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Our Australasian Really Useful Information Leaflet

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WELCOME

For over 40 years, the Federation of Family History Societies has represented family historians and supported, informed and advised our membership, which consists of family history societies and similar bodies, in the UK, Australasia and further afield.

With an ever-increasing amount of information available on the Internet, provided by commercial, as well as volunteer organisations, there has never been a better time to research your family history. Take a look at our list of useful websites on pages 4 and 5 to get an idea of just how much information is available to you.

Getting started

If you are a newcomer to family history you may not be aware of the existence of family history societies or indeed how much you might benefit from joining one! It is true to say that in the early stages of research, quite a bit of progress can be made by going it alone. However, there will be times when your research grinds to a halt, and that is where membership of a society can be of great benefit.

Family history societies are full of friendly, knowledgeable experts who will be delighted to talk to you about your tree and help you when you face challenges. They have a great deal of experience in researching and will have lots of tips for when you get stuck. They often know about resources of particular interest to those researching in the society's area. For example, if you talk to a society from a particular part of the British Isles, they will know about many local resources that exist in local archives that you might never come across, certainly online. Often they have transcribed records of use to genealogists, or they might offer a look up or research service to members. They also keep lists of surnames that are of interest to their members, so may be able to put you in touch with someone who is also researching your family.

Family history societies

There are two main options; either join a society based in Australasia in a state where your ancestors settled or join a UK society local to where your ancestors originated. Of course, you can always join more than one society at home, as well as overseas. That way you get the best of both options!

The Federation of Family History Societies has over 170 member societies throughout the world including societies based in South Australia, Western Australia, Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria and Tasmania, as well as New Zealand. In addition to our UK-based member societies we have other international, regional, specialist and one-name groups. The names and web addresses of all our members are included in this leaflet, on pages 10 to 14. They will be happy to share their knowledge and come up with ideas for you to pursue. They may also have produced transcriptions of the more unusual records that as yet are unavailable online.

Why not consider joining a society today? It could be just what you need to kick-start your research!

A UK Edition of *Our Really Useful Information Leaflet*, an essential guide to researching family history in the British Isles, is available FREE online at www.ffhs.org.uk



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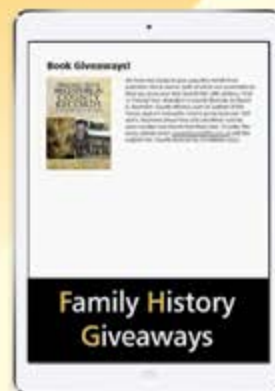
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Entries with the symbol £ are sites that may charge for some services.

- Ancestry: Key Australian records, UK census and vital records, and AncestryDNA www.ancestry.com.au £
- Auckland Museum Cenotaph Database: Allows a search for deceased individuals from the 19th century through to today www.aucklandmuseum.com/war-memorial/online-cenotaph
- Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations Inc: Established in 1978 to coordinate and assist the work of Australian and New Zealand groups with interests in family history, genealogy, heraldry and related subjects www.affho.org
- Australian Capital Territory: Archive which holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family historians www.archives.act.gov.au
- Australian Capital Territory Heritage Library: Records and information relevant to family historians www.library.act.gov.au/find/history
- Australian Capital Territory Justice and Community Safety Directorate: Birth, death and marriage certificates can be purchased www.ors.act.gov.au/community/births_deaths_and_marriages £
- Australian Cemeteries: Offers a searchable database for many cemeteries throughout Australia. The site indicates whether a cemetery has information available online or a contact address. Information available may include monumental inscriptions, photographs, and transcriptions www.australiancemeteries.com.au
- Australian Cemeteries Index: Provides a searchable database of cemetery inscriptions recorded by the transcribers and contributors over several years www.austcemindex.com
- Convicts to Australia: Guide to researching convict ancestors members.iinet.net.au/~perthdps/convicts/index.html £
- CoraWeb: Websites for genealogists. Excellent and highly recommended site which includes a comprehensive listing of many smaller, regional family history societies www.coraweb.com.au
- FamilySearch: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints baptism, marriage and burials index; England and Wales census records, Family History Centres, Wikis www.familysearch.com
- Federation of Family History Societies: Long-established genealogy charity that supports ancestry research and family history societies around the world; bimonthly newsletter www.ffhs.org.uk
- FindMyPast: Comprehensive collection of family history records, plus records from Ireland, US, Australia and NZ www.findmypast.com.au £
- Founders & Survivors: Partnership between historians, genealogists, demographers, and population health researchers. It seeks to record and study the founding population of 73,000 men, women, and children who were transported to Tasmania www.foundersandsurvivors.org
- Irish Convicts to New South Wales 1788–1849: Contains details of Irish convicts who were transported to New South Wales in the period 1788–1849 members.pcug.org.au/~ppmay/convicts.htm
- MyHeritage.com: Build your family tree for free and find relatives with Smart Matching technology and automatic matching to 4+ billion names in historical records; MyHeritageDNA www.myheritage.com
- National Army Museum (New Zealand): A place to seek out and research information about New Zealand veterans and family members who served in the armed forces www.armymuseum.co.nz/research
- New South Wales: State archive which holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family historians www.records.nsw.gov.au
- New South Wales Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages: Index to births, deaths and marriages; certificates can be purchased www.bdm.nsw.gov.au £
- New Zealand Department of Internal Affairs: Free online access to index of births, deaths and marriages; certificates available to purchase www.dia.govt.nz/Births-deaths-and-marriages £
- Northern Territory Archives: Holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family historians dttc.nt.gov.au/arts-and-museums/northern-territory-archives-service
- Northern Territory Department of Attorney General and Justice: Births, deaths and marriages; certificates can be purchased nt.gov.au/law/bdm/apply-for-birth-death-or-marriage-certificate £
- Northern Territory Library and Information Service: Holds records and information relevant to family historians www.ntl.nt.gov.au
- Paperspast (New Zealand): Provides digital access to over 2 million pages from 80 newspapers and publications throughout New Zealand from 1839 to 1945 paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/cgi-bin/paperspast
- Queensland: State archive which holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family

historians www.archives.qld.gov.au

- Queensland Government Justice Gateway: Index to births, deaths and marriages; certificates can be purchased www.qld.gov.au/law/births-deaths-marriages-and-divorces/ £
- Rookwood Anglican and General Cemeteries: Offers a deceased search facility www.rookwoodcemetery.com.au
- Rootsweb.ancestry.com: Largest and oldest free genealogy information website; host to mailing lists, news groups, message boards, volunteer projects, websites, etc. www.rootsweb.ancestry.com
- Society of Australian Genealogists: Helping people trace family history for over 80 years; world-class library and manuscript collection www.sag.org.au
- South Australia: State archive which holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family historians www.archives.sa.gov.au
- South Australia Government: Index to births, deaths and marriages; certificates can be purchased <http://www.cbs.sa.gov.au/births-deaths-marriages/> £
- State Library of New South Wales: Holds records and information relevant to family historians www.sl.nsw.gov.au
- State Library of Queensland: Holds records and information relevant to family historians www.slq.qld.gov.au
- State Library of South Australia: Holds records and information relevant to family historians www.slsa.sa.gov.au
- State Library of Tasmania: Holds records and information relevant to family historians www.statelibrary.tas.gov.au
- State Library of Victoria: Holds records and information relevant to family historians www.slv.vic.gov.au
- State Library of Western Australia: Holds records and information relevant to family historians www.slwa.wa.gov.au
- Tasmania Department of Justice: Birth, death and marriage certificates can be purchased www.justice.tas.gov.au/bdm/family_history £
- The Archives of New Zealand: Holds a range of records, including many national treasures www.archives.govt.nz
- The Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS): Provides a Family History Kit that gives tips for starting your family history search and contact details for other organisations that can help www.aiatsis.gov.au
- The Australian War Memorial: Key resource for Australian war history and for military records of servicemen and women www.awm.gov.au
- The Convict Records: Provides a search of the British convict transportation register between 1787 and 1867; information available includes name of convict, known aliases, place convicted, port of departure, date of departure, port of arrival, and the source of the data www.convictrecords.com.au
- The Convict Transportation Registers Database 1787-1867: Compiled from the British Home Office (HO) records; includes details for over 123,000 of the estimated 160,000 convicts transported to Australia: names, term of years, transport ships, and more www.slq.qld.gov.au/resources/family-history/info-guides/convicts
- The National Archives of Australia: Contains a fascinating collection of more than 100 years of Australian Government records, documenting the history of individuals, communities, and the nation www.naa.gov.au
- The National Library of Australia: Provides access to the world's greatest collection of material relating to Australia and the Australian people; collection ranges from the earliest European works about the Great Southern Land to current publications www.nla.gov.au
- The National Library of New Zealand and the Alexander Turnbull Library: Provide access to and use of the collective knowledge of New Zealand www.natlib.govt.nz
- The New Zealand Archives Archway: Provides direct access to records, some of which have been digitised www.archway.archives.govt.nz
- The Ryerson Index: Index to death notices appearing in current Australian newspapers; the Index also includes some funeral notices, probate notices and obituaries www.ryersonindex.org
- Trove: Provides digital access to more than 500 million Australian and online resources including books, images, historic newspapers, maps, music, archives and more www.trove.nla.gov.au
- Victoria: State archive which holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family historians www.prov.vic.gov.au
- Victoria Births, Deaths and Marriages: Index to births, deaths and marriages; certificates can be purchased www.bdm.vic.gov.au £
- Western Australia: State archive which holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family historians www.sro.wa.gov.au
- Western Australia Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages: Birth, death and marriage certificates can be purchased www.bdm.dotag.wa.gov.au £
- Whakapapa—genealogy (New Zealand): Provides information about exploring Maori heritage www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz/EN/heritage/familyhistory/whakapapa/Pages/whakapapa.aspx

RESEARCHING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY

If you are just embarking on researching your family history you will probably be aware that an ever increasing amount of information is available on the Internet, provided by commercial as well as volunteer organisations. In fact, there has never been a better time to start your research! You might be researching on your own or with other family members. Perhaps you have a friend who wants to trace their family history and you are going to help each other. Whatever your situation, it is true to say that in the early stages of research, quite a bit of progress can be made using online resources, however, there might be times when you need some guidance or you are not sure what to do next.

The following questions and answers may help you to decide on your next step.

Q. Where do I start?

A. Draw a basic family tree. Start with yourself, add your family, your parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts, cousins, etc. in fact, any relatives you can remember. You might find it easiest to do this first on paper, or you can use a family history software package. There are a number of software programs available and major family history societies stock a range of these. The advantage of using computer software from the start is that it gives you greater flexibility when you want to print out charts and share information with other family members. There are also a number of commercial websites such as findmypast.com.au, ancestry.com.au and myheritage.com which offer the facility to build your family tree online. However, do remember that you need to be sure your information is correct before you start sharing it with others. Question older relatives, they might be able to fill in some of the gaps with their knowledge of ancestors you may not know of or have forgotten. And don't forget to ask if they have any photographs, certificates or a family Bible. Sometimes until you ask they won't think to tell you!

Q. I've recorded everything I can. Where do I go next?

A. From the information you've already gathered hopefully you'll have an idea of where your family lived in Australia. From the time of white settlement in 1788 through to Federation in 1901, every colony kept its own records. So to have any real chance of finding your family you need to know whether to look in New South Wales, or Western Australia, or Queensland, or whichever area you believe to be the one where your people settled. Record keeping was different for each colony and there is no guarantee that a record source you find in one will exist in another. Even after Federation took place in 1901, the states continued to maintain their own independent record keeping for births, deaths and marriages, probates, land transfers and many other sets of records.

Q. Where will I find birth, death and marriage information?

A There is no national index of births, deaths and marriages in Australia, although commercial 'pay to view' sites are creating their own versions by consolidating the various state indexes available to them. A good website to look at initially is Cora Num's gateway site for Australian research – www.coraweb.com.au. This will lead you to the website of each state's Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages – most have online indexes you can search and some allow you to order copies of certificates online (and in several cases to download them electronically as soon as you have completed your purchase).

Q. What information can I expect to obtain from a certificate?

A. Again this will vary for each state. Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria have some of the best civil registration systems for births, deaths and marriages anywhere in the world. A New South Wales death certificate, for example, can tell you when the deceased had arrived in the colony; when and where they were born; who their parents were; where, when and who they married; and the names and ages of their children. It can also give the burial place, the former occupation, cause of death and the date of death. There was no uniform date for the commencement of civil registration in the various colonies (most had introduced this by 1856 although the territories did so much later) and prior to this you will have to rely on surviving church registrations of baptisms, marriages and burials which are not as informative.

Q. Where do I find parish registers?

A. Prior to the commencement of civil registration, churches kept records of baptisms, marriages and burials, as they continue to do to this day. Some parish records are available on microfilm in libraries and family history societies, others may still be held with the diocesan archives. For some colonies the early church registers have been copied across to the State Registry and are available as part of their historical record series.

Q. How can I find when my ancestor arrived here?

A. Like birth, death and marriage records, passenger records were kept by authorities in the colony in which they arrived, so there is no one national index you can check. However, many of the State archives are putting shipping records online as have some of the commercial 'pay to view' websites. Your ancestor may have come to Australia as a convict, a free person, an assisted passenger, as crew or as part of the military; and the records associated with each will be different. Unfortunately record keeping sometimes left a lot to be desired. For instance, when thousands were flooding into New South Wales during the goldrush of the 1850s, the authorities resorted to recording the number of arrivals, but not recording individual names.

Q. Why can't I find census records – I've used them for the UK and they are great

A. Unfortunately historical census records have not survived in Australia as they have for many overseas countries and hence they are not a key source for Australian family history as they are in the UK and America. Where census (or muster) information does exist, it may include name, age, ship of arrival, status (as in free or convict), religion, occupation and place of residence. Some census records will only show details for the head of the household but not for everyone living with them. A good substitute can be electoral rolls and directories. Before 1903, only males over 21 who were British subjects were listed on electoral rolls, but after that time women begin to appear too. Post Office directories for both city and country areas were common and many of these can be searched online.

Q. What if my ancestor was a convict?

A. This can be good! Convicts were prisoners of the crown, so many records were created about them – when they were transported, their sentence and crime, what they looked like (in case they escaped and had to be identified), whether they were assigned to work for someone or sent out on a road gang, and much more. Depending on how well-behaved they were, they may have received a Ticket of Leave (giving them permission to work for themselves in a specific district), a Conditional Pardon (having the rest of their sentence overturned on condition they did not return to the country from which they were convicted) or an Absolute Pardon (reinstating them as free citizens). Different records were created at different times and each colony which took convicts had their own system of record keeping. New South Wales, Tasmania and Western Australia were the main colonies which accepted convicts, although many ended up in other colonies because they reoffended or were assigned to work there. The State Archives in each state is the place to start if you wish to trace convict records.

Q. What if I think my ancestor served in one of the wars?

A. Excellent records survive of Australian service personnel for both World Wars. World War I service records are available for free online through the National Archives (www.naa.gov.au) and provide detailed information about war service, as well as useful genealogical information such as age and place of birth, next of kin, occupation and place of residence. If a soldier was wounded or died there may also be Red Cross files which you can consult. National Archives is beginning to place these service records online.

Q. What if my person came from Europe or Asia?

A. Australia has always been a nation of immigrants. As it was established as a British colony, people who wanted to buy land or vote had to be British subjects. Many non-British settlers therefore became naturalized, and these records can assist in determining their place of origin, as well as where and when they arrived. Prior to 1903, naturalization records were state-based, but after this time naturalization was a Commonwealth responsibility. From 1923 the Commonwealth took over responsibility for recording shipping arrivals, so the National Archives will be the place to check for arrivals after that date.

Q. Is everything I need online?

A. No. While an increasing array of records are online, there are as many that are not. In order to fully research your family history you'll need to visit your state archive and library, family history societies and other repositories. Sometimes only indexes are available online, and you need to follow up with further research in a record repository.

Q. Why would a family history society be able to help me?

A. Family history societies all have volunteers available to assist you with your research. They tend to be people who've already done a lot of research into their own family history, so they know what records you need to use and the pitfalls you might face. They can often show you more economical ways to find the information you need and can help you determine if someone has already done work on a line you are tracing. We all find brick walls in our family history, and as the saying goes, 'a problem shared is a problem solved'. Sometimes you can't find something because you don't know where to look or which record to consult next – a visit to a family history society will often help you break down that barrier.

Q. Where can I find information on any family history societies that I might want to join?

A. The Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations Inc lists all of its member organisations on its website at www.affho.org and this is a good place to start. Cora Num's gateway site at www.coraweb.com.au is another good reference point.

Q. Where can I learn more about researching family history?

A. Check with the society in your local area to see if they run courses, or ask at your local library. Some offer webinars too, so you can participate in sessions from the comfort of your own home.

Q. How can I be sure this family hasn't already been traced?

A. It's important to check to see if others have already done research—they may have purchased certificates or obtained documentation that could be useful to your research. Before you reinvent the wheel, check online through the major websites and also with your local society. Remember that people have been tracing family history long before the Internet came along, so a local or family history society or the major genealogical organization in your state might hold a book published 50 years ago that contains the information you are looking for.

AFFHO MEMBER SOCIETIES

Federation of Family History Societies' member organisation

GENERAL

- Australian Jewish Genealogical Society Inc www.ajgs.org.au
- Australian Society of the Lacemakers of Calais Inc www.angelfire.com/al/aslc
- Families in British India Society # www.fibis.org
- FamilySearch # www.familysearch.org
- Federation of Family History Societies www.ffhs.org.uk
- Guild of One-Name Studies # one-name.org/

New South Wales

- Bankstown Family History Group Inc www.bankstownfamilyhistorygroup.org.au
- Botany Bay Family History Society Inc # www.bbffhs.org.au
- Campbelltown and District Family History Society Inc www.cdfhs.org.au
- Cape Banks Family History Society Inc # www.capebanks.org.au
- Casino & District Family History Group Inc www.rootsweb.com/~auscdfhg
- Central Coast Family History Society # www.centralcoastffhs.org.au
- Coffs Harbour District Family History Society Inc www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nswchffhs/home.html
- Colo Shire Family History Group Inc <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1730439460520358/>
- Cowra & District Historical Society & Museum Inc. cowrahistory.webs.com
- Cowra Family Historical Group Inc cfhg.webs.com
- Dubbo & District Family History Society Inc # dubbofamilyhistory.org.au
- Family History Society Singleton Inc www.xroyvision.com.au/singleton/sfhspage.htm
- Griffith Genealogical & Historical Society Inc www.griffithgene.org.au
- Gwydir Family History Society Inc www.facebook.com/gfhs.moree/
- Hawkesbury Family History Group www.hawkesbury.net.au/community/hfhg
- Heraldry & Genealogy Society of Canberra Inc # www.hagsoc.org.au
- Holroyd Family History Group Inc. www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~aushfhg/
- Hornsby Shire Family History Group Inc. hornsbyfhg.wordpress.com
- Illawarra Family History Group Inc illawarrafhg.blogspot.co.uk
- Lithgow & District Family History Society Inc www.lisp.com.au/~ldfhs
- Liverpool Genealogy Society Inc www.lgs.org.au
- Manning Wallamba Family History Society Inc www.manningwallambafhs.com.au
- Milton-Ulladulla Family History Society Inc www.mufhsi.org
- Newcastle Family History Society Inc www.nfhs.org.au
- NSW & ACT Association of Family History Societies Inc www.nswactffhs.org
- Ryde District Historical Society Inc www.rydehistory.org
- Society of Australian Genealogists Inc # www.sag.org.au
- Tea Gardens Hawks Nest Family Research Group Inc www.teagardens.nsw.au/index_files/familyhistory.htm
- Tumut Family History Group Inc www.tumutfamilyhistorygroupincupdate.yolasite.com
- Tweed Gold Coast Family History & Heritage Association Inc www.tweedgoldcoastfamilyhistory.org.au

- Wagga Wagga & District Family History Society # www.waggafamilyhistory.org.au
- Wyalong District Family History Group www.wyalongfamilyhistory.com
- Wyong Family History Group Inc www.wyongfamilyhistory.com.au
- Young & District Family History Group Inc www.facebook.com/youngfamilyhistorygroup

Northern Territory

- Genealogy Society of the Northern Territory (GSNT) www.gsnt.org.au

Queensland

- Caboolture Family History Research Group Inc cfhrg.com
- Caloundra Family History Research Inc www.caloundrafamilyhistory.org.au
- Central Queensland Family History Association Inc # www.cqfamilyhistory.org.au
- Genealogical Society of Queensland Inc # www.gsq.org.au
- Gold Coast Family History Society Inc www.goldcoastffhs.org.au
- History Queensland Inc www.historyqueensland.org.au
- Jane Ison Family History Group Inc janeison.org
- Maryborough Family Heritage Research Institute Inc www.treeroots.com.au
- Queensland Family History Society Inc # www.qfhs.org.au
- Sunshine Coast Historical and Genealogical Resource Centre Inc sites.google.com/site/genealogysunshinecoastinc/Home

South Australia

- Adelaide Northern Districts Family History Group Inc www.andfhg.org.au
- Dublin History Group Inc www.dublinhistorygroup.com.au/
- Fleurieu Peninsula Family History Group Inc www.facebook.com/FPFHG
- South Australian Genealogy & Heraldry Society Inc # www.genealogysa.org.au

Tasmania

- Tasmanian Family History Society Inc # www.tasffhs.org

Victoria

- Australian Institute of Genealogical Studies Inc www.aigs.org.au
- Genealogical Society of Victoria, The # www.gsv.org.au
- Gisborne Genealogical Group Inc. www.ggg.org.au/
- Narre Warren & District Family History Group Inc nwfhg.org.au
- Victorian Association of Family History Organisations Inc www.vafho.org.au
- West Gippsland Genealogical Society Inc www.westgippslandgenealogy.com
- Yarrowonga Family History Group Inc <https://www.facebook.com/Yarrowonga-Family-History-Group-Inc-184636808562111/>

Western Australia

- The Australind Family History Society Inc www.australindffhs.org
- Busselton Family History Society Inc members.westnet.com.au/busgen
- Geraldton Family History Society Inc www.facebook.com/geraldtonfamilyhistorysociety
- Western Australian Genealogical Society Inc # www.wags.org.au

NEW ZEALAND

- Auckland City Libraries, Serials Department www.aucklandcitylibraries.com
- National Library of New Zealand natlib.govt.nz
- New Zealand Society of Genealogists Inc # www.genealogy.org.nz



Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations

The Australasian Federation of Family History Organisation (AFFHO) is the umbrella organisation for family history societies in Australia and New Zealand.

Our key roles are to assist family history societies and like organisations in their work; and to encourage and support education and research relevant to family history and related disciplines.

In August each year we support and encourage family history activities and events in Australia and New Zealand through National Family History Month.

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www.botanybayfhs.org.au

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www.capebanks.org.au

CENTRAL COAST FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

www.centralcoastfhs.org.au

CENTRAL QUEENSLAND FAMILY HISTORY ASSOCIATION INC

www.cqfamilyhistory.org.au

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dubbofamilyhistory.org.au

GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF QUEENSLAND INC

www.gsq.org.au

HERALDRY & GENEALOGY SOCIETY OF CANBERRA

familyhistoryact.org.au/

MARYBOROUGH DISTRICT FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY INC

www.maryboroughfamilyhistory.org

QUEENSLAND FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY INC

www.qfhs.org.au

SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIAN GENEALOGISTS

www.sag.org.au

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN GENEALOGY & HERALDRY SOCIETY

www.saghs.org.au

TASMANIAN FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY INC

www.tasfhs.org

THE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF VICTORIA INC

www.gsv.org.au

WAGGA WAGGA AND DISTRICT FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

www.waggafamilyhistory.org.au

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CANADA

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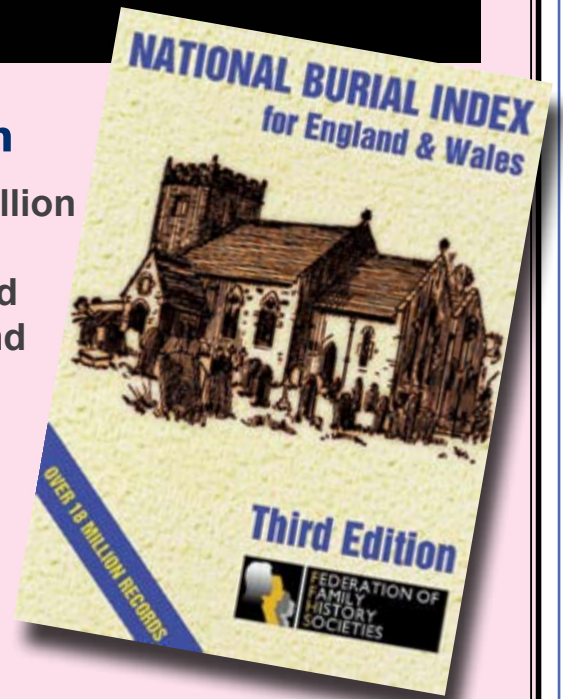
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