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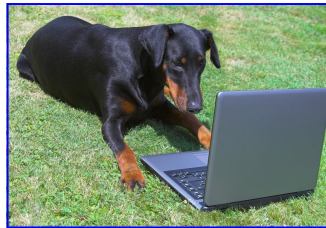
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SEEKING A SECRETARY:



Looking for a member to become Secretary of our Society to assist with minutes and correspondence etc. The committee is keen to have someone come and join them. Call a committee member (see next page) or email info@wfhs.org.au.



COMING EVENTS:

Saturday 21 September 2013 - General Meeting

2.00pm in the Jean Rankins Research Library at our rooms.

Following the meeting there will be a familiarisation session on the large amount of records held on CDs in the library.

Please bring a plate for afternoon tea.

August 2013 is Family History Month. We are offering free research for non-members during open days, and have already conducted family history internet information sessions at the Wangaratta Library on 21st and 24th August.

31 October 2013 is the date Community Raffle tickets and money need to be returned to us. Great prizes on offer:

1st prize: 2013 Ford Focus car

2nd prize: \$5000 cruise travel voucher

3rd prize: \$1000 grocery voucher

4th prize: \$500 fuel voucher.

All proceeds from the sale of the tickets will be donated back to us by the Wangaratta Council.

1-18 October 2013—Seniors Festival

This October, Wangaratta and district's senior residents are invited to participate in a range of events and activities as part of the Rural City of Wangaratta's Seniors Festival. The program consists of over 50 free and low cost events, held throughout the municipality. Program available at council offices etc and at <http://www.wangaratta.vic.gov.au/recreation-leisure/events/201382434694.asp>

* Includes a demonstration on TROVE at the Wangaratta Library on 10 Oct at 2.00pm. Booking required – ring 03 5721 2366.

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WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:

- ☼ Howard Gibson (rejoining)
- ☼ Jillian Grant
- ☼ Thelma Wright
- ☼ Vicki Bechaz



HAVE A QUERY OR WISH TO MAKE A SUGGESTION?

Contact:

- * Ray McKenzie, President, on 03 5721 7553; or
- * Val Brennan, Vice President, on 03 5727 6229.



MEMBERSHIP:

Initial 1st year Admin Fee	\$10
Single Full Membership	\$25
Joint Full Membership	\$35
Single Pensioner	\$20
Joint Pensioner	\$30
Newsletter only	\$12

COMMITTEE MEMBERS & OTHERS:

President: Ray McKenzie 03 5721 7553

Vice President: Val Brennan 03 5727 6229

Treasurer: Dianne Cavedon 03 5722 2607

Secretary: position vacant

Other committee members:

- Val McPherson
- Elaine Jones
- Paddy Milne

Auditor: Norm Kenny of Kerr Andison and
Kenny Pty Ltd

Threads Newsletter: Cheryl Price.

There are 3 committee positions unfilled. If you would like to join please contact a committee member. You will be most welcome.



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING:

Council Grants – An Expression of Interest has been lodged for grant money to replace our ageing file server.

Local History Grants 2012/2013 – We were unsuccessful in our application for a grant.

Library - A summary index of project data, searchable by name, has been installed on the file server and accessible on each PC.

A few books from the library have been identified as possible removal from the shelves. Come and check them out and give your views about their possible removal.

Research – A steady flow of research requests through visitors to our Library and via the Website.

Projects –

Wangaratta Cemetery Index and Images CD2

Database check nearly complete against registers, accounts and CD1.

Eldorado Cemetery Database, Register and headstone images completed. Site Map currently being finalised.

Chiltern/Springhurst/Rutherglen Cemeteries CD – Currently contains about 7,000 names. Editing & matching register images in progress.

New digitising works currently in progress

Tarrawingee Cemetery Registers & headstones now digitised & database being updated. Whitefield Cemetery registers digitised.

School records for Cornishtown, Springhurst, Boralma – completed, awaiting digitisation & distribution.

MY GRANDFATHER, SOREN (JOHN) CHRISTESEN:

By Jean Rankins

My Grandfather was named Soren Christensen VASHUS at birth in Hejls (sometimes shown as Hieles) Slesvic, Denmark on 5 June 1830. His parents were Christen Christensen VASHUS and Johanne Hansen Maintz NIELSEN. Soren was baptised on 9 June 1830 and there were four other children in the family.

At 18 years of age, while walking along the wharves with his friend Jacobsen, they were 'press ganged' to become part of the crew of one of the moored ships. Soren apparently followed his father's (a fisherman) love of the sea, and worked his way up to 2nd Mate.

On his last voyage on the ship *Caton Watel* from Antwerp, Belgium to Sydney on 23 March 1857 there was near mutiny on the vessel as it rounded the Cape of Good Hope. On arrival in Sydney, Soren and his mate 'jumped ship' and Soren soon changed his name to Soren CHRISTESEN.

Soren went to the goldfields in the Araluen area of NSW where he stayed for 12 months before moving on to Beechworth, Victoria where he first mined for gold at Pennyweight Flat and then the Three Mile goldfield. He was a member of the Bolam's mining venture at Twists Creek Reef and stayed for about 12 years after which he purchased the 'Sunday Reef' mine at Three Mile, later known as Baarmutha.



Soren and Maria CHRISTESEN

During this time, Soren married Maria SHORT on 20 March 1860 at the Minister's residence of the Primitive Methodist Church, Collingwood, Victoria. Maria was born at Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire, England; one of four children. Her parents were Thomas SHORT and Maria PAYNE. Maria arrived at Port Melbourne in 1854 as an assisted immigrant on the ship *Tudor*. She was 26 years of age and was sponsored by Charles GRUT of South Yarra, Victoria as a nurse for one month receiving £25 and rations.

Soren and Maria built their home near his mine the 'Sunday Reef'. The floor was slate from the Two Mile quarry, the fire was an open fireplace with bars and hooks to hold cast iron pots and boilers which were swung over the fire to cook their meals and boil water. Lighting was by candles and later by kerosene wick lamps and then Aladdin lamps with a primus and pump up system.

Richard WARREN bought a share in the 'Sunday Reef' and together he and Soren worked for 25 years and were very successful from the proceeds of the mine.

Soren then gave mining away and turned to fruit growing. He kept a detailed diary of his fruit production and one of his descendants still has this diary. It is beautifully written and contains information such as the name of each tree and its position in the orchard, at least 36 varieties of apples grown, describes how to make various wines from fruit and vegetables, trials of pesticides, several recipes, how to make mead, and includes many of his poems and several other items.

It wasn't until 1892 that Soren became a naturalised citizen, and those papers show he changed his name to John CHRISTESEN.

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MY GRANDFATHER, SOREN (JOHN) CHRISTESEN cont:

Soren was very involved in the community. He was one of the first members of the Three Mile Congregational Church, a superintendent of the Sunday School, and a member of the Board of Trustees managing the Church property. He also often performed at the local hotel singing to the miners.

From 1905 to 1908, while living at Baarmutha, Soren delivered the mail between Beechworth, Baarmutha and Murrungee six days a week on horseback.

Maria CHRISTESEN died in 1895 and Soren (John) CHRISTESEN died on 18 June 1912. They are both buried at Beechworth.

The seven children of Soren (John) and Maria CHRISTESEN were:

- * Johanna Maria (Annie) (born in Beechworth) married William Stanbury RANKINS.
- * Christine Elizabeth (Elizabeth) (b. Three Mile) married Richard MORRISON.
- * Hans Peter, twin of Christine, lived for seven days.
- * Esther Hansine (Cena) (b. Beechworth) married 1st husband Charles THOMPSON, 2nd husband Arthur Godfrey CLEMENT.
- * Christen Thomas (Tom) (b. Yackandandah) married 1st wife Tabitha Jane BRAY, 2nd wife Bertha Mable Jonna JARVIS.
- * Soren David (Dave) (b. Thistle Creek Yackandandah) married Isabella Laurine (Bella) MICHELSEN.
- * Elspeth Maria (Mina) (b. Yackandandah) married William Henry (Bill) VOIGT.



Soren (John) Christesen



Beechworth Cemetery



IN MEMORIUM:

A member and volunteer of our Society, Noelle Van Damme, passed away on 26 July 2013. Noelle was a good researcher who helped with indexing of the Wangaratta Cemetery Burial Register and was very generous in passing on information to the Society and to others.

EXAMPLES OF INTERESTING PICTURES AVAILABLE ONLINE FROM FLICKR:

The following photos are just a couple of unique pictures from The Commons section of FLICKR uploaded from the National Library of Australia. The FLICKR pictures have 'no known copyright restrictions' and many national and international institutions have made thousand of pictures freely available. Worth having a nostalgic browse of The Commons <http://www.flickr.com/commons/>

Part of the collection of Drouin town and rural life during World War II; "U429/84. Meet Mrs. Josephine Smith, aged 84, whose hobby is digging graves. She lives in Drouin, a typical little farming town (1100 people), in southern Australia, 60 miles out of the Victorian capital, Melbourne. ..."--Printed on photo label.;



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A wedding photo with a difference.

Wind buffets the bride's veil and train into the children's faces at the wedding of Cyril Ritchard and Madge Elliott, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, September 16, 1935.

CONSEQUENCES FOR THE TUTTY FAMILY WHEN WILLS WERE NOT MADE:

Our library holds a very interesting 2008 book by Ada Ackerly titled *Non-issued Probates and Administrations VPRS7933/P1 Units 1-70 only (1851-1952)*. The book list the names, addresses, professions and dates of those whose wills were not granted for a variety of reasons. Ada writes 'Many families have stories of a will which caused rifts in the family, or an estate not properly handled. 'We was robbed' syndrome. An applicant for probate for administration must have been wanting in some way, eg trouble finding all the eligible relatives; perhaps could not afford the fees; trouble locating witnesses to the will; executor sought 'renunciation' of his responsibilities; or an aggrieved relative lodges a 'caveat' asking to be informed if any action was initiated on the estate. After 12 months all existing files were transferred to a 'stops file' for a further 12 months, and if not acted upon the residue placed in the 'Non-Issued Probate Applications'. Most of these records have now been digitised and are listed on the PROV website.



PROVguide 70: Wills and Probate

Wills and Probate – Wills and Probate Records

This PROVguide provides an overview of the main records and resources for researching wills, probate and administration records at Public Record Office Victoria (PROV).

<http://prov.vic.gov.au/provguide-70>

The following is an example listed in Ada's Ackerly's book:

Unit	File	Surname	Given Name	Calling	Grant	Address	Date
24	1285	TUTTY	Robert	Farmer	Admin	Wangaratta	25 June 1886

Now that many Wills etc held at PROV have been indexed and digitised, a search was made to find what happened to the estate of Robert TUTTY. It was found that the length of time taken and to-ing and fro-ing of the Courts Registrars, lawyers in Wangaratta and Melbourne, and the Supreme Court brought to mind the Charles Dickens novel *Bleak House* and the on-running litigation of generations of a family in England's Court of Chancery - *Jarndyce v Jarndyce*. The following summarises what one branch of the TUTTY family had to go through for at least twenty seven years.

Robert TUTTY and his wife Maria were from Lincolnshire England and, with their children Isaac and Elizabeth (and Charlotte age 0) as well as extended family members, arrived in Victoria in the 1850s. The TUTTY family settled in North Wangaratta and Robert took up land totalling 45 acres comprised of allotments 8 and 11 of Section H, Parish of North Wangaratta, County of Bogong.

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- * Robert and Marie TUTTY had more children but Robert died on 25 June 1866 at the young age of 41 leaving his widow to bring up eight young children. Robert died intestate, ie leaving no will, so it was up to his wife to try and take ownership of the land.
 - * On 3 Oct 1866 an Oath was lodge in the Supreme Court by Maria TUTTY stating she was entitled to a distribution of his property as well as his eight surviving children Isaac, Elizabeth, Ellen, Jeanette, William Henry, John, Robert and Alicia Maria. On the same day an application was made to the Supreme Court by Maria TUTTY in respect of an affidavit to administer the freehold estate (ie settle their debts, pay any necessary taxes and funeral expenses, and distribute the remainder according to the procedure set down at law) and advised that she 'is unacquainted with any person resident in Melbourne who are willing and qualified by persons reason of their property to be bound with me in an administration bond'. She said that nearby land owners agreed to be her bondsmen and requests that she be saved the expense of all of them travelling to Melbourne. 'It is of great importance to me that I and my bondsmen be allowed to justify in Wangaratta in the Colony of Victoria'.

CONSEQUENCES FOR THE TUTTY FAMILY WHEN WILLS WERE NOT MADE cont:

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- * An affidavit was filed in the Supreme Court on 11 Oct 1866 for administration of the freehold land of the 45 acres valued no more than £100 to be given Maria TUTTY.
 - * Maria TUTTY married Charles John JAMES on 14 Mar 1868.
 - * Another affidavit was filed in the Supreme Court on 4 Nov 1868 similar to the above but this time for administration to be awarded to Maria JAMES with the consent of her husband Charles John James to the administration by his wife Maria JAMES to the estate not exceeding £160 of Robert TUTTY. Maria JAMES gave oath that she would exhibit and deposit in the Office of the Master of Equity a true and perfect inventory of the real estate of the deceased within three months of the Order of Administration and a true and just account of her administration within 15 months of the granting of Administration.
 - * Administration of Robert TUTTY's estate was granted by the Master in Equity of the Supreme Court to Maria JAMES on 5 Nov 1868 with the consent of her husband Charles John James.
 - * In Dec 1868, in the matter of the estate of Robert TUTTY, as bondsmen—Thomas FAIRBURN of North Wangaratta made Oath that he is worth £370 over and above what will pay all his debts and liabilities and holds property valued at £1000. Robert DUNLOP similarly made Oath that he is worth £320 over and above etc and holds property valued at £600.
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- * Maria JAMES died on 25 Oct 1892 , intestate, without having administered Robert TUTTY's estate.
 - * On 16 Dec 1892 an Oath was lodge in the Supreme Court by John TUTTY, son of Robert TUTTY to administer the estate of Robert TUTTY with the written consent of his brothers and sisters Isaac Tutty, Elizabeth Fraser (the wife of Malcolm Fraser), Ellen Watson (the wife of George Watson), Janet Tutty, Henry Tutty, Robert Tutty, Annie Bull (the wife of John Bull) and Charles John James. On the same day, an inventory of the estate of Robert TUTTY was lodged into the Probate Division of the Supreme Court—real estate of 45 acres valued at £180, personal estate and liabilities Nil. And an Oath by John TUTTY to account for the Administration of the Estate to be exhibited and deposited in the office of the Master in Equity with 15 months of the granting of Administration. Also an Oath by the Wangaratta solicitor Thomas Foster NOTCUTT saying he witnessed the signing of consent of John TUTTY's brother and sisters (consent of Henry (William Henry) Tutty omitted).
 - * On 15 Jan 1893 an Affidavit of Surety was lodged in the Supreme Court in the case of the estate of Robert TUTTY and included Oath by Francis BURBERRY of Wangaratta stating he is worth property to the value of £180 over and above what will pay all his just debts and liabilities, and that his freehold property is allotments 1.2.9.11 and 12 Section 3 Parish of South Wangaratta comprising 25 acres vales at £250. Similarly, on 17 Jan 1893 an Affidavit of Surety was lodged by George WATSON of Wangaratta, storekeeper, stating that he is worth £180 etc in property which consists of 'stock in trade of my store in Murphy St Wangaratta consisting of groceries and sundries of the value of £300'.
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- * On 18 Jan 1893 Letters of Administration lodged into the Probate Division of the Supreme Courts –Rule to Administer the freehold land of Robert TUTTY was granted to John TUTTY.
 - * In 1905 John TUTTY owned freehold land in Nth Wangaratta comprised of 49 acres 3 roods 12 perches being allotment 3a of Section Va, Parish of Carraragarmungee, County of Bogong.
- It remains unclear when the 45 acres estate of Robert TUTTY all those years ago was finally sorted out. The legal costs must surely have exceeded the value of the land.

OTHER MULTIPLE EVENTS FOR THE TUTTY FAMILY:

Major events of the TUTTY family appear to occur in 'multiples'.

- * Three TUTTY brothers - John (b.1822) and twins Robert and William (b.1824), and their families left Lincolnshire England in the 19thC and made sail for Victoria where they settled in the Wangaratta district. JOHN arrived in Victoria in 1841, Robert in 1852 and William in 1853.
- * Robert and John TUTTY were blacksmiths, John TUTTY was also a publican of the old Wangaratta Hotel (Mrs MELDRUM's) until he was declared insolvent in 1866. Robert TUTTY was also a farmer and his twin brother William was a farm labourer.
- * Three of Robert TUTTY's children married into the BULL family of Wangaratta:
 - John TUTTY jnr married Elizabeth Ann BULL in 1884
 - Robert TUTTY jnr married Margaret BULL in 1885
 - Anne Miriah/Maria TUTTY married John James BULL in 1887.
- * Robert TUTTY jnr's wife Margaret also died intestate in 1918 in Richmond, Melbourne. Her surviving husband Robert TUTTY agreed that Margaret's brother, George Henry BULL, could administer her estate comprised of £145 in the bank. The wind-up of her estate in 1919 was as follows:
 - Funeral arrangements £16/8-
 - Law costs administration £14/10-
 - Cartage of good £1
 - Gravestone etc (Fawkner cemetery) £37/10-
 - Balance £75/13-

Portion of Estate retained as sworn by George Henry BULL:

'The balance of £75/13- has been placed to the credit of a Trust Account in the State Bank of Victoria at Brunswick in my name to enable me at the request of the persons interested in the Estate to expend same for the maintenance of the grave of the said deceased'

(Ed: according to the Reserve Bank of Australia, that £75/13- in 1919 is equivalent to \$5,342 in today's money—now that's a plot!).

(Sources: PROV online indexes Wills and Probate; Wangaratta Chronicle; TROVE online newspapers; Vic BDM; Ancestry.com library edition.)



IRELAND REACHING OUT TO YOU:

A new Irish Government sponsored programme called *Ireland Reaching Out* <http://www.irelandxo.com/> has been launched. It seeks to connect people of Irish heritage abroad with their place of origin in Ireland.

By joining any of the 2,500+ parish communities online, direct genealogical assistance is available from local people in the area who also volunteer to meet any who make a return visit. This is a free service run by local parish volunteers and Ireland XO is a not-for-profit charity. Above all, Ireland XO builds on the paper trail of the records that may only get people so far, by providing that final link of local knowledge. Ireland XO links directly to people from the communities of their ancestors and uses their knowledge to perhaps finally discover that elusive headstone, or the spot where the ancestral home once stood, or even seek out some long-lost cousins.

Interested? Then register with Ireland XO online and search for your people and parish(es) of origin. The steps are to register, login, find your parish/county, join and post a message.

You can search for your parish using this link <http://www.irelandxo.com/where-do-i-start> or if you don't know it, then your county and post a message with what information you have – this is very important to speed up the process of finding your Irish ancestry. If you don't know either parish or county, you can still post a message. Ireland XO is also on Facebook and Twitter. For any questions, there is a Contact Form on their website.

'HISTORY'S NEVER BEEN SO COOL':

This was the headline of an article in the 14 August 2013 edition of *The Wangaratta Chronicle*. This picture of Ray McKenzie, President of the Wangaratta Family History Society, and Jenny Jackal, a member and volunteer of our Society, was included in the article which promoted our Society for Family History Month.



The article read in part:

'Searching for clues into family history has never been easier, with the latest technology along with guidance from the experienced team at the Wangaratta Family History Society.

With access to some of the top websites and an extensive collection of reference material extending from North East Victoria to around the world, anyone with an interest in learning about their ancestry will find there is no limit to what can be discovered.

"It's a bit like playing golf—once you start it's easy to become addicted", said Society Vice-President, Val Brennan. "Its so exciting when people find out something really amazing and we hear oohs and ahhs of surprise all the time "

THE GREAT BARROW PUSH FROM BEECHWORTH TO THE TOP OF MT BUFFALO:

The following is a great story of an event that hit the headlines in 1935 as described in the book *On This Day in the North East* by Graham Jones.

A huge crowd gathered in Beechworth on the afternoon of 15 June 1935 to see the start of a marathon wheelbarrow push from the Beechworth PO to the top of Mt Buffalo. It all started as a bet between two local men Tom PARKINSON and Tony EVANS that Parkinson couldn't push Evans in a wheelbarrow to the top of Mt Buffalo from a Saturday to the following Sunday. With the contents of a bottle of champagne still dripping from the barrow, and the 13 stone Evans seated in the barrow, off they set.



Day 1 (Sat) saw a successful descent of the road down the Buckland Gap, and the barrowmen reached Murmungee.

Day 2 (Sun). The plan was to reach Myrtleford. Groups of people were by now clustering by the roadside to watch Parkinson, bearing the weight of the barrow on shoulder straps, and Evans seated in the barrow which sported a rubber tyre specially made by Dunlop. The Rules were: Evans could leave the barrow whenever it stopped; but after it started to climb the mountain Evans had to remain in the barrow for at least 5 minutes after each stop was called; and remain in the barrow at all times when it was being pushed, whether it rained, hailed or snowed. When they made it to Myrtleford 2,500 cheered their arrival.

Day 3 (Mon). Parkinson aimed to get near Porepunkah, but the weather was wet and the road was under repair and the boggy conditions made pushing extremely difficult. They only made it to the Presbyterian Church at Eurobin.

Day 4 (Tue). A cold and frosty morning, the barrowmen were heartened by a cheer from the children of the Eurobin State School as they passed. By the evening they had reached the Buckland bridge. The strain was beginning to show: Parkinson's hand were sore and his shins and legs were bandaged, and Evans was suffering from cramps.

Day 5 (Wed). They entered their most gruelling stage: up the mountain. They only managed 4 miles as frost lay heavily on the approach to the mountain. Parkinson had a total of 68 rests during the day and was looking worn and haggard. By now, the Australian press was vitally interested in the marathon and the newspapers had dubbed it the great 'Shuffle off to Buffalo', after the popular tune of the day.

Day 6 (Thu). The day got away to a late start as Parkinson had to be massaged into life and then bandaged. The grade was so steep that he had to rest every 20 yards. By 11.30am he had covered only one mile and his hands were giving him trouble.

Day 7 (Fri). Within the first mile the snow was falling heavily. Parkinson slipped and fell several times. By the middle of the day it was Evans turn to suffer. He was twisted up with cramp and had to be massaged so a halt was called for lunch. Reluctantly the barrowmen took up their positions later in the afternoon and only managed 4 miles for the day with a little over 4 miles to go to the top of the mountain and a day and a half left.

Day 8 (Sat). The most demanding day as six inches of snow lay on the ground and a snowplough had to be called in. Parkinson fell several times and Evans took a number of spills from the barrow. When the day ended Parkinson had covered 3 miles and had taken 128 rests.

Final day (Sun). A thousand people gathered on snow-covered Mt Buffalo. The barrowmen covered the final few yards through ranks of skiers forming an avenue of honour. As the barrow crossed the line Parkinson upended Evans into the snow. The bet had been won with 45 minutes to spare. The official welcome to the barrowmen, held on the balcony of the Chalet, was broadcast nationally. They stayed overnight at the Buffalo Chalet and returned to Beechworth the next day where they left by car for Melbourne later that afternoon.

That *Sunday night* they made an appearance on the stage of the Princess Theatre where the band played 'Shuffle Off to Buffalo' and they were introduced to the audience by George WALLACE, the star of the show. The wheelbarrow marathon had proved to the world that the men of Beechworth were still Titans, ready to respond to any challenge. The marathon unleashed a host of imitators. Many took up pushing barrows from one place to another.

(Source: *On This Day in the North East*, author Graham Jones, published 1989, Charquin Hill Publishing)

PERSONAL ANCESTRAL FILE (PAF) IS DISCONTINUED:

PAF was discontinued from 15 July 2013 by FamilySearch.org and is no longer available for download or support. Advances in technology, strong alternatives available from commercial parties, and the need to focus on the latest FamilySearch initiatives have diminished the need for PAF as part of the FamilySearch offering. See <https://familysearch.org/blog/en/personal-ancestral-file-is-discontinued/>

HANDY RESEARCH SITES:

Cable Clerical Index (CCI) of clergy who served in the **Anglican Church of Australia** from 26 January 1788 through to those ordained or serving by 31 December 1961. The CCI is an index of more than 6570 Australian Anglican clergy. Only names and dates of ordination are published for those born after 01 Jan 1913. <http://anglicanhistory.org/aus/ccli>

Catholic Heritage, the online database for searching the archival holdings of institutions in the Catholic Church involved in the Networking Archives and Libraries in the Catholic Church (NALCC) project. A single access point to an online collection of archives databases of value to students and researchers across the world <http://archive.catholic-heritage.net/default.aspx>

Queensland State Archives guide for genealogists <http://archives.qld.gov.au/Researchers/CollectionsDownloads/Documents/BG10Genealogists.pdf>

From the NSW State Records Office 'Sentenced beyond the Seas: **Australia's early convict records**'. Colour images of early convict indents are available for the first time. Indents list the convicts transported to NSW and provides their details and descriptions. <http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/state-archives/research-topics/convicts/sentenced-beyond-the-seas/sentenced-beyond-the-seas>

The **Western Australian** Genealogical Society (WAGS) has published on the web a new searchable database of shipping passenger arrivals to the Port of Fremantle between 1898 and 1926 together with an index of ship names to help family researchers. Only WAGS members can access it online but a research request can be made to WAGS. <http://membership.wags.org.au/>

Forces **War Records UK** is a site that covers many records of those who served in wars from the 18th onwards. <http://www.forces-war-records.co.uk/>

Reserve Bank of Australia **Pre Decimal Inflation Calculator**. This site converts Au£ into Au\$ at a chosen point in time <http://www.rba.gov.au/calculator/annualPreDecimal.html>

Historical Newspapers

National Library of Australia TROVE website for newspapers <http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper?q>

A brief guide from the UK National Archives to researching newspapers and the history of the press. <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/records/research-guides/newspapers.htm>

New titles of newspapers to be digitised and made available on the National Library of Australia website TROVE for this year <http://www.nla.gov.au/content/new-titles-coming>

A site which links to TROVE as well as New Zealand, Singapore and some USA newspapers <http://www.elephind.com/>

Death Notices. The Ryerson Index is an index to death notices appearing in current Australian newspapers. Also includes some funeral notices, probate notices and obituaries <http://www.ryersonindex.org/>

The **Southern Metropolitan Cemeteries** Trust's Deceased Search Facility allows you to search the records of Springvale Botanical Cemetery, Bunurong Memorial Park and St Kilda Cemetery Victoria <http://bmp.smct.org.au/deceasedsearch/>

Records of Australian **prisoners of war of the Japanese in World War II** are now available from the National Archives of Australia <http://www.naa.gov.au/collection/a-z/australian-pow-japanese-ww2.aspx>

Genealogy Conference being held in the ACT 20—22 September 2013 <http://www.conference2013.org.au/>

The ever handy genealogy index websites: <http://www.cyndislist.com/australia/>
<http://www.coraweb.com.au/>

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Check it out..... www.wfhs.org.au