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From the Editor

Our Annual General Meeting and Regular Monthly meeting this month will be held on Tuesday 2nd August at 7.30 pm and Barbara will be glad to accept your annual subscription renewal however if you are not attending the meeting and sending your subscription in please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope for the receipt to be sent to you, alternatively receipts can be collected at our Rooms in the Library/Museum Complex.

At this month's meeting we will have a short Annual General Meeting chaired By Eva Campbell as Patron with Election of Officers for the ensuing term. As far as I am aware all current Office bearers have been renominated and expect to be returned. Followed our Monthly Meeting after the AGM we will have a "show and tell" from members and the stories behind these artifacts.

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 members
For August 2016*

**Diane Baxter Ian Smith
Leonie Stratton Barbara Sulley**



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 we ask for a gold coin donation.

Visitors most welcome.

MEMBERSHIP

SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE

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

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS – Now OverDue

Please remember that membership renewals are due from the 1st of July, with all members needing to renew for the current year! Members can collect their receipts at our Rooms or alternatively provide a self addressed envelope with stamp to mail a receipt back to you.

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

Early Bird registration has now closed. From Friday 22nd the Conference Fee will be \$135.00 however this is the only price to increase for the last four weeks of bookings until bookings close on 21st August at 11.59pm. Our Program is now available on the Web Site, and while it is still subject to change, it is in the order of 95% confirmed.

Registrations have been received steadily and the numbers growing. The number of exhibitors booked for both the Friday Fair and during the Conference is pleasing and promises a good display for both local interested visitors and conference delegates alike. We have reached the point where we need to get the message out locally and ask all members to help promote the Fair and the Conference wherever they go in the local districts.



At the August monthly Meeting on 2nd August, along with the Annual General Meeting and Election of Officers, we will be discussing how you can help over the 3 days of the Conference.

Don't forget the Finders Cafe Member's FlipPal Scanner Prize – Preserve, Protect and Publish a History Image. For each family history image Uploaded and Published onto your Free finderscafe.com members account, during the NSW&ACT 2016 Conference, you will receive a free ticket to go into the limited draw, for a FlipPal Mobile Scanner, with image stitch capability.

Tony Jackson (Conference Convener)

For Your Diary

Camden Historical Society Monthly Meeting

The speakers at the monthly meeting at the Museum on Wednesday 10th August 2016 will be Stephen McMahon and Lester Tropman will be speaking on the historic 'Maryland' development and conservation project.

Notice of Upcoming Events from Cathey Shepherd:

5th August – Colonial Secretary's Correspondence - 11.30-12-30 Nepean Family History

6th August – "Introduction to DNA-a personal perspective" 1.30pm Lawson Street, Emu Plains

For further information please call 02 4735 3798

St. Pauls Anglican Church Cobbitty, Cemetery Tours

As a feature during History Week, we are conducting 2 tours of St. Pauls Anglican Church Cobbitty's historic Cemetery in Cobbitty in conjunction with St Pauls Archivist. The first tour will be a "Twilight Tour" on Thursday the 8th September (the night before the Conference commences) starting at 4.30 pm and the second will be on Sunday 11th September in the afternoon starting at 3.00 pm.



This Sunday Tour will work in conjunction with the tour of Wivenhoe, organised for after the conclusion of the conference, as members of the families that owned Wivenhoe are buried in the Cemetery.

Anyone attending either of these tours are asked to meet at the Main Door of the Church from the Car Park.

A little more food for thought...

Your Name...

You got it from your father, it was all he had to give,
So it's yours to keep and cherish for as long as you shall live,
It was clean the day he got it, and a worthy name to bear,
When he got it from his father, there was no dishonor there,
So protect and guard it safely, for when all is said and done,
You'll be proud the name is spotless when you give it to your son.

A timely Comment from the past....

The Census

Census Taker: "Good morning, madam, I'm taking the census."

Old Lady: "The what?"

Census Taker: "The c-e-n-s-u-s!"

Old Lady: "For lans sakes! What with tramps takin' everythin' they kin lay their han's on, young folks takin' fotygrafs of ye without so much as askin', an' impudent fellows comin' roun' as wants ter take yer senses, pretty soon there won't be nothin' left ter take, I'm thinkin'!"

--1890 Harper's Weekly