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NEWSLETTER

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Dawn McCamley has thanked Cape Banks Family History Society for the card and best wishes. She has also especially thanked Linda McIntosh and Jeanette Napper for their help during her hospital stay. They picked her up numerous times from the nursing home and took her to hopital for her appointments and spent time waitng with her. All very generous on Linda and Jeanette's part.

We have some good news with Scout's accepting our latest Covid-19 management plan so that now we are able to have larger groups come into the rooms. **We are able to have up to ten people** present in the roooms at anyone time. Therefore the **Writers' group** and the **UK Interest group** will both be able to hold meetings in the family history rooms. However in order to comply with our Covid-19 plan, we will need to have a shorter time devoted to research on Saturdays. Researching will still need to be booked through our website and will start at 1pm and finish at 3pm. Researching on Wednesdays will not change and will start at 12pm and finish at 3pm.

While we are doing much better in Australia generally than almost anywhere else in the world with Covid-19, we could find ourselves in trouble if we do not follow our Governments' directions. Also we could face hefty fines. We all wish that Covid-19 was over and that we could get back to our old way of doing things.

Our **Family History Society is one of many groups trying to manage with restrictions** brought about by this new type of Coronavirus. Fortunately we have been able to gradually open up more of our programs. One of the Governments' rules we need to remember that there must be four squares for every person in indoor spaces (except the family home). Therefore we have to restrict the number of people who come into the research rooms. The best way to do this is of course to book online so that no one is disappointed if he/she arrives at the rooms and finds that there is no space for him/her.

However we do want you to come to the research rooms, use the facilities and be guided by the knowledge that our librarians have in researching. This is the address the Family History Society's webpage: https://capebanks.org.au

I have found that it is easier to bookmark this page in my browser (Internet Explorer or Safari) as it is sometimes hard to locate using Google.

These are the steps you need to take to make a booking:

- Open your Internet browser and type or select from the bookmarked/favourites address : https://capebanks.org.au
- This will take you to the Home page and close to the top of the page is the **Research Rooms Booking Form button**. You need to click on this button.
- The **Booking Form** page will come up. This form asks for your name, email address preferred time and reason for attending the rooms. This information will help the librarians with the task of social distancing as we can't have too many people in the same area. You then fill out this form.
- Then click the **Submit** button.
- If you have been successful with you booking and almost certainly you will be, you will not be notified. If there is an issue you will receive an email.

Apart from being aware of social distancing you can still chat and enjoy the facilities at our 'rooms'. The librarians look forward to your presence.

We have planned on 11th December a **Christmas** gathering. It will be held at the **South Coogee Bowling Club** at 12:00pm. We have booked for 20-25 people. The cost is $50/person. Please pay in full at the rooms or let someone on the committee know if you cannot come to the rooms to pay.

Bookings close 5th December.

The **Australian Federation of Family History Organisations Congress** have a conference called **History in Paradise**, planned for August 2020. Norfolk Island Travel Centre has put together a package costing $1169 pp. This includes flights, transfers, accommodation and car hire for 7 days. For information about the congress see: ***www.affhocongress2021.com*** If you are interested in the travel centre deal call 1800140066, email christian@travelcentre.nf or look at facebook.com/norfolkislandtravelcentre

Exchange Journals. Cape Banks FHS has a long-standing arrangement whereby our journal, Kith & Kin, is exchanged for the journals of many other Australian and overseas family history societies. As you can imagine, large quantities of journals build up over time, so we periodically 'retire' the oldest issues from the library, making space for new editions. Currently there is a great selection of 'retired' journals available at our library for to members to take home and keep. There is a wide selection to choose from, including Who Do You Think You Are, Family Tree Magazine, English and Scottish journals and many Australian, so why not call in and pick up some great reads.

The Cape Banks Family History Research Rooms will **close on 9th December 2020 and reopen on Wednesday 13th January 2021**. Clean-up day is Saturday 9th January starting at 10am. Because of Covid-19 rules if you wish to come to help with the clean-up, it is necessary to use the on-line booking form mentioned previously. At this stage we cannot have more than ten people in the rooms at once.

Please feel free to borrow any books or journals to read over the holidays as usual.

Cape Banks FHS Financial Report 1/9/2019 to 31/8/2020

As the Covid-19 virus lockdown has prevented CBFHS holding the AGM meeting or the 2019-2020 financial records Audited the following report is an unofficial balance as of 31st August 2020.

Opening Balance	$11,982.15
Plus Income, Interest / Transfers T/Deposits	$11,466.52
Less charges, transfers & expenditure	$11,086.49
Closing Balance	**$12,362.18**

Represented by:

Term Deposit –Bendigo Bank	$5,088.54
CBA Bank Account 906869	$7,298.64
Less outstanding cheque	$25.00
Balance	**$12,362.18**

Websites:

From the magazines:

For those with Irish roots

- IrishGenealogy: www.irishgenealogy.ie This free website has births over 100 years, marriages over 75 years and deaths over 50 years, but deaths for 1864–1877 are missing.
- FamilySearch: https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1408347 Family Search has indexes to Irish civil registration (1845–1958) but not the original registrations.
- GRONI Online: https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/services/go-groni-online The General Register Office for Northern Ireland has births over 100 years, marriages over 75 years and deaths over 50 years

Source: Who Do You Think You Are? – October 2020

French records

- Family Search: https://www.familysearch.org/en/

  Family Search has added a useful collection of 5,413,612 French records: 'France, Nord, Parish and Civil Registration, 1524–1893'. The collection includes searchable transcriptions of birth, marriage and burial records, and scans of the original documents from the Archives Départementales du Nord. For those who are interested in tracing French ancestry, they provide such details as your ancestor's date and place of birth, marriage or death, in addition to the names of their parents or spouse.

- Family Search: https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/France_Genealogy
- Filae: https://en.filae.com/

Source: Who Do You Think You Are? – October 2020 & Who Do You Think You Are? – November 2020

Duty Librarians Roster

November 2020

Wednesday 4th	Saturday 7th	Wednesday 11th	Saturday 14th
M. Phillips	D. Walker	C. Humphreys	L. Harden
E. McLaughlin	L. Bevan	L. Heavener	R. Horne
Wednesday 18th	**Saturday 21st**	**Wednesday 25th**	**Saturday 28th**
M. Phillips	L. Harden	D. Walker	C. Humphreys
E. McLaughlin	R. Horne	L. Heavener	L. Bevan

December 2020

Wednesday 2nd	Saturday 5th	Wednesday 9th
M. Phillips	D. Walker	R. Horne
E. McLaughlin	L. Bevan	C. Humphreys

Letters from Santa – ONLY $6

Cape Banks FHS has again asked Santa to send letters to children.

If you would like to use this service for a relative or friend, please PRINT the details below and leave at the rooms or post the form and money to Cape Banks F.H.S. Inc., PO BOX 67, Maroubra 2035

NAME OF CHILD: _____

GIRL/BOY: _____ AGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

_____ POSTCODE: _____

SIBLINGS, PET _____

SPECIAL _____

INTERESTS _____

e.g. school, _____

sport, holidays _____

toys, games _____

For additional letters just write the details above on a separate sheet of paper. Letters will be posted in early December. This is guaranteed to delight many a grandchild or other youngster.