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## **TODAY'S SPEAKER:** Ibtihal Samarayi, *From Refugee to Resident*.

Dr Ibtihal Samarayi is a Research academic and casual lecturer in the Faculty of Education and Arts at University of Newcastle Ourimbah campus. SEE website for full details.



## **NEW INTRANET AT LAST**

Finally the much promised new network is up and running on computers 1 – 4. During the break work has been carried out to reinstate a large proportion of the inventory onto the new network server, plus the addition of items that had been purchased but had not been made available until now.

No DOS programs are part of the new network, we have converted what we can of the existing catalogue to either PDF or HTML format and have reconfigured the mapping to be as user friendly as we can.

The NSW Cemeteries (over 200 of them) have been sub divided into land areas as defined by the Bureau of Meteorology this will assist members in finding the area they are looking for. We did add one more category for the Central Coast region (18) so as not to be in the Newcastle-Hunter region which is a huge area.

There are four categories at present to begin with:

Australia—CCFHS Publication—e-Journals—Overseas. These are self explanatory.

I am working on a User Guide and hopefully by the time you read this it will be well on the way. Library Team Leaders will need to see me for a run through of the New Network.

Kay Radford—Research Centre Manager



## ROSTER NEWS & INFORMATION

All communications regarding library rosters will be the responsibility of the Team Leader for the day in question.

Please get in touch with the following Team Leaders for all matters relating to your duty days.

Monday	<b>CENTRE CLOSED ADMINISTRATION ONLY</b>
Tuesday	Kay Rawnsley
Wednesday	Freda Summerfield
Thursday—day	Lola Cormie or Trish Michael if Lola is away
Thursday—night	TO BE ADVISED
Friday	Heather Sushames, Beth Phillips or Marie Riley
Saturday morning	Pam Williams, Heather Sushames, Wendy Condon and Margaret Morters on a rotating system

### FRIDAY LIBRARY VOLUNTEER REQUIRED.

Beth Phillips is losing one of her helpers who is moving out of the area so she is looking for someone to replace her. If you can help Beth out would you please contact her on [phillips@idl.net.au](mailto:phillips@idl.net.au) or ring the Centre and leave a message for her.

### THURSDAY EVENINGS

I am still not sure what is happening on Thursday nights. The previous Team Leaders gave me three names but I have had no contact from them to let me know what is happening. I suggest a phone call to the centre before visiting. If I hear anything I will send out an email to the mailing list.



## Computer Help

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### C.C.F.H.S COMPUTER USERS GROUP

**10 February 2012—12.30pm for 1pm start**

**Ken will be away so I am suggesting**

**Topic: Finding your way around the New Network**

**\$5.00 per session**

**Place your name on the list on the notice board now!**

**If you cannot attend please let us know.**



## FROM THE RESEARCH CENTRE.

Marlene our Secretary brought in boxes of novels during the break. We have placed some of them on the shelves in the Multifunction room. So please feel free to borrow these book and then bring them back.

I suggest a small donation would be in order to supplement the Nic Nac stall. Proceeds of which go towards the Hall hire for our Saturday meetings. I will see that a jar is placed on the shelves.

## GIMME FIVE FOR KIDS

Many thanks to the members who are still putting their five cent pieces in the jar in the kitchen. It is appreciated very much.

## VOLUNTEERS FOR SENIORS' WEEK

Can you help out? We will need member's to help out on Information tables. Everyone has some specialty in their research that they can share with others. The stalwart's will be there with laptops and printers but we need others to lend a hand and perhaps one day give us a break. It's the only way to learn. So if you would be prepared to "have a go" please let us know. If you can use Ancestry, FindmyPast, FamilySearch, Trove, State Records, The National Archives here in Australia and in England and any other site, then you are a candidate .

## MESSAGE FROM WENDY CONDON

I would like to thank our members who sold and bought the Rotary raffle tickets including the people who made donations. I am pleased to report the project was very successful.

The Rotary Raffle is no brainer way for us to raise money especially if we all get behind it.

We need to support our fund raising projects which assist in purchasing much needed equipment and resources for the Centre particularly as we do not receive assistance from anywhere else.

*Wendy Condon*



## 2012 Workshops & Seniors Week in MARCH

### **BEGINNERS BASICS COURSE with Margaret Ertner**

This course will run for three weeks and will concentrate on beginning your family history at our Centre. Three consecutive Mondays 5th—12th and the 19th of March. Time 1pm to 2.30 pm

**Bookings essential - limited to 20 people**

Cost is \$20 per person member and \$25.00 non-members which includes Tutorial booklet. See Wendy today and pay for your course—bookings only taken on payment of full fee.

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### **WRITERS' WORKSHOP WITH Terri and Marie**

The 2012 workshop will commence on Saturday, 17th March at 1 pm.

Dates will be monthly on the 3rd Saturday of the month.

**Bookings essential—limited to 12 people**

Cost is \$5.00 per session

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### **SENIORS' WEEK EVENT**

Tuesday 20th: Senior's Week event – Venue Lion's Community Hall arrive 9.30am

This year we will feature information booths where people can have one on one assistance in getting started. Similar to National Family History Week in 2011. Advertising will request people register if they intend to come along.

Entry Fee: \$5.00 per person.

## WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE? MAGAZINE.

This Christmas issue came during the break and I took it home to have a read, it got lost on my bedside table and only the other day I found it and began to have a read. This journal is in the basket today and I suggest you try to get a look at it.

Turn to page 16—50 Essential Websites for 2012.

I think I must have been on another planet last year because there are things there that I have obviously missed seeing in the general run of things. From time to time I look at DeceasedOnline because I am hoping one day to find my Presbyterian ministers burial, can find the rest of the family but not him. (*Family probably sent him off back to Scotland on the train*)

There are seven pages of sites and the article gives you a very clear indication of what is best suited for the reader.

If you don't get time come in to the Centre and read the journal at your leisure Journals can be found on the long table in the Multifunction room for 1 month after they are received.

Kay





## WEBSITES

Some of the websites featured apart from the obvious ones are:

Ancestral Atlas – [www.ancestralatlas.com](http://www.ancestralatlas.com)

Connected Histories – [www.connectedhistories.org](http://www.connectedhistories.org)

British Newspaper Archived – [www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk](http://www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk)

Commonwealth War Graves Commission – [www.cwgc.org](http://www.cwgc.org)

History Pin – [www.historypin.com](http://www.historypin.com)

National Wills Index – [www.nationalwills.index.com](http://www.nationalwills.index.com)

National Library of Wales – [www.llgc.org.uk](http://www.llgc.org.uk)

Imperial War Museum – [www.iwm.org.uk](http://www.iwm.org.uk)

Public Records Office of Northern Ireland – [www.proni.gov.uk](http://www.proni.gov.uk)

Manx Museum – [www.imuseum.im](http://www.imuseum.im)

Many of you may have already used these sites, always let us know if you come across something interesting so we can forward it on.

The following were sent by me to the mailing list so in case you didn't receive them.

### LONDON ELECTORAL ROLLS 1835-1965

<http://search.ancestry.co.uk/search/db.aspx?dbid=1795> London electoral rolls 1835 - 1965

### FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIAN RESEARCHERS

Maureen Leadbetters database "Persons Lost and Found" has been updated with further info from the SA Police Gazettes. The date range for deserters, absconders, missing persons, etc is now 1838 to 1915.

<http://www.ach.familyhistorysa.info/deserters.html>.



## JOURNAL JOTTINGS February 2012 with Dorothy Mulholland

### IRISH ROOTS – FOURTH QUARTER

News – Pauper Limerick, Kerry burials, Irish prison registers 1790-1920 on Findmypast, PRONI launch YouTube channel and more. P4

...and another thing. FamilySearch and Irish records – a very interesting article by Steven Smyrl. P5

Irish prison registers 1790 to 1924. P6-7

General Juan O'Donohue – Lord of Glenflesk. P8-9

Eccentric Ireland – Cio Sligo. P10-11

Irish families abandoned by transportation. *Free Passage* by Perry McIntyre. P12-13

Society news P14-15

Photo stories – how you can share and discover family photographs online. P16-17

First World War Irish Soldiers' wills. P18-21

Are you an Irish male with the surname Cruise? P23

In search of a soldier's Pardon. Called deserters because they joined the British Army and the consequences of that decision. An interesting read. P24-25

Undertaking Irish ancestral research in Australia – remember to.... P26-27

A problem shared. You might find the solution to your problem here. P28

The O'Maille, O'Malley family were kings and later lords of Umhall read more. P30

### THE AUST INSTITUTE OF GEN STUDIES INC – THE GENEALOGIST – DEC 2011

A ten pound pom arrives. P4-5

Book review – *How to publish your family story* by Noeline Kyle. P7

Loss of the SS *Bulli*. P8-9

Thomas Cathie's diary part 1. P10-13

News from the State Library of Victoria. P16

Finding information on unit movements during WW1. 17

*On Their Own* review of exhibition at Immigration Museum in Melbourne of Britain's Child Migrants. P21

Web wanderings news from Greece, Czech, Europe, Germany, France & Channel Islands. Lots of internet news for overseas research. P26

### AUSTRALIAN FAMILY TREE CONNECTION – DECEMBER 2011

John Robinson, convict and Eliza Cobcroft. P12

Daniel Murphy and Bridget Donoghue. P13

Recollections of Christmas – Challinor family Rockhampton. P14-17

Can you help? Bernard Fensling. P20

Tattooing a lost art. P21

William and Charlotte Gray. P22-23

My search began with Mary Jane Treleaven. P26-28

Francis Lionel O'Brien – my knight to remember. P29

Serendipity and beyond the Gault family and the Esk Valley. P30-31

Did you know that you have 16 g,g grand parents, 32 g,g,g grand parents and 128 g,g,g,g grand parents? P33

Getting started – how to trace your tree. P36-37

Computers and genealogy. Lots of internet news here. P39-43

Surname register of those researching. P47-49



## BLAYNEY SHIRE LOCAL AND FHG INC – NOV 2011

The beginnings of Methodism in Blayney. P12-15

Our scrapbook – the builders and the building of the Blayney Methodist Church. P16-21

William Glasson 1811-1889 the pioneer of Methodism in Blayney. P22-27

Did you know about the people call Methodists? P23

Rev John Robson c1839-1905. P28-29

James Hine 1848-1928 the Architect. P30-31

William Dryden c1855-1939 the craftsman. 32-34

## BURWOOD &amp; DIST FHG – ANCES-TREE – NOV 2011

German immigrant ships to Eastern Australia resources and problems part 19: *San Francisco* 1855. P3-15

London Gazette now free online and indexed. P16

## COFFS HARBOUR DIST FHS INC – GENBIE ALLERGY – DEC 2011

A call for unmarked graves in the Tamworth district – do you know of any? P4

What is the Australian Dress Register? P5

## INVERELL DISTRICT FHG INC – VOICES FROM THE PAST – NOV 2011

70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Aust POW's sent to Sandakan. P11.

2011 State Conference wrap up. P13-14

HMAS KUTTABUL 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemoration. P15

Do you have an ancestor in the Navy? Then this website might be for you [http://www.navy.gov.au/publication:Navy List](http://www.navy.gov.au/publication:Navy%20List) read more about this site on P15

LAKE MACQUARIE FHG – THE CHRONICLE – NOV 2011

Gallipoli headstones by Cathy Craig worth a read. P6-10

When was the Salvation Army formed? P11

The origin of the Last Post. P12-13

The Alcorn family research part 2. P14-16

SHOALHAVEN FHS INC – TIME TRAVELLER – DEC 2011

Surgeons' report *Minerva* Convict Ship list of men who had leg ulcers and more. P5

In the news from the past. P6-7

Brick wall solutions. P9

Haski. My Geneodyssey. Jewish family research. P10-15

On the web – lots of news here. P19

QUEENSLAND

## MARYBOROUGH DIST FHS INC – NOV 2011

The Squire of Teebar, John Eaton. P4-8

Sad stories from the Maryborough Cemetery Janet Habler, James Whittacker, George Ground-

water, Marion Topping, Nellie Cottrell. P9-13

Who was James Wilson. P16-17

Virgin bill outdated – German virgins deflowered by fiancées who then refused to marry them will no longer be able to collect money from them... and so the story goes read more. P18

Christened before birth. P27-28

Until next time, *Dorothy*

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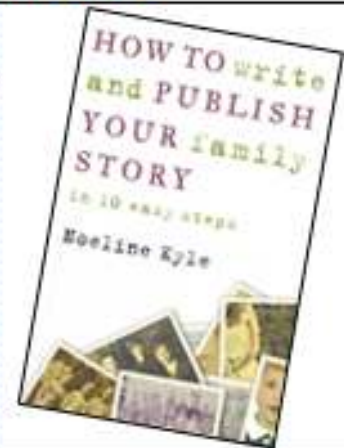
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## ANY DAY TRIPPERS with Marlene Davidson

WHEN & WHERE	SUBJECT & PRESENTER	CONTACT
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Wed 29 Feb 10.30 – 12.30 State Records at The Rocks. 2 Globe St.	<b>Introduction for Family &amp; Local Historians.</b> Christine Yeats.	Individuals book in with Julie Morgan phone 9247 3953 Cost SAG members \$15, Non members \$20
Thurs 15 March, 8.00 – 5.00 State Records, Kingswood.	<b>Individual Research day. No Tour</b>	Car Pool Add name to list on Trippers notice board
Sat 31 March.. 10.00 – 4.00 National Archives– 120 Miller Rd, Chester Hill	<b>Open Day</b>	Car Pool Group of 10 Add name to CCFHS list
Mon 2 April...10.00 State Library, Macquarie St	<b>Workshop. Uncover and Discover – Exploring the Library's website.</b> Morning workshop, afternoon own research	Train All stations train leaving Wyong at 7.00 to Central 9.08 or fast train at 7.38 to Central 9.20.  Add name to CCFHS List. Maximum 10 Need to be computer users for <a href="#">this hands on workshop</a> .

### TRIPS WITH A BUDDIE

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**FREE** Bookings are required. Please telephone (02) 9273 1778 or book online

Google, **State Library NSW**, select **Events**

The **Antarctic Display** currently at the Library is not to be missed. Wonderful info on-line and the catalogue as well.

Marlene  
0422 090 625 (on trippers day)

### GOOGLE

STATE RECORDS NSW

STATE LIBRARY NSW

[Many new items of interest at both these sites.](#)



### RESEARCH CENTRE

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Printouts will be charged at 20¢ per copy for black and white via the Toshiba

Colour copies from the Canon Printer will be charged at 30¢ per copy for printouts of Immigration or any of the findmypast.com documents which have been scanned in colour.

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### HOUSE KEEPING

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL  
MOBILE PHONES

Can YOU please help after the meeting by lending a hand to tidy up the hall??

Many thanks to those who regularly DO help to pack away tables and chairs etc.

IT REALLY IS APPRECIATED!

