



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

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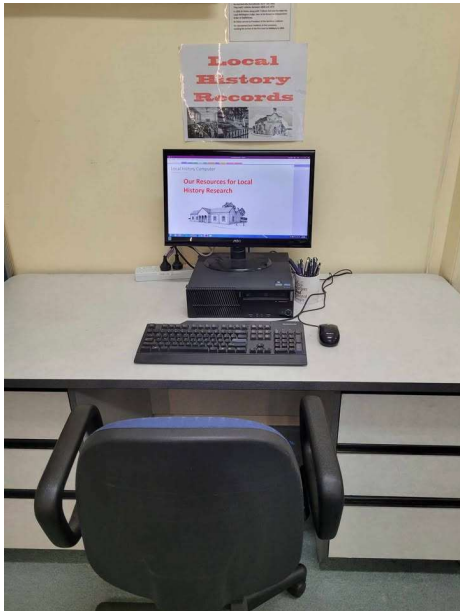
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Hello Members,

As we head into May and South Australia's History Month, we have several commitments ahead of us this month. We will be present as volunteers in Salisbury's Main Library for a couple of hours this month. As well as our joint Willaston Cemetery Tour with the Friends group on the 24<sup>th</sup> of May. Bookings for the Cemetery tour are going well as we go to print.



In our Rooms at 3 Ann Street, we have managed to get a Local History Desk and Computer in place. This Computer can be switched over to our normal Resource Directory should it be required. The ANDFHG Resource Directory has had a lot of new additions since our return from the Connections 2025 Congress in Brisbane. Particularly relating to Shipping and Irish Research.

After discussions with AFFHO in Brisbane, we have rejoined the national body after several years of non-participation. We did discuss the reasons of us withdrawing support and all was smoothed over. It is our hope that going forward Family History Month will get much more promotion; this has been a key issue for us. Your committee will be in discussion on how we can participate this year.

Our User Groups are back and active with this month Legacy group on the 5<sup>th</sup> and Family Tree Maker on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Check our Website Calendar for further Dates.

Hope to see soon.

**Regards ANDFHG**

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## Additions To the Website Members Area

Fleurieu Peninsula Family History Group Inc.  
Relative Thoughts April 2025

Campbelltown District Family History Society Inc.  
Ghost Buster March 2025

Cowra Family History Group Inc.  
Eagle Eye Journal Dec. 2024

Young & District Family History Group Inc.  
Lambing Flat Leader Feb. 2025

Whyalla Family History Group  
Newsletter Dec 2024

Wyong Family History Group  
Tree of Life Feb. 2025

## Additions To the Library

- 959 Little Para Pilgrims
- 960 Gawler - Colonel Light's Country Town
- 961 The Gawler Handbook
- 962 Elizabeth - The Garden City
- 963 Pioneering Para Plains - Early Stories & Primitive Methodism at Burton & Bolivar
- 964 An Illustrated History of the Gawler Show 1854 - 1981
- 965 Gawler School 1878 - 1978
- 966 Ruediger - Elax, Schenke and Reiss
- 967 Roseworthy Agricultural Society - A Century of Service.
- 968 Willaston - The Early Beginnings
- 969 Official Civic Record of South Australia 1936 - South Australian Centenary
- 970 The Bunyip or Gawler Humbug Society's Chronicle Spt. 5 1863 - Nov. 26 1864
- 971 South Coast Story - A History of Goolwa, Port Elliot, Middleton and the Murray Mouth.
- 972 "JAVA" True Story of the East Indiaman "Java" With Emigrants to the Colony
- 973 Willaston Cemetery - Various Records
- 974 St. George's Cemetery, Gawler - Various Records
- 975 Concordia Pioneer Cemetery Burial Register.
- 976 The Representative Men of South Australia
- 977 Notable South Australians
- 978 Playford's Past - Volume 9
- 979 John Walker's Village - A History of Walkerville
- 980 People of the Plains
- 981 John - J.Gottlieb M.Rosine and Desendants 1845 - 1986
- 982 Kelly Clein Family Tree
- 983 The McCallum and Anderson Families - From Paisley to Sandy Creek
- 984 The Barossa - A Vision Realised
- 985 Where the Seasons come and go
- 986 Gumeracha 1839 - 1939
- 987 Warra 'Kaurna"- Selected Word List from the Language of the Kaurna People
- 988 The First Settlers of Gawler
- 989 The Scott's Connection - Mitcham to Montacute - A Journey into Adelaide's Colonial Past.
- 990 Sacred Britain - A Guide to the Sacred Sites & Pilgrim Routes of England, Scotland & Wales
- 991 Trace your Family History back to the Tudors. - Who Do You Think You Are?
- 992 History of Mount Crawford District 1839 - 1969

## Connections 2025. Brisbane - 21 to 24 March 2025



Our President Peter Applebee and Vice President Ivan Randall recently attended the Congress in Brisbane. It was a great event with a great deal of networking taking place. We were asked if we would consider rejoining AFFHO. They have a new President David Ballinger, a South Australian and his clear motivation was on display for the whole of the

congress. So, this has been put on the committee's agenda for discussion.

Speaker Highlights Dr. Nick Barrett, Professor Hamish Maxwell-Stewart and Judy Russell were clearly a standout. Many Local and New Zealand presenters were on the calendar all did a fine job. A lot of Focus was on the current trend towards AI in today's world. Many Pros and Cons were discussed, the main piece of advice was to beware it is clearly not perfect. Next Congress is in Wellington, New Zealand in Feb/Mar. 2027.

Our thanks go out to Anna Pegler Graves for these photographs. She was behind bringing the South Australians and a lot other groups together for Photos.





**South Australians at the Event.**

On stairs: David Ballinger, Andrew Peake OAM, Helen Livingston

Left to Right: Elizabeth Walsh, Carolyn Ronan, Sue Giles, Claires Loades, Peter Applebee, Ivan Randall, Anna Pegler Graves, Carolyn Wass

## Vale Beverley Burke



We recently lost our dear friend and founding member Bev. She has spent a lifetime gathering historical records and books and was the creator of the Bev. Burke Local History Collection in our Library. For many years she was part of the National Trust in Gawler and contributor to many other local historical groups. A Founding Member of our Group and was our first Vice President and before that a Member of City of Playford Family History Friends like other founding members.

She had spent the last few years in aged care and was on our postal mailing list till the end. In recent times she attended a couple of funerals of our old members, sitting in solidarity with other attending members.

A mass was held at St. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Gawler on Tuesday, February 18 and later the Cortège proceeded to Centennial Park Cemetery for the Committal. Several members were present including our President and Vice President. A spray of flowers was presented to the family in the group's name.

We are fortunate to have many donations from her personal collection of books and other paraphernalia thanks to her family through son Michael. It is planned to keep her legacy alive into future with the Bev. Burke Local History Collection. Michael has joined us as a member and is still contributing to the collection in her place. Thank You Michael.

## To Kill a Queen.



Queen Victoria, "*Mother*" of the "*British Empire*," circling half of the globe. Enthroned in 1837, as Queen at the age of 18, and the most loved monarch of the 19th Century. On the 10<sup>th</sup> February 1840, she married Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha. During her reign she produce nine children, who all married into the Royalty of Europe, earning her the sobriquet "*Grandmother of Europe*."

Yet there were people (men) who held a mortal grievance towards the young Queen, so much so, that there were between the period 1840 -1882, seven men made eight attempts to assassinate her. However, Victoria either had the providence of God, or just plain luck, on her side, to survive every assailant's attempt upon her life.

### **Attempt 1. Assailant: Edward Oxford. — June 10, 1840.**

It was only four (4) months after the Royal wedding, when the Queen and Prince Albert, left Buckingham Palace in an open carriage on their way to visit the queen's mother, via Hyde Park. The royal couple had travelled just 100 metres, outside of the Palace gates, when a young man stepped forward, aimed a dueling pistol at the queen, and pulled the triggers. Victoria at the time was four (4) months pregnant with her first child, the later King Edward VII.

**Edward Oxford** was standing only six (6) paces away from the carriage, when he fired, however, he missed the queen, who at that moment had turned her head. Oxford fired the second shot, the queen ducked for safety, again the shot missed. The crowd standing by tackled Oxford, holding him down until the Police arrived. Unperturbed the royals continued on their way as if nothing had happened. Albert later wrote "(that) *they had continued through Hyde Park, to show the public that they had not lost confidence in them.*"

Oxford was tried with treason, the jury found him not guilty by reason of insanity, for which he was committed to the insane asylum, where he remained for 24 years, he was considered by

staff and visitors to be quite sane. Nevertheless, in 1867 he was presented with an offer of freedom, if he would relocate himself to Australia.

Oxford settled in Melbourne, changing his name to "*John Freeman*." He worked as a decorator, married a widow Mrs. Jane Bowen and became a respect figure of his local church, serving as a churchwarden at St James Old Cathedral, Melbourne.

In 1887, he became the lay representative for St. James Cathedral at the Anglican Church Assembly for the Diocese of Malborne. In 1894, he was a pallbearer for the Dean of Melbourne. He began writing stories about Melbourne's life for "*The Argus*" newspaper, under a pseudonym "*Liber*." He later published a book, "*Lights and Shadows of Melbourne Life*," which looked at both the wealthy and seamy sides of Melbourne, particularly the city's slums, poverty and opium dens.

Oxford remained so secretive of his past, that only two people ever knew his former identity and history, himself and the former steward of the Insane Asylum, to whom he had sent a copy of his book, having been corresponding with each other for some time. Of his wife, she never ever knew his true identity, and went to her grave as Mrs. Jane Freeman.

As for Edward Oxford he died on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 1900, four days after his 78<sup>th</sup> birthday, he is buried in the Melbourne General Cemetery. Under the name "*John Freeman*."

### **Attempt 2. Assailant: John Francis. — May 29, 1842**

Queen Victoria together with Prince Albert, were traveling in their open carriage , when he noticed, as he later described, "*a little, swarthy, ill-looking rascal*" standing astride the Mall, pointing a small flintlock pistol in his direction. He watched as the person pulled the trigger, however, fortunately the weapon failed to fire. The gunman then tucked his pistol underneath his coat and disappeared into Green Park.

### **Attempt 3. Re attempt: John Francis — May 30, 1842**

Prince Albert alerted the Royal security forces that he had spotted a gunman, however despite this, Queen Victoria insisted on leaving the Palace the next evening, for a drive in an open barouche, hoping to draw the assailant out. Meanwhile, plain-clothes officers scoured the site for the gunman later identified as **John Francis**, a carpenter.

As the Royal couple drove out of the Palace, a small man standing just metres from the carriage, when suddenly a shot rang out, quickly the assailant was tackled by both the Police and members of the public.

Arrested and later charged with "Treason" and sentenced to a traitor's death, of being hanged, drawn, and quartered. However, Queen Victoria intervened thinking that the punishment was too harsh, and suggested instead, that he be transported for life instead, to Van Dieman's Land.

Francis is described in Police records as 5'3" (1m .6 cm), fresh complexion, scars on both hands and fingers caused from his carpentry work. He had given up working with his father and decided to go alone, however this did not go to his plans. He set up a tobacconist shop, but this too proved to be a failure when he couldn't pay for the product, he needed to start what would have been a profitable business.

Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) was not a very easy place to survive as a convict, whippings, and hangings for the slightest misdemeanour, the existence was horrendous for both convict and military guards. Nevertheless, John Francis survived the ordeals, he later married and fathered ten children. He died at the age of 63.

### **Attempt 4. Assailant: John William Bean — July 3, 1842.**

It was Sunday morning on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July, when the Queen left Buckingham Palace by carriage, on her way to Sunday church. However, on this occasion, a man in the crowd later identified as a 17-year-old youth named **John William Bean** decided to attempt to take her life. Bean suffered from a severe spinal deformity, and was mentally ill.

Making his way to the front of the crowd, and drawing a pistol from his coat. He aimed and pulled the trigger, but is failed to fire. Quickly he was arrested, it was then found that the reason the pistol did not fire, was because instead of being loaded with shot, it was loaded with bits of tobacco.

After his trial he was found guilty of attempted assassination, but owing to the fact that that his pistol, although real, was not loaded with bullets, therefore his sentence was reasonably lenient of 18 months hard labour. After serving his sentence, Bean worked as a jeweller and married twice, but he continued to suffer poor physical and mental health. In 1882, he took his life by swallowing an overdose of opium. He left a letter to his wife, in which he complained that his life was one of trouble and worry.

**To be Continued.**

**Researched and written by Colin WITHALL**

## **Have you ever considered writing a book about your family?**

Yes, I have considered it and I have chosen to use the library to discover as many family histories as I can. There are some that are meticulously researched and show evidence of wonderful co-operative family members all willing to work as a team, share stories, share photos and look around for more. I applaud that level of co-operation. It does not happen in all families.

And families that show multi-generation co-operation over decades such that every branch of the family has a vast array of photos – of family members, where they lived, where they studied, where they worked and what sport or hobbies they loved and historic facts about where they lived – such families exist and it makes the family history come alive.

Then there are the co-operative families more than willing to share special memories – where they spent holidays, Auntie's beloved Jubilee cake that was always on the table for picnics. How special events were celebrated. Clubs they were active in and good-neighbour activities such as helping to build a much-needed community hall in a rural area.

But life has become busier, people are often flat out earning an income, with no spare cash for family holidays all together. Photos are no longer taken except via a phone. Previously photos were printed by taking the camera to a photo shop and collecting a nice envelope of photos – and then on arrival home the picture taker added explanations on the back. Today life has changed – even if you are able to convince teens to come on a holiday with the family the same teens are likely to be glued to their phones answering texts or looking at Tick Tock.

Then there are the “sanitised” family histories – and yes, I have seen many of them. Even professionally written family histories where the family has contracted with a professional writer to present the family history.

What do I mean by a sanitised history? It is when the author decides or the or the professional writer has been told, “no, you cannot include that”

Here are some examples I have uncovered – and yes all of these are true things that did happen:

1. This one is very common as something that is often NOT mentioned in a family history. For instance, one of my uncles was arrested and charged with riding his bicycle too fast when he was cycling from Prospect into Adelaide to reach his work place. I only ever knew my uncle as a lovely law-abiding man. And if I dared to put the details in a family history of a bicycle fine that I read about while looking (for something else) in an old newspaper at the city library. I would be criticised by my cousins if I dared put that into a family history. So yes, I would probably leave it out.

Today we hardly ever see police driving up and down suburban streets – unless we walk down Hindley Street in the city. But back in the 1930s suburban police must have been more active to arrest a young man riding too fast on a bicycle.

2. Because my husband's side of the family – and it is a huge family - have strong ties to Menindee, Broken hill and Whyalla I felt that there would surely be some lines after the 1850s where there were Aboriginal relatives – and yes there are. BUT in two families' histories published so far - the lines where one of the parents was of Aboriginal descent, they were not listed in the family history. That line was completely left off the tree. It was sad to see that done. I think it better to be truthful. After all no one would be so rigid as to leave out all the red-heads in a family or any family member with freckles.

3. And it is OK to list all the awards a family member scored for their jam making and mention of one of the men regularly being awarded the prize for the most impressive farm achievements. But it is not ok to leave out some actions that tell you about the character of a person – be it embezzlement, theft or family violence. You gain a stronger awareness of what was once tolerated but is not tolerated today. One of my male direct ancestors was charged with attempted murder of his first wife – how he evaded jail I will never know because the beating he gave his first wife was terrible. But years later the same man was accused of beating up and breaking the arm of his second wife. He should have gone to jail – she was in the (then) Adelaide Hospital for a long time – but somehow his lawyer must have been very convincing as he was allowed to get back to work on his farm after paying the State a large fine. He was also barred multiple times from the local Church when he turned up drunk for the Church service several times. So, marriage to him must have been horrible.

4. There is another example that says a lot about how people used to treat some medical issues with very harsh “solutions”. A first son was born with very serious medical conditions that were likely to result in the baby never being able to go to school and likely would need care 24/7 forever and regular medical care – so as was a norm, for some, in the 1920s - he was admitted into a Mental Hospital for the rest of his life. His father's name, address, occupation and signature were filed away to confirm who he was when the baby entered the Mental hospital. He was never adopted out. He never had visitors other than medical personnel.

Years later his mother vetted the family history very thoroughly before it was published – Yet there was NO mention of the birth of the first son – nor was his existence revealed to his younger siblings until after the mother died.

The younger siblings refused to believe the truth initially, until they compared their birth certificates with the older brother's records from when he was first admitted - including the father's name, address, occupation and signature. Until then they never knew they had an older sibling.

Then there are many customs and practices that were once norms but are not norms today. Our older relatives who are willing to tell us more can be an amazing asset. My magnificent lovely mother-in-law told me so much about her relatives – and she knew them all very well. They did not have a phone in the Buchanan home at Semaphore. In fact, my mother in law's grandmother named Arabella announced to her husband (when Arabella turned 40) that she was now “too old” to get all the domestic work done in the house. Instead, she preferred her embroidery, her chats with neighbours and reading. Thus, after Arabella turned 40 it was, at first, just a girl brought in to wash all the vegetables for the evening meal and then attend to the peeling, chopping, dice and grate vegetables for the evening meal. It did not take long for Arabella to ask for a girl to do the washing and bring it inside and put it all away once a week. Later it escalated to a two-week placement for a seamstress/dress maker to stay in the home at Semaphore for two weeks, twice a year, to make clothing and anything else that Arabella said was needed.

Then, my mother-in-law told me, that there were occasional family gatherings when the biggest house in the room was the dining room. My mother-in-law was a teenager when these big family gatherings would happen - with various things on platters on the table - first all the savoury things, sliced meats, salads and homemade chutneys to use. Then the remains of the savoury things

were pushed aside for the arrival of the cakes, pastries and pies. Even some of the fruit drinks were homemade.

Groceries, vegetables, fruit, milk and ice were all delivered to the home in those days. Arabella never had a refrigerator back then either.

We often look at what we have today – but do not factor in that “no car” was not an issue for the lady of the house in the 1920s. Yet we forget that even bread, milk, meat and groceries were all delivered to the homes back then and placed on the kitchen table by the delivery person. Families in the 2020s would be hard pressed to regularly put on such a generous array of home food, mainly due to time constraint, not due to availability.

With the pace of life speeding up in this century and the fact that many families lose touch with distant relatives maybe it is time we stopped trying to be as perfect as we think our ancestors maybe were.

And to ensure that some of our family history is accurately recorded maybe it is time we looked at what we can write and put together to explain more about our ancestors by breaking it down into shorter aspects of our family history that we can still remember.

Such as a set of the “Golden books of my family” put together when time permits. book one: Christmas in the 1950s in the ..... Family

book two: Memorable picnics at Victor Harbour and at the Belair National Park near Blackwood in the .... family.

Book three: making forts and climbing trees creating secret societies in our suburbs after all started reading Enid Blyton books and putting on small concerts in the Newton’s garage before any of the families in the area had a television in the .....family

Book four: What I remember about starting school and the first two years in school in the years ..... in my family

Because so much has changed in the last 70 years – life is very different.

And if we can recall things our grandparents told us – re what was even more different back then. Plus, if we can recall what our parents recalled about their grandparents – that is GOLD. Anyone can log into Ancestry, get the DNA done, and name names.

But the accurate richness of our families is what we personally know, recall and remember about our lives such as your first job. Or activities you loved. Or learning how to fish. Or learning how to make butter at home.

These recalled memories are worth remembering and recording in a small 25-page lined note book– and NEVER be afraid to include the tough times either – what you faced, how you coped, and how it made you stronger.

Stop thinking your family is just a collection of names re births, deaths and marriages. Your own family history is much richer and far more interesting and shapes your character and makes you the interesting, well informed, capable person who you are today no matter how much you have endured, coped with to become the unique and good person you are today.

**Written By Suzanne Maiden  
Former Genealogist with SA Public Trustee.**

## **First Father then the son.**

South Australian 21 Jul 1848 Pg 3.

A very dreadful murder has been committed in the district of Port Lincoln. A shepherd named Hamp, at the station of Mr Pinkerton, on Lake Newland, about one hundred and twenty miles from the town, was found dead in his hut not many hours after he had been seen in health. He had no spear wound, but his head had been sawn down. The hand saw, which had evidently been the instrument of death, was lying near him. The tracks of natives were visible about the hut. The inhabitants of that part of the district have already asked for a police station in their neighbourhood, which has been refused, and it is to be feared they will be driven to take the law into their own hands, as native aggression is frequent. Something in the nature of a protest to this effect has been laid before the Police Commissioner.

This is William Arthur Hamp, one of his sons.

Register 30 Apr 1912 Pg 4.

On Saturday Mr. William Arthur Hamp, one of the State's oldest pioneers, died at his residence, Frederick Street, Unley. He landed at Holdfast Bay with his parents in the ship Duke of Roxburgh in 1838. In 1844 his father took up land in the Port Lincoln district for pastoral purposes, and in that district was murdered by the blacks. At the age of six years Mr. Hamp had lost both his parents. He was a member of the first overland telegraph party, and it is believed he was the first white man to pass through the MacDonnell Ranges. Mr. Hamp was an expert bushman, and on many occasions when in the wilds of Australia his only companion was a black boy. The youngest of his sons, a member of E half-squadron of the Fifth Contingent, was killed at the battle of Grasspan, South Africa, while attempting to rescue a Gordon Highlander. The deceased has left two sons and five daughters- Messrs. W. E. Hamp (Port Pirie) and A. Hamp (Watervale), Mrs. B. Bartlett (Glen Osmond), Mrs. A. Peterson (Hackney), Mrs. H. Wallace (Prospect), and Misses Florence and Ethel Hamp. Mr. H. Hamp, of the Semaphore, is a brother of the deceased.

## **South Australian Weekly Chronicle, Saturday 18 March 1865,**

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SALISBURY. March 8.

The examination of Mr. Middleton's school took place on Friday last. The children were examined by the Rev. J. G. Wright and Mr. W. Cavenagh, and shewed a very marked improvement.

On Friday evening the members of the Mutual Improvement Association held their fortnightly meeting, when the subject discussed was – "Is the moderate use of alcohol injurious?"

It is only about six weeks since I reported an accident to Mr. Kelly, of One Tree Hill, by which he had his leg broken. I am now happy to be able to mention that he is already able to drive about to Salisbury and Adelaide. This certainly shews well for the skill of Dr. Doenan, by whom the broken leg was set.

I may also mention that our police-trooper, Mr. Simpson, has returned from his mission in the Far North, minus many pounds of flesh and with his two horse's perfect skeletons. He gives a sad

account of the state of the North, horses and cattle lying dead all over the country. On the runs and at the Police Station meat was seldom seen, and when it was, it was perfect carrion.

On Monday evening we had a visit from Madame Carandini and party, who performed to a very good audience, and were also loudly applauded and several times encored.

March 17.

On Sunday last the Primitive Methodists held their anniversary, when two sermons were preached by the Rev. Mr. Maughan and one by the Rev. Mr. Jarrett. On the Monday a tea meeting was followed by the usual public meeting, which was addressed by the Revs. Wright, Jarrett, and Wayland; Mr. Moulden in the chair.

Last evening a lecture was delivered in the assembly rooms in connection with the Institute by the Bev. A. B. Russell, on 'Sleep, Dreams, and other Unconscious States.' The lecturer handled his subject very ably, and the evening was enlivened by several members of the choral society singing four pieces of music. The meeting was presided over by Mr. Craig but owing to the inclement weather was very badly attended.

## **South Australian Weekly Chronicle Saturday 28 November 1863, page 3**

SALISBURY.

[Correspondent]

November 24.

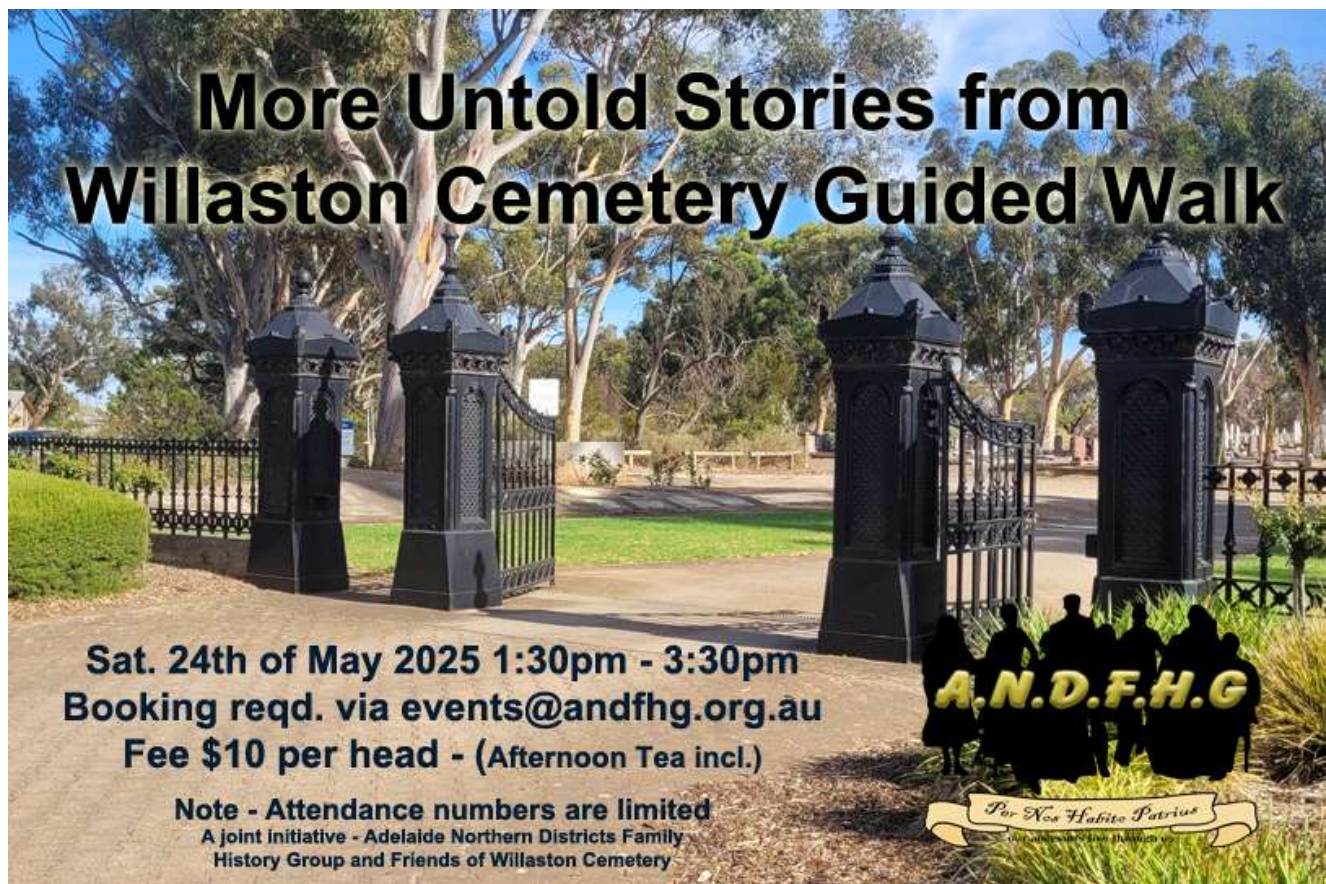
The Wesleyans of Salisbury commemorated the 5th anniversary of their chapel here, on Sunday, the 22nd instant, when sermons were preached by the Bev. Mr. Cope to crowded congregations. On Monday a tea meeting was held, which was followed by a lecture by the Bev. Mr. Bennett. The audience was very large, and the lecturer was frequently applauded. Collections were made at the close of each service, which I hear have been very good indeed.

This morning, about 7 o'clock, our township was thrown into some alarm at the cry of fire being raised, as such a thing has not been known in Salisbury before. It had broken out on premises occupied by a person named Bennett; within three-quarters of an hour the building was completely gutted. Owing to the strenuous exertions of our neighbours most of the household property was saved. A strong wind was blowing at the time, and fears were entertained that it might spread into the section adjoining, belonging to Mr. Harvey, in which a quantity of barley was laying ready for carting. Had it done so, there is no knowing the extent of the damage it would have occasioned. Great praise is due to many of our neighbours for the exertions made by them, at some personal risk, especially Messrs. Charlton, Loades, and Davy, who were on the spot immediately the alarm was given. The inmates made their escape without accident, though Mrs. Bennett happened to be laid up in bed at the time. The loss will be upwards of. £150, and as the property is uninsured it will fell heavily, on the owner, Mrs. Lane.

The wife of Mr. Matthews, shoemaker, Salisbury, who has been of unsound mind for some time past, left her home on Sunday morning, and has not since been heard of. Information has been given to Police-trooper Ewens, who is out endeavouring to obtain some trace of the unfortunate woman. The family have been out in all directions without having met with any success. Much

sympathy is felt for Mr. Matthews, who is a very steady, hardworking man, with a large family to support.

Last evening, we were favoured with a visit from Professor Hamilton, the Phrenologist, who delivered a lecture on that subject in connection with our Salisbury Mechanics' Institute. The audience was not so large as might have been expected, but I much question whether a more attentive and interested one could be got together in the colony. The chair was taken by Mr. Harvey, one of the Presidents of the Institute; and though one of the longest lectures which I have listened to for some time, no sense of weariness was to be discovered in any of the audience. At its dose the Professor gave us an opportunity of witnessing his ability in delineating characters, and as his manipulations were affected upon two of our best-known townsmen, those inclined to be sceptical as to the science allowed that there was much to be said in its favour. A hearty vote of thanks to the Professor, accompanied by a hope that he would continue his lecture shortly, was carried by acclamation, as was the usual courtesy to the Chairman, and the meeting was brought to a close about 11 o'clock.



# More Untold Stories from Willaston Cemetery Guided Walk

**Sat. 24th of May 2025 1:30pm - 3:30pm**  
**Booking reqd. via [events@andfhg.org.au](mailto:events@andfhg.org.au)**  
**Fee \$10 per head - (Afternoon Tea incl.)**

**Note - Attendance numbers are limited**  
A joint initiative - Adelaide Northern Districts Family  
History Group and Friends of Willaston Cemetery

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