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We're very happy to report that there are "lots of winners and gridders" this month from winners of the monthly raffle (*tickets are always available at the rooms if you can't make the Friday evening meeting*) to prize winners at the Fashion Parade and the prospects of being a weekly winner of the 100s Club.



May Meeting: The raffle, a lovely basket full of Mothers' Day goodies, was won by Jeanette Napper. Our guest speaker was the very informative Robert Nash from The Huguenots Society; a detailed report of his talk was in the June Kith & Kin.

June meeting: A most entertaining guest speaker was Annabel Little, daughter of actor Robert Morley and, author of "The Icing on the Cake". She started her tale as a 3 year old in Sydney where her father was making a film and said it was many years before she realised what a privileged childhood she had had. The family travelled and lived in so many wonderful places where Robert was working, not to mention the interesting and celebrated visitors who "dined at their table". The raffle was won by Clarrie Jones.



100's Club: Let's hope we have all paid the \$10 for our tickets by now for the first \$20 prize will be paid after the NSW State Lottery drawn on Monday 14th July. There will be 9 lucky winners of \$20 but the winner in the 10th week will hit the jackpot

with a prize of \$100. Extra tickets are available for purchase from the rooms. Thanks to Joan, Lee and Jan for all the work involved with the 100's Club.

Items are required for a CBFHS display in the glass cabinet in the first floor foyer at Bowen Library during Family History Month, August 2014. We are seeking items of interest passed down through families which

are representative of an age rather than of monetary value. So far members have promised to lend such things as a Box Brownie camera, a shaving mug, a 1940s baby rattle, a 1904 Midwives Q& A book, a Victorian mourning brooch etc., etc. But, please, nothing 'military' at this time as we anticipate needing military items for ANZAC commemoration displays next year. Contact Lindsay at on (02) 9665 0880 or linzofcoogee@gmail.com if you have an item you would be happy to lend.



Trove Digitised Newspapers and More: Dianne Griffin will facilitate a session of discussion and sharing about our favourite website, Trove, on Saturday 26th July from 1.30 pm at the Research Rooms. Come along and maybe learn some tricks as well as sharing your knowledge with other researchers.

New Resources: "Irish Women in Australia" by T. McLaughlin was donated by Bob Tonazzi. The Huguenot Index CD has been purchased and contains surnames and clues for one seeking names and advice on where to commence searching on the index in Great Britain and Ireland.

Toys Through Time: This is the theme of the latest exhibition in the display/museum area at Bowen Library. From the slinky 1920's French cigarette girl on loan from the R&DHS to the botoxed (?) Barbies, toy soldiers brought from Russia, tin cars, wooden planes to the latest craze – really something for everyone.





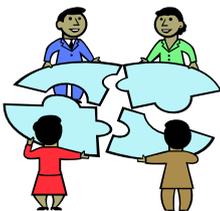
The Fashion Parade, held on 25th May at the Senior Citizens' Club, was a great success and made a profit of \$414: \$150 was from the commission on sales and the remainder was from entrance and raffle proceeds and, thanks to donations for afternoon tea, our expenses were only \$55 for the hall rent. "A very pleasing result." commented our treasurer: but a very pleasant afternoon's entertainment for all concerned. Our lovely models were

members Helen Fatouros, Judy Ford, Jayne Goodes, Jan Gallagher and Lindsay Harden. Thanks to them all for their cheerful participation and to Lee Bevan and other committee members for providing a delicious afternoon tea and organising such an enjoyable event. Helen held the Lucky Door ticket and the raffle prizes were as follows:-

- 1st: Betty (mother of Julie of Golden Girls Fashions)
- 2nd: Rhonda Horne
- 3rd: Barbara Ellis
- 4th: Eileen James



"These are MY relatives!" – was the exclamation from member Margaret Dennis when she found a scrap of paper left on a desk at the rooms by an unknown person/member. The details were from the Parish of Orston, Nottingham County and concern Mary Parnham b. 1768, parents William & Elizabeth Hooper m. 1762



with his parents listed also as William and Elizabeth in the Parish of Thoroton in 1738. Margaret has asked that "Whoever wrote this could they please contact Margaret Dennis at

marg.dennis@hotmail.com or ring

(02) 9344 6698". Good luck to both parties in making the connection.

Research Interests: Have you filled in one of these forms recently? Not everyone is as lucky as Margaret Dennis (see above) at finding ancestors/relatives so close to "home". But you will give yourself a better

chance to do so if you fill in one of these forms at the rooms and leave it there for the editors of Kith & Kin, Hazel and Barbara, to place in their next edition. And, as you can see from the list below, our journal goes far afield as well as to many societies within Australia.



Exchange journals: Quite a few societies have ceased publishing hard copies of their journal and they can now only be read online. We currently exchange journals with the following overseas societies:-
Aberdeen & N.E. Scotland FHS, Birmingham & Midland Gen & Hrdry, Bristol & Avon FHS, Buckinghamshire FHS, Calderdale FHS, Cleveland, Nth. Yorks & Sth. Durham FHS, Essex Society for FHS, FHS of Cheshire, Glasgow & West of Scotland FHS, Gwent FHS, Huddersfield & District FHS, Lancashire FH & Hldry Society Inc, FHS of New Zealand Inc., Shropshire FHS, Nottinghamshire FHS, Oxfordshire FHS, UK Society of Genealogists, Woolwich & District FH.

Postage rates from the UK went up in March, it now costs £3.65 (A\$6.56) Economy mail for each journal to be sent to us, plus the cost of the journal. We will be disappointed if more societies cease to exchange in the future due to increasing costs as there are some gems among the articles in these journals.

You never know what you may find in these journals. Hazel placed an ad in the Aberdeen & Nth East Scotland journal a while ago which resulted in contact with a distant cousin and received a photo of her ancestor's headstone from a helpful member of their society.

The new series of "Who Do You Think You Are?" commenced on SBS on Tuesday 8 July at 7:30pm. This is the Australian Series 6 and will include stories on Andrew Denton, Rebecca Gibney, Lisa McCune, Adam Goodes, Richard Roxburgh, Jacki Weaver, Amanda Keller and Paul McDermott.

The State Library of NSW currently has two exhibitions in their Galleries on until 21st September.

- "Life Interrupted: Personal Diaries from WW1": Describes the experiences of soldiers, doctors, nurses, stretcher-bearers and journalists in their own words.
- "Portraits of War: The Crown Studios Project ": In May 1918 the Mitchell Library Trustees embarked upon a project to photograph NSW soldiers heading overseas to serve in WW1. Officers of the Australian Imperial Force and Naval Forces were invited to the Crown Bromide Enlargement Company, the Crown Studios in George Street Sydney to be photographed in person, or their

families sent photographs to be copied. Due to a fire at Crown Studios in December 1918 the project was never completed. From this project, the Library holds over 1600 touching portraits and 230 of these feature in this exhibition.

Museum of Australian Currency Notes: It started after Federation and displayed are a few sovereigns plus all the old and new bank notes accompanied by pictures and stories. It is open Monday to Friday, 10am to 4pm at 65 Martin Place, Sydney NSW 2000 www.rba.gov.au/Museum Ph: 9551 9743. Admission is free.

Ancestry & Family Tree Maker Seminar: On Tuesday 22 July Robert 'Duff Wilson, Senior Product Manager for Family Tree Maker from Ancestry.com in Provo, Utah will be presenting a full-day seminar on using the Ancestry.com website and the Family Tree Maker software program. John Donaldson and Doug Elms, members of the team from VicGum will also be speaking. On at the Wesley Centre at 220 Pitt Street Sydney, the discounted cost for SAG and VicGum members, including morning and afternoon teas and a light sandwich lunch, will be \$50.00. Members of the public can attend for \$60.00. Bookings are now open and places are limited – you can find out more on their website at <http://www.sag.org.au/events/full-day-seminars/459-duff-down-under-ancestry-ftm-seminar.html>



Family History Month

We will hold an Open Day on Saturday 30th August from 11.00 am to 4.00 pm with a "Colonial Afternoon Tea" served at 3.00pm.

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findmypast.com.au has released thousands of World War 1 records, and with these additions the site contains the largest collection of Australian and New Zealander military records available online. The collections contain nearly 700,000 records of soldiers who served as part of the AIF between 1914 and 1918 and include the Australian Embarkation Roll 1914-1918 and the Australian Nominal Roll 1914-1918.

Canadian WW1 files: Records of more than 640,000 men and women who served with the Canadian Expeditionary Force during the First World War are to be made available online. Featuring details of soldiers, nurses and chaplains, the service files are currently being digitised in stages by Library and Archives Canada. Although the first tranche released this August will only include records for those with surnames beginning A-D, the full collection should be on the web by 2015. See more details at <http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca>

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Dates for your diary

July

11th Monthly meeting: A walk through the trees - members of CBHFS

14th France – Bastille Day

19th R&DHS Meeting: Dress and Clothing

Collections at the Powerhouse Museum – Einer Docker

26th Discussion Group: Getting Inside TROVE - Dianne Griffin

August

Family History Month

8th Monthly meeting: Lord Sydney & the First Fleeters – Dennis Smith, OAM

16th R&DHS Meeting: Notley-Smith Family History – Bruce Notley-Smith, MP

30th Open Day with a "Colonial Afternoon Tea" at 3.00pm.

September

12th An Irish Journey that leads to DNA Testing – Barbara Wimble, Botany Bay FHS

18th Bus Trip

The Boer War Memorial Plaque was unveiled and dedicated at High Cross Park, Randwick on Sunday 25th May by Her Excellency Professor The Honourable Marie Bashir AC CVO, Mayor Scott Nash and Bruce Notley-Smith MP for Coogee. Lieutenant Colonel D. J. Deasey (RFD), Chair of the NSW Committee of the National Boer War Memorial Association, also gave an address, Reverend Gregory Job from St Jude's Church dedicated the plaque and Bondi Brass provided the music for this solemn occasion. Number 324 (City of Randwick) Squadron, Australian Air Force Cadets, under the command of Flight Lieutenant (AAFC) Dan Schubert, mounted the catafalque party and a beautiful horse and rider represented the soldiers of that long past conflict.



Amongst the distinguished guest and representing Cape Banks FHS were Lee Bevan, Hazel Brombey, Margot Phillips, Margaret Allen and Lindsay Harden, some of whom were "wearing two hats" for the R. & D.H.S. and War Widows' Guild.

The Boer War between Great Britain and the Boers broke out in October 1899 and was the first war to which the Australian Commonwealth sent troops. Altogether, some 20,000



Australians, including our first women on active service, served in the Boer War and up to 1,000 are believed to have died there. Australia's first six Victoria Crosses were awarded during the Boer War where our military reputation was created and recognised there by our British commanders, the world press and our Boer enemy. The signing of the Treaty of Vereeniging on 31 May 1902 ended the Boer War. During the time of the Boer War, the Randwick area held military camps to train and administer Boer War bound units.

As well as a scroll of parchment containing names of over four thousand Randwick residents who served WW1, this cenotaph also honours service people from WW2, Korea, Malaysia, Borneo and Vietnam. Do come and view this local historic monument before it is hidden by the imminent detritus of the building works for the Light Rail Exchange at the currently serene island of High Cross Park.

Duty Roster

	AUGUST		SEPTEMBER
Sat 2 nd	H. Brombey, E. James	Mon 1 st	M. Morscheck, D. Griffin
Mon 4 th	M. Morscheck, D. Griffin	Wed 3 rd	J. Gallagher, V. Little
Wed 6 th	J. Gallagher, V. Little	Sat 6 th	H. Brombey, E. James
Sat 9 th	M. Allen, C. Humphries, L. Bevan	Mon 8 th	L. Harden, H. Fatouros
Mon 11 th	L. Harden, H. Fatouros	Wed 10 th	P. York, C. Jones
Wed 13 th	P. York, C. Jones	Sat 13 th	M. Allen, C. Humphries, L. Bevan
Sat 16 th	D. Walker, J. Goodes	Mon 15 th	L. Harden, H. Fatouros
Mon 18 th	L. Harden, H. Fatouros	Wed 17 th	J. Glasby, M. Dennis
Wed 20 th	J. Glasby, M. Dennis	Sat 20 th	D. Walker, J. Goodes
Sat 23 rd	J. Galpern, L. Potter	Mon 22 nd	J. Robertson, D. McCamley
Mon 25 th	J. Robertson, D. McCamley	Wed 24 th	H. Brombey, V. Little
Wed 27 th	H. Brombey, V. Little	Sat 27 th	J. Galpern, L. Potter
Sat 30 th	H. Brombey, R. O'Hehir	Mon 28 th	M. Dennis, R. O'Hehir