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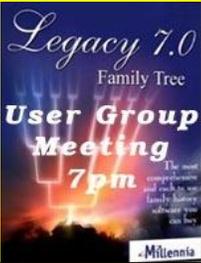
From the Committee

Hello Members,

Now that the hot weather seems to be behind us, we can take advantage of the cooler Autumn days and nights by getting on with jobs we have put off. This may include putting family history files and photos into order and probably planning some interesting outings to celebrate May History Festival Month in South Australia. Free booklets showing all the outings and open days are available at Ann Street. There are lots to do and things to see at very little cost during May.

ANDFHG's contribution is our 3 Cemetery Tag-a-long Tour to be held in conjunction with the Lyndoch & District Historical Group. As previously mentioned this will be held on SATURDAY 4th MAY 2013 at 12.30 pm starting at the LYNDOCH PUBLIC CEMETERY just off Gilbert Street Lyndoch. The Tag a Long Tour will then move on to St Jakobi Lutheran Cemetery and finishing at Holy Trinity Anglican Cemetery. Afternoon Tea will then be provided at the Lyndoch & District Historical Group's rooms located at the Public Library. The cost is \$15.00 per head, so please contact events@andfhg.org to reserve your place.

On Sunday 14th April, our President Peter Applebee and Secretary Margaret Flaiban visited Dublin History Group with a presentation of the very large website of Australian Cemeteries (www.australiancemeteries.com). Even though a small group of people turned up, it was a very enjoyable afternoon. Pete showed some very interesting grave sites from every Australian State and Territories, always acknowledging the volunteers who supplied the data and photographs including some he had taken himself whilst in New South Wales. Some information goes back a number of years but all this is still vital to our national historical records. Pete gave a special acknowledgement to the travelling 'Grey Nomads' who stop along the highways, byways and tracks to copy information and photos, later passing this information on to the relevant people. Some of the ANDFHG research volunteers will be going back to Dublin History Group in June to help with any research questions their members may have. If you had ancestors that lived in the Dublin/Two Wells/Mallala area, then you may wish to contact the Dublin History Group as their local history archives is vast and their members have a wealth of knowledge to pass on. You never know what you might find. Just ask!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				2nd May Mid Week Open Day 10 am – 4 pm		4th May Three cemeteries and an afternoon tea 1pm – 4 pm Lyndoch Cemetery Tour
	6th May 			9th May Mid Week Open Day 10 am – 4 pm		11th May Research and Networking Day 1 pm – 4 pm Committee Meeting 2 pm
				16th May Mid-Week Open Day 10 am – 4 pm		
				23rd May Mid Week Open Day 10 am – 4 pm		25th May Research and Networking Day Guest Speaker Afternoon 1 pm – 4 pm
				30th May Mid Week Open Day 10 am – 4 pm		



History Month Barossa Valley Cemetery Tag A Long Tour

on Saturday 4th May 2013 at 12.30pm
for 1.00pm Start

Adelaide Northern Districts Family History Group Inc. in conjunction with the Lyndoch & Districts Historical Society Inc. present a Barossa Valley Cemetery Tour comprising of three cemeteries, all within the proximity of Lyndoch.

The tour will start at the Lyndoch Public Cemetery, just off Gilbert Street Lyndoch. The oldest headstone is of George Haines who died in July 1855, together with the unusual grave of Charlotte Coleman who died in December 1862. With General burials as well as those associated with St. John's Lutheran Church, many prominent early pioneers of the area are interred here.

The tour will then move on to St. Jakobi Lutheran Cemetery which began in August 1867. **Please follow the signs.** The view from the cemetery towards the hills is splendid. There are lots of German headstones of prominent local families here. The oldest headstone is in the form of an iron cross on the grave of Amalie and Carl Leske who both died of diphtheria in August 1867. Other family plots are Semmler and Schenke, Leske and Heinrich to name just a few.



Our third cemetery is the Holy Trinity Anglican Cemetery on the Barossa Valley Way. This portion of land was offered to the British settlers in Lyndoch by the South Australian Company as early as 1841. However the nearby creek flooded to such a height that the partially built church had to be moved across the road. There are some graves of particular interest here, the oldest being of Sarah Ann Denson daughter of Jonathan and Rebecca Denson. Most notable that of William Jacob and wife arrived on the "Rapid" 1836, a Farmer and Vigneron of Jacobs Creek fame.



We will then drive back to the Lyndoch & District Historical Society's rooms, located at the Public Library in Lyndoch for afternoon tea and a chat.

The cost of this very interesting and informative tour is \$15.00 per head. Please contact events@andfhg.org to make your booking.

VE Day May 8th 1945 – Victory!

VE Day - End of the war - Rejoice!

After five years, eight months, and five days of massive destruction and loss of thousands of lives, the end of the European phase of World War II was rejoiced in the British Isles. Victory in Europe was commemorated with celebrations all around the world in recognition of the unconditional surrender of all German forces signed in Reims, France, the previous day.



Rejoicing at end of war in Europe

The Prime Minister, Winston Churchill, has officially announced the end of the war with Germany. In a broadcasted message to the nation from 10 Downing Street he said the ceasefire had been signed the day before at the American headquarters in Rheims, France.

Huge crowds, many dressed in red, white and blue, gathered outside Buckingham Palace in London where they cheered as the King, Queen and two Princesses came out onto the balcony together with Winston Churchill.

Earlier tens of thousands of people had listened intently as the King's speech was relayed by loudspeaker to those who had gathered in Trafalgar Square and

Parliament Square.

In his speech, Mr Churchill said: "We may allow ourselves a brief period of rejoicing; but let us not forget for a moment the toil and efforts that lie ahead. Japan with all her treachery and greed, remains unsubdued.

We must now devote all our strength and resources to the completion of our task, both at home and abroad. Advance Britannia."

TAKEN FROM SCOTS FAMILY PHOTOS

Here lie the bones of Joseph Jones
Who ate while he was able.
But once overfed, he dropt down dead
And fell beneath the table"

Greyfriars Churchyard Edinburgh 1690





Are you a descendant from the Picts ? Check out the website.

Scots Family

One in ten Scots are descended from the Picts

Full story at <http://www.scotsman.com/the-scotsman/scotland/one-in-ten-scots-men-descended-from-picts-1-2855561>

Speaker afternoon: Saturday March 23rd 2013:

Mark Forgie

A good show of numbers greeted Mark Forgie of Taylor and Forgie, undertakers of Gawler.



Taylor & Forgie
Funeral Directors

Helping people through difficult times since 1855

This company has been in the same family hands since 1855, and Mark has chosen to share his family's history and little anecdotes about the funeral business with a 'slide show'.

6 generations have been involved in the funeral enterprise which also diversified into the building trade. There are many buildings in the surrounding area which were erected by Taylor & Forgie. Due to hard economic times the building component was downgraded to carpentry jobs → a skill which was required to create a good style of coffin and casket.

Taylor & Forgie had many milestones in Gawler and districts

- First motorised hearse which was in great demand and often borrowed by other funeral parlours
- Refrigeration
- Open coffin funerals
- Pre-paid funerals
- Chapel funerals (an alternative to a church based affair)
- Crematorium
- Complete funeral → from collection of deceased, preparation for the burial and the service

Mark's slide show gave comparison photographs of sites around Gawler; also some funeral paraphernalia such as hats, boards etc.

Fiftieth Anniversary

Ian Keith Cowley and Patricia Louise Turner

Today the 4th May 2013 we should be celebrating our Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary, But we aren't, it's just me mourning the Thirtieth Anniversary of the passing of Patricia on the 4th May 1983, but then again it's the Twentieth Anniversary of the time we had together.

She would be so proud of her children, Gina Loretta, Keith Murray and Richard Ian. Gina married Brian James Ferguson and they have four children, Dale James, Jason Ian, Lana Patricia and Jesse Keith.

Dale and his partner Natasha have three children, Madeline Elizabeth, Charlotte Kathleen and Ryan James.

Jason has his Cars

Lana and her partner Thip have two children, Amelia Rose and Selina Jade.

Jesse has his Bikes and Scooters.

Keith married Nancy Leanne Anderson and they have two children, Benjamin Joshua and Chantelle Louise.

Richard married Shalenee Nayagar and they have two children, Blake Alexander and Kris Naidu.

Patricia would be looking down on all this and would be so proud that her three children had produced eight grand children and five great grand children.

Even though she has been gone thirty years I still miss her and think of her every day.

We feel for you Ian, when one loses a life partner it is a terrible thing. Your Friends at ANDFHG feel for you at this time.

LATEST NOVELTY

Putting a girl to sleep and burying her for three days is the latest novelty in America. A girl at Toledo, Ohio, was hypnotized and buried in a coffin in three feet of earth for eight days. On Monday the Hindu who hypnotized her awakened her in a theatre packed to overflowing. She fainted only a little weak from want of food.

Warwick Examiner and Times (Qld.) 23 September 1908, page 5 [Trove]

This month's donated books in our library :-

"Was Your Grandfather a Railwayman?" by Tom Richards

"The British Army – a Concise History" by Jock Haswell

3 past editions of the Dublin Dispatch from the Dublin History Group Inc.

"Memories of Dublin South Australia" by the Dublin History Group Inc.

LEAVE NO STONE UNTURNED

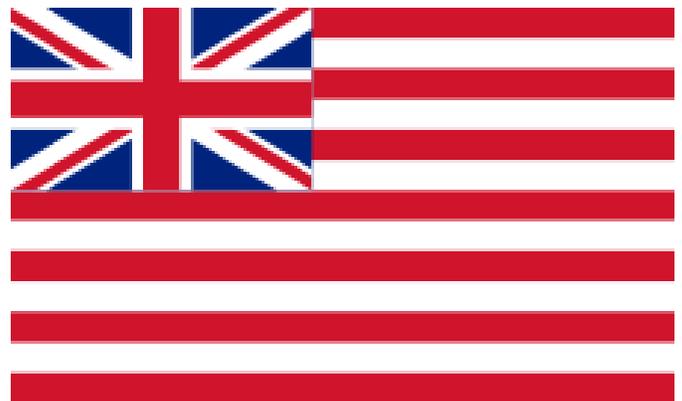
A talk by David McGowan PSM - 27th April 2013
Manager of West Terrace Cemetery 1994-1997

We welcomed David McGowan back to give our group a further slide show and talk on the early days of West Terrace Cemetery. He gave us some very interesting facts to think about, some of which had never been heard before by our members. We also found out that David is an accomplished bagpipe player, so we may ask him back to play for us!

When Colonel Light planned the layout of Adelaide he set aside 77 acres of space for a cemetery, which opened its gates in 1837. This was not the first cemetery in Adelaide – there were earlier ones at St Peters Glenelg and another at Birkenhead. Both of these coastal cemeteries were very important to the early Colony, due to no refrigeration and time factors. Deaths at sea were buried at these cemeteries, rather than giving them up to the ocean. David mentioned that there are 50,000 graves at WTC with 250,000 people buried there. Approximately 15,000 pauper graves, close to the back, 10,000 University burials and approximately 30,000 babies who died either from being stillborn or failure to thrive. After 1908 the hospitals took control of these babies. Before this time, it was usual for a member of the family to take the dead baby to the gates in a makeshift coffin, usually a wooden crate or box. No one was turned away.

David continued with a story of the “*Ademella*” a packet boat which regularly sailed to Melbourne and Launceston with goods. The boat was caught in a very big storm lasting approximately 5 days. Morse code was in its infancy but a message was sent to the closest Lifeboat at Portland Victoria, which took 2 days to get to South Australian waters to help. We can only imagine how those men felt rowing around the coast in heavy seas for two days and then having to rescue people and horses!

Another story was of the British East India Company flag and its likeness with the flag of the United States of America. Of course there was a direct connection with the so called Boston Tea Party, which triggered the revolutionary War.



As stated there is a likeness as you can see.

With David being interested in family history together with the local history of the WTC, he gave us an insight into some prominent family names, a few of which are :

JOSEPH REGIS COORY. Died 1912. Coory was a prominent member of the newly formed Boy Scout Association and has the only effigy in the whole of the cemetery.

SIR DOMINIC DALY who died at Government House in 1868. He was our only Irish Catholic Governor whose wife Lady Daly has a hotel named after her.

FROME. He was appointed as Captain Sturt’s replacement but on his arrival at the Colony, found a land scam run by Kingston (who was selling larger and more plots of land than he should).

JOHN HENRY KNABE who died 1916, the last of the Professional Mourners. He started at the early age of 13 and attended up to 4 funerals a day, 6 days a week as a paid professional mourner. He was retired at the age of 65 and David showed us the actual cane used by Knabe. The cane is made from light wood with a silver hooked handle.

Researching Paris, France

Paris Civil Registration online to 1902:

<http://canadp-archivesenligne.paris.fr/>

Paris Civil Registration 1903+:

<https://teleservices.paris.fr/etatcivil//jsp/site/RunStandaloneApp.jsp?page=formengine&form=naissance>

Useful Websites

Background from Family Search

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/France_Civil_Registration-_Vital_Records

Paris archives - rather like the London Metropolitan Archives rather than the National Archives

<http://www.paris.fr/politiques/paris-d-hier-a-aujourd-hui/archives-de-paris/p149>

Genealogical sources:

<http://www.paris.fr/politiques/archives-de-paris/sources-genealogiques/p6027>

Catholic registers - PDF File

http://www.paris.fr/politiques/archives-de-paris/sources-genealogiques/registres-de-catholicite-1791-1909/rub_6027_stand_12894_port_13496.pdf

Scroll down to the bottom for PDFs of the parish registers held by the archives, and links below

Paris Catholic registers at Archives de Paris

Baptisms

<http://www.paris.fr/viewmultimediacdocument?multimediacdocument-id=97485>

Marriages

<http://www.paris.fr/viewmultimediacdocument?multimediacdocument-id=97486>

France GenWeb www.francegenweb.org

Civil registration for France:

<http://www.francegenweb.org/~archives/archivesgenweb/>

French Departments

<http://www.francegenweb.org/~archives/archivesgenweb/?id=adfrance>

Wonderful and informative blog

<http://french-genealogy.typepad.com/genealogie/>

Includes availability of records



Unlock the Past books available to ANDFHG members at discount.

We have just become a reseller for the collection of Unlock The Past Books listed below, these will be available for sale to Members as well as the General Public. The Members discount is 20% off Gould's Retail Price.

TITLE	GOULD PRICE	ANDFHG PRICE
AIF Unit History of the Great War 1914-18	9.00	7.20
Cracking the Code of Old Handwriting	11.00	8.80
Death Certificates & Archaic Medical Terms	10.00	8.00
Digital Imaging Essentials: Techniques	34.95	27.95
Discover Scottish Church Records	24.00	19.20
Discover Scottish Land Records	20.00	16.00
DNA for Genealogists	14.00	11.20
Family History on the Cheap	16.00	12.80
Family & LH Resource Directory for Victoria	29.50	23.60
Family History Research in South Australia	29.50	23.60
Feeling Comfortable with the New FamilySearch	11.00	8.80
Finding Ancestors in Church Records	17.00	13.60
Irish Family History Resources Online	24.00	19.20
It's Not All Online: Genealogical Sources Offline	15.00	12.00
Land Research for FH in Australia & NZ	23.00	18.40
Locating Your German Ancestors Place of Origin	17.00	13.60
New FindMyPast.com.au: Gateway	12.50	10.00
Organising a Family Reunion	11.00	8.80
Pitfalls in Family History	12.50	10.00
Scotlands People: Place to Launch	12.50	10.00
Sewerage Records: An Untapped Resource	14.00	11.20
So You Are Totally New to Family Tree Maker	12.50	10.00
Social Media for Family Historians	24.00	19.20
Solving Riddles in 19 th Century Photo Albums	18.00	14.40
Elusive Digger: Tracing Australian Military Ancestors	15.00	12.00
Trove: Discover Genealogy Treasure in NLA	16.00	12.80
What Was the Voyage Really Like? Aus & NZ	11.00	8.80
Which Genealogy Program?	18.00	14.40
Writing and Publishing Your Family History	15.50	12.40
Your Family History Archives	11.00	8.80
History & Genealogy 2011: Aus & NZ	24.95	19.95
Official Unofficial Guide to Legacy Family Tree	29.50	23.60

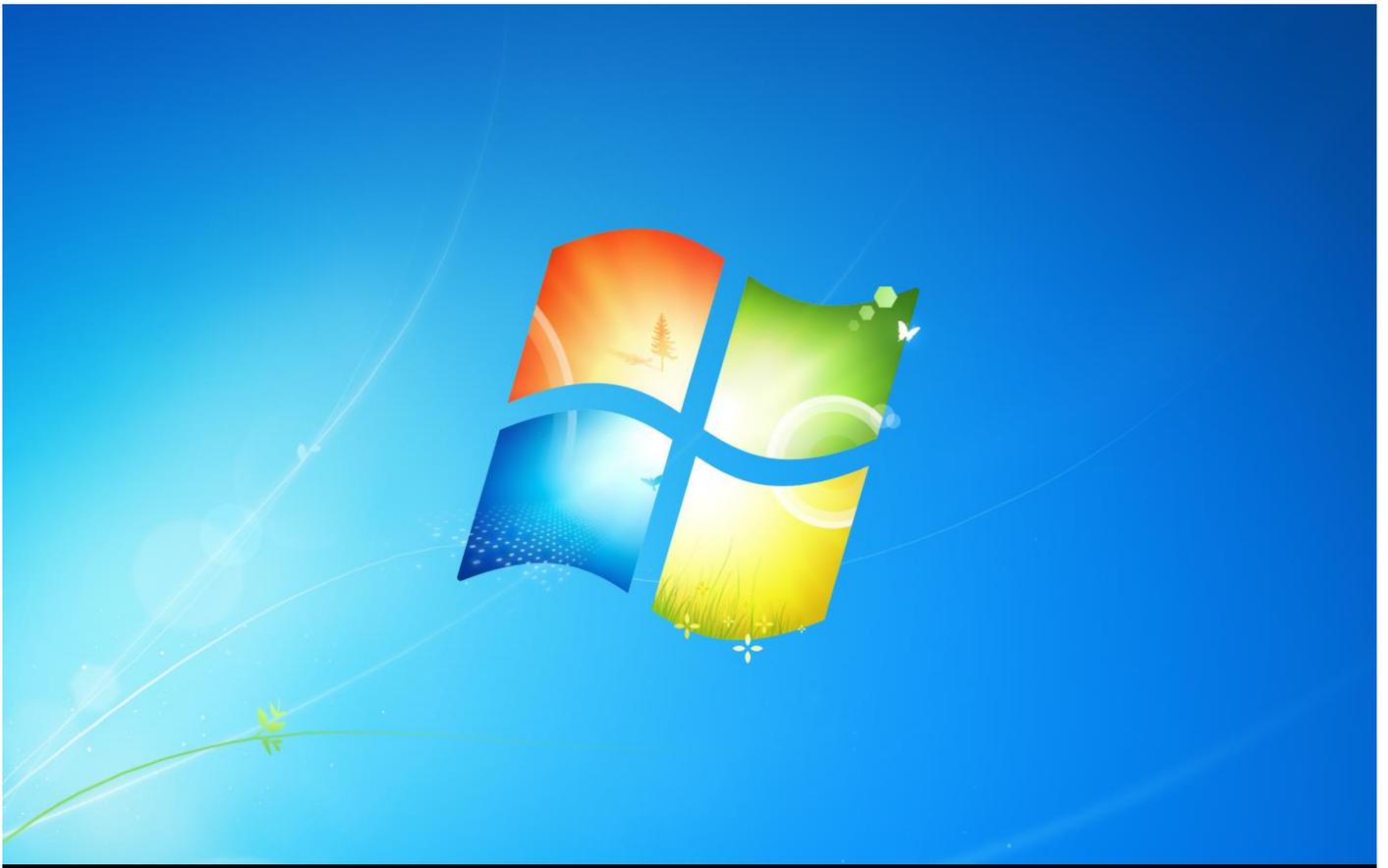
We also still have some copies of **"Family History For Beginners & Beyond"** by The Heraldry and Genealogy Society of Canberra Inc. revised edition is available as well at \$25.00.

Guest Speaker Afternoon

1.30 pm Saturday 25th May

Ivan Randall

Working with Windows 7 Backing up those files



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