her birthday this month.

**Bus trip to State Archives.** 15th May The response has been poor. Your seat will not be secured until you have paid your fare [\$25] to Marie. Remember first in with the money gets the seats. I have booked the group in and Archives have asked that members preorder before they go. Don't forget you need a reader's ticket.

**Gene Seminar:** Several speakers have been contacted but all so far have declined for several reasons. The secretary will try a few more this week.

Don't forget to spread the word about our **Antique Valuation Day** to be held on 19th June. We have held two of these days in the past and both were very successful. Cost is \$5 entry which gives you one valuation. If you have more than one item it is \$5 for each additional item. There will be a bbq lunch and morning tea will be able to be purchased. We will be calling for volunteers at the next workshop.

**Mother's Day Breakfast:** 1st May. Start 9am. Family and friends welcome. Cost \$5/per person.

Thanks to the volunteers who offered to help run this.  
Cooks: Graham and Anna  
Setting up: Lyndal, Gordon and Pam  
Donation of food: Michelle, Ann and Vince  
Hot water : Val  
Wash up: Marg  
Marie's assistant: Anne  
Organise room for workshop: Brian, Michelle  
Raffle: Vince

Please support the raffle so purchases and improvements can be made. Donations can be left in the Resource Room or given to any members of the Executive.

Raffle prizes donated so far are : Set of coins [valued \$320], Wine, Pen and toiletries.

Note for members and guests: Please once you have paid Marie proceed to the outdoor area. Do not congregate in the kitchen area. This is an OH&S issue.

Best Wishes are sent to Alwynne Outridge who at the time of writing is in the Polyclinic.

*Best Wishes*  
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## **FOR THE DIARY:**

### • Dates for your Diary:

- April—No Workshop
- May 2 Mother's Day Breakfast/Workshop
- June 5 Workshop
- June 19 Antique Valuation Day [confirmed]
- July 3 Workshop
- August 7 Workshop
- Sept 5 Father's Day breakfast/Workshop
- Oct 2 Workshop  
T.F.H.G. WILL HOST A GENEALOGICAL SEMINAR [Keep reading your Newsletters for more information as speakers are confirmed]
- Nov 6 Workshop
- Dec 4 Christmas Function

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## Library News



**We desperately need volunteers to be on duty on a Monday.** With over 60 members it would be terrible if we had to close because we can't get anyone to be there. Our new Irish cds and maps will be soon available for use. Thank you to Gordon and Tom for their work in making this possible. Thank you too, to Andrea for her work as Librarian. Those who have been to the Resource room will have noticed the "new" monitors. We have also bought new holders for Transcription Agents and BDM forms. We are awaiting quotes for a new cupboard to house the "History of Australia" and "History of NSW" books.

It's hard to  
be humble  
with  
ancestors  
I like mine!

## Mailbag

AFTC

Canberra's Ancestral Searcher:

The Tomaree Tattler is almost ready for distribution. The response to the Brickwalls page in the Tattler was very disappointing as no one has submitted a brickwall.



## 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.

