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# Editorial

Welcome to our first publication of *Tasmanian Ancestry*. The new committee has been working enthusiastically and steadily for several months although not always sure of procedures or outcomes. We are gradually discovering talents and learning from each other. By the time you receive this we will all be much wiser and better prepared to continue the fine tradition established by previous journal committees.

The state purchased a new computer (including a fax modem) and printer on which to produce the journal. To complete the change over we decided on a slightly 'new look', with the assistance of the Australian government *Style Manual*.

Thank you for returning the questionnaire. Many asked for 'lists' so you will find two in this edition which we hope will satisfy your appetite. As with all the articles in the journal we rely on you to send contributions; it is your journal. If you don't feel confident to send original material, search through your files for an interesting letter, lists, amusing or informative extracts from early newspapers, or more lists!

Looking through this issue it has a strong female bias. Not only are the articles nearly all by ladies, they also feature in the titles—'Eliza Davis', 'Mary Ann', 'Lady Nelson', 'Princess Royal', and even 'Three Little Maids'. Hopefully the December journal will correct this imbalance.

By the time the next deadline arrives the fax will be connected, and I will have learnt how to use it, plus e-mail, which should help to get the contributions in on time.

This has been an exciting and interesting challenge but I shall miss the feelings of anticipation when I rush to the letter box to read my copy!

My thanks to an excellent, supportive committee for all their efforts and to everyone who has submitted material. Continue the good work. We will welcome 'Letters to the editor' to keep us informed of your thoughts on *Tasmanian Ancestry*.

Rosemary Davidson

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*The Eye of the Wind* at Port Arthur 1984.

## WELCOME OUR NEW PATRON

# **Emeritus Professor Michael Roe**

**T**HE Genealogical Society of Tasmania Inc. is proud to announce that Emeritus Professor Michael Roe of Hobart has agreed to become its new patron.

Professor Roe is a graduate of the University of Melbourne, Cambridge University, and the Australian National University. In 1960 he joined the History Department of the University of Tasmania, and retired early this year.

An eminent scholar, his long academic career has produced numerous journals and several books. His latest work is *Australia, Britain and Migration 1915–1940* and it is of significance that he was able to obtain from the Australian Archives in Melbourne official opening of ships' passenger lists for every vessel bringing assisted British immigrants to Australia during that period.

It was this work which Professor Roe says made him conscious that he had never given genealogy the degree of attention it deserves, and he looks forward to correcting this error.



Photo: Cynthia O'Neill

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I should first like to congratulate the Burnie Branch on conducting a very successful and entertaining Annual General Meeting weekend. A well chosen venue, interesting and informative speakers and a friendly atmosphere all combining to produce a most enjoyable two days and I offer my sincere congratulations.

During the course of the Annual General Meeting, Certificates of Meritorious Service were awarded to Joyce O'Shea, the late Frank O'Shea and Pat Harris for their dedicated work for the society and I would like to take this opportunity to remind members that up to six persons each year can have their contribution to the society recognised in this manner. All it requires is for any two members of the society to send a nomination to the state secretary giving a resume of the work that the award is to recognise. A full description of the awards process is contained in the society By-Laws, of which all branch presidents, branch secretaries and branch delegates have copies.

At the election of officers we were fortunate to have nominations for all positions except that of treasurer and I welcome Anne Bartlett and Rex Collins as our new vice-presidents whilst being extremely grateful to Dawn Collins for agreeing to continue as the secretary for the society.

Following the closure of the meeting I was delighted to have Sharalyn Walters from Smithton volunteer her services to fill the vacant treasurer's position and Sharalyn will officially join the executive at the August meeting.

During this year it is hoped that the society will be able to complete the task of updating the TAMIOT records to the point of publishing a second edition set of microfiche. The records will be in a very different format on this occasion and as well as the whole of state alphabetical listing will also have a separate alphabetical listing for each individual cemetery. The set will remain as an index only, the full transcript of each cemetery remaining as the sole preserve of the branch in whose area the cemetery is located.

With an overall 6.5% increase in our membership last year I am at somewhat of a loss to explain where all these new members get to as branch meeting numbers do not seem to reflect the increase in membership. I see our major challenge this year as being to make newer members feel so welcome to the society that they become regular attendants at society events and take an active role in the continuing development of the society.

David Harris

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# GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF TASMANIA INC.

## PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

### 15 JUNE 1996

In the twelve months since my last Annual Report the society has suffered the loss of several of its stalwart supporters. Lilian Watson our first chairman and first fellow, Frank O'Shea who although not a member of the society, has with his wife Joyce, given a great deal to both the society and to genealogy in general with their work on the O'Shea indices, and very recently Tom Lello who gave a great deal of his time and organising ability to the Launceston and Devonport branches. These people will be greatly missed both as friends and as contributors.

As a society I believe we have moved forward during the twelve months although not always without dissent. It is a healthy sign that a broad spectrum of views on matters of concern are able to be expressed at state executive meetings and it is pleasing to note that democratic principles are applied when a consensus cannot be reached.

Changes are a continuing part of the growth of our society and this year has seen the Huon Branch, despite their small numbers, take on the task of Library Co-ordinator. My thanks go to them for taking on this job and also to Morris Lansdell for the many years of service he has given to the position prior to this change.

Lyn Hookway has likewise relinquished her long-held post of membership secretary, the position having been taken up by Vee Maddock in Hobart. This position is one where the incumbent's efforts are rarely recognised as their work in maintaining accurate membership records is really only seen by a limited number of officers with whom they have regular contact. Nevertheless it is one of those positions without which we could not function satisfactorily and I am extremely grateful to Lyn for her many years of service and to Vee for accepting the challenge.

The production of *Tasmanian Ancestry* is also on the move from Launceston to Hobart with Anne Bartlett as editor and Bev Perkins as co-ordinator together with their respective teams stepping down at the completion of the printing and despatch of the June 1996 edition. *Tasmanian Ancestry* is a large ingredient of the glue which binds the society into a unified body and I am sure the members of the society join me in applauding the consistently high standards which have been a feature of the journal for the last five years.

The Family History Award which has been ably co-ordinated by Jenny Gill for several years will also move to the south following this meeting. The refinements to the organisation of our annual award which Jenny has brought forward have made the running of the award considerably better and easier and we are indebted to Jenny for the time and effort she has expended.

It is pleasing to see that several branches have published additional indexes this year, adding significantly to the available published Tasmanian research resources. Launceston has published a shipping index in both hard copy and microfiche format while Hobart and Devonport branches have both added hard copy indexes to the range of indexes of birth, death and marriage notices which have appeared in local newspapers.

While special interest groups in Hobart continue to flourish, a new group formed as an adjunct to the Launceston Branch has attracted such a response that they have already outgrown the branch library and are having to move to larger premises for their meetings. These specific interest groups all appear to be drawing a better attendance than many branch meetings so perhaps there is a message in there somewhere for us to ponder on.

I also note from branch presidents' reports that most branches have organised tours of historic homes or sites as well as other social functions during the year and I commend them for these activities which help to strengthen the fabric of our society.

I know that the constant fund-raising needed to pay rent and hydro charges is a big drain on some branches, but the fact that all five branch libraries remain open and have all increased their research material holdings is a great credit to the branches and to those stalwart supporters without whom none of the society's gains would be possible. To you all—Well Done!

I would like especially to thank Denise McNeice who this year is standing down as an officer of the society after an unbroken period of eight years as vice-president, president and treasurer. I also thank for their respective contributions, those members of the executive who have not sought re-appointment, and to the members joining the executive for the first time I trust you will find the experience both rewarding and instructive and that you will bring fresh ideas to the fore.

David Harris

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# VALE FRANK O'SHEA

THE Genealogical Society of Tasmania, and in particular the Hobart Branch, has suffered a great loss with the recent death of Frank O'Shea. At the recent Annual General Meeting of the Society, the late Frank and his wife, Joyce, were awarded Certificates of Meritorious Service for their contributions over the years, especially through the O'Shea Indexes. Unfortunately, between the time the recommendations were made and the awards presented, Frank passed away.

Joyce is a long term member with years of dedicated service to our work, although Frank was not a member. However, he strongly supported Joyce and was an outstanding worker for the Society. Several years ago, while recovering from serious illness, Frank, with Joyce's support and encouragement, commenced the laborious task of recording and tabulating the entries of Births, Deaths and Marriages in *The Mercury*. Since then, over one hundred years of newspapers have been searched, recorded, checked, entered, re-checked, carded, filmed and indexed—all for the benefit of other people. In all of these works, Frank's accounting skills and his demands for accuracy were

invaluable. Present and future family historians will long benefit from this work.

As well as supporting us, Frank gave freely of his time to his community. If he could help, he did. His strong support for returned servicemen's activities, sport—especially junior sport and bowls, voluntary auditing and freemasonry being just some examples of his interests.

We offer our sympathy to Joyce and give thanks for the work and friendship which Francis Trevor O'Shea shared with this Society and its members.

Bryce Ward



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# BRANCH NEWS

## Burnie

President	Doug Forrest	(03) 6431 1882
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At the May meeting, one of our members, Bruce Brown, brought his computer system to demonstrate one of the family history programmes for which he is an agent. It was interesting for members to compare and contrast programmes which they use.

A member's interest night was very popular at the June meeting, where members provided details of unusual names or research difficulties.

The main activity for the period was the co-ordination of speakers and preparation for the Conference and State Annual General Meeting. Special thanks are extended to all those members who helped to make the weekend a success. We were pleased to see many members browse through and use our library facilities after the conclusion of the conference.

Work is progressing to finalise details for publishing indexes for births, deaths and marriages from the early North West Tasmanian newspapers and from the *Advocate*.

## Devonport

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Three of our members were recipients of awards made available by the Devonport City Council to acknowledge the efforts of volunteers within the community. Merle Fitzmaurice was nominated for her work as librarian, Adrian Loone for his untiring efforts as TAMIOT Co-ordinator and Audrey Trebilco for the many hours spent in indexing the personal announcements of the *Advocate*.

Another enjoyable social afternoon was held at the home of Chris Morris when the video - *Tasmania - Its Heritage Its History* was viewed. Not only was the video informative but conversation was lively and varied and even included such topics as the method of freeze-drying the family pet.

Mr Ted Field, librarian of the Lyons Library, was the speaker at the June meeting. His topic was 'Genealogy on the Internet'. He gave an interesting and humorous discourse on the type of material available in the genealogical field.

The opening of the Branch Library on the second Saturday afternoon of each month has proved to be successful. It is open between 1.30 p.m. and 3.30 p.m. and entry is via the Best Street door. It is necessary to use the intercom system which is located at the doorway.

The branch congratulates Paul Edwards, a local member who was the recipient of the 1996 Family History Award.

Once again a Christmas Hamper Raffle will be conducted as a major fund raising effort.

# Hobart

President	Bryce Ward	(03) 6243 7884
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For the first Saturday in July, the branch arranged a function to mark ten years of occupancy of our Branch Library in the Old Bellerive Post Office. We finished our usual Saturday session with an afternoon tea, a birthday cake and a few words of appreciation for all those who had contributed in so many ways over that period. Quite a number attended and a very happy time resulted. During the afternoon Anne Speed displayed her family records and several members took home some good ideas for their own records.

The function had a cloud of doom hanging over it, because by the time the event came around, we had received an instruction from the Clarence Council Office to vacate the building. After some lobbying and discussions, the council members considered the renewal of the lease at their July meeting. An extension of six months was agreed to allow all of the Aldermen time to fully familiarise themselves with our use of the building and associated matters. The fact that our co-tenants appear to have made other arrangements with the council did not help. When the matter again comes before council we must put our combined strength behind it. I appreciate all of the efforts of the branch members who wrote letters, rang Aldermen and attended the council meeting. We will have to pay more rental, wherever we are housed. We need ideas for fund raising. Individuals can also play a part. Do you have an activity or can you arrange a small social fund raiser? If every branch member raised twenty dollars we would have a sound base for future rental charges. I'm going to do some baby sitting. What can you do?

Colleen Read is helping Morris Lansdell with some of the routine administrative tasks in the library. If you can help on the library roster or with checking and developing indexes please contact Colleen or Thelma McKay.

In September our speaker will be the Rev. Max Stansell who will tell us about the Rev. Carvosso, an early Hobart Methodist minister. October will see a return of Lindsay Simpson who will talk about Port Arthur records for genealogy. Please try to end the year on a high note by attending our November Fun Night. Maree Ring has developed a questionnaire which needs to be completed between now and then. Fill one out and join in the fun, but still come even if you don't. You never know, you may even win a party cap. Let's make it a great night and an enjoyable supper.

Many of our members visited Burnie for the Annual General Meeting and this branch congratulates the organisers for their excellent work. It was great at our motel—seven ladies and only two men. This branch also congratulates the hard working members who have been producing our *Tasmanian Ancestry* and conducting the Lilian Watson Family History Award. May they enjoy a well earned rest, and may their successors enjoy their new duties. This Society is blessed by so many excellent contributors who are ever willing to hold up their hands when another task has to be done. Perhaps you can do something additional to make our branch even more successful.

## Huon

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Our AGM was held on 22 April 1996 when the following officers were elected:

President	Miss Shirley (Betty) Fletcher
Vice President	Mrs Pauline Dillon
Secretary	Mrs Elaine Burton
Treasurer	Mrs Denise Dowling
Research Librarian	Mrs Rosalie Riley
TAMIOT	Mrs Merrin Holstein

We have started on our project of indexing the old *Huon Times* and *Huon and Derwent Times* newspapers that we hold in our library. Thanks to Joyce Purtscher and Denise McNeice from the Hobart Branch for their guidance in getting us started.

We have indexes to the Catholic births and marriage records for Franklin and the Huon Council records. We purchased the Cornelian Bay fiche which includes all cremations, even though some are placed elsewhere, plus a map of the cemetery to help find the location of a grave.

## Launceston

President	Joe Stephens	(03) 6344 5969
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It was with deep regret we learned of the death in early June of our former president, Tom Lello. While a member of Launceston Branch, Tom was active in all aspects of the work undertaken and was instrumental in securing the premises in Paterson Street when the library room at Carr Villa was no longer available to us. He will be long remembered by our branch members.

At the state AGM at Burnie the assembly ratified the nomination of Pat Harris as one of the first recipients of the Meritorious Service Award. To her, our sincere congratulations.

Following the Branch AGM in May, members were entertained by a Cornish folk tale video, *The Mousehole Cat*, presented by Thelma Grunnell.

At the branch meeting in June, the Executive Committee appointed John Grunnell as treasurer for the year 1996/7.

Our 'lady wot does' for the library premises is volunteer Margaret MacKenzie, for a limited period. Please note the library will not open 2 November.

Our June meeting took the form of a Sunday workshop on 'Recording and storing research material'. This was well attended by members and non-members alike.

In July, 'Publishing your family history' was explored through a panel of speakers and discussion led by Peter Richardson, one of the judges of the 1996 Family History Award.

The monthly workshops for 'Beginners in family history research' are proving of use to both members and the general public alike.

Advance notice is given of a visit to Launceston by UK genealogist, Gwen Kingsley, on 24 September. When arrangements have been finalised other branches will be notified and an advertisement placed in the *Examiner*. [See page 114 *Tasmanian Ancestry*—Editor]

# My Port Arthur Experience

Irene Schaffer

PORT Arthur was born as a penal settlement in September 1830 and during the long period of seventy-four years, it passed through all the phases of human existence; childhood, manhood, old age, and its death and burial.

Before, it was just another part of our coastline. Large gum trees grew to the waterline, but with the need for timber these were soon reduced and now only those that stand well up on the hills remain.

It was Governor Arthur who saw the area as a potential prison, one that would remove the convicts away from the rest of the population and from where it would be impossible to escape.

While it is known for its horrors as a Penal Settlement, it was also home to many soldiers, their wives and families. Babies were born there, children played on the slopes behind the barracks, went to school, fished off the wharf and attended church. Officials and their families also spent many years working within the prison system.

Transportation ended in 1853 and it is estimated that over sixty thousand convicts went through Port Arthur. The convicts continued to be kept there until their term of imprisonment was completed. By this time most of them were too old to start a new life, and were content to remain where they knew they would be fed and receive medical attention.

For a while in the early 1870s it was the place for the elite to visit. They were shown how the establishment was conducted. The public was not admitted. In 1877 the last of the old paupers were shipped to Hobart on the *Southern Cross*, bound for their new home at the women's prison at South Hobart. The *Southern Cross* later returned full of looters looking for souvenirs.

In September 1877 the settlement was stripped, locked up and vacated. The period between the closure and World War 1 was one of both natural and official destruction. In their haste to destroy the past, the authorities had their first land sale. By the mid 1880s most buildings had been demolished, plundered for materials, or vandalised.

Some of the old paupers returned and became the first tour guides, creating what was to become part of the Port Arthur mythology. It remained virtually a ghost town, a place that most people in Tasmania at that time wished to forget.

Nature then played its part; wind blew the roof off the church in 1876. Storms in 1879 and 1880 destroyed the wharves and jetty. The church burnt down in 1884 and more fires followed in 1895 and 1897. Was this nature's way of cleansing the site back to its natural beauty?

In 1889 Port Arthur was renamed Carnarvon in an attempt to wipe the

stigma of penal settlement from the place. The reaction was too swift. In their attempt to remove a bad memory, it was almost entirely destroyed by a Government who wanted the Penal Settlement forgotten.

Later, a few enterprising individuals bought some of the buildings and began catering for tourists. The commandant's residence became the Carnarvon Hotel. During this period it was a small township with a few residents and fishermen its only inhabitants.

It was to this naturally beautiful spot that so many Tasmanians turned on weekends to bring their families and friends for what was to become a traditional picnic outing. Here they could spread their rugs, eat their lunches, relax and enjoy the beauty while the children played.

It was nearly 100 years after its closure that the Tasmanian Government in 1982 decided that the potential of Port Arthur as an historical site should be preserved, particularly as a convict site.

A management plan was set up by the then National Parks and Wildlife for the Port Arthur Historical Site. This was

the beginning of what is now one of the best-known Tourist places in Australia.

The foreshore of Port Arthur is to me one of the most beautiful places in Tasmania. I first visited it with my family on arriving here from Queensland in 1960. It was not until twenty years later that I became aware of its eminent historical history when I was accepted as a volunteer for an archaeological dig in 1982. My life and my future changed in the next three years as I continued my visits to the site, not only for the digs but during the year, cataloguing the findings that had been dug up the previous year.

Volunteers were advertised for and over eighty were accepted each year for a period of four years. During this time they lived and breathed Port Arthur. For four weeks each year while they dug, sieved, cooked and slept on floors they became part of its history. There were also builders, stone masons, labourers,

electricians, painters etc., who worked their hearts out to restore the buildings to their original design.

During my three years I met and made many friends amongst the volunteers. They came from all over the world; Christine from Ireland, David from England, Pat from South America,



Photo: Irene Schaffer

Irene seated on the steps of the Commandant's house at Port Arthur. Martin Davies standing behind her.

Myfanwy from New Zealand and many more. Martin Davies was one of the archaeologists who made the buildings come alive as he talked about them. Martin lost his life last November in a fall at the Antarctic.

My most vivid memories of my stay are the walks I took after everybody had left for the day. The peace and tranquillity blended into the place with its natural beauty. Not even the knowledge of why it was originally built could spoil the feeling of peace it gave me.

On returning to Hobart I began to research the semaphore system that operated at Port Arthur during the convict period. This led me to the State and University Archives and began for me, what is now my obsession with Tasmanian history.

It was during my third year at Port Arthur I was asked to join Peter MacFie's historical team and helped Robin McLachlan with the research to set up the Point Puer Boys data base.

There was a very industrious group of people at Port Arthur at this time working for the Tasmanian National Parks and Wildlife and the Education Department. Many schools took an active part in the program. One of their projects was called Port Arthur Alive for which I was asked to write a profile on Private Edward Murphy. This was something I had never attempted before but with encouragement from Peter Boyer I put pen to paper and have continued to do so ever since.

My joining the Genealogical Society was also attributed to my Port Arthur experience as was my attending night

classes on early Tasmanian history, which later led me to further study at the University.

When the work was completed the site became a private enterprise and many groups of people have worked there over the years. They too have found being part of Port Arthur a wonderful experience and will continue to do so in its future ventures.

With the terrible tragedy at Port Arthur all my wonderful memories came crashing about me. All I could think of was those people losing their lives and what their relatives and friends had to face then and in the coming years.

Tasmanians will have to learn to live with this as many of their forefathers did in the aftermath of the convict days. For now, we must bow our heads in memory of those who died but soon we must raise them and once again see the trees, the grass, the hills and the beautiful bay, for Port Arthur was not to blame and as in the past, its natural beauty will again survive.



# The Port Arthur Convict Database

Phil Hilton

THE tragedy of April 28 has prompted a reassessment of many things for many people, not merely those who happen to work at the Historic Site. After its occurrence I was certain of one thing, that I would not allow the effort we had put into this project to go to waste. In fact, we decided to double our efforts by purchasing a second film reading machine. Without having this project to come back to, 'recovery' would have been more difficult. It gave us positive focus to concentrate our energy. Something we love.

Most readers would have heard or read about our project during the past 18 months. Indeed, some may wish to stop reading about it, since its compilation has become an epic of saga-like proportions. After all, we do have to read or scan the Conduct Record of every convict ever transported to Van Diemen's Land. Along the way there is the small matter of transcribing each of the Port Arthur and Point Puer records in full. This number could reach anywhere between 10,000 and 15,000 people, including lunatics, invalids, paupers, convict constables and female servants.

To begin with some people dismissed the project as one of almost sheer lunacy. After my first wretched attempts at transcribing records, I was wondering myself about the wisdom of it all. I encountered many difficulties;

bad spelling, illegible writing, endless abbreviations and contractions, and the poor physical condition of some of these books by the time they had been filmed. However, once the secrets of the records began to be revealed, transcription became much easier.

The project has been undertaken because we do not know who all these people were, nor how many of them went through the place. Plenty of studies have been undertaken but all use sample collections. Our aim is to write up every one and then compute them - surely a delight for teachers, researchers and genealogists everywhere. It is high time that this project was undertaken, given that Port Arthur was the second largest penal settlement in the Australian Colonies.

Even at Port Arthur our real knowledge of these men was limited to a card index of names gleaned from Ian Brand's extensive research during the Port Arthur Conservation Programme, a few hundred convict records, and the usual library of secondary historical texts: Manning-Clark, Hughes, Robson, and Shaw. After completing about 2,000 records, our knowledge about 'our people', what brought them here, how they behaved and how they were punished has significantly increased since the project's inception. Because of the ambitious scope of the project, we do not envisage its completion for several years. Of course, people do

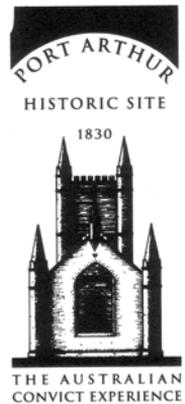
not have to await its completion to apply for a transcribed copy of their own ancestral records. That is of course, those people who have neither access to the archival records, nor the time to access them. Our research service is not confined to Port Arthur Convicts alone. For a modest financial consideration we will locate, copy and transcribe all relevant information relating to individual VDL Transportees.

To date, we have received enquiries from all over Australia and indeed some overseas locations. Mrs Josephine French from Inverkeithing Scotland, wrote to us after hearing about the project from someone who had visited the Site. She told us of a story known in the family as the 'Aunt Holly Story' handed down in the family concerning an ancestor William W. who had been convicted and transported somewhere between 1839 and 1855. Wealthy Australian relatives of this man turned up in England in 1913, adding another chapter to the story. Could I find this man's record? Yes, in fact his record turned out to be the first person's record of that name I actually looked at. His native place, trade, age and offence all tallied with the 'Aunt Holly Story'. After receiving a transcription from us, a relative then went to Somerset, to locate the original court records. It gave us a lot of pleasure to clear up some of the mystery surrounding this particular family story. Doubtless many similar stories have been told in other British and Irish families, of people who were transported, and were consequently never heard of again.

I suppose for many people, genealogy is just one big mystery story. I have seen so many people desperate to track down their ancestors. For a few, it seems to have become something of a time consuming obsession, albeit a harmless one. Even I have started ferreting out my own family history.

Finally, a word of thanks to Susan Hood, our Database Assistant, who like many assistants really runs the operation by virtue of the fact that she is the only full-time employee we have working on it. I spend some of my time with it, and our guides spend one day each week working on it, but Susan holds it together, undertakes most of the research and speaks to most of the visitors with genealogical queries. While I think of it, if there are any genealogically sound people with plenty of spare time to fill, who would like some transcription work to do, then all they have to do is contact the Port Arthur Education Centre and speak to either Susan Hood or myself.

Phil Hilton  
Education Officer  
Port Arthur Historic Site



# LILIAN WATSON FAMILY HISTORY AWARD 1997

The Lilian Watson Family History Award for 1997 will be for a home-produced book.

A home-produced book is defined for the award as a work that is typed or produced as a computer print-out, reproduced for public (or private ) sale by photocopying or a like process in a simple binding, eg, staple, ring, plastic spiral or jacket, etc., but not by a professional commercial printer, or publisher. This is a do-it-yourself book.

Whilst a significant Tasmanian content is required, the history need not be wholly Tasmanian. It must be the story of a family, not of an individual person. The competition is open to the general public as well as to members of the Society. The winner will be selected by an independent judging panel appointed by the Society.

Closing date for entries is 31 December 1996.

Further information about the award and entry forms are available from the Genealogical Society Branch libraries or by applying to the Family History Award Co-ordinator, GPO Box 640 Hobart Tasmania 7001.

The Society has renamed the award the Lilian Watson Family History Award to honour the memory and the contributions to genealogy and family history of Mrs Lilian Watson who died last March. She was the foundation chairman of the Society in 1980 and was elected its first Fellow in 1995. 

# VAN DIEMEN'S LAND & NORFOLK ISLAND INTEREST GROUP

Our February excursion was to Bruny Island, where Kathy Duncombe conducted the tour and produced the excursion book for the day. This was the first time since our beginning in 1991 that it rained. This it did from when we left Hobart till we returned. Nevertheless we did not let it spoil our day. With a full bus load we ventured into parts of the island that would not have been possible without Kathy and the kindness of property owners of Bruny Island.

I have been having a bit of a break and trying to get some of my own work completed. With Kathy taking the Bruny Island tour and Freda Gray, of the First Settlers, leading the next one in September to Sorell, hopefully I will be ready for our east coast excursion next year.

Irene Schaffer Co-ordinator.

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## COLONIAL TIMES, 6 January 1846

***Death by Drowning:*** We regret to state, that two men met their death by drowning on Saturday evening last, in the Derwent, they were fisherman, they were known as Old Mullet and Carrotty Jack and were crossing from Fisher's Point to Ralph Bay, when the boat upset and both were unfortunately drowned.

# TASMANIANA LIBRARY, STATE LIBRARY OF TASMANIA

## NEW ACQUISITIONS

This is a select list of books on history and genealogy which have been added to the Tasmaniana Library between early April and early July, 1996. They are mostly, but not all, new publications; the Tasmaniana Library often acquires older works which relate to Tasmania and which it does not already hold. The list has been kept as brief as possible; normally only author, title and the Tasmaniana Library's reference number are given. If you would like further information about any of the books listed, please contact the Tasmaniana Library at 91 Murray Street, Hobart 7000 (telephone (03) 6233 7474, fax (03) 6233 7902). Further information is also available on TALIS, the State Library's on-line information system. TALIS terminals are available in all city, and many branch libraries throughout Tasmania.

Please note that, while all of these books are available for reference in the Tasmaniana Library, **they are not available for loan** (although some of them may be available in city and branch libraries).

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*100 years of Australian football 1897-1996*. [Includes Darrel Baldock, Ian Stewart, Peter Hudson et al] (TLQ 796.336 ONE)

Alexander, Alison, *Blue, black and gold: the history of the Launceston Church Grammar School 1846-1996*. (TLQ 373.94611 ALE)

Appledorff, Gwendolyne and Adriana Taylor (eds.), *Collinsvale "Old Girls" cookbook*. (TLPQ 641.59946 COL)

Austral Archaeology, *Macquarie Heads Pilot & Signal Station conservation plan*. (TLQ 363.690994644 AUS)

Bassett, Jan (Ed.), *Great southern landings: an anthology of Antipodean travel*. (TL 919.404 BAS)

Bradbury, Ruth M., *Frankston pioneers: the McComb family*. (TLQ 929.20994 MCC)  
*Bridport Primary School 1915-1995*. (TLQ 372.9946 BRI)

Broxam, Graeme, *Shipwrecks of Tasmania's wild west coast: addenda & errata (first edition) corrected to 31 January 1996*. (TLR 910.45 BRO)

Cadle, Brian (compiler), *Yesterday's fishermen, volumes 1-7*. (TLE 799.1755 CAD)  
*Church records in the Archives Office of Tasmania*. (TLR 929.3 TAS)

Clarke, W.B., *Persian immigrant ship, Hobart Town 1857*. (TLQ 994.604 CLA)

Cooper, Greg and Grant Goss, *Tasmanian railways, 1871-1996, 125 years: a pictorial history*. (TLQ 385.3609946 COO)

D'Emden, Henry Lyndhurst, *Early history of the Post and Telegraph Offices Tasmania*. (TLQ 383.4909946 DEM)

Digby, Jenny, *A woman's voice: conversations with Australian poets*. [Includes Gwen Harwood] (TL 821.3A DIG)

Duncombe, Geoff, *A history of Campbell Town: the children of Erin*. (TL 994.623 DUN)

Earnshaw, Beverley and Joy Hughes, *Fanny to William: the letters of Frances Leonora Macleay, 1812-1836*. (TL 994.402 MACL)

Ely, Richard (ed.), *Carrel Inglis Clark: The Supreme Court of Tasmania: its first century 1824-1924*. (TL 347.946035 CAR)

Evans, Kathryn, *Hop industry historical research project. Volume 2: Site histories. Volume 3: Oral histories*. (TLQ 338.17382 EVA)

Fieldhouse, Raymond, *Steam locomotives of the TGR years: portfolio of 25 locomotive diagrams*. (TLPQ 385.3609946 FIE)

Godden Mackay Pty Ltd, *Low Head Pilot Station conservation plan*. (TLQ 387.1099461 GOD)

Graeme-Evans, Alex, *Against the odds: Risbys - Tasmanian timber pioneers 1826-1995*. (TLQ 338.476911 RIS)

Grant, Michael and Robert Vincent, *Masonic Club, 181-183 Macquarie Street, Hobart: conservation management plan*. (TLQ 728.40994661 GRA)

Griffiths, Tom, *Hunters and collectors: the antiquarian imagination in Australia*. (TL 994.01 GRI)

Halliday, James, *A history of the Australian wine industry 1949-1994*. (TL 663.200994 HAL)

Henderson, Verna E., *In the shadow of the Tiers: the story of Andrew Greig Wilson and his family*. (TLQ 929.2 WIL)

Hooper, Max, *The first postage stamps of the Commonwealth of Australia 1901-1912*. (TLQ 769.560994 HOO)

Horsey, N.E., *The Horsey's of Huntington Tier*. (TLQ 929.2 HOR)

Imms, Rev. R. J., *Paterson's Plains Wesleyan Chapel (St. Leonard's Methodist Church) and Launceston Circuit: gathered notes*. (TLP 287.19461 IMM)

Jeremy, Pete, Michael Simco and Peter Broadfield, *Tasmania's west coast on old picture postcards*. (TLP 994.64 JER)

Jerry de Gryse Pty. Ltd., *Cataract Gorge Reserve management plan*. (TLQ 333.780994611 JER)

Killalea, Anne, *The great scourge: the Tasmanian infantile paralysis epidemic 1937-1938*. (TL 616.835 KIL)

Knolle, Wendy K., *Index to news items and obituaries of WWI servicemen and women in the Tasmanian weekly magazines, Volume 1, The Tasmanian Mail*. (TLPQ 929.3 IND)

Knott, Lucy, *From the Emerald Isle to Van Dieman's Land: Thomas Dolan 1818, John Cashman 1829, Hugh Coggins 1818*. (TLPQ 929.2 CAS)

Loring, Chris, *Compelled to tiers: the gripping true account of an escaped convict's survival amidst the wilderness of 19th century Tasmania*. (TL 364.309946 LOR)

*Making a world of difference! WEC Missionary Training College. Celebrating 40 years in 1996*. (TLPQ 266.023946 WEC)

Martin, Maureen, *The descendants of Thomas Moran and Johanna Leary*. (TLPQ 929.2 MOR)

McConnell, Anne and Linda Clark, *Strahan foreshore historic cultural heritage inventory and assessment project*. (TLQ 711.40994644 MCC)

McNeill, David, *Eastern Shore Ramblers: our club - the first twenty years: a personal view*. (TLPQ 796.5109946 MCN)

McQueen, Humphrey, *Tom Roberts*. (TL 759.994 ROB)

Miller, Beverley, *From Montrose to Rosemount: the Anderson family*. (TLQ 929.209945 AND)

Nagle, J.F., *Collins, the courts and the colony*. (TL 994.02 NAG)

Num, Cora, *Family history notebook: How to find Australian shipping and immigration records*. (TLR 929.1072 NUM)

Palmer, Robert and David Byrne, *Getting to know Burnie: city of contrasts*. (TLPQ 919.4636 PAL)

Parkinson, Liz, *The Underwoods: lock, stock and barrel*. (TLQ 929.2 UND)

Pegus, Margaret, *Seasons of faith: a history of the Wesleyan, Methodist and Uniting Church in Yolla, 1896-1996*. (TLP 287.930994637 PEG)

Peter Richman Productions, *Ross: one of the finest 19th century stone villages remaining in Australia, and an example of the way communities can be designed, preserved and developed*. [Video] (TLVC 994.624 ROS)

Phillips, Yvonne, *The Mitcham Bartleys*. (TLPQ 929.2 BAR)

*Port Arthur at a glance 1830-1877*. (TLPE 365.9946 POR)

Rose, Barbara and Deborah Brooks, *Welcome to Richmond, granary of the colony*. (TLP 919.4673 ROS)

*Ross, Tasmania's historic village: information guide*. (TLP 919.4624 ROS)

Ryan, Lyndall, *The Aboriginal Tasmanians*, second edition. (TLR 994.60049915 RYA)

Southgate, D., *The Cornwall Coal Company 1886-1980*. (TLPQ 338.7622334 COR)

Sullivan, Sharon (ed.), *Cultural conservation: towards a national approach*. [Includes Peter Boyer, 'An interpretation of Port Arthur'.] (TL 363.690994 CUL)

Terry, Ian, *Glenorchy heritage study: Stage one - thematic history*. (TLQ 363.690994662 TER)

Thomson, Keith S., *HMS Beagle: the story of Darwin's ship*. (TL 575.0162 BEA)

Tocher, Lyn, *Captain Robert Davison, late of the Posthumous*. (TLP 359.0092 DAV)

Waight, Sarah, *Collinsvale heritage atlas*. (TLE 363.690994662 WAI)

Waight, Sarah, *Glenorchy heritage study: Stage two*. (TLQ 363.690994662 WAI)

Wilson, Gwen, *One grand chain: the history of anaesthesia in Australia 1846-1962. Volume 1: 1846-1934*. (CRO 617.960994 WIL)

Woods, Laurie, *Sherriff: a family history of the Sherriff family originating in Buckinghamshire in 1525*. (TLQ 929.2 SHE)

# DATING FAMILY PHOTOS

Lenore Frost

Burnie Conference Genealogical Society of Tasmania Inc., 15 June 1996

HERE is nothing worse than a collection of old family photographs with no dates and no names on them, as I discovered in my own family. Our ultimate aim is to identify as many of those photos as we can, and in order to do that successfully, it is essential to get a close estimate of the date of the photo. There are four aspects to dating a photo, and it is important to try and take all of them into consideration for each photo, though you will find that often some of those aspects are not available. These four aspects are the type of photo, the photographers' studio, the studio backgrounds and the costumes.

## Type of photo:

a) The *Daguerreotype* first appeared in Europe in 1839 and remained popular until 1859. They have a characteristic silver appearance and need to be held at an angle for the image to be seen properly.

b) *Daguerreotypes* are often confused with the *Tintype* or *Ferrotypes*, which were very cheap to produce and are characteristically black in appearance. *Tintypes* were first made in 1832, but were most popular between 1889 and 1890.

c) *Ambrotypes* were another cheap substitute for the *Daguerreotype*, and were glass negatives with a black backing to give a positive image. They were often mounted in cases similar to the *Daguerreotype*. *Ambrotypes* first appeared in the 1850s, and were most

popular between 1855 and 1865, but might still be made as late as 1880.

d) *Ambrotypes* were superseded by the *Carte-de-visite*, a paper positive mounted on a card 2½" x 4¼", and sepia-toned. They became very popular in England in 1860 after the Royal Family were photographed, and were produced into the 1890s, though they were most popular in the 1860s. *Cartes* from different periods can generally be easily distinguished by closely examining the card. In the 1860s the card had square corners, and was usually of a thick, poorer quality card, or even layers of paper glued together. They show more 'rust' marks than later ones. At the beginning of the 1870s the card was similar to the 1860s, but began to be produced with a printed border around the photo, which was often of coloured ink. The card itself was generally a little thicker, and the printing identifying the studio fancier than that of the earlier decade. By the 1880s the cards were invariably round cornered, sometimes with a round-cornered printed border. Gold leaf might be used around the edge of the card, and could also be used to print the photographer's studio details. The card could be glazed in pastel shades, and sometimes embossed to raise the photographed figure.

e) *Cartes* were replaced by the *cabinet photo*, which satisfied the demand for a larger format photo which could be mounted for a cabinet or wall. They measured 4½" x 6½" and cost about twice

as much as the Carte but eventually replaced them. They were first produced in 1866, but not extensively until 1880, and had ceased by 1905. Coloured mounts indicate a date between 1880 and 1890.

f) *Panels* began to be produced around 1875, and were suited to group photos because of their larger size. They became larger and larger, to almost life-size.

g) *Snapshot* photos became available to a wider public when the first Kodak camera appeared in 1888. The first snapshots were circular.

### **Photographer's Studio**

If the photographer had his mountboards printed with his studio address, you can use this in conjunction with directories and newspapers to establish when the photographer or studio operated at that address. Sometimes the photographer moved around quite a bit, which is helpful to pinpoint the period. Other times he or she might have occupied the same premises for many years. Occasionally very early photographers signed the back of *carte-de-visite* photos. You won't usually find a signature on the back of a Daguerreotype or an ambrotype, so don't risk damage to the photo by taking it out of its frame. A very useful book for Australian photographers is *The Mechanical Eye* by Alan Davies and Peter Stanbury. In this the authors give a very interesting insight into the development of photography in Australia, and also an extensive list of photographers and approximate dates of when they occupied certain addresses. This is by no means complete, but the best place to start. A well-stocked library should have a copy of

this on its shelves. I have a bibliography of other directories of photographers in my book, *Dating Family Photos*, so I won't repeat those at this time, but I have located some others that were not included or which have been published since, which I will mention:

*Early South Australian Photography*, R. J. Noye. Saddleworth, 1968.

*Sources for South Australian History*, Andrew Guy Peake. pp. 170–182 lists early photographers in South Australia.

*Western Australian Photographics 1893–1970*.

*Tasmanian Photographers 1840–1940: a directory*, by Chris Long.

It was not unknown for photographers moving on to another town to sell their plate glass negatives to another photographer in the town, so it is quite possible to find the same photograph with two different mountboards. A large part of photographers' incomes was in producing copies of photos, so it is worth keeping in mind that the photo might not have been originally produced in the studio that appears on the mountboard, and might have been a reproduction of a much earlier picture. A common example would be found amongst panels. Many families had old photos of their pioneering parents taken in the 1850s or 1860s enlarged after panels began to be produced in 1875.

### **Studio Backgrounds**

Studio backgrounds are another means of identifying a particular period. In the 1860s the backgrounds could be very plain, with a table and chair or a drape as props, or else a painted backdrop suggesting the interior of a great house. In the 1870s the background could be similar to the 1860s, but gradually

becoming more sophisticated. It could take a 'classical' form and could include columns, drapes and banisters, or it could be 'rustic' with a rough-hewn bridge, stile or bench in the foreground, and the background painted to simulate the countryside. If chairs were featured, they were often heavily upholstered.

In the 1880s there was more of the 'rustic' look with grasses and branches in the foreground, papier-mache rocks and tree stumps, and rustic benches. Props could include hammocks, with swings, buckets, spades and hoops for children. Backdrops were more romantic and could include trees, ocean or a castle. In the 1890s 'rustic' began to give way to the late Victorian palm tree and cane furniture, with backdrops hinting indistinctly at a conservatory. Children frequently wore sailor suits and could be photographed in prop riggings of ships. This style continued into the new century, but backgrounds steadily faded away in favour of a plain backdrop.

### **Costume**

This is the area that requires the most detailed study, as it is probably astonishing how very much a slave to fashion our ancestors were, including the men. Costume is the area which drove me to write the book in the end, because hours of browsing through fashion plate pictures provided in most books of fashion and comparing them with photos of Mary Ann from Collingwood led me to the discovery that there was a world of difference between high fashion and the factory girl. The general principles were there, but the execution was often quite individual in its effect. You will realise that this is still true today. The dresses that parade down the catwalk in Paris bear

little enough relation to what we wear to the Burnie Conference dinner.

Hairstyles are often a quite good indicator, as long as the person isn't in the older age bracket. Very often men and women retain the hairstyle that they wore in their youth. In a group photo, therefore, it is more instructive to examine the younger people in the photo, as they are the ones most likely to be up-to-date. Whilst it might be difficult for someone to be able to afford new dress, it was more feasible to be able to manage the latest hairstyle.

Women's and men's fashions mirrored each other in ways that perhaps aren't obvious upon first examination. In the 1860s men wore high-buttoned coats with baggy sleeves and baggy trousers. Women wore the same baggy sleeves in their dresses, and skirts obtained their widest circumference with the introduction of the crinoline frame. Men wore beards, and their hair was worn long over the ears. Women's hair was worn in a simple fashion, usually smooth over the head with a central part and drawn back into a chignon on the nape of the neck. Prior to 1865 ears were covered, but after that date ears were visible until 1914.

In 1870 the introduction of the Singer sewing machine enabled women's clothing to become extremely elaborate in decoration, and their hair followed that trend, being elaborately braided, coiled and piled on top of the head, with a tortoiseshell comb being a common accessory. Women's sleeves, like men's, became tighter. Men's clothing in this period had become more tailored in appearance, and more form-fitting.

Beards went out of favour, and long hair and moustaches were usual.

In the 1880s the style for both men and women became much tighter, and hair was worn close to the head. In the case of women this meant hair scraped back into a bun at the back of the head, and men wore very short haircuts and moustaches. Women's bodices and sleeves were very tight, with the bustle much smaller than in the previous decade. Men's coats were cut on the small side, and their trousers were worn tight.

In the 1890s women's clothing took on even more features of men's clothing, with high collars and tailored bodices and skirts, and ties were often worn by women. Clothing was not so tight, and men's suits took on the look of the type of suit we are accustomed to today. The turn of the century saw a change in the restrictive clothing of the past, and clothing and hair became more romantic, favouring soft flattering hairstyles, prettily decorated bodices for the women, and men were clean-shaven and wore coats of a longer length, and rounded shirt collars.

By the beginning of the Great War, hair and clothing styles were considerably less formal, and at this time knitted cardigans and pullovers, sports clothes, and for women, shorter skirts of a straighter, baggy line were worn, and hair dressed very simply, covering the ears again, and worn in a bun at the nape of the neck. ❧

From the *Australian Journal*, 1 April 1898

Mdme. Melba is a collector of old furniture. She seldom passes through any important towns without walking among the shops, with the purpose of finding curiosities in this line. A friend not long ago asked Mdme. Melba if she was not often "taken in" by the dealers, but she replied in the negative. "Not often - no. Two or three times, perhaps; and I have secured many admirable bargains." Rumour says that the lady does not like to take advantage of the ignorance of small shopkeepers, and has more than once insisted on paying more than the price asked for.



They send novel parcels by the postal service in England. A live child, three years old, was recently handed in at the Birmingham post-office for delivery by express post, and under a rule regulating the delivery of live animals, was delivered at its destination at a charge of ninepence. The child belonged to a workingman who had been out of town the day before, and returned just in time to go to his work, but not early enough to take his child to his home in one of the suburbs. Therefore, he walked into the nearest post-office and tendered the youngster as an express parcel.

# THE BURNIE CONFERENCE

About eighty members enjoyed the friendly atmosphere of the state conference held at the Burnie Bowls Club on the weekend of June 15 and 16. Dawn Collins, Vernice Dudman, Doug Forrest and Burnie Branch are to be commended on their organisation.

The Victorian Genealogical State President, Graeme Reynolds, spoke of life on the Victorian goldfields last century. He told of almost half the male population of Tasmania going to the goldfields between 1852 and 1853. Mr Reynolds also spoke at the dinner, enhanced by unexpected candle light. One of his papers will be printed in the December *Tasmanian Ancestry*.

Lenore Frost presented two papers, both included in this issue, so those who did not attend will be able to see what they missed. Other speakers were Jean Sarson on early Queenstown and the West Coast, Sue MacDonald on the Van Diemen's Land Company and its role in the North-West, and Graham Muir on Scottish research.

During the conference, three meritorious awards were presented; one to Pat Harris of Launceston, while the others recognised the work of Joyce O'Shea and her late husband Frank.

Mr Paul Edwards of Devonport was presented with the annual Family History Award for his book titled *Of Yesteryear and Nowadays*, a commercially printed work.



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Graeme Muir, Christine Morris, Sue MacDonald, Lenore Frost, Doug Forrest and Graeme Reynolds pictured at the Burnie Conference.

# The Case of Eliza Davis

Joan Kavanagh

*Tasmanian Ancestry* June 1994 contained an article on the **County Wicklow Heritage Society** in Ireland, and their project which includes research of Wicklow Gaol and consequently convicts transported to New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land between 1796 and 1853. Further to that article is the story of one such Irish convict.

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**E**LIZA Davis' case is one of tragedy, from her beginning in a foundling home in Dublin, to a conclusion yet to come to light. She was indicted for the murder on 24 February 1845 of her male child at Cronulla, Mullinacuff, at the Wicklow Assizes on 8 July 1845. The verdict of the jury was guilty, the sentence, passed by the Chief Justice, John Doherty, was execution. Doherty appointed a distant day (16 August) for the execution in order to afford his excellency (Lord Heysbury, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland) ample time for the consideration of this case.<sup>1</sup>

As we shall see there was much to consider in this particular case. The following details are extracted from the convict reference file on Eliza Davis held in the National Archives unless otherwise stated.

On 12 July Chief Justice Doherty replied to a letter from the Chief Secretary's Office requesting information on Eliza Davis, then under sentence of death in Wicklow Gaol. He regretted to state he could

not discern any mitigating circumstances which would in my opinion warrant me in recommending the prisoner as a proper object of mercy.

Doherty enclosed the notes of the evidence given at the trial for the Lord Lieutenant's 'perusal'. If grounds were discovered for extending mercy to

this unfortunate woman, it would afford me sincere satisfaction, he concluded.

The trial notes contain sworn evidence of five local women, Mary Deegan, Catherine Foley, Eliza Gahan, Eliza [aka] Bess Carr and Margaret Hopkins. Police Constable Francis Culhane and Henry William Morton, surgeon, also gave sworn evidence.

All five women knew the prisoner before the crime was committed. Mary Deegan stated Eliza had lodged with her before Christmas,

was confined there sometime in February and delivered of a male child.

Eliza had informed Mary Deegan she was not a married woman. After the birth she remained in the house for a fortnight. The witness told how she gave clothes to the prisoner for the baby and identified these same clothes, a frock and two caps, when she saw the baby at the inquest on 4 March in Killabeg Barracks. Under cross examination she stated she never heard Eliza call the baby by any name.

Catherine Foley saw the prisoner with a baby about a fortnight old in her arms. She came into a house where the witness was and sat by the fire where they talked for about an hour and a half. The child appeared to be in good health.

Eliza Gahan was asked by the prisoner for a night's lodging, which she granted, on a Monday night. This was the day before the inquest. Eliza stayed until about 12 o'clock the next day. She had no child with her.

The next witness, Bess Carr was an important witness, as we shall see later, in terms of the background to Eliza Davis. Unfortunately, her evidence does not appear to have been brought out at the trial. Bess stated she met Eliza coming out of Eliza Gahan's house and they walked together for a while. The prisoner told her she had a child about a fortnight old, whom she had left with a Mrs Deegan of Baltinglass and was at that time making her way back for him. Bess asked her to go to her father's house to clean up. It seemed at first Eliza was inclined to do so, but said she was afraid of Mrs Deegan if she did not go to collect the child.

The evidence of Margaret Hopkins is undoubtedly very questionable. A fact which a later petitioner on Eliza's behalf, Rev. Solomon Donovan, brought to the attention of the Lord Lieutenant. She claimed that on the evening of Monday 24 February at about six o'clock she saw a woman sitting at the edge of Mrs Ashe's pond, wrapping a cloth around a child. The woman put the child down into the water and it cried at first. She pushed it down two or three times more. The witness claimed she was seven or eight perches from the woman, standing on the road, while the woman was at the far side of the pond. The same woman in question came out and passed the witness, saying nothing. The witness saw this woman at the inquest and identified her as the prisoner Eliza Davis. Under cross-examination she stated she was the mother of several children. At the time of the incident she carried a burden on her back which she claimed prevented her from running down to the pond. Neither did she call out to the woman. With hindsight, she admitted this would have been a wise thing to do.

The scene as described by Margaret Hopkins would appear to be implausible. Could she have conceivably seen Eliza putting a cloth around the baby's head before pushing the baby down into the pond at six o'clock on a winter's evening in February? Evidence from other quarters would later cast considerable doubt on her testimony.

Police Constable Francis Culhane, stationed at Killabeg Barracks, testified he found the body of a child in Mrs Ashe's pond, in Coolkenna on the 3 March with the inquest being held the next day. He found the body by draining the pond.

The surgeon who examined the body, Henry William Morton, stated the child had several injuries on the head but the immediate cause of death was suffocation. It appeared to him the child was previously well cared for. It was a healthy male child.

What prompted the Chief Secretary's Office to request information regarding Eliza Davis from Chief Justice Doherty was a petition, or memorial, on the prisoner's behalf written by the jury. Though compelled by the evidence placed before them to find Eliza Davis guilty, they entreated the Lord Lieutenant to commute the sentence to transportation for life. It appeared to them the child was properly taken care of and Eliza had acted from a sudden impulse. They were also informed by the Sub-Inspector of the district that she was prone to fits. This was the first indication from the details in Eliza's convict reference file that there may have been extenuating circumstances involved in this case.

Rev. Donovan, former incumbent of the parish of Mullinacuff, made a sworn affidavit before W R Farmer, magistrate for County Wexford to the effect that

Eliza Davis was 'subject to fits'. These were of a peculiar kind which

frequently seized her at her work in which she had lain as in a sleep for upwards of twenty-four hours. That she frequently had a bewildering look and remained on these occasions silent when spoken to.

There was no doubt, according to Rev. Donovan, but

that her intellect was impaired.

He claimed that Bess Carr was in the best position to comment on Eliza's condition as she, being a fellow servant with Eliza, had shared a room and a bed in the servant's quarters until the discovery of Eliza's pregnancy. Bess swore to the fact that Eliza was not 'all right in the head'.

Rev. Donovan had known Eliza for four years. While incumbent of Mullinacuff he had lodged in the house of Mr James Twamley, Cronelia. Eliza was apprenticed from The Foundling Hospital in Dublin to Mr Twamley as a servant. He was therefore in a good position to observe Eliza's affliction and to comment on it.

The Minister cast extreme doubt on the evidence of Margaret Hopkins and asserted her allegation she saw Eliza Davis drown her child was

totally undeserving of the least credit, that if she Margaret Hopkins was cognisant of the fact she could not in my opinion have kept it a secret for so long.

He told of Margaret's background which was of poverty; her husband and herself having a large family. Sometime previously she was summoned to Carlow to give evidence in a similar case. She received a sum of money to cover her expenses.

... hope of obtaining a similar or greater sum was in my opinion the motive that induced Margaret Hopkins to volunteer evidence against Eliza Davis

wrote Rev. Donovan. He reported Margaret Hopkins made several statements to the effect that he, Rev. Donovan, advised her to go forward with this evidence and gave her money to cover the expenses of the journey. Rev. Donovan attested these were 'totally false and without foundation'.

The next memorial to Lord Heytsbury was from the Chairman and Commissioners of the Borough of Wicklow. They made enquiries into the case and believed the crime was committed as a

result of a weakness of the mind and deficiency of the intellect.

It is through this memorial that more details of Eliza's life were revealed. It was while a servant in Mr Twamley's that she was seduced by a person in the house. Eliza brought the child back to her place of employment fourteen days after its birth. She offered to support the child if the father would allow her £2 a year. No offer of support was given. This, according to the commissioners

drove her into such a state of desperation as to commit the melancholy deed being seized with one of her fits alluded to by the Rev. Mr. Donovan.

They asserted affidavits collaborating Rev. Donovan's statement were lodged with the Deputy Clerk of the Crown. One made by a policeman showing Margaret Hopkins' evidence could not have been true, the other made by Eliza (Bess) Carr, Eliza's fellow servant. The reason why these facts were not put forward in Eliza's defence they stated, was because her counsel had not been appointed in time to make a case. The jury made a strong recommendation for mercy

but by some fatality it was not given until sentence was passed.

Chief Justice Doherty told the court that

the matter was now out of his hands and it should go to the Lord Lieutenant. The Commissioners concluded their memorial asking for Eliza's sentence of death to be repealed. They reminded the Lord Lieutenant

no execution of a female has occurred in this county for the last ninety-eight years.

The Chairman of the Commissioners, Andrew Nolan, was a doctor and as such acted as local Inspector of Wicklow Goal.

A memorial signed by Henry Pakenham on behalf of the Governors of The Foundling Hospital, Dublin was received at Dublin Castle on 18 July. This stated Eliza Davis was placed as a foundling under their care and reared from infancy in the institution. On 6 November 1840 she was apprenticed as a servant to a farmer in County Wicklow for four years.

It was the norm for inspectors from the Hospital to visit apprentices annually and report on their state and conditions. According to Eliza's reports

her character and conduct were irreproachable until seduced by a fellow servant who well knew her destitute circumstances and who depended upon not being obliged to marry her, he being of the Roman Catholic persuasion and she a Protestant.

The appointment of both counsel and attorney, on the night before the trial, was again brought to the attention of Lord Heytisbury. The Governors felt this situation had hampered the preparations for her case and the procurement of witnesses for her defence.

Eliza Carr's relevant evidence was omitted. Since the trial she had made a sworn statement that Eliza Davis suffered from epilepsy;

she would be during the interval before and after, not right in the head.

Eliza Carr had gone to court determined to state this fact, but as she had never been a witness before,

she was so very nervous and frightened that she did not know when to come forward, not having been called for.

The Governors believed there was every reason to suppose the crime was not one of premeditation but committed whilst the unfortunate girl was labouring under the effects of one of these fits.

A further memorial was written by the concerned gentlemen from Wicklow and its environs. Amongst them were a number of clergymen of both persuasions as well as justice of the peace. The Church of Ireland chaplain of the Gaol, Rev. Robert Porter, signed, as did Dr William Hamilton, medical superintendent of the Gaol. Francis Synge of Glenmore Castle was also a signatory.

This memorial again alludes to the statements made by Rev. Donovan and Eliza Carr which pointed to the prisoner having

exhibited strange inclinations to imbecility or aberration of the mind.

They referred to a report made to the judge that, within one year, nine cases of infanticide occurred in the neighbourhood where Eliza Davis lived. It was also claimed the prisoner had been previously charged with a similar offence. The falsity of this report was proved without any doubt as the police returns show only three infanticide cases occurred in the proceeding two years. Of these three cases, those charged with the offences in two of the incidents were acquitted, while the third was Eliza Davis. These gentlemen were convinced the act was committed due to

a sudden and momentary phrensy

as the evidence given by Mr Morton, surgeon, that the baby was well-cared for, proved

maternal feelings were strong in the heart of the said convict.

The Society of Friends, or Quakers, petitioned on Eliza's behalf, probably as a matter of course.

Their belief that man is not under any circumstances authorised to deprive his fellow man of life

more than likely prompted the Quaker families resident in Wicklow to beseech the Lord Lieutenant to change

her sentence to whatever may appear to thee best from that of death.

Names such as Joseph Pym, senior and junior, Samuel and Henry Greer, Josiah Fayle and Joseph Morton appeared on the petition. Could this last name have any connection with Henry William Morton, surgeon, who testified at the trial? At the time

she committed the melancholy act she was without a friend, refused at the poor house, without a home, without food and afflicted with epilepsy.

This state of affairs they believed warranted a favourable review of her case.

So what did happen to Eliza Davis? This cannot fully be resolved as yet. However her sentence was commuted by the Lord Lieutenant from death to transportation for life. Eliza was removed from Wicklow Gaol 12 August 1845 and committed to the Female Convict Depot at Grangegorman awaiting a ship for the penal colonies of Australia.<sup>2</sup>

It is from the Prison register at this depot additional information regarding Eliza comes to light. The Gaol Register for Wicklow Gaol pre 1846 is no longer extant. The only entry for Eliza in Wicklow Gaol is in the Transportation Register which gives the minimum amount of information; name, age, crime, sentence, and occasionally the transporting ship, though not in Eliza's case.<sup>3</sup> Therefore it is the Grangegorman

register which provides a physical description of Eliza Davis; five feet three inches in height, with dark blue eyes, dark hair and a fair complexion, with no marks on the body. She is listed as being a single, Protestant, servant girl who could read, though not write.

This writer first came across Eliza Davis over three years ago. During most of the time a search for further information on Eliza Davis has proved futile. On checking the list of convict ships setting sail during 1845 and 1846 one ship seemed to stand out; the *Tasmania* bound for Van Diemen's Land, leaving Kingstown (Dun Laoghaire) on 2 September 1845.<sup>4</sup> There was no proof or evidence to confirm this ship as being Eliza's transportation vessel and yet intuition, call it what you will, seemed to intimate this could be the ship.

It was not until the summer of 1993 the *Tasmania* was confirmed as Eliza's ship. Using the Transportation Database compiled by the National Archives (sent to Australia as the Irish contribution to the Bicentenary celebrations), it was possible to conduct a search of the convicts who sailed on the *Tasmania*. Eliza appeared on the ship's indent.<sup>5</sup> It was now possible, knowing the ship and its date of arrival, to begin the search in Tasmania. The ship arrived in Hobart on 4 December 1845.

There were 140 females prisoners on board, with only one fatality recorded during the long voyage.<sup>6</sup>

The Archives Office of Tasmania had no record of an Elizabeth or Eliza Davis disembarking from the ship *Tasmania*. The likelihood Eliza was the one fatality on the journey was now a distinct possibility. However contact with the Public Record Office in London ruled this out. The journal of the medical officer

on board, Mr Jason Lardner, is held there. This document confirmed one prisoner, Ellen Sullivan, died at sea. There was no mention of an Eliza Davis treated by Mr Lardner.<sup>7</sup>

What then became of Eliza Davis? She is recorded as having left Wicklow Gaol for removal to the Female Convict Depot. The name is listed on the *Tasmania's* indent as bound for Hobart. Yet it appears Eliza did not arrive there or perish on route. A number of possibilities suggest themselves. Did she die in Ireland before the ship sailed? Did Eliza's epilepsy prevent her from embarking on the voyage to Tasmania and make it necessary for her to be held back; either to serve time at home or until she was considered fit enough to travel on a later ship?

There are no answers to these questions at the moment; perhaps there never will be. It is possible this is where the story of Eliza Davis ends.<sup>8</sup> A young woman whose life began in a foundling home in Dublin and concluded as it had begun, in relative obscurity, a single figure amongst the multitudes who were exiled from Ireland by the nineteenth century judicial system.

History is full of people whose lives held similar fates and who lived under the same circumstances. Eliza Davis' story provides a brief insight into the lives of such people. Eliza Davis and her child were born into a harsh era. Yet Eliza's story highlights the concern and compassion of the many people who petitioned on her behalf.

And what of the child? A search of baptismal and burial records of Church of Ireland parishes in the district has failed to locate any trace of a baby born February 1845, being baptised.<sup>9</sup> Eliza may not

have had the baby christened as Mary Deegan testified she never heard the child called by name. Neither is there a burial record of a Davis baby after 4 March, the day of the child's inquest. It is most likely the baby had a private burial with no record made of the fact.

Mystery surrounds the whereabouts of both mother and child; the location of the child's final resting place will probably never be known. The fate of Eliza Davis, on the other hand, is to be continued ...

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<sup>1</sup> Convict Reference File (CRF) 1845 D18 National Archives, Dublin. (N.A.)

<sup>2</sup> Register of Female Convicts in Grange-gorman. Ref. Prisons 1/9/40 N.A.

<sup>3</sup> Transportation Register 6. Ref. P361 N.A.

<sup>4</sup> Bateson, Charles. *The Convict Ships 1787-1868* pp 368-369

<sup>5</sup> CRF 1845 M29 N.A. Mr Lardner had examined all the women prior to sailing and certified them as being fit for embarkation with the exception of six women whom he names. Eliza Davis is not amongst them.

<sup>6</sup> Bateson, Charles. As note 4. p. 393

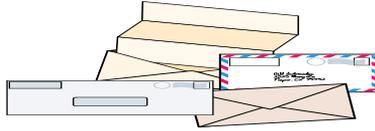
<sup>7</sup> Public Record Office, London Ref. Adm 101 71/2

<sup>8</sup> Eliza's age is given as being 22 in both the Wicklow Gaol Transportation Register and the Grange-gorman Female Convict Depot. This figure is also given in the memorial written by the concerned gentlemen of Wicklow town and its locality. The Governors of The Foundling Hospital, however, refer to her as being nineteen years of age.

<sup>9</sup> Church of Ireland Parishes checked: Carnew, Crosspatrick, Kilcommon, Kilpip, Mullinacuff, Rathdrum, Shillelagh and Aghowle. ☞

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## Dear ...



“Sydney, New South Wales,  
“March 5th., 1854.

“Dear father and mother, sisters and brothers,—We left Moretown Bay on the 25th February, and arrived at Sydney on the 28th, after a very pleasant passage. We were all, however, very sick owing to the steamboat being so full of passengers. Sydney is a splendid place. It has many stone buildings, and resembles the towns in England. We would have been £60 better if we had not stopped at Moretown, but we are now comfortable and in good health. I worked three days for which I received £3 10s, so that you will see I have made a good change for the better. I have £7 10s a-week, and we can live for about 30s a week besides pay 10s a week for a room. Jane says we do not live here as at home, for we now have steaks for breakfast every morning. With respect to fruit we went to the market last night and obtained three pounds of grapes for one shilling. Peaches are from 2d to 6d a dozen; they are very large. Pears and apples here are twice the size they are at home. Good bread is 8d the 2lb loaf. Clothing is about the same as at home. Jane has been to the oven with a joint of veal for our dinner, and we do wish that some of you were here to enjoy it along with us. There is plenty of room for you all. Jonathan and Bell have a room near to us, and he goes to work in the morning for 18s a-day—that is £5 8s a-week. We intend to stop here as long as the wages are up. At Melbourne the wages are 35s a-day. I have had a letter from Nichol Gray, and he wanted me to go to Geelong, as there is plenty of work there for masons

at 35s a-day. You must tell Ralph Pattison that if he were to come out here he would get in one day what he works a week for now. But I do not say this in the way of enticing any of you to come, in case you might reflect afterwards, but merely to inform you of the true state of things, so that you can please yourself whether you come or not. The wages for miners are 14s a ton. This would suit William Finlay and Thomas Courley well. Let them try the commissioners for a passage out. William James might try to get out here by paying his family’s passage and working his own. You can tell John Richardson that there is not a ropery out here, but there are plenty of jobs that would suit him. You should try to get out. You need not bring many clothes, for we had far too many. You also need not mind much money; if you just have a few pounds to land with that is quite sufficient, for you will soon get work. Jane and I had a walk the other night to see the gold in the shop windows, for there is plenty of it here. The diggings still keep good, for I saw the government escort come in with large quantities of gold. Give our love to all friends, and believe me to be,

Yours faithfully,

RIPPON SHIELD.”

*[Have you an interesting letter?. This one was to Mr Robert Hiddlestone of South Shields, England, by his son-in-law. Most of the people mentioned also emigrated to Australia.]*

# What's a Congress?

Cynthia O'Neill

‘COMING to the Congress in New Zealand?’ I asked. ‘What’s a Congress?’ she countered. Good question. As a relative newcomer to genealogy, I flew to Brisbane in 1994 for the 7th Australasian Congress on Genealogy and Family History held in the University, and enjoyed the experience immensely.

Accommodation was arranged in the students’ colleges of residence, which was slightly reminiscent of boarding school, but with vastly better cuisine, and the chance to share a toaster with English nobility and chat with people from almost everywhere.

A stroll across the ground led to joining two thousand others for four concentrated days of one-hour lectures and discussions, a broad menu from which to select topics of interest to everyone.

I learnt much about researching in Scotland, computer programs for genealogy, little-known resources and many other subjects relevant to my interests.

Most memorable were the lectures by Dr. Kevin Whelan of Dublin, who compacted an illustrated historical overview of Ireland with infectious enthusiasm and humour and a speed that left one breathless. He alone will be worth going to New Zealand to hear.

In addition to the lectures, there were many displays of books, maps and other resources. It was there that I discovered a demonstration computer set up with

Ancestral File. My great grandfather accidentally and inconsiderately departed this world with a dour ‘Native Place: Scotland’ on his Death Certificate. Suddenly, *there he was*, all his siblings, his parents and grandparents! My excitement gave way to a slightly foolish feeling upon learning that our local LDS had the same information at home.

The whole Congress was well-organised, informative and friendly, and people never stopped talking! My disappointment at its conclusion was offset by my choice from several post-Congress tours.

Twenty-one of us, including the Harrises and Knights from Devonport enjoyed a six-day tour to Longreach, studded with stop-offs of interest to historians. Our driver learnt to ignore shouts of ‘There’s another cemetery!’ Of great delight was the discovery one day by a Western Australian and a New Zealander that both their ancestors had been prostitutes arriving in Australia on the same ship.

So, what’s a Congress? For me it was a very special bunch of memories; discovery, learning about methods and resources for research, exchanging information and the chance to make many new friends with a common interest.

Having already visited beautiful Christchurch, I would commend it to everyone as the venue for the 8th Australasian Congress to be held in February 1997.

Coming to the Congress in New Zealand?

# Sources for Tasmanians in World War I

Maree Ring

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- *Index to Photographs of WWI Servicemen and Women in the Tasmanian Weekly Magazines: Vol. 1 The Weekly Courier; Vol. 2 The Tasmanian Mail and Index to Items and Obituaries of WWI Servicemen and Women in the Tasmanian Weekly Magazines, Vol. 1 The Tasmanian Mail*, all by Wendy K Knolle. The last volume includes some marriages outside Tasmania!
- Australian Archives (AA) Tasmania, is situated on the Bellerive roundabout; car access from Bligh Street. Postal address is 4 Rosny Hill Road, Rosny Park Tasmania 7018; ☎ (03) 6244 0111; fax (03) 6244 6834; E-mail [reftas@aa.gov.au](mailto:reftas@aa.gov.au)) The following have been published and are available at the Genealogical Society of Tasmania Inc. Hobart branch library, or on request from AA:
  1. Booklet *Records Guide: Defence Services*
  2. Fact Sheet 1: *Military Records in the Tasmanian Office*.
  3. Leaflet *Australian Archives: Australian Service Records from World War I* which includes
    - an application form and appropriate addresses for purchasing copies of records (currently fifteen per dossier—monies will be returned if file not found—only detailed medical information is withheld from release)
    - medal entitlements

The following list of names was ‘discovered’ at the Australian Archives on a recent visit. Many thanks to Bob and Nancy Emirali who transcribed them and the Australian Archives for permission to publish.

# HONOUR ROLL

## Tasmanian Government Railways 1914-1918 War

*ADDISON B W	CHILCOTT A	GRAHAM W
*ALBURY T	CHILCOTT C D	GREEN H E
ALLENDER T E	CHIVERS R	*HALES W E O
ALMOND A A	CLARK A E	HAMER J
ANDERSON B	COLBECK F A	HANCOCK T M
ASHWOOD J	COMMANE A	HARRIS G
BAKER G	COMMANE H	HERON A T
BAKER P H	*COOMBE M J	HICKEY J J
BANTOFT R G	COSGROVE P	HICKS E J
*BARNARD E J	CUTE T	HILL G
BARNES T V	*DART C S	HILL R M
BATCHELOR W M	*DAVERN J	HILL T
BATTEN H	DAVIDSON W	HILLS J H
BELLETT S J	DAVIS C W	HIRST J H
BENNETT J W	DAVIS O	HORNSBY W
*BETTS W	DAWES S	HOSKING J
BIDELPH D T	DELANEY B	HUNT A H
BLACKBURN H	DERRICK J S	JAMES W
BLAKENY C A	DOWNS E	*JEFFS E A
BOWDEN H L	DREWETT W	JOHNSON F E
BOWLEY E	EALLES A J	JOHNSON G
*BONSER A	EDWARDS H V	JONES A
BOYD J H	*ELEY G F	JONES A H
BREWER H	EVANS A	*JONES C L
*BRIGGS H C	FILBY S	JONES D J
*BRIGGS J	*FINLAYSON J M	JONES F W
BROADBY S R	FLEMING J G	JONES H P
BROOKS A	FORD T M	*JONES L R
*BROWN C	FORSTER J G	JONES W T
BURGE F	FREIBOTH A W	JOYCE R K
BURNS J A	GARDINER J W	KEARNEY J W
BUTTERWORTH D	GATTY L	KEPLER E H
*BUTTON J	GERRARD G	KING A B
CAIRNS R	GILL L A	LAIRD T G
*CAMPBELL A	GILLETTE W	LAY C E
CANE J	GONINION E F	LEE E
*CANNON J	GORDON C	*LEE C J
*CARN S J	*GORDON L C	*LEWIS A H
CARN T J	GOSS A	*LEWIS R N
*CARTER J E	*GOSS A R	LYDEN A
CASHION J V A	GOSS C S	*LYNCH H
*CHAPMAN J	GRACE E A	McCALLUM C

McCAMBRIDGE R	PARSONS J R C	STRINGER E A
McDONALD M	*PETRIE D J	*SWEENEY W J
*McDOUGALL J	POWELL L	TAYLOR W G
McLAGAN E M	PURCELL J	TAYLOR W P
McPHILLIPS H	*PYBUS R K	TEESDALE J
*McRAE A	RADIN J E	*TERRY E T
McVILLEY O R	RANKIN J	*THOMAS G H
MARSHALL B	RICHARDS H J	THOMAS N L
MARHALL D	ROBERTS A A	THOMPSON C
MARSHALL L	ROBERTS G S	THOMPSON C R
MARTIN C	ROBINSON R J	TRAVERS C
MARTIN M	*ROCK H	TRIBOLET L N
MATTHEWS E J	RUSSELL C P	TUTTLE J T
*MARVELL W C	RYAN P J	TYLER C P
MEIKLE W	SALTER E H	VAUGHAN P
MENNITZ W F	SCOTT A J	WADLEY C G
MILLER J A	SCOTT S	WADE A B
MITCHELL C C	SHEARING E	WALLACE G
MITCHELL S J	SHEEN E J	WARD U A
MONAGHAN J W	SIMMONS N W	WARREN G J
MOORE C C E	SMITH A H	WATERS J E
MORLEY W	SMITH C R	*WASHINGTON A
MORLING P	SMITH E W	WATSON V J
*MORRISBY P	SMITH G C	*WEBSTER T L
MORTON T A	SMITH H J	WELSH P N
MURRAY A H	SMITH V J	WHELAN J
NICHOLS R H	SMITH W J	WHITE G D
NOLAN J	SPEERS E J	WILKINS L
NUTTING J R	STANDALOFT R G	WILLIAMS F J
O'LEARY W J	*STEPHENS H S	*WISE J C
PARKIN G	*STEPHENS J F	WITTON C R
PARSONS A J	STEPHENS M	*WOOLNOUGH J P
PARSONS A J	STEPHENS R J	*WRIGHT G P

This Honour Roll in the Australian Archives, Hobart, is for enlisted employees of The Tasmanian Government Railways/Transport Commission, Tasmania, Railway Branch. Measuring approximately two metres by two metres, it is constructed of dark-stained wood with lettering in light gold paint. The names are listed on four arch shaped panels. The two outside panels are hinged. Heading the middle panels is the wording 'Tasmanian Government Railway Members of Staff who enlisted for active service in the Great War 1914–1918'. There are a number of honour rolls known to exist, particularly on the Railways Institute building in Launceston. The rolls in Launceston consist, amongst others, of members of some of the sporting clubs organised by railway social clubs. In Hobart there were rolls displayed at the Hobart Passenger Station. [Reference: AATas CRS P2145]

The names are sorted alphabetically although the original listing is by 'order of enlistment'. Most of the names marked with an asterisk appear in the O'Shea *Index to 'The Mercury' Deaths 1911–1920* as 'Killed in Action'.

# Searching for Mary Ann

Lenore Frost

Burnie Conference Genealogical Society of Tasmania Inc., 15 June 1996

**M**Y aim in writing a reference book relating to women only was to encourage all researchers, myself included, to add *density* to their information about their women ancestors. When the time arrives to write the family history, women often remain shadowy figures who are mentioned only in reference to the registration of vital records—their birth, their marriage, the births of their children, their death. It is a fortunate descendant indeed who is left with written family documents, and often family legend is the only other source of information available about one's women ancestors. To enable us to draw a more rounded picture of our female ancestors, we need to broaden our ideas on where and how to look for records. We have been fortunate indeed since the Bicentenary that there is considerably more interest in family history, and this has led to more interest in indexing some very interesting documents in our archives—and Tasmania has been well-served by such indexers as Joyce Purtscher, Irene Schaffer, Thelma McKay and Phillip Tardiff. The indexes produced, though, represent the tip of the iceberg in terms of what is available, so we've got to be prepared to go out and dig for it.

## Women and Work

There is a general impression abroad that working girls retired from paid employment once they were married. This would certainly be the case if they married to a man engaged in agricultural pursuits. She probably did not give up working, but she probably was not paid! In 1910 a survey was undertaken in England by the Women's Industrial Council, published as *Married Women's Work*, (it was published much later, and you can still find copies in the libraries). The survey looked particularly at why married women worked, and the answers should make us think carefully about what was happening in our own ancestors' households. The answers fell into some broad categories. The majority worked because their husband's income was not adequate to house and feed their family. Some husbands were ill or injured and unable to work. Some husbands were in a line of employment which was either seasonal or intermittent, so that income was not regular. This could include wharf labourers, who had to wait for a ship that needed loading. It could include factory workers who had slack seasons - many factories laid workers off in winter. Some husbands may have been on strike, or the victim of a lockout. Some of the husbands drank or gambled the major proportion of their wage, some husbands abandoned their families. Some women were widowed. This made for a large number of women who simply **had** to work.

Women's occupations might be found recorded in rate books, electoral rolls, hospital records.

## **Women's organisations**

The late nineteenth century was a period in which the populace was rapidly expanding its interest in affairs outside the home, with strong interest in science, pseudo-science, philosophy, religion, social improvement, sport and other leisure activities. Societies and clubs mushroomed in every town and suburb. The records of these organisations are amongst the great untapped sources of the nineteenth century, and might remain so until someone gets the urge to do some indexing. If you think that your female ancestor was involved in any organisation, it would be worth having a look for records relating to that organisation. Check *Women in Australia: an annotated guide to records* for the location of records of Women's organisations. One of the really big movements involving women in the last century was the Temperance Movement, and branches of various organisations sprang up everywhere, such as the Women's Christian Temperance Union, the Independent Order of Rechabites, Band of Hope, and so on. In my local historical society I learnt they held records of the local branch of the Rechabites, and the information recorded in the membership roll included age, date of birth, place of birth, occupation, address, by whom recommended. Many women were members.

Honour Rolls are another useful source of information. After having had a look at the Rechabites Membership Roll in our Historical Society, I had a look at the honour boards which were there, and noticed that a number of 'Sisters' have been office bearers. This drew me on to examine all the other honour boards held by the Museum, and I found another for the ancient Order of Foresters in which the women evidently had their own branch and their own honour boards. Since I have undertaken to record the honour boards in my district, I have found that women often appear on them. I noticed an article by Graeme Davis in the March 1996 issue of *Tasmanian Ancestry* urging people to record data on honour rolls. I have been recommending it for a while in Melbourne, and a group have taken up the challenge and are inviting people to submit honour rolls from their area for a state-wide index.

## **Local history**

There were many local organisations in which women were active, so have a close look at the holdings of local history societies, local libraries and local newspapers for mention of your ancestors. Local newspapers are full of the doings of local groups, and you should consider groups associated with churches, schools and the great variety of cultural groups that appeared in the 1890s. Discussion groups, reading groups, horticultural societies, suffrage societies, benevolent societies are all the sorts of groups where you might expect to find some female members of your

family. You should make enquiries to the local library as to whether the local newspaper has any indexes prepared to make the task easier.

## **Women and the Law**

While there has been a great amount of research in recent years on convict women, not a lot is known about courtroom appearances of ordinary women. Browsing through court records it is immediately apparent that women of the nineteenth century—perhaps more so working women—were far more familiar with their local court than we are today. Last century women who were not paid their wages had to take their employer to court. Landladies took defaulting boarders to court for payment, and shopkeepers took people who did not pay for goods received to court. There was a lot of disputation with neighbours, and husband and wife-bashing was another fruitful source of complaints, though the parties involved did not always turn up in court. It is worth a browse through your local court records to see if any of your ancestors made a court appearance. Maintenance cases were frequent, and you may be able to learn the father of an illegitimate offspring by this means.

## **Relatives in the colony**

Always keep in mind that it was not for nothing that we studied ‘chain migration’ in Australian history at school, and consider that it is more likely that our ancestors had relatives in the colony, whether brothers and sisters or cousins, aunts and uncles, nephews and nieces. If you are struggling to make that connection back to the place of origin, you might need to do a sideways search through a close relative for some clues.

## **Women in distress**

In the absence of any form of government support for unemployed or otherwise distressed families, societies of all kinds were formed to relieve suffering. Many recent migrants might have no friends or family to apply to for assistance, and in the event of a crisis were obliged to approach benevolent or charitable organisations. Records can still exist for these societies, though you might have quite a bit of research to locate them. There are some indexes for orphanages becoming available, but another fruitful source might be the State Library where you might expect to find annual reports of organisations lodged. These organisations had no sense of owing confidentiality to their clients, and you will find lists of names of people or children being assisted.



### **SPEAKING TOUR by PROMINENT ENGLISH GENEALOGIST**

Gwen Kingsley, will speak at Kings Meadows High School, Launceston, Tuesday, 24 September 1996. Two sessions: **Unusual English Records** 4.30–6.00 p.m. followed by a Soup & Sandwich tea, and **Census Records** at 7.30 p.m.

Cost \$5.00 per person for both or either session. Tea \$2.00 donation.

Contact your GST Inc. branch secretary for more information.

# The *Lady Nelson* Returns

Irene Schaffer



The *Lady Nelson*

Photo: Irene Schaffer

**J**UNE 29 was a very special day for many people in Tasmania. It was the day the *Lady Nelson* returned to our waters. What a wonderful sight as she made her way, under full sail, up the Derwent to the waiting crowd who had gathered to welcome her back.

She was brought back from Victoria by Bern Cuthbertson and his volunteer crew in a very bad condition, but is still the sound little vessel that was built here in 1988.

She battled bad weather in Bass Strait but came through with flying colours, as did the original *Lady Nelson* when she

made the first voyage through Bass Strait from west to east in March 1800.

The *Lady Nelson* will be available for charter by groups who wish to see Hobart and other places from her decks. She will continue to be a sail training venture as well as conducting short trips on the Derwent River.

The *Lady Nelson* needs support in her quest to regain her rightful place in Tasmanian history. Membership of the association is available to children, students, individuals and families etc.

For further information, please contact Mr K Milbourne PO Box 1587 Hobart Tasmania 7001 ☎ (03) 6272 2823 or fax (03) 6223 5959.

## Goods available in a Druggist store Hobart Town 1825

MR. WILLIAM WISE begs to acquaint the Inhabitants of Hobart Town, and the Colony in general, that he intends to commence his Business as a DRUGGIST, next door to Mr. HONE'S, opposite the Church. Mr. W. has just imported the following Goods, and the Public may rely on having a constant Supply of the best assorted Articles in his way:-

Acid muratic	Cow itch	Litharge	Paregoric elixir
nitrous	Cream of tartar	Logwood	Pearl barley
sulphuric	Dragon's blood	Lozenges of	Peruvian bark
Alcohol	Eau de luce	acid rose	Plaster blister
Aloes	Extract catechu	cinnamon	galbanum
Alum	bark	ginger	mercurial
Antimony	colocynth	heartburn	soap
Antimonial wine	Epsom salts	lavender	diachylon,
Arrow root	Essence of musk	lemon	white
Arnatto	bergamott	paregoric	brown
Aqua fortis	lemons	paterosa	Pomegranite shell
Balsam copaiva	Flour of brimstone	peppermint	Precipitate, red
Basilicon	Friars balsam	Magnesia, white	white
Bees' wax	Gamboge	calcined	Prepared chalk
Black pepper	Glauber salts	Manna	Pill cocia
Blue vitriol	Goulard's extract	Mercurial ointment	squills
stone	ointment	Muriate ammonia	aloes,
Bole armeniac	Gum arabic	Nitre	with myrrh
Borax	assafœtida	Nut galls	with
Burgandy pitch	copal	Nux vomica	colocynth
Calomel	dragon	Oil of linseed	Powdered diapente
Camomile flowers	guaiacum	aniseed	aniseed
Camphor	mastic	castor	dragons'
Camphor linament	rino	cinnamon	blood
Cantharides	Hartshorn shavings	cloves	fœnugreek
Carbonate soda	India pink	juniper	foxglove
potash	Ivory black	lavender	galls
Caustic	Juniper berries	olive	guaiacum
Cheltenham salts	Lamp black	palm	gum arabic
Cinnamon	Lapis calaminaris	pennyroyal	hellebore
Cochineal	Lavender water	peppermint	ipecacuanha
Copperas	Leeches	turpentine	jalap
Corrosive	Linseed meal	Opodeldoc	myrrh
sublimate	Lint	Otto roses	opium

Peruvian bark	Senna	opium	senna
rhubarb	Soap liniment	rhubarb	Cold cream
scammony	Spanish flies	Spanish flies	Caraway comfits
Spanish flies	Spanish	steel	Pomatum
squills	licquorice	valerian	Treacle
turmeric	Spermaceti	Turmeric	Essence of
Refined liquorice	ointment	Turpentine	anchovies
Rochelle salt	Spirits of	Turner's cerate	Harvey's sauce
Root sarsaparilla	hartshorn	Venice treacle	Italian sauce
alkanet	lavender, red	turpentine	Hair powder,
gentian	salt	Vermillion	plain
jalap	sal volatile	Vitriol	Ditto, scented
mezereon	Spirits of wine	white	Smelling bottles
pellit. Spain	Stone brimstone	Volatile salts	Tooth and shaving
rhubarb	Sugar of lead	Waters of rose	brushes
sassafras	Sulphuric æther	aniseed	Tamarinds
snake	Syringes	cinnamon	Soda Water
valerian	Sulphur, vivum	pennyroyal	Ginger Beer
Rose pink	sublimed	peppermint	improved
Rosin	crude	Spices, nutmegs	Spruce Beer from
Saffron	Sweet spirits of	allspice	the true essence of
Sal ammoniac	nitre	cinnamon	spruce
Sago	Tartar emetic	cloves	Common snuff
Saltpetre	Tincture, myrrh	ginger	A Variety of
Salt tartar	assafoetida	mace	scented and fancy
Seeds, cardomon	bark	pepper	snuffs
aniseed	benjamin	Mustard	A great Variety of
caraway	digitalis	Barley sugar	fancy and highly
coriander	foxglove	Conf. hips	scented soaps
linseed	gentian	roses	

N.B.—The highest Prices given for Draught and other Phials.

☞ Horse and Cattle Medicine prepared from White, Tapley, and other Veterinary Publications.

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*[This list transcribed from the 'Hobart Town Gazette', 6 August 1825, may help decipher a Surgeon's report of the time, give you an idea of what your ancestors were treated with, or kept in the cupboard to cure their ills.]*

# Lost, Stolen or Strayed ...

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## Was My Father an Alien?

I was gazing out my kitchen window when painful memories came flooding in. Who was my dad? The not knowing who I am has plagued me for many years. Do I belong to the human race, or was my father an alien?

I was about seven years old in 1945 when he went to work as a clerk with the Hydro-Electric Commission at Butler's Gorge in Tasmania. He left after just two days—disappeared altogether without even saying goodbye to us.

My mother was left with four children in a picker's hut on my grandparents' farm. That was a painful experience. We were all hungry, in need of clothing and all the other things a family needs. At the same time we missed our father, his love for us and the warmth of his presence. I, as the eldest, had the responsibility of looking after the other three children. My aunty Marie, with three children of her own, took us all from the hut to live with her in my grandparent's main house.

After a time of continual struggle, my mum gave in and I was thirteen when we three eldest kids were put into a Catholic Convent. My brother escaped after about a year and somehow found enough work for his own survival. My sister went back to live with mum after eighteen months or so. I escaped when I was nearly twenty-one years old.

I had been making plans for about three weeks and the morning of my escape was

rather exciting, but also frightening. The only door in the convent which was never locked was that of the Chapel. One day, when I knew I was due to clean that area, I donned two sets of clothing, socks and all, and over it I wore my usual apron. When the time was right, off came the apron and I was out the door, running like a wild deer. I could hear bells ringing telling me I'd been spotted. Then I heard an old nun screaming, 'Absconder! Absconder! Get her! Get her!' But I was too fast.

I followed the beach for a while, then hitched a ride to Launceston. On 18 May 1959 I caught a plane to Melbourne where I began my search for my father, Edward Keith Jackson. I kept coming up against brick walls and have never been able to find his birthplace. Even information given at his marriage to my mother was incorrect. He told us once he was born in England, but even there our search proved fruitless.

Was my father an alien? Did a space ship from some far distant galaxy land and set him down to spend a short time on earth - then pick him up again when he left the Hydro-Electric Commission and his family in Tasmania in 1945?

Perhaps not, because late last year I found he died in Melbourne in July 1959 and is buried in a cemetery there.

Still mystery surrounds him. Information on his death certificate gives the name

Edward Keith Jackson, but his burial record gives him a different christian name, Ernest Keith Jackson. Yet officials have told us these names do in fact belong to the same person.

Is there anyone who can tell me where my father went in 1945 and where he lived until his death in 1959? Do I have any other siblings?

*In May 1995 Patricia wrote to the Hobart Branch seeking help and guidance to find what became of her father; last known record in 1947. Whilst not being able to provide the answer, guidance and encouragement were given. The above article was received May 1996. If anyone can help Patricia, correspondence should be addressed to Denise McNeice at GST Inc. Hobart Branch.*

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## ... and Found

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Judith Kinnison Bourke has written from England with information discovered in a new *Index to Soldiers Documents* WO97, 1760 - 1854 on the open shelves at the PRO. One of her relatives, an English army private, took his pension and came to Tasmania in 1839.

He was **Joseph Ford**, born 1796 in East Hoathly, East Sussex, to Thomas Ford and Abigail Croft. Joseph joined the 63rd Regiment of Foot in 1813, spent some time in the 21st Regiment of Foot and left the army from the 51st Regiment of Foot, taking his pension on the grounds of ill health. He travelled to Tasmania on the *Venus*. His wife Roseanna died 1870.

On 10 May 1865 Joseph was admitted to Brickfields Hospital as a free pauper suffering from Epilepsy and died 1871.

Public Record Office WO97/647

*Judith, a member of AGRA, has included a tree showing her relationship. Her address is Rose Cottage, Chapel Row, Herstmonceaux, Hailsham, East Sussex BN27 1RB England.*

Mrs Jan Cunningham of New Zealand has a photograph of the grave of **Frederick Dixey** who died aged 36 in Gisborne, New Zealand 27 February 1907. He was Tasmanian. If anyone researching this family would like a photo please write to her at:

*111 Sunnynook Road, Sunnynook, Auckland New Zealand.*

Peter G McKay writes that an up-date of the book, **Nathaniel and Olivia - The Lucas Story** is being planned. The original version was published about ten years ago and many new descendants have been located. A great number settled in Tasmania, and any descendants, or those believing they may be, please contact Peter.

Surnames that could indicate a likely descent are **Hodgetts, Williams, Cox, Goodin, Griffiths, Reading, Anderton, King, Hortle, Keating, Saltmarsh and Brumby.**

*PO Box 645 Geelong Victoria 3220. Telephone (052) 78 7403.*

# To Search or Not to Search

Julie Stocks

**F**INDING out about your relations is both absorbing and stimulating!' So went the conversation with my friend who is hooked on his own investigations. I decided I would not take years to search my family tree as I am definitely a lady who achieves most tasks promptly.

Joining the Genealogical Society and going to meetings every third Tuesday found me in a world of people using all these abbreviations, St Catherine's Index and the like, making me feel out of my depth. A visit to the old Bellerive Post Office with my friend found another area of confusion and I stuck close behind him in the almost *church come public library* atmosphere. A visit by myself made me realise that I would need to take up considerably more of the volunteers' time than I felt I should, although, I hasten to add, this was my opinion and not their attitude. My enthusiasm by this time was not very high, especially after a visit to the LDS when I realised I would need a computer as well as a brain.

Well, perhaps I don't know the rules, where to look in the Society's library at Bellerive, or how to work the computers at the LDS, but I do have a real live mother living in the UK. Although eighty, her nimble mind still working at cryptic crosswords would be my salvation! Four weeks after posting my eight page letter of mostly questions, I still had no answer. This seemed strange as I know her to be an excellent letter writer who never fails to answer promptly. I felt sure the postman was convinced I was trying to

strike up a relationship as I flew down the path each day at the sound of his motorbike.

Finally, after eight weeks, an airmail arrived from my younger sister saying my mother was opposed to digging into the history of dead relations. She assured me she would do all she could to help in the matter but mum was very touchy on the subject. Six weeks later a large brown envelope arrived from the UK containing photocopies of a marriage certificate, two birth certificates and the death certificate of my great grandfather on dad's side. There was also a letter with little snippets of info that I never knew. I immediately rang my genealogical helper and gushed out the contents of my post. I was so excited I felt I had won a prize in Tattsлото.

Perhaps it was the greyness of the sky, or the drizzle in the air, but as I sat with a cup of tea, the answering machine on and re-read the letter, I was overcome with a feeling of sadness and a sense of, 'Why do we all struggle and worry over unpaid accounts, corrupt business men, wood-chipping quotas etc etc?' There in my lap was part of the lives of people I should have known so much more of when they were alive. They were my grandparents and I had lived only a few miles away.

I cried as I read of Alice dying aged two, (we had noticed she was on one census and not the next). How that must have affected everyone and no grief counselling in those days. Perhaps just a suggestion of, 'Have another and replace the lost one'. The same grandma lost a brother in

the First World War at Salonika in Greece. On the same side, great grandad made the daughter of the big house pregnant. Her parents threw her out and disowned her. She died aged thirty, probably from the grief of losing a family dear to her and because she was not used to hard work without servants.

The sadness that arose from the fact that all I had were pieces of paper with a letter telling little bits of their lives and no-one knew of their real hopes and fears, made my life seem so fragile. Reassessing my own life a few hours later I found that I

was no longer hell bent on completing the family tree in a short period. I will go out and enjoy my life more and worry less over trifles. I cannot spend time with my grandparents but I will keep in touch with my family more.

As a result of being introduced to genealogy I have been encouraged to become part of a project run by the Council on the Ageing which will help the aged in my own community. Perhaps others felt this way when they commenced searching, who knows? ∞

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## HINTS TO YOUNG CYCLISTS

Don't try to catch the handlebars with your teeth.

Don't look round to see if the hind wheel is following.

Don't be surprised if the front wheel shows a disposition to turn into a yard, and lie down for a rest.

Always fall on your right shoulder, and do not let your ear strike the ground till a few seconds later.

When you lose a pedal don't get off and go back to look for it. It's right there on the machine, and if you feel around long enough, you'll find it again.

Should you find a runaway horse on your trail, keep close to the kerb until he has passed. Then make a spurt and seize him by the tail, and put on the break.

Never kill a pedestrian when it can be avoided, but when you do kill one, dismount, and say you are sorry.

From the *Australian Journal*, 1 April 1898

## Matrimony

**W**ANTED, by a Gentleman, a Wife; she must possess affable manners, an agreeable person, and a temper as good as may be; money not so much an object as economical habits; accomplishments would be desirable but are not a great object. The Advertiser would prefer a lady not much given to talking. This would form a desirable opportunity for a lady not long arrived in the Colony, the advertiser having a great objection to colonial habits and manners. The gentleman is a young man of genteel manners, good temper, well educated, and of good exterior.

Any communication respecting this advertisement addressed to A.Z. (post-paid,) at this office, will meet with immediate attention, and the strictest secrecy observed.

N.B.—No widow need apply.

\* \* \* To prevent unnecessary application, *thick legs and large feet* are a decided objection.

October 21, 1831.

**Colonial Times 1831**

# Three Little Maids from Devon Schools

## Part 2 - Thelma Grunnell

FOR me 17 June 1996 was a *Red Letter Day!*

In the post we received *The Cornwall Family History Society Journal*, a video of Plymouth Argyle football team playing at Wembley (John couldn't get this in the video set fast enough) and best of all, a letter from my Cornish cousin enclosing three family obituaries. These were taken from the *Cornish and Devon Post*, copies of which are held in the Redruth Public Library. Like most family information received well after the death of older relatives, the cuttings solved some queries, but posed several others for which I shall have to delve into St Catherine's House records.

The obituary relevant to an article in the March 1995 edition of *Tasmanian Ancestry* was for my aunt Laura Louisa Phillips Ball. It gives details of her teaching career which were previously unknown.

The college at Exeter was given as the Albert Memorial Training College (now I believe called St Loyes). Louisa then taught at the Okehampton Girls School and afterwards became the headmistress at the Whitchurch Council School from which she retired due to ill health eighteen months before her death.

The article also states she was a Sunday school teacher and a member of the 'Hope of the Future Tent' of the Rechabites (Temperance Society) College. In another aspect of her

career, Louisa was an officer in the Exeter company of the Girls Guides (picture opposite former article).

Many family and village names appear, bringing memories of my own school days as they are the names of the parents and grandparents of my own school companions.

So if you haven't consulted the pages of your families' local newspaper you may be missing out on a great source of information. The British Newspaper Library at Colindale, London, holds many early series of British newspapers. A book published by the FFHS lists other places in which these are deposited, the time period for which the paper ran and if still being published. A copy of this is held in the Launceston Branch Library. ☘

On Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Horatio Nelson, of the Lenton Troupe, performed his feat of sailing on the Derwent in a common washing tub and driving geese before him. The novelty of the achievement drew many hundreds of people to the Domain, whence a good view was afforded of the washing tub trip, which, however, from its apparent simplicity, must have produced the conviction that the on-lookers resembled the ornithological specimens they went out to see.

*Launceston Examiner*, 31 August 1865.

# Computer based Genealogical Records and their Location in Southern Tasmania

Maree Ring

This article is based on a talk given in November 1995 following a paper given by Dr. Alan Ashton, co-founder of the Word Perfect Corporation and Director of Novell Inc., who was sponsored on a visit to Tasmania by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. The talk has been edited and records since released, or in preparation for release, are included.

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Many of the programs used by genealogists are on **CD-ROM** (Compact Disk—Read Only Memory). These are like our audio compact disks, except they need a special ‘player’ to be used to access the information. As audio disks cannot be erased or changed, nor can CD-ROMs. Some records of CD-ROM can be printed to a disk to take home and copied onto a personal computer. However many of our libraries, particularly the public libraries, only allow copying or printing to paper as a ‘hard copy’.

Some programmes are **computer based**. This means it is ready for you to use; you do not have to load it or have it loaded into a computer. If you want to copy the information, it will have to be printed as hard copy.



## **Genealogical Society of Tas. Inc., (GST) Hobart and Huon Branches**

At present, neither branch has a computer for general access.



## **Family History Centre (FHC)**

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (LDS Church), Elmsleigh Road Goodwood. The library is housed next door at No. 11 Elmsleigh Rd with access available through the church car park.

**Family Search (FS)** is CD-ROM based and has listings A to H.

**A) Using the Computer** incorporates a familiarisation program for people not accustomed to using computers.

**B) Ancestral File** are names arranged in family groups and pedigrees. These pedigrees have been supplied to the church. Anyone can add to them. It is possible to copy these as a print-out or to disk.

**C) International Genealogical Index (IGI)** covers each continent of the world and has been produced by the LDS—Latter Day Saints, or Mormon Church.

The volunteers of the Church have indexed church records of baptism and marriage (not burial) where they have been given permission to do so. Also church members and other genealogists have submitted information on their families.

Worldwide there are approximately 140 million names on the 1988 microfiche edition, 187 million names on the 1993 microfiche edition and 200 million names on CD-ROM. Nineteen ninety-three was the first year of IGI on CD-ROM. The 1993 edition is the current edition and there is a 1995 addendum of 27 million names. The total number of names available for searching in this way is 227 million.

This CD-ROM can carry out three types of searches: individuals, marriage, and parent on exact or

similar names. You can search all of the area or just part of it. For example, with Great Britain you can search a particular county of either England, Wales, Scotland or Ireland. The results provide Family History call numbers for sources and from these, films can be ordered to see the actual entry.

**D) US Social Security Death Index** An index with information on persons whose deaths were reported to the Social Security Administration (America) 1962–1988. Some records of deaths prior to 1962 are noted.

**E) Military Index** (United States of America) names 100,000 service men and women who died in the Korean and Vietnam wars, and also gives birth and death dates, residence, rank and service number and those serving in Vietnam, their religion, marital status and race are also given.

(The files B to E, can be printed to disk, taken home and down loaded onto a personal computer.)

**G) Family History Library Locality Catalogue** lists all of the materials held by the Family History Library of Salt Lake City, Utah. These materials consist of 2 million books, microfilms and microfiche, maps and other materials.

Any of these articles - microfilm, (including microfilmed books) or fiche, can be ordered through the Centre for four weeks' hire at a cost of (currently) \$6.00.

**H) Temple Ready and Personal Ancestral File** is available for those who wish to contribute to the computerised records.

**Tasmanian Pioneers Index (TPI) 1803–1900 and NSW Pioneer Index 1788–1888** only available on CD-ROM.

TPI was conceived in 1988 as a

Bicentennial Project. It was compiled by voluntary help through members of the LDS and GST Inc. members of the genealogical community in Tasmania. The index is in one alphabetical sequence of the entries for births, deaths and marriages as noted in the Registrar-General's registrations from 1803 to December 1899. Included in the index are some baptisms and burials. These are also from the Registrar-General's records and are incomplete for the time period covered—1803–1899.

Similarly the Pioneer Indices of the other states were compiled by voluntary helpers. Although I have only noted the availability on CD-ROM, these indices are held in many libraries in microfiche format.

**Tasmanian Family Link** sometimes abbreviated to **TFL** or just **FL** is not on CD-ROM but is a computer-based program. A major initiative of the National Heritage Foundation is the establishment of the National Ancestral Project. The National Ancestral Project aims to gather and link all the early Australian birth, death and marriage records with nearly 15 million records, and this database is expected to be available for public access by the year 2001, coinciding with the 2001 Centenary of Federation celebrations. The TFL is part of this project and is also a community service project sponsored by the LDS Church. It is based on the TPI with some additional research information offered by individual family members, or from published sources—sometimes a printed family history (eg Haddon or Lucas family histories).

For those beginning their family history, the TFL is certainly wonderful, saving many hours of searching through indexes,

then checking registrations, linking their families into family groups in a matter of minutes. These family groups have been formed from the information available on the TPI which in turn is based on the registrations of birth, baptism, death, burial and marriages to the end of December 1899 previously held by the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages. Where possible, and considering the brief information held on Tasmanian certificates of that time, some, not all, have been linked to their parents and grandparents.

However, the information available on family groups should currently be used with care, as additional research from firstly the TPI and secondly, registration entries from the microfilms of the Registrar-General, may be needed to complete each family group. In most cases, second or subsequent marriages for a parent of a family group, and sometimes the birth or death of a person have not been recognised.

Many children's births were not registered and the only record of their birth comes from baptism records. Some marriages were celebrated but records of these were missed on quarterly returns by church clerics to the Registrar. For different reasons some deaths were never registered and other burials not recorded. These missed records are not to be found on the TPI and thus have not been transferred onto the TFL. In some cases, this missing information **has** been supplied by an individual.

In Tasmania, TFL is currently available at the LDS Family History Centres. It is a computer based program, with instructions that makes it quite simple to use. Information cannot be deleted. It

cannot be searched, like a CD-ROM, for just a given or christian name. You do need to enter a surname. It might be remembered however, that when typing in a name, especially if it is quite short and could have additional syllables after it, (eg LITTLE or NEW) to use the space bar before the enter or return key. Otherwise all those names including additional syllables will be brought up, eg NEWITT, NEWLAND, NEWMAN instead of just NEW. Similarly, if ANN is typed then the enter or return key is used (without use of the space bar) the names ANN, ANNE, ANNIE, FANNY, HANNAH, ROSANNAH, SUSANNAH and any others containing the letters ANN will be brought up!

Although I have not sought any of the peripheral lines of my ancestors on the TPI while looking at the TFL, I quickly found additional marriages (and some illegitimate children) when looking at the siblings of my ancestors as parents!

As the program is still in its early days, you may find some errors. I have found that a person was born here in Tasmania, then the family moved interstate and the person concerned married there. The family link has incorrectly noted a marriage here! In another case, a person was born overseas at about the same time as a person of a similar name was born here. TFL has incorrectly linked the marriage to the Tasmanian born person. Two children of similar names and ages, had **one** death attributed to both! In another case, a child whose birth was not registered had its death attributed to another of similar name and age born in an adjoining district. My advice is that once you have used Family Link—and it certainly saves an enormous amount of time as a research aid—check the actual

registrations of birth, death and marriage. Certainly the information found there should help to start clothing that particular family by giving the father's occupation and address of the family.

Family researchers are invited to add to or correct any errors found on the TFL. To submit further information on any of their families including movement from, or to, any other place outside Tasmania, or the events of marriage or death which occurred after 1900. Those people who take up the option of including their names with contact address or phone number, allow for the opportunity of other unknown family members to contact them! Any corrections and additions should be entered clearly on print-outs from TFL in red pen, in block letters and sent to The Director, Family History Centre, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, PO Box 1236, Glenorchy, 7010.



### **Archives Office of Tasmania (AOT)**

**TPI** Tasmanian Pioneers Index only. The Archives Office of Tasmania in conjunction with the Genealogical Society of Victoria Inc. are currently indexing the convict records held by the AOT. It is hoped that they will be released on both CD-ROM and microfiche and available by the end of December 1996.



### **State Library of Tasmania (SLT) Reference Library**

**ITR** Irish Transportation Records, again a computer based program—not CD-ROM. Records of some of the convicts from Ireland - produced in 1988 and given by the Irish Government as their Bicentennial Gift to the people

of Australia.

This is easy to search. You are asked if you want a search done with the exact or similar sounding surname. The surname is entered and then the initial of the person you seek. You are asked the county where the trial took place and to nominate a lower and upper year. The computer then selects the appropriate records from this information.

**NSWPI** *New South Wales Pioneers Index 1788–1888*

*Federation Series 1889–1918*

*Between the Wars 1919–1945*

**TPI** *Tasmanian Pioneers Index*

**VPI** *Victorian Pioneers Index 1838–1888*

**WAPI** *Western Australian Pioneers Index 1841–1905*

With the Pioneers Index on CD-ROM it is possible to search in various ways. For a birth or a death you can enter a surname and a given name and ask the computer to combine the two. You can search a specific registration district or maybe only certain years. You might seek all the children of a couple, then look for their deaths or marriages. If the surname is unusual this might be enough information. You might be looking for an unusual given name. Fedora! There are only two or three. One day I might work out which one it is that I have a photograph of! It is certainly not family! It is wonderful looking for the children of John Smith and his wife, Elizabeth, who say lived in Launceston between 1850 and 1870! Can you imagine looking for this on microfiche? Or you might be seeking Christopher who was born between 1860 and 1865. There are about forty if I remember correctly. Christopher Ions was registered as Hyrons! That is how I found him—on the CD-ROM! With the topics available and using a little of the

grey matter, the ways of searching for lost ancestors using the CD-ROM are only limited by the imagination.

The State Reference Library has a catalogue of other (non-genealogical) CD-ROMs available.

### **OPAC and TALIS**

The State library has introduced an Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) which is an integrated catalogue listing all the holdings of all the collections of the State Library. The segment available to the public is TALIS, or Tasmanian Automated Library and Information System. This is accessible in all State Library branches through their computers. It is also available to those away from the libraries with personal computers and a modem.

The **TALIS** catalogue gives information about every item held by the State Library Service throughout the state; at each public library, the State Reference Library and the Tasmaniana, W. L. Crowther and Allport libraries. [*Also books held in TAFE, secondary colleges and state high schools.—Ed*]

These library catalogues list all books, music videos, newspapers, magazines, pamphlets and specialised reference materials. TALIS lists where it is held, whether available for loan or only available as reference items. It can be searched in various ways—by author, book title or subject. It is not necessary to know the exact title as it is possible to do a key word search.

Similarly the catalogue of the various libraries of the University of Tasmania can be searched.

TALIS also gives you access to TICO—Tasmanian Index of Community Organisations—and this lists the

organisation name and contact address with a description of the organisation's aims and activities.

The **Tasmanian Index** held and compiled by the **Tasmaniana Library**, contains references to news and feature articles in *The Mercury*, *Examiner* and *Advocate* newspapers since the mid-1960s, local newspapers, a wide range of Tasmanian periodicals, and selected biographical and historical works. Since 1993 this index has been brought under the auspices of TALIS and can cover entries back to 1990, and in some instances, earlier.

**Fast Facts** is another TALIS service. This covers answers to frequently asked questions and these are continually added to a database.

There is a calendar of events listed in TALIS. This list gives details of upcoming events in the community and arts throughout Tasmania.

If you are a borrowing member of the library with a library card, it is possible even to check which library books you have out on loan and their return date. It is not possible to reserve books through modem access—this can only be done at a library. [*Check with your library, this may have changed.—Ed*]

### **Branch Libraries SLT**

**ITR, TPI, TALIS** and **Internet** access are available at Glenorchy and Rosny branches. You may need to check with your local library to see if these services are available.

For those with personal computers and a modem, access to the whole of TALIS is available with a local phone call at any time of the day or night! Information on TALIS and its various ways to access is available in a leaflet put out by the State Library of Tasmania. TICO lists any

computer clubs which can also help interested people.



**Computers in the home** can be used to 'talk' to other computers with a modem, (or modulator-demodulator) a small machine about the size of, or even smaller than, a phone answering machine. With a modem, one computer can communicate with another computer over the standard telephone line. With a facsimile or fax type modem, a computer can send a message through the phone line to another fax machine.

Perhaps with modems and home computers we think of the latest in electronic technology, Internet.



**Internet** access is provided through a carrier, usually a commercial company. The carrier charges a fee which can be an annual or monthly fee, or can be a cost for the time that you down-load or are connected to the carrier. If there is a monthly or annual fee, there is usually a connection fee for the time you use the services. On top of this there is the cost of the phone call for connection. I have recently used the genealogical area of the Internet—but from the State Library. Hobart, Glenorchy and Rosny libraries allow Internet access for those who apply—your library card is needed as a reference when applying for an Internet access card.

**Bulletin boards** known as **BBS** or **Bulletin Boards System** are maintained by a systems operator, or 'sysop'. This is not available at State libraries. There is an annual fee, usually much less than that of the Internet carrier, plus the cost of any phone calls that you make when you 'poll' or call the board. Some of the

genealogical 'echoes', or areas available, cover a local area, Australia, New Zealand, Ireland and United Kingdom, European, Italian, and Spanish. The genealogical areas were started about five years ago by a South African with the European area. This area covers more than its title and although Americans and Canadians contribute to other areas—mostly the Irish and United Kingdom area, many of their queries come via the European echo. It is probably the best way for Australians to contact the Americans.

Moderators control the echoes and each have 'rules and regulations' mainly to get people to use the correct area. Any reprimands are usually sent privately, though occasionally you see a gentle public reminder. Most people are considerate enough to 'moderate' themselves.

People send messages in the hope of contacting family members, which appears to happen often. Many of the writers ask for advice as to where to locate certain records or the availability of others. There can be discussion on shipping records, civil registration, apprenticeship, school and cemetery records. The meaning of some Latin terms, occupations and causes of death are other topics. As long as it has to do with family history, the sky is the limit. Many people help others by looking up published records, particularly in Australia, pioneer indexes, microfiche and telerom (the phone book on CD-ROM) that they may own. Some people even go to libraries and archives to check records for others. It is not a tit for tat system, but a voluntary system where people seem to want to help where they can and when there is a need. Of course, if there are

photocopies or microfilm print-outs and subsequently postage, reimbursement is usually forwarded. Announcements of coming events—like the release of the NSW *Between the Wars* CD-ROM, special events of Family History Weekends, or Congresses, appear as do some indexes with columns of reunions and searches. The column from the local *Community Express* 'Searches and Reunions' is put into the Australian area as a message by one local enthusiast. I understand that it is also being formed into a file.

Files are built up by individuals and made available to others. The local genealogical bulletin board, Stringline BBS, holds many files that can be asked for electronically and received when you 'poll' for mail. The files available are from all over the world, particularly the English speaking countries. From Ontario Canada, you may be interested in cemetery transcriptions; from England, there is among others, a 1% example of the 1851 census that has been indexed; from New Zealand the file 'Ozships', which is continually growing, contains many of the ships and their passengers to Australia.

The people who contribute to the areas are usually amateurs, but there are a sprinkling of professional family historians, though their status is not allowed to be discussed as one of the rules is there can be no advertising on these boards. It is possible to send private electronic mail (e-mail) messages, but it can take a little longer than the 'snail mail' or postman.

Most of us have taglines, sometimes funny, hoping to give another a smile and some cheer, or the family name or names, sometimes with areas noted that we

are seeking.

It can be time consuming, though with the computer being able to search out certain words, or topics, not all messages are read. In Australia, most who are on these boards meet in person regularly, or occasionally as practical, in groups known as 'Dead Persons Societies' or DPS. Though they may be seeking their relatives in that expired state, their help, expertise and enjoyment is certainly alive and well.

The Computer Group of the Genealogical Society has some members in the DPS and will help others to set up, or this can be obtained from the moderator for the local genealogical area, or the sysop of the bulletin board itself.

In March 1996 the Anglo Saxon Keltic Society released the computer disk *Tasmanian Personnel Deaths WWII* which contains 1200 Army, RAAF and RAN entries. 

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# From the Exchange Journals

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**'The Convict Who Didn't Do His Paperwork'** by Alan Byrnes, *Descent*, September 1995, Vol.25, No.3, pp. 135–39 (Society of Australian Genealogists). In 1819 Ambrose Bryan was overseer of stonemasons at the Prisoners Barracks, Court House and St James Church in Sydney. He omitted to hand in his weekly reports on the work undertaken and the men assigned to him. Several memos were written regarding this, also the Bigge Enquiry in 1821. Lists were compiled showing over 4,000 names of those victualled. Men who worked under Ambrose Bryan are listed, giving references.

**'We Think You Ought To Go'** New Books - Hillingdon Family History Society's journal September 1995, No.31, pp.22–23. The effects of WWII on thousands of children evacuated from their London homes were first written by the London County Council in 1945 but never published. Preserved in the Greater London Record office it has now been published and includes forty photos. Not only children were evacuated but also expectant mothers, blind people and teachers, as all London schools were closed. Address and price are noted.

**'Convict Marriage Banns 1826-41'** by Joan Reese. *Generation* Vol.18, No.2, December 1995, pp.57–61 (Genealogical Society of Queensland). This article was compiled by Joan Reese while transcribing the NSW Convict Marriage Banns now on microfiche (copy held at Hobart Branch Library). Convicts had to obtain permission to marry and many examples of these petitions are featured.

**'Berkshire Local Newspapers'** by Jean Debney. *Berkshire Family Historian* Vol.19, No.2, December 1995, p.77 (Berkshire Family History Society). List of twelve local newspapers, dating from 1723, held on microfilm at six Berkshire Central Libraries. Addresses given.

**'Durham City Tobacco Pipemakers & Directory of Durham Pipemakers'** by Lloyd C Edwards, 1 Moffat Ave, Jarrow NE32 4HW, UK. *The Journal of the Northumberland & Durham Family History Society*, Winter 1995, Vol.20, No.4, pp.118–20. If your ancestor was a clay pipe maker in the North East of England you may wish to contact Mr Edwards who has a large file of names. Many informative lists on other members of families are given containing baptisms, census records and addresses.

**'More London Parish Apprentices Sent to Nottinghamshire'** by Peter Hammond. *Nottinghamshire Family History Society Journal*, October 1995, Vol.8, No.5, pp.22–23. During the 18th and 19th centuries children originally from St Pancras, London were apprenticed to the Nottinghamshire cotton mills. Lists of children for 1799 and 1800 are shown. Records held at Greater London Record Office.

**‘Prisoners in The County Gaol, English St, Carlisle, 1851 Census’** by Miss Freda Jackson. *Cumbria Family History Society* November 1995, No.77, p.9. An alphabetical list of male and female prisoners in County Gaol at Carlisle found in the 1851 census.

**‘Fishing For the 2nd New Zealand Expeditionary Forces 1939-48, Military Records’** by A Ron Jones. *The New Zealand Genealogist* November-December 1995, Vol.26, No.236, pp.371–387. This article covers all aspects for researching records of New Zealand soldiers who served in WWII. Include embarkation, roll of honour, medals and discharge dates.

**‘Ireland 1798 Australia’**, *Progenitor* December 1995, Vol.14, No.4, pp.114–115 (Genealogical Society of the Northern Territory). A data base is being compiled of exiles, convicts and their descendants with a view to helping in family histories regarding the hundreds of Irishmen and women sent to NSW in 1798. Plans are underway for the 200th anniversary in 1998. For more information write to Ireland 1798 Australia Research, PO Box 1137 Darlinghurst NSW 2010.

**‘The Mahogany Ship & Genealogy’** by Geoff Self. *Ancestor* Summer 1995, Vol.22, No.8, pp.2–6 (Genealogical Society of Victoria). Geoff Self has described in detail his research of the lives of three men, and his interest in the Mahogany ship. The men were Captain F. W. Smith, Joseph Wilson and William Gibbs. Wilson and Gibbs discovered an ancient wreck on the Victorian coast in 1836. Wilson was later murdered in Van Diemen’s Land in 1837. Newspapers and shipping notices helped unfold this intriguing story.

**‘Adoption and its Records’** by Georgina Stafford. In the *Genealogists Magazine* Vol.25, No.4, December 1995, pp.143–147 (Society of Genealogists). This article deals with adoption in England, mainly after the Adoption Law became effective in January 1927. British Agencies, how to search, making contact, including NORCAP–The National Organisation for the Counselling of Adoptees and Parents are covered by Georgina who was a social worker for forty years.

**‘Early Birds’** (A brief summary) by Marie Hart in *The Norfolk Ancestor* December 1995, Vol.7, part 2, pp.462–63 journal of the Norfolk and Norwich Genealogical Society, Richard and Ann Bird and their five children arrived in Melbourne per *Solway* in 1862. They lived at both River Don and Forthside in Tasmania. Their descendants have spread across all states of Australia and New Zealand.

**‘To Construct a Family Tree Using - Word For Windows’** by Kenneth Mourin. *The Norfolk Ancestor* Vol.7, part 11, December 1995, pp.442–445 (Journal of the Norfolk and Norwich Genealogical Society). This simple step-by-step guide will be of interest to computer users wishing to print a dropsheet of their family tree.

**‘James Grove, Birmingham Forger’** by Mrs D Fyfe. *The Midland Ancestor* Vol.11, No.2, December 1995, pp.44–47 (Birmingham and Midland Society for Genealogy and Heraldry). Convict James Grove was to become a respected First Settler in Van Diemen’s Land. He befriended Lt Governor Collins on the voyage from England on the *Calcutta* in 1803, a friendship that lasted until their deaths in 1810. The author is a great-great-granddaughter, now resident in New Zealand.

**‘Graves at St James the Greater Church, Birstall Leicester’** compiled by Karen Moon. *Journal of the Leicestershire & Rutland Family History Society*, Winter 1995, No.82, pp.28–29. Alphabetical list of names from headstones found in St James the Greater Church in Birstall, Leicestershire, England. Includes cross references and names of relations.

**Bristol’s Burgesses: The Freedom of the City’** by Mary Williams from the Bristol Record Office. *The Journal of the Bristol and Avon Family History Society*, December 1995, No.82, pp.11–13. The Burgess Books of Bristol record the names of men admitted to the Freedom of the City and date from 1558 to the present day. A burgess was admitted on four claims, one of these by serving an apprenticeship. Held at the Bristol Record Office, these are invaluable sources for researchers as they not only record the man’s name but also his father, master and his trade.

**New Exchange journals:** *Catholic Ancestors*, Catholic Family History Society UK and *Borders*, Borders Family History Society Scotland.

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## **Princess Royal**

Thelma McKay

**I**N September 1832 the first free women to emigrate to Van Diemen’s Land arrived in Hobart Town after an eventful voyage. The captain of their ship, *Princess Royal*, mistook the entrance to the Derwent river and the ship ran aground in Frederick Henry Bay on a stormy August night.

A committee had been formed in London to select these women and girls, another in Hobart Town to supervise their needs on arrival and organise positions for them as domestic servants in settlers’ homes.

Much controversy arose with the selection of the first shipment of ‘females’ as they were later referred to. Many had come from the work-houses and institutions in London and were not considered to be the respectable ladies as envisaged. Those of good character were in the minority.

Almost 200 women and girls arrived on the *Princess Royal* under the free immigration scheme. One of the prime reasons for sending these women out to the colonies was to help to equalise the population. Within the first twelve months of arrival many marriages had taken place, several with well-known settlers.

A book is being prepared giving profiles of their early years in Van Diemen’s Land and the author would be pleased to hear from anyone whose ancestors arrived on this ship in 1823.

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Abbreviations and Acronyms for Tasmanian Genealogists, M Ring

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\* Excursion Bruny Island

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Index to Photographs of WW1 Servicemen and Women in the Tasmanian Weekly  
Magazines, Vol. 2 The Tasmanian Mail  
Latin for Family Historians, Michael Gandy  
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The Last County - Wicklow as County 1605–1845  
The Rice Family of Tasmania  
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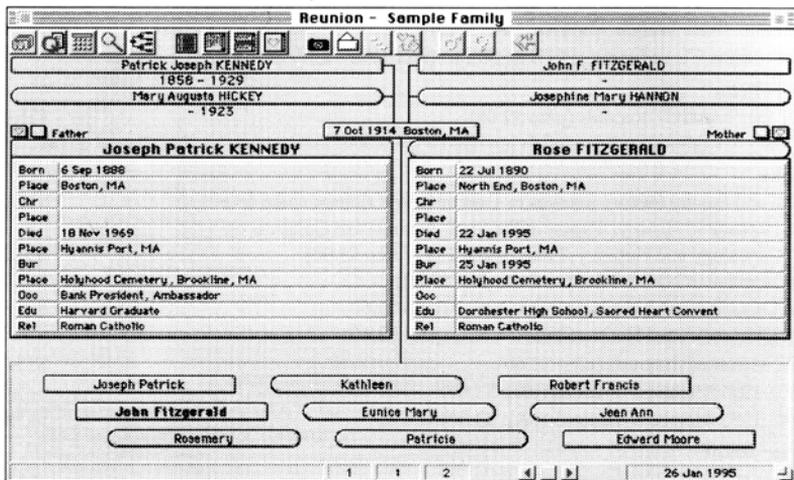
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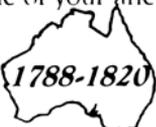
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# MEMBERS' QUERIES

## HELP WANTED

Mrs Beulah Bradley hopes someone may be able to help her identify the people in this photograph. The only one she is sure of is the elderly gentleman seated in the centre. He was **David HARPER**, born Paisley, Scotland 1817 and arrived in Hobart Town November 1855 with his wife Elizabeth. Their children were David, Robert, Elizabeth and Janet. David senior was employed by Mr George Sherwin of Upper Huon for a short time before settling at Broadmarsh where he lived for fifty years. He died July 1909 and was buried at Cornelian Bay.

Mrs Bradley's address is: Longford RMB 4120 via Sale VIC 3850



## BOWYER

Mary BOWYER m. James FREEMAN in Hobart Town 21 May 1833, her name being written as Mary Ann BOYER. It is believed she arrived per *Princess Royal* in 1832. A family bible gives her birth as 12 October 1814, London, England. Ten children were known to be born to Mary and James between 1834 and 1858, the first seven under the name FREEMAN. It would appear that, between 1849 and 1851, their surname was changed to PRINCE and the last three children were recorded under this surname. Mary PRINCE died 8 April 1871, Hobart Town and James PRINCE died 27 February 1860, also Hobart Town. I am trying to locate Mary's place of birth and the name of her parents. Any information would be gratefully received.

Julie Stevens, 33 Davidson Street Traralgon VIC 3844 ☎ (03) 9813 2282

## ELLIOTT/BROMFIELD

William ELLIOTT, a soldier in the British East India Army, arrived Hobart on the *Rifleman* 2 April 1831. He was joined by his wife and daughter Mary Ann who travelled from Sydney on the *Minerva* September 1832. Mary married Thomas Hodgson BROMFIELD in 1850. Any information would be appreciated by Mrs Carlene Charlton, PO Box 505 Ulverstone TAS 7315

## HALL

Joseph HALL, b18--? Walsall, Staffordshire, died 1860 SA, arrived Tasmania 18--?. He was chief constable at Oatlands, (1842–45) where he married Sarah HALL in 1843. Her parents were Charles and Maria HALL (nee LARTER) who arrived in Tasmania per the *William Wise* 1841. Joseph and Sarah HALL had Thomas Charles (b1843 TAS d1928 SA), Edward Humphrey (b1846 SA d1848 SA) and Victoria Nuggett (b1854 Creswick VIC d1912 SA). Any information regarding this family would be most gratefully received by Mrs Rhonda Bozzelli, 10 Sulphur Street, Bunbury, WA 6230

## JOYCE/SMITH

Hannah JOYCE m. Joseph SMITH Deloraine 1857, both convicts. Her/their children were: Ellen JOYCE m. Joseph COX 1861, William JOYCE m. Ellen FERRIS/PHERRIS 1867, Maryann SMITH m. Bartley HUGHES 1877, Jane SMITH info unknown, Eliza SMITH info unknown, Joseph SMITH m. Margaret DICK, John Samuel SMITH info unknown, Hannah SMITH info unknown, Frederick SMITH m. Janet ELDER (VIC) 1891, William Patrick SMITH (Paddy) m. (1) Mary Annie DOUSE 1889, (2) Annie Elizabeth PEACH (VIC) c.1922. Any snippets of information would be greatly appreciated by Ms Virginia Ling, 364 Relbia Road Relbia TAS 7258

## MAYS

George MAYS (b 1808 buried Feb 1878) Coachdriver and postman from Launceston to Oatlands. Married 1 September 1875 Jane GOOD (b 18 November 1858 Oatlands d 22 September 1938 buried Queenstown). Information on George greatly appreciated by Mrs G Dawson, 3 Adams Street Georgetown TAS 7253

## JOHNSTON

Desperately seeking brothers, all born in London; James Robert JOHNSTON, b1827, John Hiddlestone JOHNSTON, b1829 and George JOHNSTON b1831. James and George arrived in Hobart with their mother Isabella and sisters Elizabeth and Jean Pirie in 1841 on the *Derwent*. George disappeared (may have gone to America) and only sightings of James Robert were at his sisters' marriages; Jean Pirie to Frederick Henry PIESSE in 1847 and Elizabeth to Allen CHRISTEY in 1850. Any clues to R Davidson, 1 Clarendon Street New Town TAS 7008

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ALLEN	Buckland TAS AUS	1830-1900	4274
ALLEN, William	Coventry WAR ENG	pre 1910	4230
ALMOND	Manchester ENG	1800-1920	4303
ANGEL, Archibald	Bundanoon NSW AUS	1850-	4221
ANGEL, Frederick	Bundanoon NSW AUS	1870-	4221
APPS, John	Lussese	1849-1883	4261
ARKWRIGHT	Port Cygnet TAS AUS	1850-1900	4281
ATWELL, Maria	SOM	1815-1850	4246
AYLWARD	Brighton TAS	1850+	4260
BACKBERRY, James	County N.K ENG	1700-1890	4275
BALL, Charles	Hobart TAS	1829-1861	4214
BALL, Florence Mary	Hobart TAS	1895-	4214
BANKS, Joseph	Dorking SRY ENG	1850-1900	4209
BARANO, Martha May			4273
BARKER, James	Ridgley	1871-1900	4244
BARRY, Daniel	TAS / Cork IRL	1800s	4228
BARTLETT, Henry	VIC AUS	1800s	4245
BATT, James	Barton Stacey HAM ENG	1800-1850	4246
BEALE, Thomas	LDN ENG	1817-1899	4210
BELBIN	TAS		4289
BELLETT, Jacob	Sorell TAS AUS		4249
BENNETT	LEI ENG	late 1800s	4251
BEST	SSX ENG / TAS		4203
BILLSLAND, Harriet	Glasgow SCT	1810-1840	4213
BIRD, Harriet	TAS	1835+	4222
BLACKWOOD, Susanna	Wrenningham NFK ENG	1825-1908	4217
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BOUCHER, Mary	Bushy Park New Norfolk TAS AUS	1833-1924	4309
BOXHALL	Longford TAS AUS		4229
BRIGGS	ENG	mid 1800s	4223
BRISBANE, Jane	Oatlands / Hobart TAS	1834 - ?	4211
BROOKS, John			4294
BROWN, James	Glasgow Strathclyde SCT	pre 1939	4199
BULMORE, Mary	Richmond TAS	1845-1890	4212
BURDEN, Henry	Chipping Norton OXF ENG	1851-1914	4239
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BURNS, James	Hamilton TAS	1820+	4260
BURTON, Arthur	Tahmoor NSW AUS	1870-	4221
BURTON, Charles	SRY ENG / Cressy TAS AUS	1814-1895	4267
BUSSEY	NFK / SFK ENG	1700+	4270
BUTT	Sutton Boningham NTT ENG	early 1800s	4251
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BYRNE, James	Hamilton TAS	1820+	4260
CALVERT	Longford TAS AUS	1850-1900	4274
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CAMBRIDGE, Mauricia			4202
CAMPBELL, Robert	Glasgow SCT	1790-1876	4293
CAMPBELL, Robert			4294
CANTY	TAS / IRL	1800s	4228
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CHEW	Bath Avon ENG		4297
CHICKLEY, Susan	Co. CORK IRL	1833-1900	4217
CLARK, George	SOM ENG	1830-1850	4246
CLARK, Harriet	TAS	1860-1900	4281
CLAYTON	Longford TAS AUS	1813-1900	4274
CLAYTON	NZ	1840-1996	4274
CLAYTON	Wickford ESS ENG	1750-1820	4274
CLOW	Melbourne VIC AUS	1885-	4276
COATES	TAS	1840-1996	4219
COCKER	TAS	1840-1996	4218
COCKER	YKS ENG	1600-1860	4218
COCKER	ENG	mid 1800s	4223
COKER	TAS AUS / Winsor BRK	1800s	4228
COLLICOTT, John Thomas	Hobart TAS	1820-1842	4256
COOKE	Wigston LEI ENG	late 1800s	4251
COOPER	LND ENG		4298
COOPER, Charles	Rutherglen Frankston	1873-1952	4204
COOPER, EDWARD	ENG	1810-1880	4246
COOPER, James	VIC AUS	pre 1860	4204
CORNISH, Benjamin	TAS	1860 +	4269
CORRIE, Charles Henry			4273
COTTON, William	Coventry WAR ENG	pre 1835	4230
COUSEMAKER	Tahmoor NSW AUS	1870-	4221
CRAIG, Rev Dr. Basil T	Hobart TAS	1877+	4269
CRAIGIE	Largo FIF SCT		4297
CRANFIELD, George	Kensington MDX ENG	1823-1843	4252
CROMBIE	York / Barnard Castle / SCT	1700-1996	4299
CROTHERS	IRL	mid 1800s	4223
CRUSE	Longford TAS AUS		4229
CURTIS, John	LDN ENG	1790-1850	4263
DAV(E)Y	NFK / SFK ENG	1700+	4270
DEBUS	Enfield NSW		4232
DILLON, Luke	Boggabri NSW	pre 1891	4199
DOBSON	YKS ENG / TAS		4203
Doignan, Mary	IRL	pre 1910	4230
DONALDSON, John	Geilston Bay TAS	1832	4216
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DONOVAN, Henry	W Suffolk ENG	1829 -	4259
DONOVAN, Mary	?		4259
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DUNNE	Melbourne VIC AUS	1885-	4276
EASTLEY, William			4294
EDWARDS	Ramsey HUN ENG		4297
EDWARDS, Elizabeth	Launceston TAS AUS	1806-1836	4266
EDWARDS, John	Westbury & Launceston TAS AUS	c1840	4268
ESMOND, Joseph (a sailor)	Jersey CHI ENG	1850-1869	4255
ESMOND, Joseph (a sailor)	London ENG	1848-1871	4255
FAIR, William	NW TAS AUS	1860-1920	4210
FARRELLY, Bryan	CAV IRL	? - 1858	4253
FARTHING	TAS		4289
FINNERTY	Circular Head TAS		4203
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FOSTER, Joseph	?		4259
FOWLER, Mary Ann	Launceston TAS AUS	c1780s	4268
FREEMAN	Avoca TAS AUS	1836+	4229
FRY, Elizabeth	Queens County IRL	1840-	4242
FRY, James	Queens County IRL / TAS AUS	1840-	4242
FRYER, Anne	Wilsdon YKS ENG/ TAS	1865-1945	4254
FRYER, T Arthur	Wilsdon YKS ENG/?	1872-1957	4254
FRYER, Thomas	Wilsdon YKS ENG	1840-1905	4254
FRYER, Willie	Wilsdon YKS ENG/Hanford CA USA	1855-1945	4254
GAFFNEY	TAS / Mayo IRL	1800s	4228
GARDINER, Alexander	Midlothian SCT	1820-1880	4293
GARDINER, Alexander			4294
GILBERT, Thomas	TAS	1852-	4259
GILLIE	TAS		4289
GILLIGAN, Edward	IRL	1840-1890	4209
GILLISON, Marion	Warwick QLD AUS	1890-1904	4234
GOFFETT, Henrietta	Mosman	1860-1927	4202
GORMAN	Avoca TAS AUS		4229
GOULSTON, Bernard	ENG? / TAS AUS	1800-1900	4275
GRAY, Archibald	Capetown RSA	1895-1960	4255
GREER, Thomas Edward			4273
GREGG, David Arthur	ENG	1864 -	4257
GREGORY, Clara	Bothwell TAS	1850-1900	4261
GRIFFIN, Thomas	Oatlands TAS	1836 - ?	4211
GRIMES, James Benjamin	TAS AUS / VIC AUS / IRL	1700-1900	4238
GRUBB, Robert George	Brisbane QLD AUS	1901-1904	4234
HALLEY	IRL	mid 1800s	4223
HALLIBURTON, James Geo.	Duddingston Edinburgh / VIC AUS	1864-1940	4243
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HARDING, Edward	ENG	1883 -	4257
HARDY, George	Channel Is. ENG	1833+	4258
HARDY, Phillip Edward	Port Curtis QLD	1856+	4258
HARPER, Anne	Sorell TAS AUS		4249
HARPER, Lillian	USA / CAN	pre 1910	4230
HARPER, William	Nile TAS AUS	1800-1900	4275
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HARVEY, William	Hobart TAS AUS	1850	4302
HEALD, Frederick	Forth	1853-1900	4244
HEAZLEWOOD, William	Launceston / Westbury TAS	1830-1890?	4213
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HILL, James	Longford TAS	1840-1865	4255
HILL, Thomas	Maldon VIC AUS	1853+	4216
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HOLDEN, John	LND ENG	1820-1873	4293
HOPE, John	Brisbane QLD AUS	1850-1900	4225
HUCKEL, Mary Letshia	ENG	1849	4225
HUETT, Alice Jane	Deloraine TAS AUS	1864-1908	4286
HUETT, John Hucklebridge	SOM / Southend ENG	1820-1905	4286
HUGHES, Agness	TAS		4259
HUNN	TAS	1840-1996	4219
HUNTER	Newburgh FIF SCT		4297

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NAME	PLACE/AREA	TIME	M'SHIP NO.
JAMES	Bendigo VIC		4200
JAMES, George	TAS	1860-1900	4281
JOHNSTON, Janet	Longford TAS	1840-1865	4255
JONES	Circular Head TAS		4203
JONES, Britton	Launceston TAS AUS	1820-1856	4266
JOSEPH, William			4307
JUDD	ENG / AUS / NZ	1800 - 1996	4208
KEATING, Jeffrey James	IRL	1820- ?	4273
KEATING, William			4273
KEMP, Cpt. James	(Horton) Circular Head AUS	c. 1882	4295
KEMP, Cpt. James	(Horton) Circular Head AUS	1860-1882	4296
KEMP, William	TAS AUS	1841-1890	4265
KINCHLEY, Bridget	ENG?		4235
KIRBY, William	Launceston TAS AUS	1850-1885	4234
KIRK, Matthew	Launceston TAS AUS	1804-1833	4266
KIRK, Sophia	Launceston TAS AUS	1806-1867	4266
LANCASHIRE, Margaret	Tillynample MOG IRL	1860+	4258
LANDERS, Edward Patrick	Ross NZ / ?	1874- ?	4248
LANDERS, James Thomas	Co. Clare IRL / NZ / WA AUS	1830-1912	4248
LANDERS, Thomas James	Ross NZ / WA AUS / ?	1872- ?	4248
LAWRENCE, William Henry	TAS	1867-1923	4239
LEAKE, Charles	'Rosedale' Campbell Town TAS	1860-1880	4269
LEE, William	Geddington NTH ENG / TAS AUS	1827-1891	4267
LIDDLE	SCT / TAS		4203
LIGHTFOOT, Theophilus	Hobart TAS	1820s	4256
LITTLEHALES	Hamilton TAS	1823+	4260
LLOYD, Thomas	TAS	c. 1840	4216
LLOYD, William	LND ENG	1770-1802	4217
LONG, G.V.	Evandale TAS	c. 1910	4269
LONG, James	Evandale TAS	1883-19??	4269
LONG, Robert	Campbell Town Tas	1867-1885	4269
LUDKIN	NFK / SFK ENG	1700+	4270
MACKRILL	TAS AUS	1830-	4276
MACKRILL	LIN ENG	1730-1830	4276
MALONE, Honora	Spring Bay TAS	1850-1870	4212
MASON	Thurmaston LEI ENG	late 1800s	4251
MASON, Joseph	Meadowbanks TAS	1840	4216
MATHER, William	Launceston TAS	1820-1870?	4213
MAUMILL, William	Launceston TAS AUS	1783-	4268
McADAM, Rose Ann	Edinburgh SCT	1770-1860	4293
McALLISTER			4312
McCOY, Arthur	Hobart Tas AUS	1870-1900	4288
McFADDEN, Mary	Forth	1857-1900	4244
McHUGH	SCT	1800s	4223
McHUGH, John	NW TAS AUS	1850-1920s	4210
McKEON, Henry	LND ENG / TAS	1826-1904	4211
McLEAN, Janet	NW TAS AUS	1857-1870	4210
McLENNAN	NE TAS	All	4207
McSHANE	Hobart TAS	1800s	4215
McSHANE, Sarah	Hobart TAS	1800s	4215
McSHEAN	Hobart TAS	1800s	4215
MEREDITH	AUS / NZ	1830 - 1996	4208
METCALF(E), James			4245
MILLARD, Henry Edward	Bath ENG		4226
MOFFAT, Mary Irving	Melbourne VIC AUS	1854-1911	4234
MOGFORD, Wilhemina	TAS	1880-1908	4255

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NAME	PLACE/AREA	TIME	M'SHIP NO.
MOORE, William	Hobart TAS AUS	1829	4234
MORAN, John	Franklin TAS AUS	1864-1881	4248
MURFET, Samuel	Launceston TAS	1820-1872	4213
NASH, Vivian	TAS AUS / LND ENG	1817-1897	4267
NELSON, Margaret	IRL	1824	4273
NESBITT, James	Monaghan IRL	1854+	4258
NEWBERRY, Maryanne	ENG	1830-1886	4246
NEWITT, Adam	Sorell TAS AUS		4249
NEWTON, Thomas	Launceston TAS AUS	1832-	4267
NORMAN, Richard	Gulong NSW	pre 1876	4199
O'NEILL, James	IRL	1830-1910	4235
OLIVER, Andrew	Border Counties SCT & ENG	1785-1870+	4210
OLIVER, Peter	Oatlands TAS	1830-	4214
OLIVER, William	NW TAS AUS	1855-190	4210
PACKER, Martha Ellen	Reading BRK ENG	1870-	4220
PATTERSON, Michael	Maclean	1888+	4284
PERRY	Huon TAS AUS	All	4308
PHILLIPS	Hobart TAS AUS	1860-	4276
PILBIM, Peter	Croxley HRT ENG	1850-1931	4263
Pioneer Families	Scottsdale & Area	All	4207
PLUMB, Elizabeth	Churchill ? OXF ENG	1852-1935	4239
PORTER, Lucy	Kettering NTH ENG	pre 1853	4199
PORTER, William	Campbell Town TAS AUS	1850s	4306
POUNDS, James	Reading BRK ENG	1870-	4220
QUINN, Martin	TAS		4292
RAINS, William	Kettering NTH ENG	pre 1853	4199
RANSON	NE TAS	All	4207
RAWLINGS, William	Hobart TAS	c.1840	4216
REARDON, John	TAS AUS	1857 - ?	4235
RICE	Hobart TAS	1800s	4215
RICE (RYS)	ENG	c.1700-1900	1895
RICE, Terence	Hobart TAS / Melbourne VIC	1800s	4215
RICHARDS	GLS ENG	1700-1851	4238
ROBERTS, Mary Ann C	Franklin TAS	1890-1910	4214
ROBERTSON	TAS	1840-1996	4219
ROCKCLIFF, Mary Elizabeth	Cooee	1879-1900	4244
RODDA	ST. Just CON ENG	early 1800s	4251
ROUT, Mary	Auckland NZ / Hobart TAS	1832-1915	4217
RUSSELL, John	Kent ENG	1790-1850	4293
RUSSELL, John			4294
SALCOLE, Elizabeth	Launceston TAS	1843-1845	4211
SARGENT, George	ENG	1830-1912	4209
SHADWICK			4307
SHEA, James	Bushy Park New Norfolk TAS AUS	1877-1950	4309
SHEA, James	Napier NZ	c1900-1950	4309
SHEA, Matthew	Bushy Park New Norfolk TAS AUS	1825-1895	4309
SHEPHARD	ENG	1850-1900	4246
SHORTAIL, Ellen	Kilkenny IRL	1822-1848	4262
SHORTAIL, Ellen	Convict TAS	1849-1894	4262
SMITH, Sarah	Launceston TAS AUS	c1810	4268
SMITH, William	St Leonards AUS	1860-1900	4274
SNOW, Emily	Gunnedah NSW	pre 1850	4199
SOMERS, Alma	TAS		4292
SPINKS, Allan	Stanley TAS AUS	1841-1892	4266
STEBBING	ESS ENG	c.1700-1900	1895
STEPHENS, Ada	Coventry WAR ENG	pre 1910	4230

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STEPHENS, Harriet	TAS	1835+	4222
STEPHENS, Henry	N TAS / Mt Direction TAS	1833+	4222
STEPHENS, James Henry			4222
STEPHENS, Maria Eliz.	N TAS / Mt Direction TAS	All	4222
STEWART, Elizabeth	Launceston TAS	1843-1845	4211
STEWART/SALCOLE, Robert	TAS	1843 - ?	4211
STUTTARD, Henry	Wilsdon YKS ENG/TAS	1863-1931	4254
SWAN, Edward	Richmond TAS	1856-1890	4212
SWAN, Mabel	Sorell TAS	1886-1920	4212
SWAN, Richard	Spring Bay TAS	1845-1870	4212
SWEENEY, John Thomas		1860+	4226
TAPP, John Charles	Port Arthur TAS	1853-1870	4214
TAYLOR	Longford TAS AUS		4229
TAYLOR, Thomas	TAS	c.1840	4216
TEMPLETON, Alexander	Campbell Town TAS AUS	1852-	4306
TICKNER, Ebenezer	LND ENG		4298
TROTH	Tumut NSW AUS	1840-	4225
TUCKER, Thomas	Sheerness KEN ENG	1831-1918	4217
TURNBULL	Midlands TAS / Melrose ROX SCT	1800s	4228
TURNER, George	Midlands? ENG	1830-1850	4262
TURNER, George	Spring Hill TAS	1840-1880	4262
TURNER, George	Oatlands Jericho TAS	1840-1880	4262
TWIST, James	Launceston TAS AUS	c1810	4268
VINEY, Benjamin	Compton Dundon SOM ENG	1738-1786	4286
VINEY, James	Bridgewater SOM ENG	1782-1830	4286
VINEY, Robert	Pitney SOM ENG	1833-1900	4286
WACKELDINE	AUS / NZ	1830 - 1996	4208
WADE, Walter	Coggeshall ESS ENG/ TAS AUS	1822-1888	4267
WALLWORT SMITH, Thomas	Coleorton LEI ENG	1805-1840	4213
WALTERS	Avoca TAS AUS		4229
WARNER	Hobart TAS AUS	All	4308
WATKINS, Sarah	Sorell TAS	1856-1915	4259
WATTS, William	Deloraine TAS AUS	1800s	4245
WELLS, Henry Ward	Stanley TAS AUS	1841-1922	4266
WHAIT (WHAITE)	ENG	c.1700-1900	1895
WHISH-WILSON, Arthur	N.K ENG / INDIA / TAS AUS	1800-1906	4275
WILKINSON, Martha	Wilsdon YKS ENG	1839-1926	4254
WILLIAMS	WLS / TAS		4203
WILLIAMS	Port Cygnet TAS AUS	1850-1900	4281
WILLIAMS	Little Rissington GLS ENG		4297
WILLIAMS, Samuel	LAN ENG	pre 1760	4230
WILLIAMS, Thomas	Hobart TAS AUS	1830-1899	4248
WILLIAMSON, William	Melbourne VIC AUS	1854-1909	4234
WILLMOT	VIC / Huntingdon ENG	1800s	4228
WOODS, Nicholas A	TAS AUS	1829-1892	4214
WOODWARD, Edward John	Bothwell TAS AUS	1848-	4306
WOOLSTON	TAS		4289
WOOTTON			4277
YOUL, Rey John	Launceston TAS AUS	1815-1827	4268
YOUNG	ENG	mid 1800s	4223

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4200	BROWN	Mr	Bruce L	Boat Harbour Beach	BOAT HARBOUR	TAS	7321
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4202	BLACKHURST	Mrs	Hazel F	53 Malonga Dr	BURNIE	TAS	7320
4203	DOBSON	Mrs	Ruth I	21 Harran St	BELLVUE PARK	QLD	4215
4204	COOPER	Mr	James C	13 Athol St	SOMERSET	TAS	7322
4205	BACKHOUSE	Mrs	Doleen S	87 Grandview Ave	BURNIE	TAS	7320
4206	HAYES	Mrs	Margaret A	19 Argyle St	BURNIE	TAS	7320
4207	McLENNAN	Mr	Roger M	PO BOX 666	BELCONNEN	ACT	2616
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4210	BEATTIE	Ms	Judith A	PO BOX 1425	WEST MELTON	VIC	3337
4211	STEWART	Miss	Lea	5/10 Brunswick Rd	MITCHAM	VIC	3132
4212	ZAKIS	Ms	Shirley A	5 Monk Place	TEWANTIN	QLD	4565
4213	SMITH	Mr	Leon W	8 Darwin Drive	LAPSTONE	NSW	2773
4214	WOODS	Mrs	Verma E	45 Winmalee Rd	BALWYN	VIC	3103
4215	KENT	Mrs	Valma	1 Iluka Place	RINGWOOD NTH	VIC	3134
4216	EVANS	Miss	Wendy A	King St	SOMERSET DAM	QLD	4312
4217	RICKETT	Ms	Kirsty	23 Laurretta Ave	SPRINGWOOD	QLD	4127
4220	CATT	Mr	Kenneth L	Second River Rd	KAROOA	TAS	7267
4221	CATT	Mrs	Rae J	Second River Rd	KAROOA	TAS	7267
4222	WALDRON	Mrs	Kay D	19 Kelly St	DIAMOND CREEK	VIC	3089
4223	COCKER	Mrs	Mary J	14 Rossmoyne St	NORWOOD	TAS	7250
4224	COCKER	Mr	Dexter J	14 Rossmoyne St	NORWOOD	TAS	7250
4225	HOPE	Mr	John D	11 Winifred-Jane Cres	HADSPEN	TAS	7290
4226	HOPE	Mrs	Vida M	11 Winifred-Jane Cres	HADSPEN	TAS	7290
4228	STOLTENBERG	Mrs	Helen M	PO BOX 350	ST HELENS	TAS	7216
4229	FREEMAN	Miss	Vanessa A	Arthur St	AVOCA	TAS	7213
4230	WILLIAMS	Mrs	Patricia J	22 Weld St	BEACONSFIELD	TAS	7270
4231	HARRIS	Mr	Stephen W	PO BOX 529	ULVERSTONE	TAS	7315
4232	HARRIS	Mrs	Frances M	PO BOX 529	ULVERSTONE	TAS	7315
4233	BEATON	Mr	William A	173 Oldaker St	DEVONPORT	TAS	7310
4234	KEAM	Mrs	Ruth N	15A Alexis Ave	Mt Albert		
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4235	JACKSON	Mrs	Mary K	C/- Post Office	LATROBE	TAS	7307
4236	PIKE	Mrs	Priscilla	29 Ashburner St	CARRICK	TAS	7291
4237	KING	Mr	Barry J	1 Freeland Cres	LAUNCESTON	TAS	7250
4238	RICHARDS	Mr	Paul A C	6 Romney St	LAUNCESTON	TAS	7250
4239	CAMPBELL	Mrs	Eva E	4 Helen St	LAUNCESTON	TAS	7250
4240	CAMPBELL	Mr	Donald A	4 Helen St	LAUNCESTON	TAS	7250
4241	THOMAS	Mrs	Sharon L	6 New St	CAMPBELL TOWN	TAS	7210
4242	CARROLL	Mr	Lance W	11 Bond St	KINGS MEADOWS	TAS	7249
4243	HALLIBURTON	Mr	Trevor J	16 Abels Hill Rd	ST LEONARDS	TAS	7250
4244	JOHNSON	Mr	Michael	14 Hopkinson Street	STH BURNIE	TAS	7320
4245	MARSHALL	Miss	Lisa M	PO BOX 128	WYNYARD	TAS	7325
4246	STREETS	Mr	Brian F	7 Sice Ave	BLYTHE HEADS	TAS	7316
4247	POORTENAAR	Mrs	Alison J	RSD 601	BURNIE	TAS	7320
4248	NICKOLS	Mrs	Elizabeth M	4 Quinn St	PENGUIN	TAS	7316
4249	BURNETT	Mr	Gordon R	75 Scenic Dr	LEWISHAM	TAS	7173
4250	BURNETT	Mrs	Gail E	75 Scenic Dr	LEWISHAM	TAS	7173
4251	COOKE	Mrs	Helen K	6 Adelaide St	STH HOBART	TAS	7004
4252	CRANFIELD	Mr	Desmond A	4 Derwent Terrace	NEW NORFOLK	TAS	7140
4253	CRANFIELD	Mrs	Iris A	4 Derwent Terrace	NEW NORFOLK	TAS	7140
4254	GOICH	Mrs	Mary L	4 Nayuka ST	GEILSTON BAY	TAS	7015
4255	GRAY	Mr	Mervyn S	76-77 Tasman Hwy	BEAU MARIS	TAS	7125
4256	GREEN	Ms	Sara E	PO Box 93	NORTH HOBART	TAS	7002

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4258	HARDY	Mr	Kevin A	3 Allens Ave	LUTANA	TAS	7009
4259	OATES	Mrs	Wendy T	BOX 129	SPRING BEACH	TAS	7190
4260	KIACA	Ms	Lynette	21 Baynton St	KINGSTON	TAS	7050
4261	RANSLEY	Mrs	Eileen	47 Queen St	BELLERIVE	TAS	7018
4262	TURNER	Mr	Christopher	1 Birngana Ave	SANDY BAY	TAS	7005
4263	NORMAN	Mrs	Jessie K L	36 Fitzroy Place	SANDY BAY	TAS	7005
4264	ELLIOTT		L E	1 Cobb Place	OTAKI	NZ	
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4267	SCARCE	Mrs	Audrey W	17 Panamena Cres	ELEEBANA	NSW	2282
4268	BOLING	Mr	Michael J	RMB 4425	GLEN ROWAN	VIC	3675
4269	WILKINSON	Mrs	Shirley W	26 Plymouth St	ALDINGA BEACH	SA	5173
4270	BUSSEY	Mr	John	32 Surrey St	DEVONPORT	TAS	7310
4271	COMBER	Mr	Harry F	6 Addison St	WEST RIVERSIDE	TAS	7250
4272	COMBER	Mrs	Joyce L B	6 Addison St	WEST RIVERSIDE	TAS	7250
4273	BROAD	Ms	Edna	12 Ross Ave	INVERMAY	TAS	7248
4274	SMITH	Mr	Robert C	PO BOX 321	SCOTTSDALE	TAS	7260
4275	RADFORD	Ms	Jennifer M	6 Bain Terrace	TREVALLYN	TAS	7250
4276	ELTRINGHAM	Mrs	Cheryl A	66 Tasman Hwy	WAVERLEY	TAS	7250
4277	WOOTTON	Mr	Desmond T	3 Ethel St	SCOTTSDALE	TAS	7260
4278	WEST	Mr	Robert N	58 Rowland Cres	SUMMERHILL	TAS	7250
4279	JAMES	Ms	Helen E	58 Rowland Cres	SUMMERHILL	TAS	7250
4280	KINGSTON	Miss	Elizabeth A	6 Mitcham Rd	CLAREMONT	TAS	7011
4281	NEALE	Mrs	Lynette D	4 Alamo Cl	BLACKMANS BAY	TAS	7052
4283	MUTTON	Mr	Eric John	3731 South Arm Rd	OPOSSUM BAY	TAS	7032
4284	EDWARDS	Mrs	Nellie J	Cradoc RSD 282	HUONVILLE	TAS	7109
4285	EDWARDS	Mr	Cyril J	Cradoc RSD 282	HUONVILLE	TAS	7109
4286	BALDCKOCK	Mrs	Rhonda	19 Chenin St	CALAMVALE	QLD	4116
4287	WOODS	Mr	Barry	43 Devoran St	ALBANY CREEK	QLD	4035
4288	WILSON	Mrs	Janet S	44 South Beach Rd	SOMERS	VIC	3927
4289	WOOLS-COBB	Mr	Keith A	'Westhaven'	BOAT HARBOUR	TAS	7321
4290	WHEELER	Mrs	Gwendoline	1 Chalk Ave	BURNIE	TAS	7320
4291	WHEELER	Mr	Graeme	1 Chalk Ave	BURNIE	TAS	7320
4292	CLOUSEN	Mrs	Gaylene	22 Federal St	BURNIE	TAS	7320
4293	CAMPBELL	Mrs	Maureen J	PO Box 230	SOMERSET	TAS	7322
4294	CAMPBELL	Miss	Phillipa K	PO Box 230	SOMERSET	TAS	7322
4295	SMART	Mrs	Marlene J	PO Box 463	BURNIE	TAS	7320
4296	HISLOP	Mrs	Helen M	Whitehills Rd	PENGUIN	TAS	7320
4297	ABBLITT	Miss	Linda J	C/- 2 Dunnivan St	YOUNGTOWN	TAS	7249
4298	CROMBIE	Mrs	Cynthia A	PO BOX 414	KINGS MEADOWS	TAS	7249
4299	CROMBIE	Mr	Anthony	PO BOX 414	KINGS MEADOWS	TAS	7249
4301	RALPH	Mr	Graeme J	RSD E173	DEVOIT	TAS	7275
4302	HARVEY	Mr	Bryce E	17 Fort Direction Rd	SOUTH ARM	TAS	7022
4303	ALMOND	Miss	Glenna M	17 Fort Direction Rd	SOUTH ARM	TAS	7022
4304	DOEDERS	Mrs	Annalisa	340 Davey St	SOUTH HOBART	TAS	7004
4305	ARNOLD	Miss	J B I	9 Binalong Rd	MORNINGTON	TAS	7018
4306	WOODWARD	Mr	Alan K	82 Malunna Rd	LINDISFARNE	TAS	7015
4307	WOODWARD	Mrs	Nancy G	82 Malunna Rd	LINDISFARNE	TAS	7015
4308	WARNER	Mr	John R	100 Willowbend Rd	KINGSTON	TAS	7050
4309	GRAHAM	Miss	June	C/- PO	LAUDERDALE	TAS	7021
4310	SIEVIER	Mr	Colin F	PO Box 860	ROSNY PARK	TAS	7018
4311	SIEVIER	Mrs	Rosemary E	PO Box 860	ROSNY PARK	TAS	7018
4312	McALLISTER	Mrs	Debra	29 Haig St	LENAH VALLEY	TAS	7009

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**Tamoxifen** is widely used to prevent recurrence of breast cancer in women who have already had the disease, but this is the first time it has been used to try to prevent breast cancer in healthy women.

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The study is known as the International Breast Cancer Intervention Study (**IBIS**) and is being conducted in Australia by the ANZ Breast Cancer Trials Group.

*If you would like more information about this study please contact:*

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