



A.N.D.F.H.G Inc. News Sheet

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June Calendar

Saturday, 2 June
1:00pm - 4.00pm
Committee Meeting - Research Day

Monday, 4 June
7:00pm - 8.30pm
Legacy Users Group Meeting

Thursday, 7 June
10:00am - 4.00pm
Mid-Week Research Open Day

Thursday, 14 June
10:00am - 4.00pm
Mid-Week Research Open Day

Saturday, 16 June
1:30pm - 3.30pm
Family Tree Maker User Group Meeting

Thursday, 21 June
10:00am - 4.00pm
Mid-Week Research Open Day

Saturday, 23 June
1:00pm - 4.00pm
Jeff Cook - Long and Winding Road DNA: A Personal Journey.

Thursday, 28 June
10:00am - 4.00pm
Mid-Week Research Open Day

From the Committee

Hello Members,

Last month we attended the UTP Seminar – Exploring family and local history, as part of the South Australia's History Festival for 2018. This was held at the West Adelaide Football Club Richmond and for those who attended the lectures will appreciate the organising that was needed to make the two days as interesting as possible. Our thanks go to Gould Genealogy.

ANDFHG's Annual General Meeting in July is our next aim to organise, with a get together of members and a barbeque. Please note that you will need to be a fully paid member in order to vote for the next committee, so please ensure your renewal is up to date.

Recently, a decision was made by the Committee that as from July 2018 our monthly newsletter will change and will be emailed **quarterly**. The monthly bulletin will be sent to those members with an email address only. The postal members will continue to receive their newsletter every quarter, but not the monthly bulletins. If you have any helpful hints to share with the group, then please contact us. We are always looking for interesting facts and/or websites to share.

Our Legacy and Family Tree Maker Groups continue to be attended and for those people that do attend, we hope you enjoy learning about what the programs can do for you. We urge any other members who would like to join these groups to come along on the allotted days/nights. These users groups are part of your membership.

If you want to keep up to date with what's happening in the Group then please refer to our website www.andfhg.org.au which shows our diary etc as well as our Facebook page, for those of you who enjoy social media.

Thank you.

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A TALE OF TWO BOOKS

Earlier this week, I received a parcel from a distant relative, containing two books.

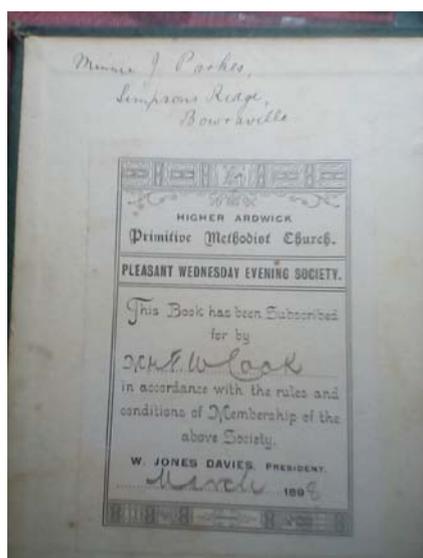
The Works of Tennyson, published in London 1897 by Macmillan Co., Ltd and the Complete Works of William Shakespeare published in Edinburgh by Nimmo, Hay and Mitchell (no date of publication).



and

On the inside covers were bookplates and written above the bookplates "Minnie J Parkes Simpsons Ridge Bowraville".

Who was Minnie Parkes? Where did she come from? The date on the bookplate was 1898 and identified the Primitive Methodist Church, High Ardwick. I certainly did not know anything about this lady and was a little curious as to how these books had finally found their way to me. The name on the bookplate said 'Mrs F W Cook.' so I assumed this was Minnie's maiden name. Further Australian research indicated that Minnie J Parkes and her husband John are both buried in Bowraville, NSW. Definitely a mystery for further investigation.



I could not find any Australian evidence for a birth or a marriage of a Minnie Parkes so where to next? I could not find a Higher Ardwick in Australia so looked at the UK websites easily available. A search on www.freebmd.org showed that Minnie Jane Cook married John Parkes in the September quarter of 1906 at Chorlton, Lancashire, England. I then

searched the 1911 English Census and found John Parkes aged 34 working as an Engine Fitter born in Hyde, Cheshire (although in some of the searches it came up as Lancashire). Minnie Jane who was four years older than John was originally born in Wiltshire and a young daughter Frances Emma Parkes born in Hyde. Frances William Cook (Minnie's father) is living with them aged 62 a Widower working as a Cotton Salesman.

The Lancashire On Line Parish Clerk Project website shows a large number of churches in the Higher Ardwick area but one particular Church stood out =

Higher Ardwick Primitive Methodist, Higher Ardwick, Ardwick, M12 6BZ

Higher Ardwick Primitive Methodist is located at OS Grid Reference - [SJ 854972](#)

Founded: 1878 Closed: 1964 Formerly Ogden St

Other Primitive Methodist Churches had closed before 1878, so it is entirely possible that John met Minnie through the church and the books may have been a present.

So when did the family arrive in Australia? A search on Ancestry.com found them as passengers on the 'Pakeha' (White Star Line) departing Liverpool on the 4th February 1913 arriving into Sydney with John changing his occupation to Market Gardener. Quite a change from an Engine Fitter plus an extra child!

1877	Parkes	Willie	1	1	Child	10	1
		John	1	1	Wife	38	1
		Minnie	1	1	Child	3	1
		Frances E.	1	1	Infant		1/2
		Infant	1	1			

Using the information gathered so far, a marriage for Frances Emma Parkes to Herbert John Crouch is registered on the New South Wales BDM Indexes for 1938, registration

number 21493. Thus it appears that the two books were brought to Australia by Minnie when they emigrated.

These books were passed possibly after the death of both John and Minnie to a niece, who then passed them to her only child a distant cousin of mine and they have now found a new home with me. There are still many unanswered questions and connections to be investigated and these are now part of genealogical journey.

Many Thanks to Sandra West for passing the books on to me.

Jeff Cook

TheGenealogist Website has sent some updated information from their Genealogist Team.

Here are just some of the vital links which may be helpful. If you are planning a trip to the UK this year, then why not enjoy a Family History Show – these are highly recommended as there are lots of contacts to other groups to be made.

New Parish Records

TheGenealogist has added **over 1,270,000 individuals** to its Parish Record collection in an ongoing project with the Warwickshire County Record Office. These newly transcribed records are linked to high quality images of the original parish register pages and bring our total for Warwickshire to over two million.

No.	When Married.	Name and Parents.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Profession.	Rank or Profession of Father.
95	Sept 1 st	Thomas Smith	34	Widower	Coachman	Bullers Road.	John Smith	Cooper.
		Anne Haubert	35	Spinster	—	Worce Street.	Joseph Haubert	Plasterer.

Married in the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church, by James as officiating Minister, by me, John Smith Vicar.

This Marriage was solemnized between us, Thomas Smith and Anne Haubert in the Presence of us, William Grant and Emma Holbeck

- Over 1,270,000 individuals added to the Parish Records for Warwickshire
- High quality transcripts with original images of the registers
- Additional information such as Witnesses, Father's Name and Profession have been transcribed where given
- Released in association with Warwickshire County Record Office

The original Parish Register images are available for a growing list of parishes. These new records are available as part of the Diamond Subscription at The Genealogist and join the millions of Parish Records already on the site.

[Warwickshire Parish Records reveal the marriage of an 18th century 'tragedienne'](#)

The Holy Trinity, Coventry was where a Welsh-born Lady's maid got married in November 1773. With her marriage she could give up her employment in service and return to the stage, an occupation that she loved and had an aptitude for. The bride would go on to become what some say was the greatest English tragic actress ever. Nick Thorne adds another layer to her family history...

Visit us at a Family History Show We will be attending some of the upcoming shows this year, we look forward to seeing you there!

[The Family History Show, York](#) 23rd June 2018 - 10:00 to 16:30 The Knavesmire Exhibition Centre, The Racecourse, York, YO23 1EX

[South West Area Group Family History Day](#) 30th June 2018 - 10:00 - 15:30
STEAM – Museum of the Great Western Railway, Fire Fly Avenue (off Kemble Drive), Swindon, SN2 2EY

[Family History Show, London](#) 22nd September 2018 - 10:00 - 16:30 Sandown Park Racecourse, Esher, Surrey, KT10 9AJ

Buckland Park Station

The original owner of the Port Gawler Station as it was known was George Milner Stephen, son in law of Governor Hindmarsh. Next in the line of owners was in 1838 Capt. Allen and Mr. John Ellis. Mr John Ellis earned the title as the first settler in the Port Gawler area. A learned person believed to have spoken several languages, came to Southern Australia to amass his fortune, which he did. The original homestead on the southern side of the Gawler River was believed to have been built by him using the bricks used as ballast in his two ships. The site originally gazetted as the proposed township of Milner. But this did not eventuate, and it remained as one piece of land. Next to this homestead was built a Church. Later to be converted in to a home and used by Joseph Applebee jnr for many years. Also the connection to these boats may explain the long boat stored in the rafters of the stable roof, witnessed by myself in the late 1960's. In 1855 and 1856 ownership past back and forth after Dr. William John Browne and Dr. John Harris Browne bought the station, and returned it to Mr. Ellis after a disagreement over the health of the sheep. The Browne's eventually took control and it in turn was passed on to Mr. Leonard G. Browne, the son of one of the above in 1885. It is relative to note that at the same time as the Browne take over, Joseph Applebee Snr. and others had started buying up land just north of the main gate on what is now Applebee Road. Most of these private blocks were to become with time, under the ownership of the Applebee family as they remained for sometime.



It was during Mr.L.G.Browne's ownership that, the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York, the future King George V of England and Queen Mary visited. They had been in Australia for the first opening of Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia in Melbourne on the 5th of May 1901. Travelling on the Royal Yacht they arrived in Adelaide on the 9th of May for a 5 day stay. On Friday the 12th of May the Duke boarded a specially decorated train for the trip to Salisbury, the Duchess followed some 2 hours later along the same route. A buggy ride was to follow to Buckland Park, along which at

various points had been decorated with produce of the district. Once at Buckland Park the future King and his entourage set about their reason for being there, shooting. At the lake area of Buckland Park, they were after Duck, and twenty five were bagged in the morning. For lunch the Duke and Duchess met up again at a specially constructed marquee, where the royal couple penned messages for the evening paper. The Duchess's read 'Charming place, Enjoyed the pretty drive, the kangaroos would not hop', these messages were sent to Adelaide via pigeon. After lunch the Duke went off to bag some peacock, while the Duchess and her entourage were entertained by some buckjumping and shearing demonstrations. After which they returned to Adelaide together, the following day sailed for Fremantle.

Mr.L.G.Browne who spent most of his time at Parkstone, Dorset in England, during his ownership, allowed some of the Park land to be used for the Two Wells and Virginia Agricultural Show. After Mr. Browne 's ownership passed to George and Edmond A. Brooks, Edmond being the son of George. After his father passed away he remained in control, and was to become a very influential person in South Australia's Agricultural Industry as well as a Chairmen of the District Council of Port Gawler 1927-29, which later amalgamated with District Council's of Dublin and Grace to become the District Council of Light (now Mallala). He became and held Chairmanship of this Amalgamation from 1935 till 1951.

Under the ownership of Edmond Brooks the Park was used as a Mustering Centre for cattle from their northern stations. Stock from Kanowana, on Coopers Creek and Clifton Hills, on the Diamantina River, Nilpinna and Cootanoorina, both south of Oodnadatta, as well as Lake Letty Station were shipped from the closest railhead Marree to Two Wells and then to Buckland Park. At Buckland Park they were fattened ready for market, and at any one time there could be 2000 head of cattle and 12,000 head of sheep on the Park. Employee's of the Park would quite often travel to Marree to assist with the transfer of stock, including horses. Brumbies were brought to the Park, broken and then returned to the other stations for their useage. Sheep were a Potwarth strain, after much experimentation a Suffolk Ram and a Polwarth Ewe were mated to create a hardy, healthy breed suited to Park life. The low lands of the Park were irrigated by flood gates placed in the Gawler River, from time to time the Park would be flooded to help the pastures.



The Flood Gates





Buckland Park School



Buckland Park Workers



Back row L to R
 Norm Applebee, Dick Zehender, Percy Hall, Peter Kavanagh, Lady Buckland (horse), Len Applebee, Ted Gericke.

Front Row L to R
 Laurie Applebee, Bob Sandford, Jim O'Flarety, Archie Howell.



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