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Welcome from the Editor

Last meeting was the AGM and the following members were elected into position on the Committee:

President	Ray Herbert	Editor	Tony Jackson
Vice President	Barbara Sulley	Assist. Editor	Ken Hughes
Secretary	Cathey Shepherd	Research	Cathey Shepherd
Treasurer	Barbara Sulley	Assist. Research	Fred Gibson
Library Coordinator	Tony Jackson	Membership	Beverley Booth
Minutes Secretary	Pat Patterson	Social Secretary	Bruce Denison
Committee Member	Neil Patterson	Public Officer	Rex Dowe

This months meeting will members talking about in particular there World War 1 ancestors. The night will commence with a short video from the beginning of the DVD "Camden Anzacs". If you have any stories about your ancestors during the WW1 please bring them along.

Next Months meeting the guest speaker will be Tom Rofe his speech titled "Back to the Track" about the road built to Darwin during the Second Wold War.

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
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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.

Urgent call for Volunteers for our Research Room. We need some more volunteers for our research room as one of mainstays is leaving. We need held on Thursday and on the 4th and 5th Saturdays.



September 2014 Happy Birthday!



Andrea Herbert 9th September
Ron Dunbar 24th September

Best wishes and a happy birthday to you all!

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

FOR YOUR DIARY

- 1) The Man from Coxs River. "Movie"**
The Award Winning Film from the Blue Mountains.
Friday 5th September 2014. Doors open 6.30pm Movie starts 7.30pm. Tickets Adults \$15 Children (Under 15 Years) \$10.
Venue; Camden Show Hall, Camden Showground.
Tickets available online at www.camdenshow.com or at www.trybooking.com/FQJJ
Tickets available at the door if not sold prior.
- 2) Camden and the Great War: Talk by Ian Willis.**
Wednesday 10th September - Camden Museum, 7.30pm
- 3) Camden Park – Historic House and Garden - Open Weekend**
20th - 21st September 2014
Saturday 20th, 12.00pm – 4.00pm
Sunday 21st, 10.00am – 4.00pm
House and Garden Entry; \$15/\$10/\$40 Family - Garden Only: \$5
- 4) Pen to Paper – The Camden Writers and Scribblers** meet at the Narellan Library on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month from 9:30am to 12 Noon. New members are welcome and there is no age limit. Call Grace on 4655 6064.
- 5) Continuing my Website OF THE MONTH feature.**
Dictionary of Sydney - www.dictionaryofsydney.org
The Dictionary of Sydney is like no other city encyclopaedia in the world.

Based on a permanent historical digital repository, the Dictionary aims to gather resources on every aspect of human habitation in the greater Sydney area from the first arrival of people to the present.



CLUB ACTIVITIES

Our CHRISTMAS DINNER Will be at Macarthur TAFE on **Tues 16th November 6.00pm for 6.30pm**, the cost is \$30.00 per head, that includes a free drink on arrival. All monies must be to Bruce by the November Meeting no monies or bookings will be accepted after then.

TONIGHT'S TALK

1) CAFHS meeting. "Show & Tell World War1 Ancestors"

FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

Program for 2014 :-

- **4/11/2014** – "Back to the Track" Tom Rofe – WW2 Military History in the Northern Territory
 - **16/11/2014 Tuesday** – Christmas Dinner - @ TAFE Macarthur Restaurant. BYO appetite. Your investment is \$30 per person – and please pays by 4/11/2014. Not BYO.
 - **2/12/2014** – "**SHOW & TELL**" with a Christmas Theme
- 1) We are having a major Fund raising activity on the **long weekend in October, on 5/10/2014.** The aim is to raise enough money so that our current Membership Fee remains the same or at least has a small increase. Costs are rising mainly due to research items and printing. Bruce Denison is organising a **BBQ at Bunnings Narellan from 9:00am to 4:00pm** and we need (*read - must*) have help from at least 10 members – a huge ask but if we pull it off everybody benefits, Bruce will discuss tonight and arrange a list of volunteers.
- Abandon hope, all who enter the members meetings.
- 2) **Recording the Gravestones in the Macarthur area Cemeteries.** I will be in Perth next week, but my return I will start to work out a day to work on the first of the cemeteries. The idea will be to organise a picnic at the cemetery as a group then to work on the cemetery together in one go.
- 3) **12-14 September 2014** NSW & ACT Association of Family History Societies – 30th Annual Conference 2014 - Illawarra Remembers 1914-2014. Includes Fromelles researcher Lambis Englezos <http://www.conference2014.org.au/Newsletter.html> . We will have our book, CD etc. on sale during the weekend.
- 4) Joaja Visit, we are trying to organise another attempt to visit Joaja this year, we are looking at the following dates, the 16th or 18th October. If you wish to attend can you give you details to Fred tonight. I f wee cannot get enough it will be cancelled to next year sometime.



Occasional Book Review – from the Assistant Editor’s desk

From Places Now Forgotten

Author: Marie Jones

ISBN: 0 646 24765 4

Publisher: Marie Jones

Address: 48 Lowry Street, Cardiff, NSW, 2285

An index of those convicts transported to Australia whose places of trial were outside the United Kingdom and Ireland, it provides an alphabetical listing of the convicts' names, giving place and date of conviction, length of sentence and ship of transportation.

In January 1788 the first fleet arrived at Port Jackson and established the penal colony. The last convicts arrived at the Swan River in Western Australia in 1868. During those eighty years, just over 160,000 male and female prisoners were landed. The vast majority were from the British Isles but as this index demonstrates at least 3,200 arrived from elsewhere.

The index is compiled in two parts: Part A covers 1791-1828, Part B 1829-1853. Part A begins with the four Savoy deserters sent with the NSW Corps in 1791 and ends with the 1828 Census. Because "The Dictionary of Western Australia Volume 2 Bond" lists some 400 persons sent to Western Australia whose place of trial was outside the UK during the period 1850-1868, the author has not included those names in this index. Thus this index concludes in 1853 although transportation continued to Western Australia for a further 15 years.

During the 37 years covered by Part A some 500 names were compiled. The 24 year period covered in Part B records some 2,700 convicts. Thus the author assumes that extant records for Part A are still incomplete.

The places of trial demonstrate just how far flung was the British Empire of the 19th century with people tried in, amongst other places, Jamaica, Sierra Leone, Gibraltar, the Cape of Good Hope, Canada, Cawnpore, the Punjab, Falkland Island and New Zealand.

A valuable contribution to the history of Australia's colonial past, it is meticulously researched.

The author has worked in genealogy for many years and assisted in the Australian Biographical and Genealogical Record (ABGR) project for the Bi-Centenary.

If you'd like to purchase a copy of the book please contact the publisher directly. Their address is just under the title's listing.

The book review can be seen on <http://www.fastbooks.com.au/previews.html>

Signed : Tony Jackson *The Editor*