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Welcome from the Editor

Last meeting we had a very interesting talk by Peter Sage who spoke on the Sydney Tramway, he had a large number of Photo Slides of Trams around Sydney a lot of them taken by him.

This month meeting the Guest Speaker is the Document Detective, Vicki Wilson is a researcher who works at The State Archives at Kingswood and will be talking about what is available at the State Archives.

Our next meeting we are hoping to have one of the Transcription Agents as our speaker

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

The research room is 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 \$5.00 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 January/February 2016*

1st Janice Johnson
3rd Lottie Cesarin
17th Robert Wheeler
25th Fred Gibson
28th Lesley King



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 DUE

Normal	Pensioners/Concession
Single \$25	Single \$20
Couple \$30	Couple \$25

Upcoming Events;

Penrith City Library 14th Annual History Conference 14th March 2015 – The Making of a City: From Guard House to Gallipoli. Price \$50.00 per head
Phone 4732 7891 for more information

Nepean Family History Society Family History Fair. 15th March 2015
Penrith City Library. Entry by Gold Coin Donation.

2016 State Conference Planning Meeting. 1pm on the 28th March in the meeting room, please bring your ideas along.

Heritage Festival 12th Apr to 26th May. This year's theme is Conflict & Compassion; there are Event Guides available from the Library. CAFHS contribution will be at our May meeting, we will have Kim Phillips talking about the Spirit of Gallipoli Website.

NSW&ACT Association of Family History Societies 2015 State Conference. 11th to 13th September at Panthers - Port Macquarie, Early Bird registrations are now available on their web site



www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nswpmfhs/. If you are booking online you will need to use the discount code to obtain the lower fee for member societies, which CAFHS is, of \$120.00, the code is PM2015.

News from the State Archives Kingswood

Last chance to see *A Call to Arms*



Farewell to *A Call to Arms* – last day Wednesday 1 April 2015

There are just two months to go before *A Call to Arms* closes at the Western Sydney Records Centre in Kingswood. The exhibition honouring the Centenary of World War I and Anzac has captured the interest of visitors to the Reading Room, who have admired its rich archival detail and have been inspired to do their own family history research using the [Research Guide](#), specially prepared for the centenary.

A Call to Arms looks at New South Wales life during the war years:

- **In Service** – enlistment and the response of the Government and people of NSW
- **On the Home Front** - what day-to-day life was like for people in Sydney and NSW during the war years
- **In Remembrance** – how the war was commemorated across NSW, in particular through war memorials

Further information on what on at State Archives go to:

<http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/publications/now-then-enewsletter/now-then-72-february-2015>



Cemetery Transcribing and Photographing

We have now completed the first stage of checking with a number of corrections now completed. I have also been back and checked the numbering and took a number of photos due some being missed out this is now all but completed, I am starting on the index at the moment.

I would like to start on the second cemetery before I go away and I would like someone who would be willing to organise to work on one of the other cemeteries whilst I am away, probably Cawdor, anyone interested.

The only day I have available to do the St. Mathews Church The Oaks cemetery is on the 11th April, starting at 8.00am as before so as to get through it before it gets to hot, let me know if you are interested.

Tony Jackson

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Web Sites of Interest.

Log of Logs: a site that lets you download all three volumes of the Log of Logs is https://zenodo.org/record/6901?ln=en#.VPUTM_mUd8E

Tithe Applotment Book 1823-1837 and Soldiers Wills 1914-1917 are now online FREE at www.genealogy.nationalarchives.ie. The tithes are now on Familysearch.org through the National Archives and maybe those who cannot see them on the Ireland site, can see them on <https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1804886>.

Discovering Anzacs: This site contains a growing selection of government records about Australians and New Zealanders in World War I and the Boer War. You can enhance a profile dedicated to the wartime journey of someone who served and uncover the personal stories of service men and women through original archival records. www.discoveringanzacs.naa.gov.au.

Sands Sydney, Suburban and Country Directory:
<http://www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/learn/search-our-collections/sands-directory>