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From the Editor

Last month several members who attended the NSW & ACT Association of Family History Societies 2015 State Conference discussed their impressions of the conduct of the Conference in Port Macquarie. Many perceived good and not so good points were raised to bring them to the attention of all present. The overall impression gained was that everyone was reasonably impressed with the Conference and with attention to a few points we should be in a position to deliver a better conference in 2016.

Our meeting this month will be held on Tuesday 3rd November at 7.30 pm
Once again I would ask for any items you may have to contribute or ideas that you may think appropriate for the newsletter or Camden Calling, you can contact me directly at any time on my mobile **0438 012 013** or email: w.sims53@gmail.com.

Camden Area Family History Society Inc. Research Room, Library/Museum Complex, John St. Camden

The research room is currently open
Thursday 10:00am to 3:00pm
Friday 10:00am to 3:00pm
Saturday 9:30am to 12:00 noon

There is a charge of \$10.00 per session for non-members to use our resources,

There is a volunteer on duty whenever the research room is open. They are only too happy to assist with any inquires.

If you would like to volunteer to assist in the research room please contact the Library Co-ordinator Tony Jackson on 4655 1098 letting him know when you are available.



*Happy Birthday
To the following member
for November 2015*

**Eva Campell
(our Patron)**



MEETINGS

Our meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month (except January) at 7:30pm in the Meeting Room of the Library/Museum Complex, John St. Camden.

To help cover the cost of supper there is a gold coin donation.

Visitors most welcome.

**MEMBERSHIP
SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW
OVERDUE**

Normal	Pensioners/Concession
Single \$30	Single \$25
Couple \$35	Couple \$30

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Please remember that membership renewals were due on the 1st of July, and we currently have 48 members renewed – a few members still to renew for the current year!

New Resource Room Photo's Updated on Website

Photo's of the new Resource Room have been added to the Camden History website on www.camdenhistory.org.au/cafhsindex.html

The 1939 Register available now on Find My Past

The following email was received from Mel Davison from Find My Past...

As you may have heard, we are very excited to announce, on Monday 2nd November 2015, the 1939 Register will be made available for the very first time, only on Findmypast.



This is the most comprehensive survey ever recorded of the civil population of England and Wales. With the lives of 41 million people captured in one day in September 1939, it's a fascinating snapshot of a nation on the eve of war.

The 1939 Register contains the names, addresses and occupations of everyone in England and Wales at the time, and was used as the basis for rationing, identity cards and, in post-war Britain, the NHS.

You'll be able to discover unique insights into where your family was and what they were doing when the register was taken at the outbreak of World War II, and we cannot wait to make this monumental collection available to you.

Please be aware access to the 1939 Register will not be included in your library subscription, access will require purchasing pay per view credits and visitors to your library can create a personal registration and purchase credits from within your rooms.

Kind Regards

Melissa Davison

Product Executive, findmypast.com.au

CAFHS Christmas Dinner Get Together.

As we did last year we will again be attending a Dinner at Campbelltown TAFE catering school on Wednesday 18th November. Cost is currently set at \$37 per head. Please pay your money to Barbara Sulley for the night.

NSW&ACT Association of Family History Societies 2016 State Conference 9th – 11th September 2016. Civic Centre - Camden

Do not forget to mark your Diaries for this conference which as you will know is being hosted jointly by CAFHS and Picton & District Historical & FHS at the Camden Civic Centre.



We are still looking for sponsorship from both the local community and we are also after Raffle Prizes for the 2 raffles to be held over the conference. So if you have contact with local business who would like to donate item for these raffle prizes please contact me or members of the Conference Committee..

Also we are still looking for a couple of people to dress up in period costume as Mr & Mrs Macarthur to meet & greet conference attendees at the Friday evening cocktails, so if you know of anyone who are members of a local drama society that may be interested in dressing for the occasion, please see me.

Tony Jackson
Conference Convenor

For Your Diary

CAFHS Christmas Dinner Get Together.

Do not forget our Christmas Dinner at Campbelltown TAFE catering school on Wednesday 18th November. Cost is \$37 per head and money should be paid to Barbara Sulley at the November Meeting

Pre- Christmas Meeting

December "Xmas" Meeting will be held on Tuesday 1st December 2015 and we invite all members to bring along a plate to make this a social night celebrating the end of the year and the Christmas season.

-Herstory-

Lives of the Parramatta Female Factory Women

Exhibition by the Parramatta Female Factory Friends running Thursday to Sunday from October 2015 – March 2016 between 11am-4pm at Hambleton Cottage, cnr Hassall St & Gregory Place, Harris Park and open Thursday to Sunday 11am-4pm from October 2015 – March 2016

For further details please contact Cathey Shepherd