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General Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month, February to December, 12:15pm to 2:30pm, at Donald Simpson Centre, 172 Bloomfield Street, Cleveland. An entry fee of \$2 applies to cover the room booking (and a lucky door prize ticket). Free parking is available at the Centre. Meals can be purchased from the Centre's café by those wishing to have an early lunch prior to the meeting.

The Annual General Meeting is held on the second Wednesday of July at 12:15pm, followed by a General Meeting.

The Management Committee meets on the first Wednesday of the month, February to December, at 2pm.

Meetings are not held during January.

The RGS Collections contain a range of resources for world-wide genealogical research in various formats. These are held in our Genealogy "Genie" Room in the Council's Cleveland Library, Middle St (opp. Bloomfield St), Cleveland.

RGS members can use the RGS Library and its facilities, including accessing available online research organisations, at any time the Cleveland Library is open. **To obtain the Genie Room key**, members must present their **RGS** Redland City Council's Libraries Service card to the Cleveland Library Reception staff. It is not the same card that you use for borrowing privately from the Council's Libraries. It is the card given to all joining members. You must activate this card at Cleveland Library each time you renew RGS membership by presenting it with your latest RGS Membership Card.

Genealogical Research Assistants (GRAs) are in the room to assist RGS Members and the General Public

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9.30am to 12.30pm - Saturdays 12:30pm to 3:30pm

Volunteer GRAs: Karen Hawkes (Librarian), Bob Aldred, Ian Barrett, Val Burt, Margaret Clark, Russell Clarke, Annette Hall, Bev McFadyen, Sandra Pawluk, Eddie Richards, Irene Salvatierra, Dianne Smith, Helen Veivers, Audrey Warner & Robyn Waters.

Redland City Council's Local History Collection: The Local History Collection is housed in the Cleveland Library with much of it available online at https://redl.sdp.sirsidynix.net.au/client/en AU/search/asset/1007593/0. Georgia Bennett is Redland City Council's Local History Librarian; Gillian McNeill is Local History Technician.

A Note from the Editor

Pat McCallum

While researching recently I was reminded of the relationship between professional historians and family historians and genealogists. The vast online resources now available to the family historians and the massive army of voluntary researchers trawling through them are the envy of professional historians. This has been the topic of a study. *Family History and Historians in Australia and New Zealand - Related Histories*. Edited By Malcolm Allbrook, Sophie Scott-Brown. Taylor & Francis Group. Copyright 2021. The editors remark,

"Increasingly they cross paths on online networks of exchange and collaboration. And almost unaware of each other, they have become fellow travellers towards a common goal: the search for personal and group identity that is now one of the defining characteristics of our increasingly connected yet restless and rootless world."

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Membership Fees & Payment

Single Membership \$35.00 per annum - Family Membership \$50.00 per annum Membership fees & Membership Renewal fees can be paid by Cash, Cheque or Electronically at General Meetings, or by Cash or Cheque to a GRA in the Genealogy Room. Alternatively, fees can be Transferred Electronically to the Society's bank account, Bank of Queensland Cleveland, BSB: 124-025 Account Number: 2349 3170.

When paying by Electronic Transfer it is very important that:

New members include the word 'New' and 'Surname' in the 'Payment Reference'!

Renewing members include '*Membership number*' and '*Surname*' in the 'Payment Reference' and also <u>email or hand in</u> a completed Membership Renewal form to the Membership Officer!

Application for Membership forms are available on the website, at General Meetings, and in the Genealogy Room.

Membership Renewal forms are emailed to members prior to their membership expiry date.

Redland Researcher is free to Members. It is emailed unless otherwise arranged.

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Society Updates

Monthly Meetings

At our September 2024 Monthly Meeting we were pleased to have a regular presenter Helen Smith take us through an important topic, Document Analysis: Wringing out the Data. This was a motivational topic with "coach" Helen setting out the game plan for getting the most out of document sources. Just because a document doesn't contain what we might have hoped, it is just as important to delve into what it does contain and to understand the document in its historical context. No document exists in isolation, and it is important to consider the legislation/s behind the creation of the document and other potential related documents. Helen provided a detailed handout to accompany her presentation which covered many areas of document analysis that family history researchers should pursue. Helen is a professional family history researcher, author and speaker.



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Well, 10 October was World Porridge Day and members got their "Porridge" a day early from Ailsa Corlett with her presentation on "Making the Most of Your Scottish Research". A very interesting presentation with many hints on where to find the information you are seeking. Alisa provided a useful list of links and provided a timely reminder to those researching the Scottish ancestry of the range of information available online including births, deaths and marriages, places, maps and church

records available from a range of agencies and organisations. Alisa explained the use of wildcards and fuzzy matching strategies on the various platforms and the need for a search strategy which went from the general to the more specific to take into account the wide variations in spellings of names end other search terms. In the main searching indexes ScotlandsPeople is free but access to the source images of documents is a pay per document scheme. Some interesting comments were made about the Kirk records which often contained information about illegitimate births where there was a motivation for identifying a father for children so that the church would not be obliged to support the mother and her child. Thanks Ailsa and great tartan sash!



Memberships

Russell and Jean Clarke

Numbers are holding steady at 123 at the end of October 2024, a record high for the society.

Facebook

Yvonne Weston

Facebook is an important way the Society engages with its members and the broader community. In October 2024, we made quite a few posts during the month, consisting of original posts and reposting other genealogical or historical content. With each post, we try to add something that relates to our Society or more generally with family or local history. As a result, we reached 5,874 people with 256 engaging with our page, 331 followers and 7 new page likes and 8 new followers and 19 shares of our posts. Monday Murmurings continues to be popular. Members can take advantage of:

RGS Members Chat.

Always looking for interesting topics to post so, all suggestions are most welcome.

Family History Month

August was family history month. Georgia Bennett, Local Historian, Cleveland Library, conducted a successful information session during Family History Month with approximately 22 attendees. Annette Hall, Russell Clarke and Bob Aldred were in the Genie Room to assist the 12-15 people who came to visit.

One new member signed up on the day.

Weiss Documents go home

Jean Clarke

Some time ago a box of family history documents was given to the Society. The box contained documents and photographs concerning the WEISS family of Upper Brookfield from the 1860s.



Alan WEISS is the patriarch and is aged 96. By chance, Jean has known Alan for the best part of 20 years through the Brookfield Show Society. Jean contacted Brenda Weiss, Phillip's wife (son of Alan) and delivered the box to granddaughter Elise in May. Jean followed up on the outcome of the box and was told by Brenda that the documents definitely belonged to their family. There were lots of "wonderful things" including lost information on the family. The contents included tree charts



At the time, Alan, being unwell, had not been spoken to about the box contents until this past weekend. Brenda has advised that this box of documents has enriched their lives. The family sends the Society their Thank You for passing the box to them

QR Code

A new small QR (Quick Response) Code has been created to allow people to link to our website with their mobile phones. Try it out!



Displays

Elaine Speck

It was all action again for the weeklong display at the Alexandra Hills Shopping Centre 14th – 18th October for our support for Seniors Month. Elaine secured our strategic position beside the butchers and facing the checkouts at Woollies. The display was impressive and drew a lot of attention. Elaine and her trusty volunteers showcased the work of the Society and pointed those interested to our resources and activities at the Redlands Library – Genie Room. Your Editor was one of those who found himself on duty with Patron Les McFadzen and received an education in Chinese genealogy, rubber plants and blocked drains. Another benefit of volunteering is getting to know more about your fellow members as you fill in the quiet times between "customers".

An additional display was organised for the Redland Museum on 28th October 2024 at the Probus Club Morning Tea.

Thoughts with Les McFadzen

Our thoughts are currently with Les McFadzen and Amy his wife, who has unexpected health issues.

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Elaine Spec - Display Co-ordinator at Alexandra Hills Shopping Centre - October 2024



RGS Christmas Lunch

Wednesday, 11th December 2024. 12:15 p.m.

Donald Simpson Centre

Secret Santa: (\$5-10, wrapped), Christmas Raffle: \$2 or 3 for \$5

Cost: \$20.00 (includes a \$2.00 admission fee.) Payable by 29 November 2024

Payable direct to the RGS Bank Account or

At the November Monthly Meeting by cash or card.

Include Name, Member Number, "Lunch" in the Description



From the Genie Room

"Where RGS lives"

Karen Hawkes, Librarian

We have welcomed 884 members and visitors to our Genie Room, with many visitors joining on the spot after talking to our GRAs. Members have borrowed a total of 105 Books, CDs, Magazines and Journals. A list of our complete Catalogue can be viewed on our Society Website, the Redland Library Website and on Computer No: 3 in the Genie Room.

The Christmas Vacation Dates for GRAs are Tuesday 24th December 2024 to Saturday 18th January 2025. No GRAs will be in attendance from and including these dates. First day back for GRAs will be Tuesday 21st January 2025.

Our Society subscribes to the following sites, all freely accessible in out Genie Room -

- FindMyPast
- Biographical Database of Australia
- RootsIreland
- The Genealogist

Ancestry.com, provided by the Redland City Council, is freely accessible in our Room as well. Our Society is an Affiliate Member of the Genealogical Society of Queensland where our members can freely access the *MyHeritage* research site through GSQ's website.

We also subscribe to Family Tree UK, Who Do You Think You Are? UK, and the Irish Roots Magazine. The latest copy of each can be viewed in our Genie Room and previous copies can be borrowed.

Also, a reminder that Books and CDs from our Collection can be borrowed only by RGS MEMBERS and MUST BE WRITTEN INTO THE BORROWING BOOK and ALSO CHECKED OUT THROUGH THE REDLANDS LIBRARY SYSTEM.

A List of our Complete Catalogue can be viewed on our website and on Computer 3 in our Genie Room.

The Banking Square is now available in our Genie Room where the Librarian Karen and the Assistant Treasurer Val Burt are able to take various payments for the Society. Hopefully next year more GRAs will be able to take payments.

August was Family History Month where Georgia Bennett the Local Historian presented a Family History Talk Workshop at the Cleveland Library. Following the Workshop Georgia attended the Genie Room with the participants where Bob Aldred, Russell Clarke and Annette Hall helped with enquiries. Thank you to all who helped make this day a success.

Gillian McNeill the Local History Technician has advised that the Cleveland Library now has a Film Conversion Digitising Machine. It takes a number of different size reels and saves to a SD Card. This is part of the new Library Makerspace Machines area. If you are wanting to use this machine, please contact Gillian at the Library.

A Problem Solving Folder with Forms is now on the table next to the Sign-In Book for GRAs to fill in when helping Members and Visitors with Research. Please ensure contact details are added to this Form. Research Notes or Information that is found can be left in the Top Drawer of the Brown Cupboard in the Genie Room for Collection.

Also, a Folder has been prepared for Flyers of future Events that may be of interest to our Members and Visitors. The Folder has been called Events Folder and can be found on the table next to the Sign-In Book. Thank you, to Annette for organising this. A reminder to all to please sign the Attendance Book when visiting our Genie Room.

New Acquisitions -

- Ipswich And District Pioneer Register Pre 1914. Volume 2. Author-Ipswich Genealogical Society. Category-Pioneers. Location-1 QLD PIO IPS.
- Citizens Of Ipswich 1904. Ipswich Celebrates 100 Years. 1904-2004. Author-Ipswich Genealogical Society. Category-Pioneers. Location-1 QLD PIO IPS.
- Ipswich And District Military Memorials. Author-Edwin Habben. Category-Military Location-1 QLD MIL HAB.
- Ipswich Our Heritage In Focus. Author-Carolyn Nolan. Category-History. Location-1 QLD HIS NOL.

- (4 Books Donated By Pat McCallum. Thank you.)
- The Wall Family. Weaving The Threads Of Memories. Author-Christine Leonard. Category-Family History. Location-1 TAS FAM LEO.
 - (This Book was purchased by Helen Veivers on behalf of the Society. Thank you.)
- Publish It Yourself. Author-John Stacpoole. Category-Guide. Location-1 AUS GUI STA.
- Starving In Bedworth Will Not Pay The Loan. Author-Tony Davis. Category-Family History. Location-2 ENG FAM DAV.
 - (2 Books Donated By Dawn Montgomery, Thank you.)
- Cracking The Code Of Old Handwriting. Author-Graham Jaunay. Category-Guide.Location-1 AUS GUI JAU.
- A Valley of The Finest Description A History Of The Shire Of Lexton. Author-Margaret Oulton. Category-Pioneers. Location-1 VIC PIO OUL.
 - (2 Books Donated By Wendy Pickering, Thank you.)

The next GRA Meeting and Christmas Party Morning Tea, including the Magazine Interest Group Members, will be on Monday 25th November 2024, 10am at the Librarian's Home. If you would like to join the GRA Team, please contact the Librarian.

I would like to **Thank** all GRAs for their Time, Knowledge and their Dedication in Our Genie Room especially those who have filled in to do extra Duty Days and extra Tasks.

I wish All Visitors, GRAs, Members and their Families a Safe and Merry Christmas.

See You All in the Genie Room in 2025.

National Archives of Australia

16 Corporate Drive, Cannon Hill **Phone:** (07) 3249 4200 **Website:** <u>www.naa.gov.au</u>

Important! Before visiting, you should check NAA's requirements at https://www.naa.gov.au/help-your-research/research-centres#before-you-visit. Bookings are not essential but may be required if busy. Phone 07 3249 4200 to plan your visit and to find out more about COVID-19 health and safety measures in place.

Open - Wednesday to Friday 9:00am to 4.30pm Closed – Saturday to Tuesday and Public Holidays

Free on-site parking is available.

The strengths of their Brisbane facility collection are -

- immigration records that date from the 1850s
- post office and mail service records and photographs
- works plans which cover everything from iconic buildings such as the General Post Office and Customs House, to defence service homes built in typical Queenslander fashion.

For details of regular Events, you can register on their website to arrange a subscription to their free newsletter.

Queensland State Archives

435 Compton Road, Runcorn **Phone: (07) 3037 6777**

Website: www.archives.qld.gov.au

When visiting the Reading Room, it is advisable to pre-order items on the "ArchivesSearch" catalogue to ensure that they are available on your arrival - https://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/

Open hours are Monday to Friday 9.00am to 4.30pm & second Saturday of each month 9.00am to 4.30pm. The Reading Room is not open on public holidays or during the Christmas to New Year holiday period.

QSA's archival collection comprises of millions of public records dating back to the early Moreton Bay penal settlement of 1823. Free on-site parking is available.

The QSA holds informative Seminars and Events throughout the year, some on their premises, some at external venues. Check "What's on" in their website for details. You can keep informed of these by arranging a free subscription to "qsa bulletin", using the link on their website. The bulletin is sent by email.

Midshipman Denis Gerald Ambrose Goddard, of H.M.S. Queen Mary

by Malcolm L. Goddard

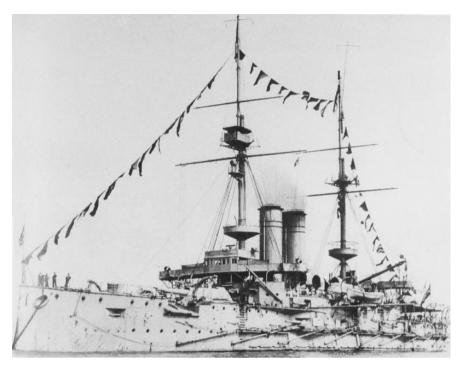
Though barely eighteen at the time of his death Midshipman Denis Gerald Ambrose Goddard had seen much active service, both in European waters and in the Eastern Mediterranean. Mobilized from Dartmouth, where he had just completed his fifth term, on August 1st, 1914, he joined *H.M.S. Ocean* and while serving in her was employed in the English Channel during the passage of British troops to France at the start of the British deployment for what became known as 'The Great War'.



Midshipman Denis Gerald Ambrose Goddard, RN

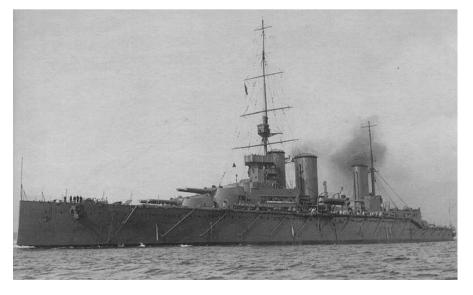
Proceeding subsequently to the Persian Gulf, where he was employed in the landing of troops, he also saw service at the Suez Canal and at Gallipoli in the Dardanelles, where the *H.M.S. Ocean* was sunk by a mine, Midshipman Goddard was rescued with the greater part of the crew, and was transferred *to H.M.S. Lord Nelson*, being employed during this time principally on picket-boat work conveying troops to the beaches and then collecting wounded and returning to the ships offshore. Wounded in operations at Gallipoli on May 10th, 1915, he was invalided to Malta, and later to England. After some months, not being sufficiently recovered from his wounds to return to active service at sea, he was given temporary employment at the Admiralty, where he was engaged in the Intelligence Department from February until May 1916. Passed fit by a medical Board, Midshipman Goddard was posted to the battleship *H.M.S. Queen Mary* on May 17th, 1916, and met his death a fortnight later in the great Battle of Jutland.

Midshipman Denis Gerald Ambrose Goddard, who was born at Barrackpore, India, on January 18th, 1898, and educated at Mount St. Benedict, Gorey, was the son of Major (later Lt. Col.) Francis Ambrose D'Oyly Goddard late of the Royal Munster fusiliers and Evelyn Maud Le Gallais. His father, who was on active service in France at the time of his son's death, had fought through the South African War and in the Tirah Campaign in India. Midshipman Goddard's grandfather was also a distinguished soldier, Colonel le Gallais, who served with distinction through the Indian Mutiny and in the Sikh War.



H.M.S. Ocean in August 1907.

H.M.S. Ocean was a battleship displacing 12,950 tons and armed with four 12-inch and twelve six-inch guns. She was launched in 1898. In early February 1915 she aided the defence of the Suez Canal against the Turks and then sailed to take part in naval operations in the Dardanelles Campaign. She became part of a squadron comprising HM Ships *Albion, Irresistible, Majestic, Triumph, and Vengeance*, which from March 1, 1915, bombarded various forts and strait defences. On March 18, after standing by the disabled *Irresistible, Ocean* herself struck a mine and was almost simultaneously crippled by shelling. She sank later that night.



H.M.S. Queen Mary in February 1916

A letter (below) from Denis Goddard to his parents after being hurt at Gallipoli.

(All words and spelling are his own)

Dear Dad.

I am afraid there is no chance of my coming home because they are only sending home cases of 3 months & more & I hope to be alright by end of June. I am out of pain now but cannot use my left hand at all, so I am very helpless. I can bathe and shave dress and undress myself, but I am very slow about it.

It is very sickening after landing troops at Gallipoli on Sunday 25th April & during subsequent nights I am having through the Providence of God come out alive & uninjured then to have a beastly accident which from first to last will crock me up about 2 months.

I had the day of my life on Sunday, my command was handed over to me on Saturday night at 10pm & consisted of a service picquet capable of steaming 15 knots with a crew & counting myself a 3 pdr gun with ammunition & coal & water. I was told to go to the Cornwallis. There I was given 5 cutters and given orders about landing troops. I went to a transport & filled my cutters with troops 50 to each boat (this was at Tenedos) I then steamed up the entrance of the Dardanelles. About 1am I manoeuvred my tow into line & the & picquet boats steamed up in line abreast to V. Beach. We got within 500 yards without a shot being fired then the whole beach & the frowning cliffs burst into spurts of flame & the rattle of musketry filled the air. We had bullets all round us & over us but no hits. Then a battery over at Kum Kale started up & six-inch shells started splashing round.

However we kept on in line abreast 80 yds between the tows. I had a man forward with a boathook sounding & I was drawing five feet. When we got to six feet of water about 110 yds from the beach I slipped my tow who got out their oars & started to pull into the beach. When my boats were clear I went astern till I was about 200 yds from the beach & then opened fire on the Turkish trenches on the beach I swept them from end to end and then I saw 4 of my boats coming out so I went in as close as I could & picked them up learning that one boat had been blown up & sunk just before I picked them up one of my crew who was standing close to me gave a little gasp & lurched overboard. I had no time to pick him up, so I went out for more troops.

After 6 lots I thought that I had enough of that to last me, so I started rescuing wounded. There was one cutter drifting right under the cliffs I dashed in full speed to get her all the time we had rifle bullets and machine bullets playing round us & they followed us all the time. I got the cutter all right & there were about 30 men in her lying at the bottom of the boat. She was riddled with bullets & was half full of blood and water. I gave the wheel to the coxswain & told him to steer for the Albion who was lying quite close. I took our first aid bag & armed with a little knowledge of 1st aid I started to tinker up the poor devils. After I had made them as comfortable as I could I hopped on top of the cabin & semaphored to the Albion that I had wounded for her.

I must stop now. Denis.

The following are notes from the official history of the Dardanelles campaign, and what happened at "V Beach". It must be remembered that Midshipman Denis Goddard was only 17 years old when he served at Gallipoli.

"V Beach" was 300 yards long with Cape Helles and Fort Etrugrul on the left and the old Sedd el Bahr Castle on the right. Ahead was Hill 141. The beach was defended by about a company of men from the 3rd Battalion of the 26th Regiment of the Turkish Army, equipped with four 50 calibre machine guns.

Men of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, the Royal Munster Fusiliers and 'Y' & 'Z' companies of the 2nd Hampshire Battalion were to attack "V Beach" on Cape Helles the most westerly point of the Gallipoli peninsular. Some would land in lighters

(rowing boats) towed by steam picket boats, the rest would be aboard the *River Clyde*, an old steam collier, that had been modified specifically for the purpose of landing troops on the beach.

"V Beach" was possibly the most important of all. Although the Turkish garrison on the heights and in the old castle of Sedd-el-Bahr on the right of the beach was small, it inflicted devastating fire on the landing. Men of the landing parties were cut down in swathes, and many were killed in the boats. Most of the men in the ship could not at first get ashore, as the bridge of lighters to the beach was under constant fire and swept away. When a bridge was eventually made, the men swarmed down, only to be cut down the same way as their comrades in the boats had been before. It was only at night that large numbers of men were able to get ashore.

The first ashore was to be the 1st Battalion, Royal Dublin Fusiliers which landed from ships boats that were towed or rowed ashore. All appeared lifeless following the bombardment. As the boats were about to land, the Turkish defenders opened up again, laying down a withering fire. The guns in the fort and castle enfiladed the beach, slaughtering the men in the boats. A few made it ashore and sought shelter under a sand bank at the edge of the beach where they remained, pinned down. Out of the 700 men who went in, only 300 survived, many of whom were also wounded.

The battalions that landed at "V Beach" suffered about 70% casualties. Five Victoria Crosses were awarded amongst the Lancashires at "W Beach" nearby, and six Victoria Crosses were awarded amongst the infantry and sailors at the "V Beach" landing.

References and evidence:

Baptism certificate held. (St Bartholomew's Church, Barrackpore, India)

The Royal Navy List for October 1908, H.M.S. Ocean

Certificate of service for H.M.S. Ocean, 5 Aug. 1914 – 18 March 1915

Listed as "Wounded" on the Casualty List issued by the War Office from 5 May 1915.

Denis G A Goddard, Royal Navy service record, The National Archives' reference ADM 196/120/142

Telegram from British Admiralty to Major Goddard notifying him of his son Denis's wounding 8 May 1915

Telegram from British Admiralty to Major Goddard notifying him of his son Denis's death 5 June 1916

Admiralty letter to Major Goddard regarding the death of Mid. Denis G. A. Goddard, 3 June 1916

The Times Newspaper, June 7, 1916

The Daily Mirror Newspaper, June 8, 1916

Narrative of Petty Officer (Gunner's Mate) E. Francis, of "X" Turret on H.M.S. Queen Mary – Denis was stationed in the 'X' Turret.

Souvenir publication of the Great Naval Battle and Roll of Honour - by John Leyland

Island of Jersey Roll Of Honour 1914-1918

The Portsmouth Naval Memorial, RN, H.M.S. Queen Mary, killed in action, 1916.

Letters from Denis to his father during WW1, 4 days before the battle of Jutland, written whilst on H.M.S Queen Mary

Letter from Midshipman Jocelyn L. Storey to Midshipman Denis Goddard's mother regarding Denis's death on H.M.S. Queen Mary

The Battle of Jutland Bank ~ 31st May 1916 - Mark Bougourd ~ The Channel Islands Great War Study Group.

Medal Role Entitlement for Mid. Denis G A Goddard, Royal Navy

Denis G A Goddard, service medals + letter

Family narrative from Denis's sister Mimi Goddard, published by the Goddard Association of Europe, April 2021 Goddard family photos and postcards

Villainy at Mount Gravatt Hotel



Audrey Warner

I have previously had articles printed in the Redland Researcher regarding my great grandfather, William Underwood. William became very involved in the formation of early Queensland especially around the Eight Mile Plains and Mt Gravatt areas, and so has been mentioned in newspapers, and thus Trove, on many occasions. These articles have helped

greatly in getting to know him, but the one mentioned here is a letter written by the man himself so is particularly interesting to me. It appeared on Page 3 of the Beenleigh Logan Witness on Saturday 14 May 1881.

(To the Editor of the Logan Witness.)

Sir,—Between the night of Friday, the 6th, and Saturday morning last some cold-blooded murdering villain tried to set fire to my hotel. The floor of the bar had been saturated with kerosine, and then they had tried to set fire to it by means of a paper rolled together, but in the dark had put the paper too far from the kerosine, so that it did not burn; and it also being a wet night, and the boards being damp from the rain, it saved me and my family from being burned in our beds. I have put it in the hands of the detectives. In the event of my catching the person in the act of doing such a murderous deed would I be justified in shooting him? I have been over sixteen years on the Logan road, and this is the first time any person every tried to do me an injury. — Yours, &c, WILLIAM UNDERWOOD.

Logan Witness (Beenleigh, Qld. : 1878 - 1893) Sat 14 May 1881, Page 3. Villainy at Mount Gravatt Hotel.

William certainly sounds like a rather forceful man. Thank goodness that "murderous villain" wasn't successful, or I wouldn't be here to write this. Trove has certainly been the source of many, many little anecdotes that help me to know more about the lives of my Australian ancestors; certainly, much more easily than when I began looking into my family history a quarter of a century ago.

Window Shopping on Trove

Cynthia Carson

When I was young, our family sometimes went window shopping. We did this on a Sunday afternoon, when all the shops were closed, making the possibility of purchasing anything, at best, a task for another day. We weren't alone. Other families in our, then small, Queensland country town did the same thing. They would bring their children and dogs to run amok on the side-walk. It was a budget-friendly activity, devoid of any sales pressure.

Trove is a window into a by-gone era. I recently discovered that you can window shop on-line with no possibility of adding anything to your "Cart" and racking up a nasty credit card bill! Imagine that you are a well-heeled Brisbanite in the year of Federation, with money burning a hole in your pocket. It's just before Christmas and you read this in *The Brisbane Courier* about a local Queen Street, jeweller. Enjoy!

"Christmas Preparations: The Brisbane Shops Charles W. Snow

The visitor to Mr. C. H. Snow's shop will experience great difficulty in knowing what to select. Mr. Snow's cases are filled with all the newest and best of designs, in every class of goods, and the great beauty of the articles exhibited makes choice difficult. For Christmas gifts, there are all kinds of knick-knacks in sterling silver, such as inkstands, pin-trays, puff-boxes, bonbon-boxes, and manicure sets. In leather good, with silver mountings, there are travelling and toilet cases, purses, card-cases, &c. One very exquisite case contained a gold shoe horn, and a button-hook of the same metal. The sets of brushes with solid silver backs, in the Watteau designs, with mirror, in case, are suitable for presentation purposes. Another novelty is an afternoon tea-set of spoons and knives in a case, which also contains mother-of-pearl.

Gentlemen are especially catered for, and anyone wanting suitable presents for their male friends should pay a visit to this establishment, where they can select such articles as silver

shaving-mugs, mirrors, sets of razors, and silver soap boxes, in or out of cases. Then there are military hair brushes in silver, ivory or ebony. A novelty in the form of a cigar box, to hold 100 cigars, is of choice cedar, framed in silver, and with a lid of plate glass. Walking sticks are mounted with silver and ivory. Opera and field glasses, tobacco jars, silver stamp boxes, ashtrays, and pen-wipers are amongst the smaller articles.

The silver fern-pots and rose-bowls are also worthy of mention. In jewellery, we were shown a beautiful bangle of large amethysts, with a heart-shaped amethyst pendant. In pearl and turquoise jewellery, which is now so fashionable, there are many choice articles. One in the form of a broach of daisies can be transformed at will into a pendant, by means of a hidden spring. Gem rings, form a fine show in themselves, and the 'noble' Queensland opal is set with diamonds to form a number of ornaments. Some diamond and pearl sprays are really exquisite. Of watches, there is a special stock of gold hunting watches, with plain, engraved, or decorated cases. The works of these watches are set with seventeen jewels, and the name, Chas. Snow, is on the dial."

If anything has really taken your fancy, it could still be somewhere out there in an antique shop. Those products were generally well cared for and built to last!

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CHARLES W. SNOW. (1901, December 18). *The Brisbane Courier (Qld.: 1864 - 1933)*, p. 7. Retrieved October 14, 2024, from http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article19136982

The wedding photo and the wedding cake:

Annette Hall

Quite some time ago I inherited a large stash of family photos, so many I don't think I ever glanced at all of them. I was honing in on faces I knew or thought I knew. One photo I did remember was of a three tier Wedding Cake but unfortunately no information was recorded on the back.



Several years later I was given a photo of a large family wedding, but not of my direct ancestors wedding so it got filed away in the indirect rellies file. I did know that my Grandpop, Joseph PORTER was the Best Man and my Nana, Hannah

Mary HEWITT was the Chief Bridesmaid. The groom was a younger brother of Joseph's, Charley Porter who married Winifred (Annie) Crouch on the 4th May, 1912 at her parent's home on the banks of the Brisbane River at Bulimba.

I didn't worry too much about the photos until one day whilst playing around on the Trove Digital Newspapers site I thought I would see if there was any information regarding the wedding. This was where I found an article not only



about the wedding but also of a three tier wedding cake that the bride had made. WELL! I knew immediately where I could find a photo of the cake and dived into my large stash of photos and there it was.

hands of David Webster. The handsome three-tier wedding cake was made by the bride. The presents were numerous and useful.

Brisbane Courier (Qld.: 1864 - 1933), Wednesday 15 May 1912, page 17

Do you have a treasure from TROVE to share? Write them up and send them to the Newsletter Editor at redlandgseditor@gmail.com or take them to the Writers Interest Group and turn them into something special to remember.

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Journey of a Lost Manuscript (Review)

Cynthia Carson



Former maths and science teacher Lorraine Smith retired from teaching to run a second-hand bookshop at Warrnambool in Victoria. One day a customer handed her a small old-looking document that they had found in her store inside a vintage copy of 'Alice and Wonderland'. With the help of her daughter (who had majored in English literature) and a Professor at the University of Queensland, it was established that the document was a title deed (dated 1583) on vellum (calf skin) from Tudor era England.

Lorraine used her science brain and genealogy skills to trace the document's origin back to England and from there, its journey to Australia. In the process she found a living relative of one of the original signatories, Robert Appleyard, in Perth; and tracked down a living relative of the nineteenth century deed owner, Reuben Brown, in Adeliade. Lorraine wrote a book about her adventures, which were full of twists and turns and discovery. "Journey of a Lost Manuscript" by Lorraine Smith is available via: https://books54.wixsite.com/lostmanuscript and is guaranteed to entertain the ardent genealogist, the family history writer and anyone who has jumped into a research 'rabbit hole' and loved the wild ride.

Forthcoming Events

CONNECTIONS - Australasian Conference 2025



This is a premier event for local and family historians, ancestry researchers and genealogists to uncover the past, celebrate the present and tap into the future.

Date: 21 to 24 March 2025

Venue: Brisbane Technology Park, 1 Clunies Ross Court, Eight Mile Plains QLD

Full details will be found on GSQ's website: https://www.connections2025.org.au/



Chris Paton & Mia Bennett down under

Scotland, Ireland, England & DNA

Take your research further with leading experts Chris Paton and Mia Bennett, featured speakers on our <u>18th Unlock</u> <u>the Past cruise</u> (Southern Australia) in December 2024.

Brisbane – 2 days Thu 12 - Fri 13 December 2024 – <u>Brisbane details and booking</u> at Geebung RSL Club, Corner Newman Road & Collings Street, Geebung.



Shared histories: Dutch-Australian migration - Online

Wednesday 20 November 2024, 6-7 p, AEDT

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/shared-histories-dutch-australian-migration-tickets-1047169922427?aff=oddtdtcreator

Wandering Through the Web

Trouble at 23andME

On 17 October 2024, ABC News reported that 23andME is on the verge of bankruptcy and it may be too late to delete your genetic data. Their brief stated:

In short:

Popular genetic testing company 23andMe is facing bankruptcy and may sell the genetic data of its 15 million customers.

Users have the option to delete their data, but the company can retain it for three years. Data that's already been sold to researchers may not be able to be deleted.

What's next?

23andMe's co-founder and CEO is attempting to buy the company's remaining shares to take back control.

https://www.abc.net.au/news/science/2024-10-17/23andme-genetic-data-privacy-bankrupt-dna-test-ancestry/104455816

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m8yKRxdUXoU

On 29 October 2024, 23andME appointed three new independent directors to the Board and reported:

"the Company remains firmly committed to its mission of helping people access, understand and benefit from the human genome. We are ready to dig in and act with urgency to get the Company on a path for long-term success."

Grave cleaning videos spark fascination and outrage online

We all owe a great debt to our cemeterists. In one of those "only from America stories", NBC News reports on an internet phenomenon under this headline.

On social media platforms, including Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and Reddit, users have created online communities around the practice of cleaning gravesites. Audiences have become fascinated by the trend — some revel in the paranormal, others search for long lost ancestors, and many just enjoy watching the satisfying act of a deep clean.

One "cleaner" has come under particular fire. Stacey Habecker, known as "The Clean Girl" online, caused intense controversy with her upbeat and vibrant approach to grave cleaning, which she videos and shares online. Stacey, with her bright pink hair and bright pink cleaning products has been drawing a lot of attention.

As experts in the preservation of historical monuments insist, cleaning with inappropriate products can do more harm than good and quick fix cleans are less likely to safely improve the resilience of those monuments. "The Clean Girl" is not necessarily the norm with others who share her interest taking training courses and using approved methods for grave preservation. One of this group has cleaned over 2,000 graves in three summers out of her passion for genealogy and a desire to make sure they are there for the next couple of generations.

Sophia Pargas NBC News online Oct. 30, 2024, accessed at https://www.nbcnews.com/tech/internet/grave-cleaning-videos-tiktok-controversy-restoration-rcna175983

Member Robyn Waters has found a subscription service, https://www.shipindex.org/ Robyn has a relative who was a mariner, and she found 4 trips from Maryborough to Sydney using this index. He was never on the same ship again. Helen Smith, our August 2024, Guest Speaker, also said that it was a "brilliant website".

In an EMERGENCY dial TRIPLE ZERO (000)



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Crime Prevention Corner

Don't delete it. Don't ignore it. Report it!

Here are 10 signs that an email might be phishing or malicious that you should report.

- 1. Suspicious sender from an unknown sender, or the email address looks unusual, like a misspelled government or bank domain (e.g. 'qov.au' instead of 'gov.au').
- 2. Urgent or threatening language creates a sense of urgency or threatens negative consequences if you don't act immediately, such as fines from the ATO (Australian Tax Office).
- 3. Generic greetings like 'Dear Customer' of 'Dear (your) email address' instead of addressing you by name, especially from familiar Australian institutions like Centrelink or your local council.
- Unexpected attachments and unexpected links, claiming to be from well-known Australian companies like Telstra, Qantas etc.
- Requests for personal information email asks for sensitive information such as your MyGov login details, Medicare number, or bank account information.
- 6. Spelling and grammatical errors contains noticeable spelling and grammar mistakes, which is unusual for official communications from Australian entities.
- 7. Unusual requests like transferring money to an overseas account or purchasing gift cards from supermarkets.
- 3. Mismatched URLs links don't match the legitimate URL or look suspicious.
- 9. Too good to be true unrealistic rewards or offers that seem too good to be true.
- 10. Unfamiliar logos or branding that look slightly off or unfamiliar from trusted Australian brands.

 ${\it Bayside\ DCPC-email\ \underline{DCPC.Bayside@police.qld.gov.au}\ - blog\ \underline{www.mypolice.qld.govau/bayside}}$

Where to get your BDM Certificates

Prices are based on Historical Certificates, where available

This information is a guide. Please check websites for full details of types of certificates available, how to place orders and how to make payments.

Prices are changed regularly by government agencies.

Queensland

Registry of Births, Deaths & Marriages (Qld) Level 32/180 Ann St, Brisbane City QLD 4000

PO Box 15188, City East, Qld 4002

Phone: 13 74 68

Hours: Monday-Friday 8.30am – 4.30pm **\$24.70** Historical Image – Download

\$24.70 Historical Source Image – Download **\$34.70** Historical Certificate – Postage included.

https://www.qld.gov.au/law/rbdm

New South Wales

NSW Registry of Births, Deaths & Marriages GPO Box 30, Sydney, NSW 2001

Phone: 13 77 88

\$39.00 with Registration Number

\$53.00 w/out number (includes 10-year search)

Postage included

Credit card charges extra www.bdm.nsw.gov.au

Transcription services:

www.joymurrin.com.au

http://www.transcriptions.com.au/

Victoria

Registry of Births, Deaths & Marriages GPO Box 4332, Melbourne, Vic 3001

Phone: 1300 369 367

\$22.50 Uncertified Historical Image - Download **\$55.80** Historical Certificate - Postage extra

www.bdm.vic.gov.au

Australian Capital Territory

(Pre 1930, apply to NSW) Registry of Births, Deaths & Marriages GPO Box 158, Canberra City, ACT 2601

Phone: (02) 6207 3000 **\$72.00** – Postage included

Historic Death and Marriage Indexes are available.

https://services.accesscanberra.act.gov.au/s/public-registers

South Australia

Births, Deaths & Marriages Consumer & Business Services GPO Box 1351, Adelaide, SA 5001

Phone: 131 882

\$31.25 Historical Image - Emailed

https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/family-andcommunity/births-deaths-and-marriages/familyresearch

Also use their link to Genealogy SA for an online name search for BDMs also to search a number of other worthwhile resources!

Western Australia

Registry of Births, Deaths & Marriages PO Box 7720, Cloisters Square, Perth, WA 6850

Phone: 1300 305 021

\$20.00 Uncertified Copy - Postage included

https://www.wa.gov.au/service/justice/civillaw/searching-family-history

Tasmania

Registry of Births, Deaths & Marriages GPO Box 198, Hobart, Tasmania 7001

Phone: 1300 135 513 **\$64.72** – Postage included

www.justice.tas.gov.au/bdm/home

Northern Territory

Registry of Births, Deaths & Marriages GPO Box 3021, Darwin, NT 0801

Phone: (08) 8999 6119 **\$54.00** – Postage extra (1856-1863 check NSW) (1863-1870 check SA)

https://nt.gov.au/law/bdm

New Zealand

Registry of Births, Deaths, Marriages & Citizenship

PO Box 10-526, Wellington 6143 New Zealand

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