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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Camden Area Family History Society Inc. is held on the first Tuesday of August each year, immediately following the general meeting.

The Society meets on the first Tuesday of each month (except January) at 7.30pm in the Community Meeting Room of the Camden Library/Museum Complex

40 JOHN STREET CAMDEN.

MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS ALL WELCOME

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I would like to thank the members for re-electing me to the position of President at our August General Meeting. I would like to congratulate those members who were elected to the committee and look forward to working with them in the coming year.

While I am thanking people I would thank those who made the trip to Port Macquarie for the 2015 State Conference in September. Our members attending have given us plenty of ideas for our conference in 2016 which were bought out at our meeting a fortnight after the conference. Planning has started for 2016 with the team looking at accommodation, speakers and use of our, hopefully donated local products as prizes for the raffles held over the 3 days of the conference. Any further suggestions on these and any other matters concerning the 2016 Conference, we would like to hear from you. Tony Jackson is the Coordinator for the Conference and the next Conference committee meeting is on the 24th of October at 1pm in the Library. Any member who would like to help is welcome at the meeting. The Camden Civic Centre has been booked for the Conference and a grant application has been submitted to Camden Council to help cover the hiring costs.

The 'Bunnings' sausage sizzle was a great success as we bought out all available bread rolls at Woolworths Oran Park and also at Coles Harrington Park to meet demand. To those who worked on the day thank you for a great effort. I have asked if we can have another at Bunnings in March next Year.

As they say all things come in threes, well the last was the relocation of the research room to a new location in the Library, to those who gave up some time to help move on Friday and Saturday you have my and the committee's thanks. I have received several favourable comments from the Library staff about the relocation and the fact that we can display our banner will hopefully bring in a few more enquiries.

The society now has its own digital projector, screen and a Public Address system courtesy of the Association of Independent Retirees, MacArthur Branch as they have ceased operating in Camden .

Ray Herbert, President

EDITORIAL

Welcome to my first Journal as Editor. Ray Herbert has concluded his 3 part series on Camden and The First World War outlining many reports from overseas and locally concerning the First World War both from the Military point and from the Home Front. Recently Denbigh House at Cobbitty held an open day for the first time in many years and after attending I have included some details about both Denbigh and St Pauls Anglican Cobbitty.

There are our usual articles including New Acquisitions and Items For Sale.

There is a report on progress for the conference committee planning the 2016 State Conference of the NSW & ACT Family History Societies which is being held here in Camden next year.

Sharon Greene has provided a report from the Braidwood Times copy of the annual gathering of the Descendants of Colonial police, bushrangers, their victims and harbingers. This year the group visited the haunts of the Clarke gang in and around the Braidwood area.

Earlier this year in Penrith, a local park was set aside to commemorate Australian lives lost in all wars and conflicts since The Sudan resulting in what became the Poppy Park Penrith. After purchasing our poppy and receiving it along with the name of the Soldier represented, I found for me it introduced a new level of personal interest as I have not found any family involved in WWI or WWII.

I hope there is something for everyone in the edition of Camden Calling but it would be nice to have more input from members.

Warren Sims, Editor

MEMBERSHIP

C.A.F.H.S. Inc. Membership falls due on the **1st July each year,** and the prompt renewal of your membership is appreciated. To ensure all your details are current, e.g. telephone number and email addresses, please complete a Members Information Update form if your details have changed or notify the Membership Officer.

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We welcome new members from Australia and Overseas.

CAMDEN AND THE FIRST WORLD WAR

Events of the Great War as reported in the Camden News - Part 3

Cables from the European War

1st April 1915

Aeroplanes discovered 1000 Turks near El Kubri opposite Suez on Monday. The guns at El Kubri compelled the Turks to retire, and a force under General Younghusband routed them on Tuesday.

Mr Martin Donohoe, war correspondent, states that the Turkish army is retreating from Egypt as rapidly as its enfeebled condition will permit.

Numbers of the Turks are perishing from hunger and thirst in the desert, and are falling prey to the vultures, droves of which are following their retreat.

A report from Teredos states that the Allies fire has wrecked six of the Dardanelles forts. The Turkish losses are reported to have been very heavy.

In spite of severe damage some of the forts are still able to resist, German Howitzers mounted on rails and some mobile batteries have been posted along the Straits.

British airmen raided Hobokon, on the Scheldt, and destroyed a German submarine, damaged another, and then set fire to the works. Five submarines were seen on the slips.

It is reported from Amsterdam that the Germans in Poland, are carry metal knapsacks containing an inflammable liquid. Twenty Russians were burned alive during one night.



The Defence Department have been advised of the safe arrival in Egypt of the second and third reinforcements from Australia.

8th April 1915

A Dutch trawler reported that a great fleet of warships preceded by two Zeppelins have been seen in the North Sea.

A German hydroplane flew over trawlers and dropped a few bombs. The ships seemed to come from an eastward direction. An officer from a destroyer boarded the trawler and finding nothing

suspicious returned to his ship

An almost continuous battle has been raging for three weeks in Champagne, the "Daily Chronicle's" correspondent reports, the French taking the offensive.

A perfect tempest of Fire has swept the ground, not a yard being left unploughed by shells.

The correspondent states that there were terrible struggles in the enemy's trenches. Without room to fire their rifles, the men fought with unfixed bayonets pick-axes, pieces of iron, and fists. .

The British air raid on Hoboken resulted in damage to an airship shed and airship, the destruction of two submarines, and damage to a third.

15th April 1915

The Defence Department announces the safe arrival in Egypt of additional Australian troops.

Speaking at the British Empire League, Sir William McMillan (Australian Commonwealth) referred to America's attitude of dumbness, and her moral obligation in view of the enemies' acts, which contravened all international law.



A submarine commander demanded money from the captain of the French steamer Frederic Franck, and because the request was refused, exploded two bombs before the crew was able to leave.

German raiding cruisers have sunk 67 vessels, valued at £6,691,100 British trade for the same period totalled £730,000,000.

An 80 days battle in the Carpathians ended in the Russians advancing to within three days march of the Hungarian plains. The enemy's resistance was extremely stubborn.

22nd April 1915

Count Von Burnstorff it appears has been circulating continual rumours that Britain and France wanted Peace.

The British and French governments have explained to the American that Germany must be completely beaten first.

A memorandum representing 17,000,000 American Christians has been written to the New Zealand Minister for Defence protesting against the idea that America is lacking in friendship towards Britain.

The British submarine E 15, while reconnoitering a mine field in the Dardanelles went aground. In a Constantinople report that 24 of the crew were taken prisoner and seven are reported missing.

The Press Bureau announces an important and successful action by the British, Zillebeke, south of Ypres. The battle raged along a front of seven miles the fierce fighting as that at Nunue Capelle. The Germans are utterly demoralized





29th April 1915

It is reported that Sir Ian Hamilton will command the Dardanelles Expeditionary Forces, of which the colonials are the backbone.

The colonial troops have developed faster and better than their best friends could have hoped. Their military efficiency is now reckoned high and they possess skill and courage of a high order.

The fighting north of Ypres continues satisfactory to the Allies.

Germans attacked the British at several points but they gained no ground, "A correspondent says that the Germans evidently placed big reinforced bottles of gas compressed to a high pressure on the top of the trenches and opened them when the wind was certain to carry the poison into the allies' trenches.

Many of the French not knowing their danger made no attempt to escape, and died at their posts. The corpses turned black.

The disembarkation of the allies' army at the Gallipoli peninsula was successfully carried out despite the enemy's vigorous opposition.

Lord Kitchener, in a further appeal for munitions worker declares that anything less than the full output will mean the needless sacrifice of gallant lives and the postponement of victory.

From the Home Front

Mr O S B Hogg, who is shortly to leave for the front has disposed of his practice at Camden to Mr. J. S. Hogg, dentist, who formerly was managing, and who may be consulted as usual at the same address.

Mr F. E. Wheeler, Camden was successful at the Royal Agricultural Show in winning the first, Champion and third prizes for his Plymouth Rock Fowls.

The King's decision to banish alcohol from the Royal household has fired popular imagination. Mr. Lloyd George has received thousands of abstinence pledges.

Mr. J Pinkerton: Captain of the Camden Rifle Club wrote asking for the use of the Agricultural Hall for drill purposes on two nights a week, Monday and Wednesdays;

So far as Wednesday nights are concerned Mr Street moved, Mr J. McIntosh seconded that the Rifle Club be allowed the use of the hall for the time being free of embargo. The military authorities have the hall engaged for Monday Evenings

Bugler Milton Thornton of the 3rd Infantry Battalion sent a letter and a poem from the Mena Camp Egypt to his parents both articles were published in the Camden News on the 22nd April 1915. Milton was killed in Action on the 19th May 1915.

A marked improvement was noticeable at the weekly drill of the Camden Rifle Club last night. Over 30 member's going through a couple of hours drill. Lieut. E.H.K. Downes, A. A. Butler, and Mr. T. E. Dibdon were the instructors.

Mr. Fisher has stated that Australia has despatched for service, at the front and had in camp preparing for active service a total of 70,101 troops of all ranks.

The Federal Government has requisitioned 22 mills, which are working to full capacity, while orders have been placed with 124 firms for a total of 630,210 garments for the troops.

Since last Budget the British Government had agreed to lend a further six and a half million. Making total loans twenty and a half million to be received for war purposes up to December next.

THOUGHTS IN MENA CAMP.

By Bugler Thornton 91.

We're settled down in Egypt,
The land of flies and sand,
And the life is rotten,
The times we have are grand.

We're scaled the mighty Pyramids,
And travelled over the sand,
We're Seen the tombs of mighty man,
Returned to dust again.

The Citadel and Native town,
The forts and Mosques and Tower
Traditions speak of great renown,
And of days of wealth and power.

But days of pomp has passed away,
From this fair sunny land;
For long has Turkey held her sway?
For long she held command.

But still the future lies ahead,
The day may come who knows
When Egypt hosts will rally then,
And Help our common foes!

The Union Jack now flies aloft,
Bespeaking British presage
And under it protecting arm
The land at last at rest is.

Australian troops have had the task
Of enforcing England's claims,
But we're a little more to ask
We want more of the game

Too dreary is this humdrum life,
With guards and fat I guess,
No wonder that our Sergeants bit
And deal in wild abuse.

So many men are getting stale,
And some are in the clink,
And several more are on the ale
Our only joy is drink.

But putting all our jokes aside
Our lads are doing well,
And daily now we wait the word
To sail for Old Marseilles

And when it comes, our song will be,
Australia's in the band
Our efforts must bring honour to
The dear old Southern land

And when the muster roll is called
And home is drawing near,
May every one of you my lads
Be there to answer HERE.

World War 1 Poetry

Anzac Cove

There's a lonely stretch of hillocks,
There's a beach asleep and drear,
There's a battered, broken fort beside the sea.

There are sunken, trampled graves
And a little rotting pier
And winding paths that wind unceasingly.

There's a torn and silent valley,
There's a tiny rivulet,
With some blood upon the stones beside its mouth.

There are lines of buried bones,
There's an unpaid debt:
There's a sound of gentle sobbing in the south.

Leon Gellert 1892-1977

Leon Gellert served with the 10th Infantry Battalion AIF. He landed at Gallipoli 25th April 1915. Leon was wounded by shrapnel, evacuated in July to Malta then to London. Repatriated, discharged medically unfit, he Re-enlisted in Adelaide in November 1915, and was promptly discharged.

Ray Herbert - President

Denbigh

For nearly two hundred years Denbigh has remained the property of just three families: the Hook, Hassall and McIntosh families.



Hook - 1812 till 1826 (14 years)

Charles Hook was a partner of the merchant firm Campbell Hook and Company and, as a member of the vice-regal set in Sydney, supported Governor Bligh during the Rum Rebellion. As a result he was granted 1.100 acres in 1811 which he named Denbigh. He was assigned nine convicts to assist in clearing and fencing the land. Whilst overseeing the construction of his weatherboard Indian bungalow (1817-1820s) he often stayed with Samuel Hassall at nearby 'Macquarie Grove'. Wary of the Aborigines, he constructed an eight foot high paling fence around the bungalow, and

fortified the coach house which was built from stone quarried on the property. He managed to clear and fence 400 acres on which he grew wheat and maize, as well as raising cattle and sheep.

Hassall - 1827 till 1868 (41 years)

On Hook's death in 1826 his wife Sarah (nee Palmer) sold Denbigh to Rev Thomas Hassall for £1,500. With his parish extending all the way from Parramatta to Goulburn, Hassall was warmly known as "The Galloping Parson" in slighting contrast to his father-in-law Samuel Marsden known as "The Flogging Parson". Thomas completed Hook's Indian bungalow and, having established friendly relations with the local Aborigines, dismantled the fence surrounding it. In 1838 he built, with bricks made on the property, the two-storey section of the house for his family of ten. Thomas owned a number of properties in Camden and Bathurst and farmed primarily wheat, barley, oats and hay; and also raised sheep and cattle. During the 1830s Denbigh was transformed from an isolated farm into a bustling self-contained village of rammed earth cottages which housed a carpenter, blacksmith, brickmaker, shoemaker, schoolmaster, dairyman, gardener, nurserymaid, waiter, cow boy, overseer, washerwoman, groom, shepherd, bullock driver and a watchman. The cook and housemaids lived in the western service wing of the house. Twelve to twenty assigned servants maintained the five acre orchard, vegetable garden and the vineyard on the side of the hill. For forty-one years Denbigh served as the rectory. Thomas built Heber Chapel in 1828 on his 150 acre grant of Pomare Grove at Cobbitty using his own materials. In 1842 he built the magnificent church of St Paul's using stone quarried from Denbigh for its spire. The Hassalls were friendly with the Coxes (George at 'Winbourne', and Henry at 'Glenmore'), the Oxleys at 'Kirkham', Hannibal Macarthur at 'Subiaco', the Antills at 'Jarvisfield' and their Hassall cousins at 'Macquarie Grove' and 'Matavai'.

McIntosh - 1868 till the present (147 years)

On the death of Thomas Hassall in 1868 the McIntosh family from Scotland leased the property and then purchased it from his widow Anne Hassall in 1886. The McIntoshs had a love for fine horses and bred many draught and hacks which they successfully exhibited at Sydney and local shows. Many of their draught horses were used for the brewery carts and horse-drawn buses in Sydney. They also grew wheat and bred cattle, at first beef cattle, then in 1890 dairy cattle. In 1910 the Denbigh Ayrshire stud was founded and in 1971 the Holstein stud, both of which produced many champions at Sydney and the local shows. The family remained at the forefront of the dairy industry for over 80 years.

Over five generations the McIntosh family have built the slab saddle-horse and draught horse stables, hay sheds, milking bails, machinery sheds and silos. As mechanisation of farming practices led to machines replacing human and animal labour, scythes, wooden hay rakes and stooks were replaced by hay mowers, mechanical rakes and hay bales; and draught horses made way for tractors.

Most of the out-buildings built by the McIntosh family survive largely intact and demonstrate the evolution of farming practices since the colonial period. As part of a four year conservation program the verandah (intended but never completed by Thomas Hassall) was recently added to the two-storey section of the house. Denbigh homestead remains largely as it was in the 1840's, and is still approached and located within a rural landscape. The enclosed valley retains its serene pastoral character, and a timeless, evocative atmosphere -- a rare historical remnant of the nineteenth century 'Cowpastures'.

St. Pauls Anglican Church

St. Paul's Anglican Church Cobbitty is the main building in a cluster of four heritage buildings located on Cobbitty Road.

This cluster consists of the Heber Chapel, built by Thomas Hassall in 1828, St Paul's Church, built under the direction of Thomas Hassall in 1842, The Rectory, constructed in 1869, and the Church Hall constructed in 1888.

St Paul's church has had a long association with Denbigh. Not only was Denbigh the rectory for St. Paul's from 1827 until 1868 while Thomas Hassall was the minister, Charles McIntosh was a church warden from 1931 to 1963, and his son, Ronald McIntosh was a warden from 1961 to 2008.

The church was consecrated on 5 April 1842. It has been used continuously for Anglican worship ever since. The architect was John Bibb of the office of John Verge, one of the finest colonial architects. The style of the church is mixed Gothic, with the sandstone for the body of the building coming from nearby Paddy Clark's Hill and that of the spire coming from Roberts Hill on Denbigh.

The church still contains its original cedar pews with the upper part of the cedar pulpit having been sent from St. John's at Parramatta at the time of construction. Music was originally provided by a violin, and a harmonium, until the fine W. Davidson organ was placed in 1876. It is a pedal organ with one manual and ten stops and is still played every Sunday. It is felt by experts to be one of the best toned organs ever built by Davidson.

Eleven magnificent stained glass windows in St. Paul's make the church beautifully unique. Five were placed between 1857 and 1894. One, donated by the congregation, commemorates Thomas Hassall, and another, placed by the family, commemorates Sir Charles Cowper of nearby *Wivenhoe*. Another is considered to be the only example of work by the English stained-glass artist, William Warrington, existing in Australia today. The remaining six windows were placed between 1932 and 1967 and commemorate various ministers and local land holders. The twelfth window is an original, twelve pane, clear glass, window dating from when the church was constructed in 1842.

Services are conducted in St. Paul's every Sunday at 9AM (Traditional Anglican) and 5.30PM (Contemporary), and the church is open for inspection on the first Saturday of each month, March to December, from 10.00am to 1.00pm. St. Paul's is also the church that has featured in christenings and funerals in *A Place To Call Home*



DESCENDANTS OF COLONIAL POLICE, BUSHRANGERS, THEIR VICTIMS AND HARBINGERS.

The Braidwood Times newspaper recorded the annual gathering of the Descendants of Colonial police, bushrangers, their victims and harbingers. This year the group visited the haunts of the Clarke gang in and around the Braidwood area, where stories were told and had extracts read from documents of the day, in the location of the actual events – history in the environment, making it a very contextual experience.

Visiting some known home sites of the Clarke family, sites of their deeds and eventual capture, locations of shoot-outs and grisly stories of murder and graves, then to pay our respects to the grave of the four murdered special constables. Our two coaches were even ‘bailed-up’ on a deserted bush track by a gang of marauding bushrangers and our only recompense was to answer correctly, their threatening questions! Another well organised and fantastic weekend was had by all.

Police and Bushranger descendants tour bushranger sites in district



Sept. 30, 2015, 7:16 a.m.

Early Saturday morning at Garan Vale Woolshed, just prior to the departure of the 80-strong group on their day trip to tour the significant sites of the Connell and Clarke bushrangers.

Braidwood was overflowing with people during the weekend from visitors who had come to town for all sorts of events and celebrations. The Police and Bushrangers Descendants who travelled from all over NSW and some from QLD came to enjoy the company of like-minded people and to learn more about the local Braidwood bushrangers and the policemen who were involved in their capture in April 1867. The group was lucky to have many distinguished historians and authors who facilitated as commentators, guest speakers and experts. This was a well-run event.

The group would like to thank Paul and Annette Briggs and family who spent many long hours scheduling and organising the experience. As a result, all of the participants enjoyed their time in the Braidwood District. Paul Briggs is a descendant of Lionel Pottinger, one of the Special Police sent after the Clarks.

The group gathered at the Braidwood Services Club on Friday night for dinner followed by a briefing on the weekend and guest speakers from within the group before their early start the next morning. About 80 people, including local guests, gathered at the Garan Vale Woolshed at 8.15am on Saturday morning ready to depart for their day tour of the significant sites of the Connell and Clarke bushrangers in the Ballallaba, Krawarree, Jinden and Kain areas of the district. The first interesting site was the Clarke residence on the Cooma Rd adjacent to Brick Kiln Creek where Jack and Mary Clarke (parents of Tom and John Clarke) lived. Peter Smith and Paul Briggs spoke and recited information about this site. Along the way Paul Hart provided information about several curious sites along the road, including Mrs Appleby’s store and house, the Willis homestead, Bendora and bridle tracks including the Rugby Track.

The group viewed the Nithsdale homestead and the surrounding property where the oldest of the Clarke children were born, during the 1840's. This was also the location of the local Ballallaba police Station. Along the road, the tour mangers pointed out the Coles, the Church, the school, the Berriman and Connells family home sites. The areas and locations of the Griffin brothers were also pointed out. These three brothers had substantial involvement in the Bushranging episode during the 1860s. The site of a well known and notorious landmark, 'Michael O'Connell's Traveller's Home Hotel,' opposite Jim O'Connell's house was pointed out. A few stories were told and a visit to the Gundillion cemetery provided a few photo opportunities of Michael O'Connell's gravestone.

Morning tea was abundantly provided by the good hosts of the Deua Tin Huts. A few more stories were exchanged and were appreciated by all. The group was eager to travel to Khan Yunis to locate the site of Berry's Hut where the Clarke bushrangers were finally taken by a small but dedicated group of troopers in 1867.

A substantial luncheon was provided by the Gundillion Progress ladies at the local hall. After a delicious lunch, the group travelled to Jinden to visit the property of Janette and John Hindmarsh where the temporary burial site and the site of the killing of the four unfortunate Special constables was pointed out to the large group. On travelling back to Braidwood the tour travelled along the Jerrabatgulla Road visiting the house site of Michael Connell senior and 'Gilston', the family home of the Hart family. This is where Charlotte Hart, the wife of Tom Clarke grew up and lived. The group was bailed up by a couple of bushrangers who travelled on the bus to Braidwood ensuring that all travellers behaved themselves.

On arriving in Braidwood a quick stop at the local Braidwood Cemetery allowed the group to visit the final resting place of the Four Specials. The large memorial that was built to remember them was regarded with much interest. On Saturday night a marvellous dinner and singalong was had at the Garan Vale Woolshed. Peter Smith led the vocals on several songs from the bushranging era to demonstrate how the community supported and even sympathised with the bushrangers during that chapter of Australia's history, like this verse from the Kelly's Byrne and Hart

“..As high above the mountains so beautiful and grand,
Our young Australian heroes in bold defiance stand,
In bold defiance stand, my boys, the heroes of today,
So let us stand together boys, and shout again, "Hurray!"”

The weekend was topped off on Sunday with an interesting tour of the local Historical Museum and a tour of the Bedervale Homestead. Many thanks to Jill Clarke for her notes from the tour.

Sharon Greene

ACT&NSW Association of Family History Societies 2016 State Conference
Camden 9th to 11th September

Planning is well underway for the conference with the venue sorted, accommodation organised, and a number of speakers being organised to speak both on the Saturday and Sunday during the actual Conference and on the Friday during the Family History Fair which will be open to the general public.

We have asked Professor Alan Atkinson FAHA author of the Camden to deliver the *John Vincent Crowe Memorial Address*, he has indicated he is honoured to be invited but is unable to commit at the moment, but will let us know before 1st March 2016, we sincerely hope that he will be available. We are looking at a number other option the deliver this address.

We have indication for a number of sponsors that they will sponsor us for next, they include, Ancestry Australia, Marilyn Rowan, Joy Murrin, Finders Cafe and hopefully NSW BMDs will sponsor as they have done on previous years. Also Camden Council has allocated us a \$5,000 grant to go towards the cost of the Civic Centre. We will be asking a number of other Family History related organisation for sponsorship, such as Gould Books, NSW State Records, Etc.

We would also like to thank the Camden Area Family History Society for their donation of \$1,000 from the proceeds of the Bunning's Bar-B-Que.

We are looking for local sponsor for the Raffles over the weekend, and to this end we are producing a generic letter that can be taken to local businesses asking for their support, this will hopefully be available by the next meeting.

We have made arrangements with Sr. Mary to have Wivenhoe open for visitors on the Sunday afternoon and this will be placed on the registration form as an extra for the weekend. We are also looking at some of the other houses in the district.

We are planning to commence advertising in a big way in the New Year but we are hoping to have a press release ready to send to the local papers before Christmas. We are also putting together a number of different advertising brochures which will be sending out to other Family History Societies to spread the word, these will hopefully be available early in the new year.

As was discussed at the CAFHS Committee meeting we have decided to separate the Conference Banking from CAFHS banking by opening an account at the IMB Bank.

We are also looking at some form of entertainment during the Dinner so if you have any ideas please let us know.

Please make sure that you have this weekend placed in your calendar for next year as we will need many of our members to assist over the weekend.

Tony Jackson
Convener

A little Humour...

A little girl asked her mother, ‘How did the human race appear?’ The mother answered, ‘God made Adam and Eve and they had children and so was all mankind made.’

Two days later the girl asked her father the same question. The father answered, ‘Many years ago there were monkeys from which the human race evolved.’

The confused girl returned to her mother and said, ‘Mum, how is it possible that you told me the human race was created by God, and Dad said they developed from monkeys?’ Her mother answered, ‘Well, dear, it is very simple. I told you about my side of the family and your father told you about his.’

Taken from The Essex Family Historian Magazine

INTERESTING WEB SITES

Hundred Parishes Society

www.hundredparishes.org.uk

The hundred parishes comprise an area of NW Essex, NE Hertfordshire and S Cambridgeshire which is largely unspoilt and shares a common history. For each parish you will find a brief illustrated overview including travel and links to useful web sites. There is also information on the attractions plus famous and infamous people who lived in the area.

British Home Children Advocacy & Research Association

www.britishhomechildren.com

All you want to know about child migration schemes from 1860s right up to 1948 when nearly 120,000 children were sent to Canada. There is also an opportunity to add names and details of home children known to you to a register of currently over 70,000 children which will be available to search online.

Parish Register Indexed Transcriptions

<http://prtsoc.frontis.co>

Here you can browse by county the parish registers that the Parish Register Transcription Society has completed and search the indexes for free by name. There are, for example, 14 Essex, 10 Hertfordshire and 8 Suffolk parishes at the time of writing in the database where it costs 20p to view an entry.

Glossary of Genealogical Terms

http://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/A_genealogical_glossary_list/

Did you know that Tebellion is the French name for a scrivener – a person who prepared wills and other documents? You may need to consult this extremely comprehensive genealogical dictionary when you come across a word you do not know the meaning of.

English & Wales Probate

<https://probatesearch.service.gov.uk/#wills>

You can now search in this beta test index and order wills online. In January 2015 the search for the years up to 1996 was by surname only and year by year but for years from 1196, you could search on surname and forename and year of death.

NEW ACQUISITIONS

CE 083 Helensburgh Cemetery

CE 084 Scarborough (Formally Clifton) Cemetery

CE 085 Wollongong Cemetery

CE 086 Camden Country Uniting Church Glenmore. CAFHS Inc.

EN 061 Irish Family History Resource Online – 2nd Edition. C. Paton

EN 062 Researching in German Civil and Church Records. E. Kopittke

EN 063 Pigot's Directory of Shropshire for 1828/29. Archive Books

EN 064 Pigot's Directory of Gloucestershire for 1830, Archive Books

EN 065 Pigot's Directory of Herefordshire 1835. Archive Books

EN 065 Pigot's Directory of Lincolnshire for 1835. Archive Books

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EN 071 Pigot's Directory of Worcestershire for 1835. Archive Books

EN 072 Pigot's Directory of Middlesex for 1839. Archive Books

EN 073 Kelly's Trade Directory of Bedfordshire for 1898. Archive Books

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NS 087 Our Liverpool Boys. Liverpool City Council

RE 035 Writing Interesting Family Histories (Family Tree Tips). Carol Baxter

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The "Poppy" Park Penrith

In the recorded conflicts that Australia has been involved in, from Sudan in 1885 to present day Afghanistan, over 102,000 Australian soldiers, sailors and airmen have paid the ultimate sacrifice and given their lives for the freedom we all enjoy today.

Even though we remember & commemorate collectively the battles fought, as families fade and generations pass, the individuals who gave their lives during these battles may no longer have anyone to specifically remember them & the sacrifice they made.



It is the vision of Remember a Soldier that each of our fallen heroes be remembered personally each year, by at least one family in Australia.

A number of initiatives were established to be able to link our fallen heroes with the people of our nation grateful for the sacrifice they have made. One such initiative was Poppy Park, which saw over 102,000 commemorative artificial poppies symbolically planted with each poppy having the name of a fallen hero attached to remember him. At the conclusion of Poppy Park the poppies with the names of our heroes were collected and sent to the people and organisations that purchased them, to keep as their own little momento of their contribution to Poppy Park. Then come Remembrance Day people will have a poppy and the name of a fallen hero to personally remember & our collective remembrance will be achieved.

When we received our Poppy that we project, we found the name of the was **John Ernest Patterson**. A little

**PRIVATE JOHN ERNEST
SERVICE NUMBER: 6079
UNIT: 3RD AUSTRALIAN**

**Date Of Death: 07 May 1917
Commemorated on : Panel 37
Conflict: First World War, 1914-1918**



had purchased to support the Soldier our poppy represented research disclosed the following.

**PATTERSON
INFANTRYBATTALION**



Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
1DRL/0428

6079 Private
John Ernest Patterson

3rd Battalion

A.I.F. 3rd Btn

PATTERSON
J.E. 6079

"D of Wds 7th May 1917"

Died of wounds recd. in action 7-5-17
Cert. by Hpl Index

Died of wounds 7-5-17 - G.S.W. Shoulder and thigh at 3rd Aus;
C.C.Stn France
Cert. by A.I.F.Hqrs 3-9-17.

London 5-9-17

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A.I.F. 3rd Btn

PATTERSON
J.E. 6079

"Died at 3rd C.C.Stn 7-6-17"

Died of wounds at 3rd Australian Casualty Clearing Stn France
7-5-17 - G.S.W. Shoulder and thigh
Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters 16-6-17.

London
28-6-17

S.

Sy. Batta
A.I.F.

PATTERSON
J.E. 6079

"Died of wounds 7.5.17."

I gave all information to his brother Alec Patterson 15th Battery and
he showed me a photo of the grave which he took himself.

Witness:- Foley G.O. Pte. 6156
3rd Batta Dartford. 16.10.17

London,
20.10.17.

M

3rd Battn.
A. I. F.

Patterson.
Pte. J. E. 6079.

"Died of Wounds".

We had no record of a next of kin of Pte. Patterson, so I have not communicated any details. He was brought into this hospital on the night of the 6th May unconscious with a shattered right thigh and a shell wound in the shoulder. His condition was very bad and though everything possible was done, he died early next morning. He was buried in a military cemetery just out of Gravilliers near Bapaume.

Letter from:-

Ida O'Dwyer,
Sister-in-charge,
No. 3 Aust. C. C. Station,
B. E. F. 13.7.17.

London.
20.7.17.

S.

Esve

6th December.1917.

3rd AUSTRALIANS

PATTERSON, J.E. 6079

D/W. May 7th.1917. Det. D/B.

I think he came from near Holbrook (late Germantown) on the Southern line. He was wounded at Bullecourt, and died of wounds. He is buried at Gravilliers, near Bapaume, in a Military Cemetery, near the Casualty Clearing Station there. I took the cross out for his grave, and saw it put up. It was the usual Battalion cross with his name, Number &c. on it.

Informant: Doughty, J. 5208
3rd Australians, C.Co., XII. Div.
Australian Camp, Rouelles.

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O.C. Draft. 7-9-17

Chief Cas. Clearing Sta.

J.E. Patterson 3rd Batt

died 7-5-17.

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O.C. draft ~~July 1917~~

The O.C. Station in charge

3rd Australian Casualty Clearing Station

B.E.F.

about 1106079 P.O. J.E. Patterson 3rd Batt

who died on 7-5-17.

no 2 Australian C.C.S

B, E, S,

France

13.7.17

The Secretary: A.R.C.S

Dear Madam.

Your letter of July 5th

received re: 6 pax deceased

Australian Soldiers —

① 6079. Pte. J. B. Patterson - 3rd A.S.F.

We had no record of a next of kin
of Pte Patterson - so I have not
communicated any details - He was
brought into this hospital on the
night of the 6th ^{May} - unconscious with
a shattered Right thigh and a
shell wound in the shoulder - His

condition was very bad & thought
 everything possible was done - he died
 early next morning - He was
 buried in a military cemetery just
 out of Grenada near B. Panne -

② 29919 - James B.W. Benjafield A.F.A.
 12th How. Regt. B. 12th A.S.F. L

③ 2778 - He R.C. Hardy - 12th A.S.F. L

④ 20931 - James M. S. Coghlan A.F.A.
 4th Bn. 13th Regt. S

⑤ 4414 - P. G. C. Foster - 17th A.S.F. L

⑥ 2482 - P. G. A. O'Reilly - 55th A.S.F. L

The next of kin of these five have been
 communicated with and all details
 given - I remain

Yours faithfully
 Ida O'Gwyer - Sister-in-Charge

P. O. 24 Bedford Row W.C. 2. 5. 18 Mr. O'Gwyer 28. 2. 18	Enquiry Mr. O'Gwyer is reported as having been killed in action on the 21. 9. 17, and would much like to have details of death should Mrs. G. PATTERSON 85 Barkley Street Brunswick Melbourne
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B.W.

M.55/404

6079 Pte.
PATTERSON, John Ernest

3rd Btn.
7/5/17
D.C.V.
Mr. W. Patterson (Father)

Particulars required for the Roll of Honour of Australia in the Memorial War Museum.

1. Name (in full) of Fallen Soldier John Ernest Patterson
2. Unit and Number (if known) 3rd Btn
3. With what Town or District in Australia was he chiefly connected (under which his name ought to come on the Memorial)—
Town (if any) Dorely District North East State Victoria
4. What was his Birthplace Dorely
5. Date of Death 7th May 1917
6. Place where Killed or Wounded Bullcourt

Particulars Required for the Nation's Histories.

1. What was his Calling Blacksmith
2. Age at time of Death 31 years
3. What was his School State School
4. What was his other Training
5. If born in Britain or Abroad, at what age did he come to Australia
6. Had he ever served in any Military or Naval Force before Enlisting in the A.I.F. (Please state particulars) AB
7. Any other biographical details likely to be of interest to the Historian of the A.I.F., or of his Regiment—
8. Was he connected with any other Member of the A.I.F. who died or who distinguished himself. (Please state Relationship)—Cousin to Clifford Currie, Killed at Lone Pine, Turkey
9. Name and Address of the Parent or other person giving this information—
Name W. Patterson
Relationship to Soldier Uncle
Address Lockhartina, New South Wales
10. Names and Addresses of any other persons to whom reference could be made by the Historian for further information—
Name Mrs J. B. Currie
Address Bayswater, Victoria

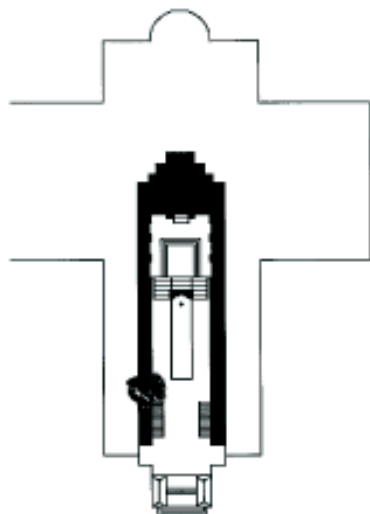
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D.3024/7.24.—C.10540.—50.

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Location on the Roll of Honour

John Ernest Patterson's name is located at **panel 37** in the Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial



Roll of Honour name projection

Roll of Honour: John Ernest Patterson

Service Number: 6079

Rank: Private

Unit: 3rd Australian Infantry Battalion

Service: Australian Army

Conflict: First World War, 1914-1918

Date of death: 07 May 1917

Place of death: France

Cause of death: Died of wounds

Age at death: 31

Place of association: Oxley, Australia

Cemetery or memorial details: Grevillers British Cemetery, Grevillers, Picardie, France

Source: AWM145 Roll of Honour cards, 1914-1918 War, Army



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For those who have not been able to find any WW1 veterans or enlisted members in our family tree, this association with someone who did take part provides a much more personal connection and will make remembrance Day celebration this year a lot more meaningful and personal. And yes we have already visited the Australian War Memorial and paid our respects at the Roll of Honour to remember John Ernest Patterson.

Warren Sims Editor

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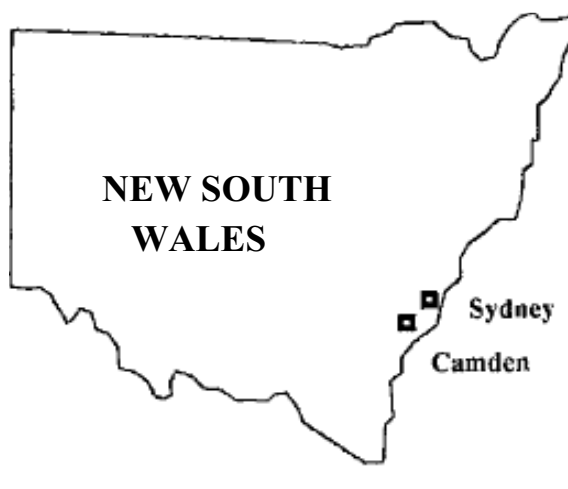
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