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**Easter has come and gone as has Anzac Day and May is already here!**

**Eleven Cape Banks members and two visitors had a memorable visit on our May bus trip to the Liverpool Regional Museum including a tour of the Fairfax Photographic Exhibition of Liverpool and a visit to Historic Collingwood House.**

**We were welcomed to the Museum with morning tea on arrival before our guided tour of the heritage home.**

**Ann Doran, the Museum Manager, gave us a very extensive tour of the house and history of the families who had lived there over the years.**

**After lunch the Liverpool Geneaological Society, housed in the same building, welcomed us for a visit and hope to come to Cape Banks sometime. Linda Heavener was fortunate enough to find a cousin who was physically there at the Society!**

**Driver Dave had an easy day!**

## ***All the Happy Day Trippers***

**The following publications were kindly donated by**
***Val McCarthy***
***Caps and Veils***
***Australian Heroines of World War One***
***Lost Relationsips***
***A Hawkbury Story***

***Thank you*** Val for your very welcome donations.

Another ***thank you*** to ***Charmain Piaud*** for her donation of the book
***James McClelland's Guide to Locating & Searching***
***Family – Convict – Pioner & Immigrant Records of Australia Vol 1.***

**Get Well messages are sent to Roslyn Nicol and John Bevan for speedy recoveries from their recent hospital stays.**

On a recent trip to Braidwood I visited the ***Braidwood Museum*** housing the ***Braidwood & District Historical Society*** and hoping they also had a Family History Research Area.

I was welcomed by Rod and Jill and given a tour of their research areas and advised of what records they held for researchers for the Braidwood area.

**Braidwood** has an interesting history – the entire town classified by the National Trust as an **Historic Town**. Originally developed as a rural settlement during the 1830's there was a rapid change of pace when gold was discovered in the nearby Araluen Valley in 1851-1852.

The local inhabitants were the **Walbunja People** when Europeans first investigated the area in 1822.

Rod, a former School Principal, has much knowledge of the records and stands in front of their extensive Council Records Collection.

This photo shows the records of the **Local Newspapers** dating back the 1870's.

Also held are files of families from the town – Bolton, Clarke, Nom Chong and many others.

They also hold a **Data Base** for all **Convicts** who were e sent or settled there.

Their records include –

- **Police, Court & Gaol Records**
- **Data Base & Photos of headstones in each of the**
- **Braidwood Cemeteries.**
- **An extensive photographic collection.**
- **Newspaper records** and much more.

If you think you have Ancestors in the area and would like to research them, please contact -

**help@braidwoodmuseum.org.au**
**www.braidwoodmuseum.org.au**

## *40th Anniversary Afternoon Tea*

**On Saturday 5th April 2025, Cape Banks Family History Society Inc. celebrated our 40th Birthday with an afternoon tea in the Frangipani Room, Coast Centre for Seniors, Little Bay. Besides the delicious food and stories from members, a PowerPoint presentation was shown highlighting our history and contributions we have made to the family history community.**

**The PowerPoint presentation has been uploaded to the society's website for viewing by members. The video runs for approximately 12 minutes and operates on an automatic timer.**

**The video presentation will be available for viewing from Sunday 11 May 2025 to Saturday 14 June 2025. After this time the video will be removed from the website.**

**Once the video is available to view on 11 May 2025, you will need to enter the *PASSWORD*, shown below, click on the *SUBMIT* button, which will reveal the video and then click on the play button to watch.**

**Website address: https://capebanks.org.au/40-birthday/**
**Password: 40cbfhs (please enter the correct password as it is case-sensitive)**

## *WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE*

Starting on **Tuesday 13 May at 7:30 on SBS** join eight prominent Australians in an adventure of a lifetime as they mine their family lineage for ancestral gold in this new series.

Tom Gleeson, Partick Brammall, Cammilla Franks, Gina chick, Matt Nable, Claudia Kavan, Mark Coles Smith and Marc Fennell.

**Joe Fleming, previously our Auditor for many years, sadly passed away last month and was buried on 22 April.**

## *Discussion Group*

**Saturday 31 May – 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM**
**"Inherited" not "Inheritance"**
**At Cape Banks**

For example – a facial feature, an occupation, the love of reading, playing musical instruments or singing and performing. Sports and team support or following in a family tradition as a baker, butcher, etc.

What have you inherited from your parents, grandparents, etc.

**Don't forget guest speaker on Saturday 10 May**
***Marilyn Rowan***

**Bowen Library Starting at 1:00 PM**

**Discover simple ways to get started on your family story**
**Know what NSW BDM Transcription Agents provide**
**Understand what's new in the Registers and how BDM information can assist your research**
**Tips on deciphering difficult handwriting**

## 2025 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

**NSW & ACT Association of Family History Societies**
**12th, 13th and 14th September 2025**
**Hosted by the Illawarra Family History Group, Inc.**
**Bookings are now open for the Conference**

**As previously indicated several members are going on the Saturday and travelling by train to the Conference and all welcome to join the group.**

## LIBRARY ROSTER

### July 2025

**Tuesday 1st**
10.00-1.00 D Walker, J Ford
1.00 –3.30 M Phillips, E McLaughlin

**Tuesday 8th**
10.00-1.00 R Horne, L Bevan
1.00-3.30 R Horne, L Bevan

**Tuesday15th**
10.00-1.00 H Fatouros, C Garrett
1.00-3.30 H Fatouros, L Heavener

**Tuesday 22nd**
10.00-1.00 L Bevan, C Humphreys
1.00-3.30 J Gallagher, V Little

**Tuesday 29th**
10.00-1.00 L. Bevan, C Humphreys
1.00-3.30 R van der Sandt, C Humphreys

**Saturday 5th**
10.00-1.00 M Phillips, E McLaughlin
1.00-3.30 L Harden, H Fatouros

**Saturday 12th**
10.00-1.00 R van der Sandt, L Harden
1.00-3.30 C Humphreys, L Bevan

**Saturday 19th**
10.00-1.00 L Bevan, C Humphreys
1.00-3.30 D Walker, R Nicol

**Saturday 26th**
10.00-1.00 C Humphreys, L Bevan
1.00-3.30 C Humphreys, L Bevan

### August 2025

**Saturday 2nd**
10.00-1.00 M Phillips, E McLaughlin
1.00-3.30 L Harden, H Fatouros

**Tuesday 5th**
10.00-1.00 D Walker, J Ford
1.00-3.30 M Phillips, E McLaughlin

**Tuesday 12th**
10.00-1.00 R Horne, L Bevan
1.00-3.30 R Horne, L Bevan

**Tuesday 19th**
10.00-1.00 H Fatouros, C Garrett
1.00-3.30 H Fatouros, L Heavener

**Tuesday 26th**
10.00-1.00 L Bevan, C Humphreys
1.00-3.30 J Gallagher, V Little

**Saturday 9th**
10.00-1.00 R van der Sandt, L Harden
1.00-3.30 L Bevan, C Humphreys

**Saturday 16th**
10.00-1.00 L Bevan, C Humphreys
1.00-3.30 D Walker, R Nicol

**Saturday 23rd**
10.00-1.00 C Humphreys, L Bevan
1.00-3.30 C Humphreys, L Bevan

**Saturday 30th**
10.00-1.00 M Phillips, E McLaughlin
1.00-3.30 M Phillips, E McLaughlin