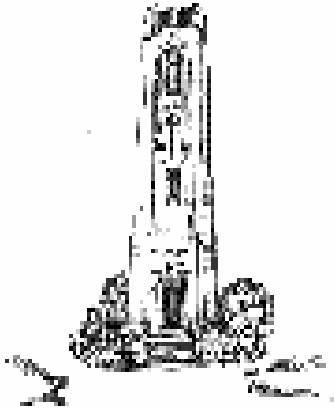


# Carillon Chimes



Arthur Saari (pictured right with friend). An ethnic Finn, arrived from Russia as a seaman. About a third of all Russian Anzacs from Western Australia were ethnic Finns and, like the Petroffs, by the time of enlistment were engaged in mining, railway construction or farming. (see article page 8)

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# Calendar- Bathurst Family History Group

Date	Place	Activity
9:00-4:00pm Mondays <b>Come and help for 1 hour or more- whatever you can spare</b>	Colin O'Hara's Gorman's Hill Road	<b>Pioneers Register:</b> Volunteers for reading and checking entries needed. Proof reading continues. Please bring something towards lunch. Contact Lesley Buchan on 6337 4161 to offer your assistance.
Tuesday 18 October 6:00-8:30pm Workshops from 7.00pm	Bathurst City Library	<b>Research-</b> come and do your own research from 6.00pm <b>Workshop: Researching pre 1856</b> Find out what is available for this period.
Tuesday 15 November 7:00-8:30pm	Bathurst City Library	<b>Round Table— My Favourite Ancestor.</b> Eccentric, famous, criminal or humble—bring along your info to share with the group.
Saturday 3 December 6pm	Colin O'Hara's Gorman's Hill Road	<b>Xmas Picnic- BBQ</b> at the home of Colin & Naomi. Bring your own everything including a chair. Directions and further details will appear in the next Chimes.

## Pioneer Register Update

\*Thanks to Monique McDonald for joining the ranks of the *Pioneer Working Party* and to Colin & Naomi O'Hara for offering their home to host the group and their trappings. We have been welcomed with wonderful hospitality and a great working area.

\*Christopher Morgan has agreed to write the foreword for the register for which we are very grateful.

We still need help with **Art Work, Layout & Style**

If you are talented in these areas let the working party know NOW!  
Contact: Carol Churches (02) 6331 1782 or  
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## ANNUAL LIBRARY REPORT JULY 2005

There has been another year of steady growth of the collection, with the purchase and donations of 27 books, and 4 CDs. It is envisaged that we will purchase most of the other State's BDMs on CD in the coming year.

The Group this year purchased a stand-alone computer with CD stacker and printer, enabling member's access during library hours. Many thanks to Liz Haddon for dedicating many hours of her time loading the CDs and maintaining the computer system. Liz is also our Webmaster, responsible for our great informative FH website.

New acquisitions are placed in the magazine box in the left-hand cupboard for 1 month or until after the next research meeting. In this cupboard is also a catalogue of our holdings, and if any member would like a personal copy, please let the Librarian know.

Thank you members for being diligent and placing books back on the shelves. It certainly helps the researchers in their quest for information. There was no stocktake done this year, owing to time constraints, but hopefully there will be one in the coming year.

Borrowing by members of some of the book resources that they may find interesting, but take longer

than a research session to browse through, has not been overwhelming. As time goes by it is hoped that more members will take advantage of this service. Just fill out the borrowing book located in the left-hand cupboard.

Don't forget also that microfiche of BDMs with a microfiche reader may be hired for \$10 a week with a refundable deposit of \$10. A laptop computer with the Group's indexes on CD

is also available for hire. Contact Lesley Buchan (6336 4161). A reminder also that fiche CANNOT be borrowed from the cupboard.

We exchange publications with over 20 Groups, and these are available for perusal during library hours. I strongly recommend members take the time to browse through these publications - they contain a wealth of information. Who knows, you may just find mention of your elusive ancestor. My thanks to ken Petersen for his help with the serials and other library matters.

Any suggestions for improvements, and also comments on the existing service, are always welcome. Send them either to myself (6337 6665) or email [phuges@lisp.com.au](mailto:phuges@lisp.com.au) or one of the Committee Members please.

Anne Huges  
Hon. Librarian

# LIBRARY NEWS

## LIBRARY ADDITIONS OCTOBER 2005

### CDs , MICROFICHE & MICROFILM PURCHASED OR DONATED

- \*Bathurst & Kelso NSW. Burials, Cremations & Headstones 1817-2003
- \*Death Index Victoria 1921-1985
- \*Edwardian Index Victoria 1902-1913
- \*Index to BDMs in Victoria
- \*Great War Index Victoria 1914-1920
- \*Index to BDMs in Victoria
- \*Index to Colonial Secretary's Papers 1788-1825
- \*Marine BDMs Victoria 1853-1920
- \*Marriage Index Victoria 1921-1942
- \*Queensland Federation Index 1890-1914
- \*Sth Australian births 1842-1906
- \*Sth Australian Births 1907-1928
- \*Sth Australian Deaths 1842-1915
- \*Sth Australian Marriages 1842-1916
- \*Sth Australian Marriages 1917-1937
- \*Tasmanian Pioneer Index 1803-1899
- \*Unregistered Deaths in Sth Australia from July 1842
- \*Middlesex (mainly) Undertakers 1799-1854 (Fiche) Donated by Liz Haddon
- \*Middlesex Non-conformist registers pre 1857 (Fiche)  
Donated by Liz Haddon
- \*Index to Sydney Morning Herald (Microfilm)

### BOOKS PURCHASED OR DONATED

From crow quill to scribing. History of precomputer mapping. Donated by Liz Haddon GR/FRO  
St. Matthews Church of England Windsor NSW Parish Registers 1857-1900 PR/NSW/WIN

## OTHER GROUP'S MAGAZINES

### Australian Family Tree Connections June 2005

Mutiny on the Una on the High Seas  
Irish-South Seas heritage  
Dance cards from the 19<sup>th</sup> century  
The "Edwin Fox"  
Sidney John Hipper  
Daniel O'Connell

### Australian Family Tree Connections July 2005

Digging deep for Isaac Cain and family  
40 stolen lives – the 1927 Tahiti-Greycliffe disaster  
Family History resources in Hutt City Council Archives  
Australian BDM certificates

### Australian Family Tree Connections August 2005

Finding Chinese family connections in the National Archives  
Johann Martin Walz – a romantic ancestor  
The Mills sisters of London  
Christina Henry Jamieson, my Great Grandmother

### Descent June 2005

19<sup>th</sup>C coalmining-related fatalities in the Hunter Valley, NSW  
Chinese Australian family photographs  
Japanese Trade Records link families to the past  
The Primary records collection at SAG

### Hawkesbury Crier June 2005

Catherine Anne Fiaschi nee Reynolds  
AKA Sister Mary Regis (1850-1913)  
Obituary for Richard Simmons 1900  
Commoner's Roll Book – Richmond Council

Amy & Annie

Donations at Windsor Court House  
Dec 1819

**History (RAHS) June 2005**

Heroes of the surf

Hands-on view of the Colonial Economy

Fascinating voyage of the Tilikum

**Journal of the Royal Australian Historical Society June 2005**

Quarantined – personal accounts of quarantine in the 19<sup>th</sup> century

Rum beginnings – The Grose years

'In the spirit of the Navy' – Osborne Ladies' College, Blackheath

Creation of a recalcitrant minority – Chinese New Guinea wartime refugees

Townson of Varroville

**Khanterintee (Kiama) July 2005**

Cornish corner

Accidental deaths in the Kiama area

The Robert Gardner/Gardiner story

John Pollock drowned

**Lithgow Pioneer Press June 2005**

Diary of Andrew Brown – continued

Place names

**Maitland Reminiscences June 2005**

Bits and pieces

All about marriages

**Mallee Roots (Swan Hill) May 2005**

A letter to Mother

**Mallee Roots (Swan Hill) August 2005**

A town by any other name – Swan Hill

1902 drought – a setback

**Memento (National Archives) Autumn-Winter 2005**

Magnificent Seven back on screen

Untold story of Russian ANZACS

Keeping it digital

Kisch must land

New guide to Chinese in Australia

**Mount Isa FHS June 2005**

Qld Post Office Directories – Mount

Isa 1930 - 1940

Qld members of the Surveyors Board

**Murrumbidgee Ancestor June 2005**

Writing your Family History

Writing a biography, I did it my way

Writing a family history.. musings late at night...

How I wrote my family histories

Junee – a history of the town from its inception in 1855 up to the present time

**NSW & ACT Assoc. of FH Societies May 2005**

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Retention of 2006 Census

Electoral Rolls

Protect your projects

Grant sources for Family History

**Orange FHG July 2005**

Molong Argus 1896-1899 index of names

**Prior Times June 2005**

Isaac Thomas (Ike) Pryor

Hunting cousin Sally

**Rookwood in Profile June 2005**

The Sydney Memorial, The wall to the missing

Sinking of the Centaur Pt 1

Open Day 2005

**RAHS Newsletter July 2005**

RAHS State Local History Conference

Bathurst 5/6 Nov 2005

Seminar Legal lucky-dip:real property packets 13 Aug 2005

**\*\* Don't forget** to log onto the Group's computer at the City Library and use all the great databases there. You never know what you may find!

**\*\*** If you would like a copy of the library holdings email Anne Huges at [phuges@lisp.com.au](mailto:phuges@lisp.com.au) and I will send it to you

Anne Huges– Librarian

## And now ... looking for Private Petroff

### Dr Elena Govor

Fifty years ago the Russian name Petrov was synonymous in Australia with impending danger – the ‘Petrov Affair’ is still regarded today as Australia’s greatest spy story. Surprisingly, Petrov – or Petroff – is one of the most common Russian names, and it appears three times on the Australian War Memorial’s WW I nominal roll. These Petroffs were among 1000 Russian men who served in the First Australian Imperial Force (AIF). Yes, there were Russian Anzacs in the AIF – and not just a few of them. One in every five Russian-born men resident in Australia between 1914 and 1918 enlisted to serve in WW I. After those of Anglo or Celtic background, it was men born in the former Russian Empire that constituted the largest group in the AIF. Extraordinarily, it was men born in the former Russian empire who constituted the most numerous group of nationals in the First AIF after those of Anglo or Celtic origin.

In the opening pages of his *Official History of Australia in the War of 1914–1918* C E W Bean asserts of Australia in those years:

The percentage of Australians who came of any other stock (that is, other than English, Scottish, Irish, and Welsh) was negligible; the population of this vast unfilled land was as purely British as that of the two islands in the North Sea which had been the home of its fathers.

I believe the time has come to acknowledge these forgotten soldiers of non-British stock as an important cornerstone of our Australian nationhood.

The vast collection of the National Archives of Australia has been the most important source in my quest to discover the stories of these 1000 Russian Anzacs. The detailed records created by the Australian Government, and preserved in the Archives, have provided factual evidence about individual lives, stories that may otherwise perhaps have been lost. My book, *Russian Anzacs in Australian History* (UNSW Press and National Archives of Australia, 2005), traces the soldiers’ lives after the fighting was over and offers readers a fresh dimension to the Anzac legend – one that is firmly positioned in the context of a *multicultural* Australian social history.

The following brief histories of the three Petroffs were compiled using details taken from defence service records and immigration files. Service records contain basic physical descriptions – height, weight, complexion, and hair and eye colour. More importantly, they provide a window onto a



serviceman's career – including details of postings, promotions, illnesses and medical treatment. Sometimes these files also contain correspondence, poignant reminders of individual lives.

Other military records held by the Archives are army pay files, court martial records, and dossiers created by the Directorate of Military Intelligence and the Investigation Branch. The latter colourfully describe the personalities of servicemen who diverged from their official obligations. Department of Veterans' Affairs case files allow us to trace a serviceman's life after war service.

The lives of foreign-born servicemen – and especially Russians, who were often considered political suspects – are further richly documented in 'alien registration' forms, naturalisation files and passenger lists, as well as immigration case files held by the Archives. Files – often containing photographs – of around a tenth of the surviving Russian Anzacs who enlisted in the AIF during WW II can also be found in the Archives.

**Lance Corporal Jackow (Jacob) Petroff** was born in 1887 in the village of Tokmak, near Bishkek, in Turkestan Province in Russian Central Asia (now Kyrgyzstan). His name, and the name of his father – Basil – suggests that his family belonged to the Russian church and that they were ethnically Russian. However, on his enlistment form Jacob Petroff indicated that he knew both the Russian and Turkish languages.

Before leaving his homeland, Petroff served for three and a half years in the Russian Cavalry as a Cossack. In 1912 he made passage to Australia on the *Itonus*, which brought him from India to Fremantle. Finding employment in the booming railway construction industry was not uncommon for new arrivals – Petroff worked as a sleeper cutter and sleeper hewer in Holyoake, Karridale and Collie, Western Australia.

When WW I broke out Jacob Petroff applied for naturalisation and, when naturalised as a British subject, enlisted in the First AIF in February 1915. Four months later, he was sent to Gallipoli as part of the 5th Reinforcements for the 11th Battalion, in which altogether around 30 Russians served during the war. After Gallipoli he was transferred to the 51st Battalion, another that comprised a score of Russians. Petroff was one of the lucky ones – he survived Gallipoli and the Western Front unscathed. In May 1918 he was appointed Lance Corporal. He returned to Australia and demobilised in May 1919, having spent nearly four years overseas.

**Akim Petroff's** military career was short. He was born in 1889 in the town of Novozybkov in Chernigov Province on the border of Russia and

Ukraine. In 1912, leaving behind his wife and son, he joined a wave of migration from the Russian Far East to journey to Queensland with the aim of finding a 'working man's paradise'. His service record at the beginning of WW I reveals that he was employed as a miner at Mount Morgan, Queensland.

In August 1915 Petroff enlisted at Rockhampton with five other Russians, all of whom were allocated to the 6th Reinforcements for the 25th Battalion. Notably, around 25 Russian subjects, mainly ethnic Russians and Ukrainians, served in the 25th Battalion during the war. They reached Egypt too late to join the Gallipoli battle. Whilst in Egypt all six Russians were transferred to the 9th Battalion and were among the first units to be sent to the Western Front. On 20 April 1916, a few days after they arrived at the supposedly quiet Armentières sector, the farmhouse and outbuildings at Rouge de Bout, where 9th Battalion's C Company was billeted, received a direct hit under heavy shelling that killed and wounded many men, including several Russians.

Akim Petroff was severely wounded in the knee and hands and was evacuated to England, where his right leg was amputated. The six Rockhampton Russians with whom he enlisted and travelled overseas were all listed as casualties by the end of 1916. Now an invalid, Akim returned to Australia and became a boot maker. In 1923 he had the luck to win a lottery prize of £875. In 1949, after his lonely death, his medals were returned to the Base Records Office (now Central Army Records Office) by a public curator.

The spelling of Russian names caused problems for Australian officials. In the attestation and nominal roll for Akim Petroff, his name is spelled as Pitroff and in the embarkation roll as Pehteroff. Only in naturalisation papers is it spelled correctly - Petroff. His first name had a lot of variations too – Akim, Akin, Akon and Akem. This is not surprising, as the only thing he could write in English was his name (even then mixing Russian and English letters).

**Alexander Petroff** was a political refugee. Born in 1880 in St Petersburg, Petroff served in the Russian Red Cross at Port Arthur, China during the Russo-Japanese war. Petroff's subsequent involvement in the political struggle against czarism led him to flee Russia and travel, via Japan and Colombo, to Australia. He arrived in Fremantle in around 1908 on a German ship. As a timber worker Petroff travelled all over Western Australia – to Dowerin, Karridale, Collie, Korrelocking and Ballidu.

Alexander Petroff joined the First AIF in November 1915. He was allo-

cated to reinforcements of the Mining Corps and served in the 3rd Tunneling Company. Many Russians not fluent in English, like Petroff, ended up in advance parties of field engineers and tunnelers, or were stretcher-bearers. Alexander Petroff spent nearly a year and a half on the Western Front, suffering broken ribs, exhaustion, rheumatism, dilated heart and trench fever. At the end of 1917 he was evacuated to Australia and discharged as medically unfit. When he initially applied for naturalisation, in 1920, he was rejected. The evidence presented against him was a letter intercepted by a government censor that was said to reflect his internationalist pro-Bolshevik leanings.

Whilst the authorities deliberated on his application, Petroff established a farm in the remote area of Mullewa, Western Australia. A year later a local policeman came to the following conclusion.

I am of the opinion that if Alex Petroff had extreme views whilst working for wages, now that he is a land owner and an employer of labour his views have altered with his different standpoint.

Such 're-education', thanks to the benefits of the capitalist system, finally persuaded Major Jones, head of the Commonwealth Investigation Branch, to grant Petroff his naturalisation. Indeed, Alexander Petroff did not again present as a political suspect to Australian Government authorities.

Throughout WW I there was hardly an Australian unit without the presence of several Russian servicemen. These men served alongside their Australian mates from beginning to end: from Gallipoli – with more than 150 Russians involved – to post-war France – where several Russians were attached to the Australian Graves Registration Detachment. Their task was to remove bodies from isolated burial places to the larger war cemeteries. The names of more than 150 Russian Anzacs who did not return from the war are inscribed on the Roll of Honour at the Australian War Memorial.

Archival records allow us to trace the lives of the Russian Anzacs after the war as well. Some of them settled on the land, often in soldier settlements, pioneering the Australian outback from northern Queensland to the Tasmanian north-west; others worked as coal lumpers, wharfies and tram drivers in Australian cities; a few carried their swag until a lonely death somewhere in the bush. Many married British and Australian girls and raised Australian families.

In assimilating into Australian culture, the Russian Anzacs locked away their past Russian lives. However, I believe the time has now come for the children and grandchildren of the Russian Anzacs to rediscover this past

through the invaluable records of the National Archives of Australia. Remarkably, these records preserve the collective past of all Australians, irrespective of racial, ethnic or national origins.

### **How to find records about a family member**

Information about records can be found by searching the RecordSearch and PhotoSearch databases, both of which are available online at the National Archives website: [www.naa.gov.au](http://www.naa.gov.au).

### **Need help?**

If you would like more help in locating records, contact the National Archives reference service at [ref@naa.gov.au](mailto:ref@naa.gov.au). You can also contact the Archives' reference service by telephone or fax on the following numbers:  
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Detailed information about each Russian-born AIF serviceman, with direct links to archival files, can be found on my website:  
[www.russiananzacs.narod.ru](http://www.russiananzacs.narod.ru).

**Dr Elena Govor** is a Russian-born Australian writer and historian specialising in the history of Russian-Australian contact. In 1990 she came to Australia, the country of her childhood dreams, and now lives in Canberra, where she received her doctorate in history from the Australian National University in 1996. She has been widely published in Russia and Australia. Among her recent books are *Russian Sailors and Travelers in Australia* (Moscow, 1993), *Australia in the Russian Mirror: Changing Perceptions 1770–1919* (Melbourne University Press, 1997) and *My Dark Brother: the Story of the Illins, a Russian-Aboriginal Family* (UNSW Press, 2000).

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## Grenfell Cemetery Look-ups

Daphne Shead, member 490, advises that she has the transcriptions for Grenfell Cemetery and will do look ups for our members. Daphne can be contacted by email at [bitofheaven@bigpond.com](mailto:bitofheaven@bigpond.com)

# Domestic Service 1851

Extract from J. B. Priestley's "Victoria's Heyday", Penguin Books 1974

A great deal was expected of her [the domestic servant]. The evidence may be found in *The Servant's Behaviour Book*, belonging to this decade. I will quote only some of the main headings, between which there is a lot of detailed advice that must be omitted:

Never let your voice be heard by the ladies and gentlemen of the house except when necessary, and then as little as possible...

Never begin to talk to your mistress, unless it is to deliver a message, or ask a necessary question...

Never talk to another servant, or person of your own rank, or to a child, in the presence of your mistress, unless from necessity; and then do it as shortly as possible, and in a low voice...

Never call out from one room to another...

Always answer when you receive an order or reproof...

Never speak to a lady or gentleman without saying 'Sir', 'Ma'am', or 'Miss', as the case may be...

Always stand still and keep your hands before you, or at your sides, when you are speaking or being spoken to...

Nursemaids are often encouraged

to sing in the nursery; but they should leave off immediately on the entrance of a lady or gentleman...

Never take a small thing into the room in your hand ... any small thing should be handed on a little tray, silver or not, kept for the purpose...

I have seen servants make the mistake of going to walk or sit in the garden, as if it were part of the house belonging to them, as the kitchen and servants' bedrooms...

Do not ever choose gay patterns or colours. Not only are such dresses unfit for morning work, after they are a little worn, but they can never look becoming for servants...

Clearly the object here was to widen the gulf between employers and their domestic staffs, between 'ladies' and 'gentlemen' and their 'maid-servants'. A deep class difference is being deliberately created. Because girls came from poor families, they had to enter domestic service, and as soon as they had done that, they were cheated out of their warm natural humanity and almost turned into robots. (This tradition lingered on into our own time, and it partly explains why domestic service became unpopular among British Girls.)

Contributed by Merryll Hope, member 43

## BATHURST

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

QUARTER SESSIONS, - Much difficulty, delay, and inconvenience attended the accomplishment of the sittings of this Court for the present quarter. The 25th ult, was the appointed day for commencing business, but the rains had so swollen the Macquarie, that upon the Chairman, officers, and jury assembling at Dillon's Inn, where the Court is usually held, it was found impossible to get the prisoners across the river, and adjournment from day to-day for more than a week was unavoidable; recourse was at length had to the assistance of a skilful mechanic who, at a moderate expense, constructed a raft, and on the 3rd of the present month the trials commenced, and continued during the succeeding days.

The criminal calendar was unusually heavy, presenting a list of *thirty-two* prisoners, several of whom for cattle stealing were returned from Sydney, whither they had been sent some time before forwarded for trial at the Criminal Court. Of this number, fourteen received sentence of transportation for life, one for seven years, and eight to be worked in irons for eighteen months and two years respectively - A further adjournment, to the 10th, then took place, in order that some cases not complete at the time, might be determined, on which day and the Court again assembled,

George Rankin Esq., J.P., presiding in the absence of the Chairman, when the three other prisoners received sentence of transportation for fourteen years, and two for life, having been convicted of bushranging and robberies.

It is to be hoped that the certainty of heavy punishment, which is intailed on the species of offence will produce salutary effect, in restraining the vicious properties of the depraved and afford a powerful warning to the idle and unthinking of a class who are naturally prone to mischief and crime.

Absconding from their proscribed employ is a rapid stride towards the gallows, to which many are led by the persuasions of the abandoned, without contemplation of the awful consequences which must inevitably ensue a life of misery, starvation, and danger, while persuing their lawless career, and of chains and varieties of punishment the remainder of their lives, shut out from hope and from society, where their career of crime terminates.

Bushranging in its more extended sense, has not prevailed in the district during the last four years - s few stragglers occasionally are found pursuing the petty plunder of shepherds huts for food, but robberies of a deep character or accompanied by violence are fortunately of rare occurrence.

We may venture to state another agreeable fact, that the late convic-

tions for cattle and sheep stealing have checked the progress of that description of crime, which was previously assuming an alarming frequency and extent.

LIEUTENANT DARLEY – The gentlemen of Bathurst enter fully into the sentiments of the inhabitants of the Arglye district, as expressed in the letter lately published in the *Sydney Gazette*, upon the subject of the attack made upon the professional character of Lieutenant Darley of the mounted police, than whom few officers (if any) ever enjoyed in a more eminent degree, the unanimous esteem and confidence of all during his command at Bathurst, and whom departure called forth public demonstration and expression of regret from many by whom he will be long remembered with respect, and who can bear testimony to his zeal as an officer, urbanity as a magistrate, and estimable qualities as a private gentleman.

Two Branch Post offices have lately been established on this side of Mount York, viz. – one at Hassan’s Walls, on the new line of road, and the second at O’Connell’s Plains, an arrangement productive of much convenience and advantage to the residents of each neighbourhood, who are becoming very numerous, especially at the former station, where there is a government establishment of importance, civil as well as military.

It is understood that Mr Cox, senior,

has disposed of his fine estate or Hereford, near this settlement, to Mr. Wentworth, who is on the eve of making Bathurst his future abode. The name of Cox is associated with the early history and prosperity of Bathurst, and very many will regret to hear that this respected gentleman will no more be sojourning amongst them; but it will be satisfactory to find that the chiefest, brightest, of Australian ornaments, a son of her own soil, has made choice of Bathurst for his retirement, and that its society will receive is inestimable an advantage thereby.

Amongst several distinguished additions to our society may also be numbered, Mr. Icely and family who have lately taken up their residence at the estate of Coombing near Mandurama, lately appointed a police station; Mr. Kemmis and family, at O’Connell Plains; colonel Wall late of the Buffs, who is expected shortly to remove from his seat near Parramatta to Bathurst Plains; and Mr. Watt, a gentleman of fortune from India, has purchased a beautiful cottage and farm from Mr. Blackett, contiguous to the settlement. The harmony and tranquility of the district, its salubrity, and picturesque beauty, are attractions in the choice of a residence which cannot be overlooked.

*15th September, 1834.*

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Contribute by Merryll Hope, member 43

## News from State Records [www.records.nsw.gov.au](http://www.records.nsw.gov.au)

**\*Child and youth migrant information-** A new Archives in Brief (AIB) on child and youth migrants is now available.

Child migrants were school age children in care institutions in the United Kingdom. They were usually from eight to thirteen years of age on arrival, although some were younger. Youth migrants were usually young men aged 15-19 years of age who had left school and had made their own decision to migrate.

Before World War II child migration schemes provided farm training for boys and domestic skills for girls. Post-World War II emphasis was placed on increasing Australia's population. Prior to 1946 child migration was administered largely by the State governments. The first youth migrants to New South Wales were the Dreadnought Boys, aged 16-19 years, brought out by the Dreadnought Trust in 1911 under an agreement with the New South Wales Government.

The main care agencies involved in child migration were Barnados, Fairbridge, Catholic Church agencies and some Protestant Churches. The Big Brother Movement encouraged youth migration. Child and youth migration to New South Wales ceased in 1967.

This AIB provides a list of the major sources (held by State Records) relating to child and youth migrants. Also listed are support groups, where to find information if you are a former British child migrant, and where to find more information.



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## Web Sites

\*<http://www.eneclann.ie> **DIGITIZING IRISH BOOKS:** Trinity College Dublin is partnering up with new publisher Archive CD Books Ireland to digitize the college's old books, journals and historical directories. Trinity College, founded in 1592, has the largest library in Ireland. Since January, the project has made 25

\*[www.eogen.com](http://www.eogen.com) **Encyclopedia of Genealogy** Get answers to your genealogy reference and how-to questions at this free, user-contributed "encyclopedia".

\*[www.filmforever.org](http://www.filmforever.org) **Film Forever-** an in-depth guide aimed at preserving home films

\*[www.gazetteer.co.uk](http://www.gazetteer.co.uk) **Gazetteer of British Place Names-** Find your British ancestral home with this exhaustive place-name index. Its 50,000-plus entries cover commonly accepted alternative spellings, as well as Welsh and Gaelic versions.

\*<http://www.britishwargraves.org.uk> **British War Memorial Project.** Search more than 98,000 photos of British servicemembers' grave-stones by name, unit service number, service branch, cemetery, county and country.

## What did they do in Bathurst?

My Great Grand Father John BROWN came out as a Free Person on the 11 July 1842, on the Earl of Durham, from Litchborough, Northamptonshire England. He married Elisabeth CHAPMAN at Camden where they had seven children. About 1871 they moved to Bathurst where he was employed as a Coachman, (Cobb & Co?) aged around 35 and then later went Prospecting. On the 15 September 1873 my Grandfather, William Stewart BROWN was Born at Mt Pleasant Bathurst. I do not know how long they (John and Elisabeth) stayed at Bathurst, but their last child was born at Yass in 1878. My Grandfather went on to fight in the Boer War with the 6th Regiment NSW Imperial Bushman as a Mounted Infantry Trooper in B Sqn from 23 April 1900 to 17 July 1901. I understand he is not mentioned as served in the SA War on the Boer War Memorial in Bathurst. Of course he may have joined from another country town in the area as most of the Imperial Bushman did at that time. My interest is in what my Great Grand father did in Bathurst while he was there and whether my Grandfather had any further interest in Bathurst in later life. At about the same time Elisabeth CHAPMAN's brother, John CHAPMAN was appointed a Mounted Constable in the Western Police District from 1874 to 1878 where he spent most of his time at Bathurst and Cowra. I wonder whether the two families ever socialised together. He was married to Sarah Anne DOWLE in Camden 1868. I will be coming to Bathurst in the New Year 2006 to enjoy the history and further my research.

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### Cadia Mine Cemetery

If you couldn't make it to our meeting in September, you missed a wonderful presentation from Nedra Burns, Publicity Officer at Cadia Mines.

There was no transcript from the presentation, but Nedra provided the Group with a set of 6 books published on the excavation of the cemetery and the findings. We thank Nedra for her time, wonderful talk and generous gift.

## Welcome to New Members

**534 Margo M Jaques-Watson** PO Box 1064 BATHURST NSW 2795 researching Charles Stuart WHITE (aka C George WHITE), Margaret CUNNINGHAM, Thomas VAQURS b.1869 m. Elizabeth BAINDEE, Henry FLANAGAN m. Martha Hannah Isobel HAGUES at Hartley.

**535 Jocelyn Bakewell** 2396 South West Rocks Road KINCHELA via KEMPSEY NSW 2440 researching AINSWIRTH and EDWARDS

**538 Michael Murphy** 9 Hesse Street WAROONA WA 6215 re-searching James MURPHY and his wife Annie

**540 Mrs Kay Immer** 23 Carina Road TURRAMURRA NSW 2074 researching Albert H C SPROULE, Herbert H SPROULE, Frederick HODGSON and family

**541 Mrs Julie Allen** 53 Brilliant Street BATHURST NSW 2795 re-searching BALLARAT, BENDIGO VIC HORGAN, WATTS-BROWNE, NYMAGEE, WRIGHTVILLE DAPVILLE, RUDGE & DEVERY YORKSHIRE, SUFFOLK.

**542 Mrs Maria Paterson** 30 Currawong St BATHURST NSW 2795

**543 Julie Burnes** PO Box 2832 MOUNT ISA QLD 4825 Julie runs a family research business— see page 4 for her advertisement.

**544 Mrs Gwen Bates** 1 Murraba Crescent GWANDALLAN NSW 2259

**545 Mrs Caroline Vella** PO Box 566 WENTWORTHVILLE NSW 2145

Please contact the *Climes* editor so a *Members Interests* submission can be completed for inclusion in a later edition

## **SPECIAL CD OFFER**

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The CD will contain over 300 photographs of the people of the Inverell District, a large number pre 1900's. Details of the people shown will be included including name, birth, marriage or death details that we have.

Release date is tentatively set for October 1<sup>st</sup>. Pre-Publication Price for this CD is \$25.00

## Research Enquiries

**2005/028:** (Member 454) Seeking information on Henry Edwin **CLARKE** (b 1846 Bathurst William/ Anne **WILLIAMS**) m 1871/2 CE Kelso Catherine **WILLIAMS** (b 1848 O'Connell Plains William/ Mary Dwyer). When Catherine died her son Percy was living at 240 Havannah St Bathurst. William **WILLIAMS** was the son of two convicts. He had 5 daughters – Ellen (Mrs **GAFFEY**), Catherine (see above), Mary (Mrs **HARDY**), Hanorah (Mrs **RYAN**) and Margaret (Mrs **GUNNING**). Ray has information on Hanora and Margaret but is seeking descendents of the other three girls especially Henry and Catherine **CLARKE**. Ray Ryan 23 Cameron Ave Baukam Hills 2153

**2005/029:** (Member): Requesting any information on the families of William **FULTON** and Mary **BELL** (William/ Sarah **DRAKE**) who m Bathurst 1872 and 10 children b Bathurst 1873 – 1887. Suzanne Russell 12 Somerset Drive North Rocks 2151

**2005/030:** Seeking information on the families of: William **TOOBY** (1824 – 1864)/ Susannah Joy **SMITH** and children Susannah Mary, Sophia Elizabeth, William, George and Sarah; Henry **KING** (c1808 – 1876) m 1852 Kelso Mary Ann **CHAPMAN** – Elizabeth Susan and Henry William; William **GODFREY** (c1834 – 1897) m Annie **READ** 1857 Bathurst – 11 children; Robert J **MOXON** (John/ Mary **FEEBREY**) m Sarah – 5 children. Debbie Hayes PO Box 833 Picton 2571 debbiehayes@aapt.net.au

**2005/031** and **2005/047:** Michael **KNIGHT** (b 1815 LIM IRL James Christopher/ Geraldine **O'SULLIVAN**) and wife Ellen **SWEENEY** (b c 1823 COR IRL Charles/ Honorah) had 10 children born Hill End/ Tambaroora 1842 – 60. The first 3 were baptized **WALSH** but the name then reverted to **KNIGHT**. Seeking information and contacts.

Liz Pritchard pritchliz@bigpond.com  
AND Pat Scott P O Box 388 Ettalong Beach 2257 nsscott@bigpond.com

**2005/032:** Researching Robert **EDWARDS** (b 1828 SFK ENG William/ Mary) who m Eliza **FLACK** and arrived 1852 per “Hydaspes” with Elizabeth and William. Son Samuel b 1854 Black Rock m 1880 Bathurst Eliza **AINSWORTH** b Stratford ENG (James/ ) – Robert J 1884, Samuel 1887, Lily Eliza 1891, Rose 1892 all born in the Bathurst area. Jocelyn Bakewell 2396 South West Rocks Rd Kinchela via Kempsey 2440 rjbakewell@tsn.cc

**2005/034:** Seeking information about the death of Sarah Evelyn **FITZPATRICK** nee **LYNN** and her infant daughter d 1913 at Strathmore Hospital Bathurst. Deon Mahoney 19 Muresk St Farrer ACT 2607 deonm@netspace.net.au

**2005/035:** Seeking information on Thomas and Mary **FITZGERALD** of Duramana. Thomas died 1882 aged 55 and Mary died 1897 aged 70 – both buried RC Bathurst. Denise Nash 3201 The Palladian Hope Island Resort Hope Island QLD 4212 atgas@bigpond.net.au

**2005/036:** Seeking information on

Michael Joseph and Elizabeth **RYAN**. Both died Bathurst – Michael Joseph 1840 and Elizabeth 1936. Would also appreciate any information on Catholic Church Kelso. Joan Taylor 21 Scenic St Bayview Heights Cairnes QLD 4868 Joan.m.taylor@bigpond.com

**2005/038:** John **NEVILLE** (b c1802 IRL) m Honoria **HARTNETT** 1843 RC Sydney. John was licensee of the “Daniel O’Connell” Hotel (later “Commercial”) when he was murdered in the bush c 19 Jun 1853 (buried 15 Aug). Seeking information on their 7 children. Maureen O’Toole 52 Tamworth Drive Helenvale QLD 4212

maureen\_otoole@hotmail.com  
**2005/039:** Seeking burial details, newspaper reports, obits etc for Edward Walter **CLARKE** (1880 Parkes – 1954 Bathurst) and son Harold Keith **CLARKE** who lived Bathurst, d c1965, wife Gladys **PARKES**. Dean Clarke 8 Allinga Drive Oak Flats 2529

**2005/042:** Mary **QUINN** 22 and Alexander **REGAN** 25 m 1868 RC Bathurst. Seeking parents, birth and death for Mary. Jan Young mayoung@bigpond.net.au 15 Reycroft Ave Quakers Hill 2763

**2005/044:** Henry **BAKER**, Professor of Music, aged 72 arrived 1878 per “Peterborough” with wife Ellen and children Henry Charles (b c1852), Helena Margaret 1854, John William c1857, Langford Albert c1859 who taught music at All Saints College and later Shore Grammar), William Patrick c1860,

Charles Arthur c1863 and Margaret Caroline c1871. Seeking any information and family. Richard Parry 26 Silex St Mansfield Brisbane QLD 4122 rick@bigpond.net.au

**2005/045:** Researching George **CURTIS** and his wife Barbara Maria **BONNOR** (b 1857 Bathurst George/ Euphemia Barbara **DAVIES/ DAVIS**) who m “Native Home” 1876 and their families. roycurtis@bigpond.com

**2005/046:** Seeking any information on Richard **FRANCIS** b c1787 LIN, convict, wife Mary who married John **GALLAGHER** 1857 Molong and daughters Julia and Catherine. Richard possibly d 1851 Bathurst. Also, Michael **O’DONNELL** (son Thomas) arrived Bathurst c1848 from Hunter d 1875 Murdering Swamp. Stephanie Bull 51 Henry St Five Dock 2046

stephanie38@bigpond.com  
**2005/049** Member: Seeking any information and descendants of Dinah **JAMES** (b 1832 CON? George/ ? ) who m 1. 1854 Bathurst John Henry **SIMMONS** and 2. 1868 Henry Courtois **HOSIE**. Helen Reed 204 Annangrove Rd Annangrove 2156

**2005/051:** Seeking information and connections: John **ODGERS** b 1833 CON ENG m 1863 Mary Jane **KESSELL** (Stephen **KISSELL/ Maria ANNEAR**). Their son James b 1867 Bathurst married 1892 Orange Mary Ann **LINN**. Kevin Warner 11 Fairfield Rd Lowood QLD 4311 kevin.warner2@bigpond.com

## Calendar~Other Genealogical Events

Date	Place	Activity
Sat 22 Oct 10-11:30am	Seminar Room Rumsey Hall 24 Kent St, Sydney	<b>SAG- The Battle of Trafalgar</b> - celebrate the anniversary of Trafalgar with a presentation by Cmdr Andrew Brown RANR DDP (NCAGS). Cost: \$22/\$18. Contact: 02 9247 3953
Sat 29 Oct 10-12:30pm	Seminar Room Rumsey Hall 24 Kent St, Sydney	<b>SAG- A Morning of Mourning</b> - Join us for a morning of deaths in Australia as Lisa Murray, historian, and Ralph Hawkins, SAG archivist, reveal some of the many resources accessible at SAG. Cost: \$22/\$18. Contact: 02 9247 3953
Sat 29 Oct 1-3:30pm	Seminar Room Rumsey Hall 24 Kent St, Sydney	<b>SAG- How to Use Rootsweb</b> -Learn some of the techniques available to assist you to get the most out of this valuable research website. Martyn Killion presenting. Cost: \$22/\$18. Contact: 02 9247 3953
Thur 10 Nov 10.30-12.30	Sydney Records Centre, 2 Globe Street, The Rocks	<b>State Records- Finding your Female Felons</b> Tips and tactics for researching women convicts and their times. Cost: Free Contact: 9673 1788
Sat 12 Nov 1:30-3:30pm	Seminar Room Rumsey Hall 24 Kent St, Sydney	<b>SAG- National Archives of Australia</b> - Join Fiona Burn from the National Archives of Australia as she explains how to get the most from research at this wonderful repository. Cost: \$22/\$18. Contact: 02 9247 3953
Thur 17 Nov 10.30-12.30	Western Records Centre, O'Connell Street Kingswood	<b>State Records- Finding your Female Felons</b> Tips and tactics for researching women convicts and their times. Cost: Free Contact: 9673 1788
Sat 19 Nov 10-12:30	Seminar Room Rumsey Hall 24 Kent St, Sydney	<b>SAG- Tracing NSW Ancestors on the Internet</b> - Let Martyn Killion show you the many aspects of Internet research that will assist you in tracing NSW ancestors. Cost: \$22/\$18. Contact: 02 9247 3953
Fri 25 Nov 9-3:30	Lower Hall, Blue Mountains Civic Centre	<b>Blue Mountains Family History Society</b> presents Lady Mary Teviot from the Federation of Family History Societies. Cost \$20 including morning & afternoon tea. Contact: Fran Bentley 02 47916368
Wed 7 Dec Wed 15 Dec 10.30-12.30	Western Centre Sydney Records Centre	<b>State Records- Every picture tells a story!</b> From memorials to murderers — The range of State Records' photographic collection will surprise you. Come along and see! Cost: Free Contact: 9673 1788
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