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Welcome

Our inaugural guest speaker on July 20th was Alan Phillips from Gould Genealogy talking about. “Government and Police Gazettes - unlocking a major untapped resource” as well as the latest innovations in genealogy products and resources.

Alan told us that they are the Australian branch of Archive Books Australia who are copying and releasing on cd hard to find, rare and books no longer in print.

Police Gazettes list a number of different types of information eg escaped prisoners giving their physical description, robberies; lost and stolen, warrants issued prisoners released from jail and numerous other types of information. They also include name and place indexes.

Government Gazettes has similar information but relates more to the state including local government activities they also include name and place indexes.

You can see a sample of these and much more at www.archivecdbooks.com.au Also check out the Gould Genealogy Web site www.gould.com.au

Alan also spoke about the 2006 version of *Mannings Place names* and the new version has numerous photos which were taken from the collection held by the History Trust of SA

A very new book and soon to be CD is a listing of *Deaths from the Government Gazettes 1845-1941*. This is a very valuable resource as it often lists other information about the person

A very good meeting and good time was had by all. Thanks to Alan and Anthea Phillips from Gould Genealogy for coming and presenting us with a great presentation.

Our August 17th guest speaker will be Trevor Powell of the Port Adelaide Caledonian Society who will talk on “Tartan and the Kilt in Scottish History”.

Our September meeting will be a round the table beginners/help night. Come along with any problems and questions or just want to know where to start or go next.

Meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 7pm at the Old Police Station, Ann Street, Salisbury.

Cost is \$2 per person or we are offering a \$20 annual subscription.

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RAFFLE

Our first raffle a family tree done to your specifications was won by Ron Martin. Thank you to all who supported us. Our next raffle will be drawn on Aug 17.

WELCOME

NEW MEMBERS

Pam Darwin
Jacquie Dennis

CENSUS NIGHT 8 AUGUST 2006.

"The next Australian census will be conducted on the night of Tuesday 8 August 2006 and will cost in the order of 300 million dollars. It will contain 61 questions, of which all will be compulsory except the ones on religion and census retention.

The retention question (Q60) reads:
"Does each person in this household agree to his/her name and address and other information on this form being kept by the National Archives of Australia and then made publicly available after 99 years?"

If this question is ignored, it will be treated as a NO.

The Census Information Legislation Amendment Bill (2005) was introduced into the House of Representatives of the Australian Parliament on 3 November 2005 and passed later that month unopposed. It was passed by the Australian Senate on 27 February 2006 and awaits Royal assent to become law.

The Bill amends the Census and Statistics Act (1905) and the Archives Act (1983) relating to the retention of identified census information by the National Archives of Australia. The Bill ensures that name identified information collected in all future Australian censuses will be preserved for future genealogical and other research. Retention only applies to information supplied by those households that provide explicit consent on the census form. Some 51 percent of Australian's answered "YES" to the retention of their forms in the 2001 census survey. This was in effect a national referendum of the Australian people and a majority voted that our history matters. We can do even better this year.

As with the 2001 survey, during the 99 year period, the name identified information will not be released by the National Archives under any circumstances.

The Australasian Federation of Family History Organizations (AFFHO) is working closely with the Australian Bureau of Statistics and the National Archives of Australia to assist in the national public education campaign prior to census night. Please support us by encouraging as many Australians as possible to answer YES in the census question concerning the retention of this vital record of the Australian culture. Unless you answer YES your census form will not be retained in the archives.

More details will soon be published on the AFFHO webpage of the campaign and how you can help.

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GETTING STARTED

Using the International Genealogical Index (IGI)

A major source of genealogical information is the Family History Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (the Mormons). Family History Centres which are in effect branches of this library are located in many towns and cities throughout the world where microfilm copies of most of the library's holdings can be viewed.

One important information source that has been produced by the Family History Library is the International Genealogical Index (IGI). This contains millions of entries, mainly of baptisms and marriages. Much of the material is taken from parish registers as part of an organised program of filming original records, while others are provided by individuals who are not always careful researchers.

Many researchers fail to recognise that the IGI is a mere index of records held and think that referral to the index is sufficient for their research needs. An effective researcher knows that you must refer back to the original records whenever possible.

By checking the original sources of the information contained in the IGI [see below] you can determine whether the material is the result of the film program or a contribution by a private individual.

The coverage of the IGI is far from complete, so the fact that the ancestor you are seeking does not appear in the IGI should not cause you to give up. You can search the IGI online at: <http://www.familysearch.org/>

The IGI is not all you will find at the web site and it is well worth an extended visit. The site also features the Ancestral File which is a broad database covering all the material held by the LDS church relating to names. A search of this database will often reveal further information and other avenues of research and is well worth looking at, again with the proviso that some of the material has been submitted by private individuals and needs to be treated with some caution.

The LDS also produce a set of Research Guides-introductory guides to the genealogy of various countries and states. These are very well done, and very good value for money. They have the added advantage over many commercially-published introductory texts in that they provide indications of the holdings of the Family History Library. They can be ordered via your local LDS Family History Centre.

In fact the LDS produces many useful records at very reasonable prices. These can all be purchased via their website or Family History Centres.

IGI Sources

Batch numbers refer to the sources of information for entries in the IGI. In summary these can be outlined as follows:

1. Extracted records Church and civil birth, christening, and marriage). Letters C,J,K, and P indicate christening or birth records. E and M (except M17, M18) indicate extracted marriage records. The numbers 725, 745, and 754 refer to vital record indexes, and 744 to other extractions.
2. Church generated forms submitted by Church members since 1969 or selected temple and deceased church member records. The letter F and all-digit numbers (with a 3rd digit below 4) indicate family group records, Individual Entry forms, and Marriage Entry forms. An all-digit number often indicates that someone has researched the name. The numbers 01-23 indicate family group records submitted outside the USA.

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<http://gould.com.au>

Our group is always willing to help. Just ask. That is what we are here for.
HAPPY HUNTING

Did You Know?

that.... formerly, one way that a husband could get rid of his wife was by selling her? Although this was a fairly rare practice, it did occur, even up to the early 20th century, particularly amongst the lower classes. A wife was 'sold', usually to her lover, by her husband, on market day. It was mostly pre-arranged and was a symbolic transfer of person, property and responsibility. It had no legal basis but it did mean that both parties were protected from any future liabilities, as it took place in public in front of witnesses. Many of the marriages had been informal contracts in the first place. It was the custom for the husband to put a halter around his wife's neck and parade her around the marketplace, extolling her virtues. Those interested would then place a bid. After the sale had taken place, the trio would retire to the local inn to seal the deal with beer. Not surprisingly, the Church and most respectable people disapproved strongly of this custom. The majority of references to the event are found in newspapers. In literature, Thomas Hardy describes a wife sale in a famous scene in *The Mayor of Casterbridge*.

On 7th July –

- 1307 **Edward I**, having conquered the Welsh, died on his way to Scotland to fight Robert the Bruce.
- 1668 **Isaac Newton** received an MA from Trinity College, Cambridge.
- 1798 **Napoleon Bonaparte's** army began its march towards Cairo from Alexandria.
- 1865 Four conspirators in the assassination of US President **Abraham Lincoln** were hanged.
- 1911 **Dorothea Lambert Chambers** beat Dora Boothby 6-0, 6-0 in a record 25 minutes for Wimbledon championship.
- 1919 **Jon Pertwee**, British actor (d. 1996) was born
- 1925 Afrikaans was recognised as one of the official languages of South Africa, along with English and Dutch.
- 1930 **Sir Arthur Conan Doyle**, Scottish writer (b. 1859) died
- 1940 **Ringo Starr (Richard Starkey)**, Beatles' drummer/actor/narrator was born.

As taken from the *Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical studies*

HELP PAGE

Question: Where do I find cemetery records?

Answer:

If it is for Australia try www.ozgenonline.com for an exceptional listing of all the cemeteries around Australia. Some have complete listings of burials, headstones even photos. Some are linked to councils for more information.

Contact cemetery offices, church archives, local councils some outback properties have private cemeteries local councils will often be able to advise contact details for these.

Some cemetery records do not exist. They only records are taken from the headstones themselves. Too often old cemeteries and churches get very badly damaged and have to be demolished to make them safe.

Often Cemeteries release graves and the stones are removed and placed else where within the cemetery or if badly damaged they are destroyed. Some cemeteries even give away the headstones if you can prove a link to the people on the stone.

Some members of our group have exceptional cemetery records don't hesitate to ask around.

If you are researching the UK a good place to start is www.genuki.org.uk then go to the individual counties which then break down their information into individual categories cemeteries being one.

If you are trying to locate a particular person or grave you can forward your request to cemeteryphoto@hotmail.com and they will search their constantly increasing database of headstone photos & transcriptions for you and advise results.

Other countries have similar databases from which you can access or link to cemeteries.

“Beware of Mistakes and Untruths on the UK Census”

Not all things are what they seem, it may be a spelling mistake or misunderstanding/misspelt by the census taker, or at worse still a deliberate misleading statement from the informant.

I have a for instance from my own research when tracing my husband's grandfather.

I was able to go back to the year of his birth and come forward to when he is aged 21 yrs, however when searching through the 1901 census I could not find him under his given names “Stephen James Chapman”(or variants)

After some thorough searching I finally discovered that he had convinced the Census taker that his christian name was “HEATHER”! seems that grandad fancied himself a bit of a comic, as I have found out when I married into the family.

They take great delight in misleading people in a mischievous way, so this seems to be a family trait from way back.

I have still to find out where or when “Stephen” was born, could be in “Islington, Hammersmith, Fulham or Pimlico”(different places where his mother worked) as all I can find out about him is....when 8 yrs old on the 1891 census, he was down as born in Islington, and year of 1882?.... In 1901 census down as (Heather) born in Fulham?... family members and death certificate states he was born in Hammersmith?... it was also stated that his mother often went to stay and work in Pimlico, during 1880's... (this is where his grand father came from) so was his mother telling lies also? It certainly appears to be a family trait.

Also have looked up his WW1 record of service, this only gives his age when entering the service and his date of marriage, also his siblings at the time.

I am now looking into school records in areas of..Hammersmith, Fulham, Islington and Pimlico where dear grandad may have lived...

Still a long way to go to find a birth date/and place of the elusive Stephen James Chapman.

This only goes to say in Family Research check all variants/dates/mistakes and family jokes!!!!

Jacqueline

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Surname	Place	State/County	Country	Period	Member No
ADKINS	Grafron Regis	BKM	Wales	Pre 1800	010
BAKER	Fulham	MDX	ENG	Pre 1850	010
BONTEKOE	Waddinxveen	Zuid Holland	NED	Pre 1889	004
BOOTH	Collaton	Dev	ENG	Pre 1850	003
BORGERS	Arendonk		BEL	Pre 1863	004
BOTT	East Yorkshire		ENG	1790+	002
BRAENDLER	Fuerstenau		PRU	Pre 1857	004
BRAENDLER	Adelaide	S.A.	AU	1857+	004
BROWN	East Yorkshire		ENG	1790+	002
BURN	Northumberland		ENG	1790+	002
CANTRELL	Cardiff	Slam	Wales	Pre 1909	010
CHAMBERLAIN	Fulham	MDX	ENG	Pre 1850	010
CHELLEW			WORLD		005
COLLINS	ST AUSTELL	CORN	ENG		005
DEALTRY		Cambridge	ENG	1856+	004
DEALTRY	Adelaide	S.A.	AU	1865+	004
DENNIS	Britwell	OXF	ENG	Pre 1850	010
FAWCETT	WEST RIDING	YKS/SA	ENG/AU		005
Fosbrook(e)/Forsbrook(e)			WORLD		005
FOX	Exeter	Dev	ENG	1600's	003
HALSE		DEV	ENG		005
HAMILTON	Berwick		ENG	1790+	002
IRELAND	East Yorkshire		ENG	1790+	002
JAMES	Exeter	Dev	ENG	1800's	003
JELLEY	Ouston	NTH	ENG	Pre 1680	010
LEE		HEREFORD	ENG		005
MacLagan/McLagan			SCOT		005
MEAL(E)Y			ITALY/AU		005
RENDER	East Yorkshire		ENG	1790+	002
SANDO	Adelaide	S.A.	AU	1847+	004
SANDO/SANDOE	Redruth	Cornwall	ENG	Pre 1847	004
SOLLOWAY	Grafton Regis	BKM	Wales	Pre 1750	010
STAFFORD	Ermouth	Dev	ENG	All	003
STEEN	Oldesloe	Schl/Holstein	PRU	Pre 1849	004
TIPLADY	East Yorkshire		ENG	1790+	002
WALKER	Winslow	BKM	ENG	Pre 1850	010
WITHALL		Dev	ENG	All	003



Dear Ancestor

Your tombstone stands among the rest;
Neglected and alone.
The name and date are chiseled out
On polished, marbled stone.

It reaches out to all who care
It is too late to mourn.
You did not know that I exist
You died and I was born.

Yet each of us are cells of you
In flesh, in blood, in bone.
Our blood contracts and beats a pulse
Entirely not our own.

Dear Ancestor, the place you filled
One hundred years ago
Spreads out among the ones you left
Who would have loved you so.

I wonder as you lived and loved,
I wonder if you knew
That someday I would find this spot,
And come to visit you.

Author Unknown

www.ancestryprinting.com