

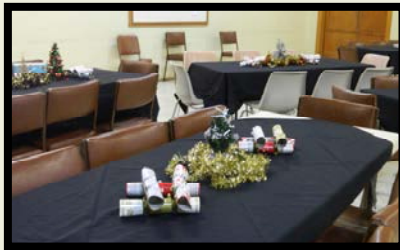


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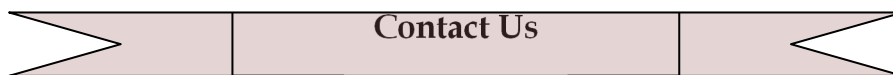
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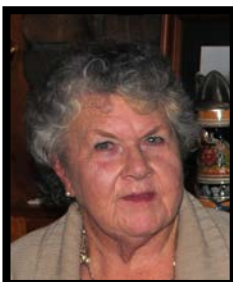
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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO AGM



Welcome to our 2018 Annual General Meeting and thank you for your attendance today.

This completes my two year appointment as President. The challenge for me seemed many things, but with a few falter I have enjoyed my time and am looking forward to a further two years as President. With the help of the committee and the many people who help to make this group successful I look forward to a full program of speakers and some

surprises for you all.

The year 2018 has been a year of many challenges. It started with the break-in in the Resource Room on Christmas Eve. Although this was not good for us, we can't forget the Christmas Lunch which the Church had planned to serve to the needy. Fortunately, with resources from their members the lunch went ahead. As you can imagine, many people have been involved to get this problem resolved. Our claim was honoured and replacement of computers, modem etc have commenced. These will be ready to go at the beginning of 2019. Thank you to the Resource Room Committee for their support during this trying time.

The carry over situation with the relocation of the Church has not changed in the last 12 months. Our bookings for 2019 have been accepted and we will continue to meet here. Peter Tuck will give you some more details in his report.

The Committee members have all taken great roles during the year. Here is a summary of what they did. Their reports will tell you more.

Peter as Vice-President has been a very good listener and supporter.

Lynette has been taking very good care of our finances and as you will see in the Annual report, there have been many entries – these reflect the support from you the members. Thank you Lynette.

Mary has had a busy year both within the committee and personally, especially her new grandson who has taken control of some of her time. Thank you Mary.

Christine has once again produced great *Relative Thoughts* which we all enjoy reading. With your stories and articles we have a first class journal for us to enjoy. Thank you Chris.

Elizabeth, who is described as our Speaker Co-ordinator, not only has put together a great variety of speakers in 2018, her organisation of both the Community Lottery and Christmas Raffle has helped greatly to keep our funds in the healthy state they are. As you will note, she is now also putting together our monthly raffles and selling the tickets. Add to that she has co-ordinated our lunch today. Thank you Elizabeth.

Nola is our membership organiser. This is a task which Nola takes very seriously and can answer any of my questions so quickly. It is amazing. As we all realise this is an important part of any group, as is taking care of new members. Nola is a busy lady with other interests and her family. Thank you Nola.

Graham has been our webmaster and will be handing over to Pam Hodges who will be the new webmaster for us. The website is quite a challenge. Thank you Graham for your time on our Committee and I wish you well in the future and I guess some of the time you will be 'playing trains'. Enjoy your time. Thank you Graham.

Gay and Neville make up the balance of the Committee. Neither had a named role, but as support members and team members it is great to have them on board. Gay has been a support for Lynette and Neville for Nola in the membership role. You may recall both were on the sign in desk when Lynette was cruising and Nola was unavailable. Neville has been a valuable support at all meetings and assisting at general meetings and will not be rejoining the committee next year. We welcome Jenny Chapman to this position. Thank you to both Gay and Neville.

The Resource Room is a special feature of our Group and has an active group who keep it working: Sharon, Pauline and Chris, along with Kath, Judy and Janet have been working on the Pioneer Register. The committee who support the Room, thank you. More information from Sharon in her report.

The Fleurieu Peninsula Family History Group has many aspects and one of the special attributes is the members who sponsor groups in their own homes.

Sharon is busy with the UK Group and DNA and also organising Resource Room meetings when sometimes some of her members join in via skype or by phone connections.

Ros always has an interesting afternoon at her home with the Aussie Group.

Peter also assists members with their DNA enquiries.

Two busy contributors I wish to thank are David Boyce and Heather Boyce who conduct the Computing group which meets once a month in the Resource Room. The reports which David gives at monthly meetings are an indication of the 'evenings with David'; there have been many topics discussed and problems solved during our evenings. Thank you David and Heather.

The year has been a busy one with varied speakers and activities and I look forward to sharing 2019 with you all. It's not only thank you to the Committee and Convenors, it is also a huge thank you to you the members for your continual support which you all do so willingly and always with a smile.

A special thank you to Graham and Neville, don't go too far away, you may still get a phone call when I need you.

Thank you and have a great Christmas and a happy and healthy 2019 – see you all in January.

**Joy Nieass**

## **MEMBERSHIP REPORT TO AGM**

With seven new members joining our group this year Membership has remained steady (145) with half our Members in attendance at our monthly general meetings.

The great response to our altered renewal of subscriptions has resulted in 103 memberships being received to date. Thank you.

A New Member's Meeting is planned for Saturday 16 February before the general meeting, other members are also welcome. A reminder will be sent early in the new year.

**Nola Clisby**

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## RESOURCE ROOM REPORT TO AGM

Well what can we say, what a year it has been. From a horrendous start with having nearly every piece of our technical equipment stolen, we have survived, and one could almost say have possibly triumphed. I am very proud of the Resource Room Committee, our volunteers and members who have offered extra support and donated equipment, and worked hard often behind the scenes to have the Resource Room at least functioning by the first opening in February, for which I would personally like to thank you. Every Resource Room opening had members in attendance, and quite a few visitors over the year, in fact there was a great buzz around the Resource Room every session.

Chris Grivell as our Resource Room manager has continued in this role, handing over the reins of the Co-ordinator's position to me this year. Once again Chris has done a great job, and is definitely the quiet achiever. Pauline Redman has continued as the Volunteer co-ordinator working on the rosters and assisting Chris where she can, and giving the monthly reports at the meetings. Heather Boyce, our IT person, has been absolutely invaluable and I cannot stress enough how grateful we all are for the work she does. We welcomed two new members to the committee this year, Ian Blatchford who put his hand up at the AGM last year so has been on-board from the beginning of the year, and Jim Binning who, apart from his volunteer work joined us part way through the year. Both these new members bring fresh eyes and ideas. I thank you all for your invaluable help.

Although the Pioneer Register people are doing their own report, they do fall under the umbrella of the Resource Room, and because of this I would like to thank them all for their work, and we look forward to continuing working with them.

To our volunteers, some are hands on, others are behind the scenes covering books and doing other tasks. Some are there every week and some just occasionally, or when extra help is required in History month. Sometimes members call in to have a look for something for themselves, but are willing to offer a hand and help another member or visitor with some research. For this reason I am not going to name members for fear I may miss someone, but collectively on behalf of all the members I say thank you.

There are some special thankyou's the Resource Room Committee would like to offer. One is Jan Brzostek, from the Leader Warranty Department, who helped



Heather out when we were trying to get some equipment together for members to use, and another to Anne Dow who puts in hours of work on the software side of the computers when Heather has them ready to work on. We would also like to thank John Bell and Theo Beerens for their help and advice on anything that needs a nail, screw or alteration. They always seem to be able to understand what we have in mind when we have an idea.

So after a year full of challenges we are excited about what we are putting together for next year. The new computers will be up and running shortly, and when the rest of the stolen equipment is replaced we will be better set up than we were.

On behalf of the Resource Room Committee I'd like to say thank you to the members who have visited us this year. We hope to see many more of you next year, and should we just say WATCH THIS SPACE!- and don't miss the January meeting.

Merry Christmas to you all.

**Sharon Green**  
**Resource Room Co-ordinator**

### MEMBERSHIP FEES – REMINDER

For those members that have already paid their memberships for 2019, thank you.

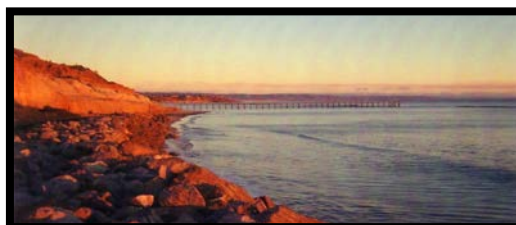
**If you have not yet renewed your membership, please do so as soon as possible.**

**Reminder:** There is a \$5.00 rejoining fee payable for any membership not paid by 28 February.



FPFHG Facebook Group

View of Witton Bluff on Facebook and websites



### NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



L-R: Lynette Gibson, Pam Hodges, Gay Jennings, Peter Tuck, Joy Nieass, Jenny Chapman, Mary Sedgmen, Elizabeth Grocke, Christine Keen, Nola Clisby.

### CONGRATULATIONS VOLUNTEER AWARD RECIPIENTS

The FPFHG Committee and members wish to congratulate Pauline Redman and Judy Dowling on being the recipients of a "Southern Suburbs Volunteer Award 2018". The Awards were presented to Pauline and Judy on 21 November by Amanda Rishworth, Federal Member for Kingston, during a ceremony at Hallett Cove.



We would also like to congratulate Chris Smallacombe, who was nominated for the Award by the Morphett Vale Neighbourhood Watch.

### 20 YEAR MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE RECIPIENT



The Executive Committee would like to acknowledge Ann van der Linden who was awarded her 20 Year Membership Certificate at the AGM.

### 10 YEAR MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

The Executive Committee would like to acknowledge the following members who were awarded their 10 Year Membership Certificates at the AGM.

Kay and Colin Martin; Graham and Pauline Redman. Mary Vaughan, Will Vaughan and Helen Smith will be presented with their certificates in January.



## EVENING DNA GROUP REPORT TO AGM

Wow! Where did that two years go? The DNA special interest groups are the babies of the Fleurieu Peninsula Family History Group family, and like most babies have been growing at a rapid rate.

The sessions that have been held at my home this year have had 24 members participating at various times, with anything from 5 – 14 of us there at one time.

We have supervised: the taking of tests, help set up accounts; transfer raw DNA from one database to another; helped work out connections; offered encouragement, shared in each other's successes and stories; unravelled the workings of the various companies; found out a lot of us are connected not necessarily to each other but several share DNA with the same person just not each other as opposing sides of the family etc. As well, many of us who are related have had our paper trails confirmed with our DNA results - yes, we are cousins. We've dabbled with DNA painter, spreadsheets and other programs etc.

As new people have come along we have gone back over the basics again, and in doing so often discovered the sites we are using have been updated and new features added. Thank you to Kerry who hosted a session in her home when I was away, and to all the members who have attended. I know there is a huge demand for advice, and not everyone who would like help can attend the Monday day session or the Tuesday evening session. If you need help please ask; I have had some members able to come to my home as one offs if my days off have fitted their schedule, and I have made the occasional house call to nut out the odd problem or answer a query that can't be done over the phone. Thank you to all the members who attend, we hope you have found it beneficial, and thank you for helping each other.

The DNA Evening Group members would like to extend to the wider membership an invitation to come along and join us next year, and to advise anyone that is taking a DNA test please be prepared for the unexpected!

We'd also like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Safe Happy and Healthy 2019.

**Sharon Green**  
**Evening DNA Group Convener**

## UK GROUP REPORT TO AGM

We have had another productive year with the UK group, with attendances varying from month to month with an average of six members attending per meeting. With a total of 14 different members taking part at various times of the year, we have tried to concentrate on their elusive ancestors and those brick-walls that we all seem to have. We operate on an individual basis, as we are all working on different areas of the UK, and of course as ancestors never stayed put these leads often end back in Australia or further afield in Canada and USA. As in most of our Special interest groups we cross over into other areas, for example we have helped resolve some *Family Tree Maker* questions and general ideas on trying different avenues for our research.

Colin and Barbara Talbot, who have been stalwarts at attending our evening sessions, reluctantly pulled the pin a couple of months ago, but we hope to see them in the Resource Room on Wednesdays when they can obtain some help and direction there.

I'd like to thank all the members who have attended and although I host the session, Heather Boyce's help is invaluable. We look forward to welcoming members to our evening sessions on the third Monday of the month, February to November. We have on hand *FindMyPast*, and *Ancestry*, both World editions. Jim Binning who has been attending has been wonderful in helping some people navigate *Scotland's People*.

So we hope to see everyone for our last session of the year on Monday evening 7.30pm. On behalf of the UK Group we'd like to wish you all the compliments of the season and a safe and happy Christmas and New Year.

**Sharon Green**  
**UK Group Convener**

## WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

We would like to welcome new members:

**Leo French and Charles Lee**

**Nola Clisby**

## LOOK WHAT YOU MISSED!!!! by Elizabeth Grocke



**October 2018** *Keith Lokan, Rehabilitation of Lower Lusatia*  
—Keith gave a power-point presentation on how this area has begun a new life with the introduction of water canals in place of the mining.

Sorb Fortress at  
Raddusch



View of currently active  
mine

Senftenberg Lake filling since  
1970s



### November 2018 Show and Tell



*Ann van der Linden*—Ann spoke about the difficulties in undertaking family research in countries other than the UK and Australia, in particular the difficulties she experienced trying to research family in Estonia. One of the major difficulties she faced was that the spelling of family names often changed after arrival in Australia.



*Kerry Edwards*—Kerry shared about the discovery of her 5th cousin through DNA, and being able to connect with extended members of her family in England and America.

*Jo Gemmell*—Jo shared the Honour Board she had made for her Great Uncle Frank Bayliss Caddy. She inherited a 'deed box' on her mother's passing which contained all the medals from members of her family. After putting the Honour Board together, Jo shared the stories with her sons, and this changed their attitudes to ANZAC and Remembrance Days.



*Michael Smith*—Michael spoke about coins that had been brought from England by his 3x great grandfather—one of which was given to his great great grandmother. It was a farthing, dated 1834. Michael is going to have the coin mounted in a frame, along with a photo and the story of how it came to Australia.

*Ray Smith*—Ray shared stories of travelling to Australia, and an album containing all his payslips from employment with Dalgety's. He also shared a book that he has written about himself and his family for his grandchildren.







*Graham Redman*—Graham spoke about one of his family trees that dates back to 193 AD.

*Jan Lokan*—Jan spoke about receiving her Gorsedh Kernow Award at a ceremony in Cornwall in August. She was the only person outside of Cornwall to receive this award.



**Elizabeth**

## JOURNAL EDITOR REPORT TO AGM

Our journals this year have seen a variety of articles from the members. I have said in the past that this is your journal and have encouraged you to share your family histories, research and tips or anything else that you think may be of interest to members. Thank you to all that have answered requests for articles, and I look forward to receiving your articles during my next term as Editor. The promised guide to submitting articles will appear in the January journal.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to the group of proof-readers who help check the journal each quarter for their continued support. Your efforts certainly make my job easier. If you are interested in becoming a proof reader, please let me know.

Please continue to advise either myself or other members of the Executive if you are having problems receiving your journal. Fortunately there haven't been too many problems this year, and we have been able to resolve most of them.

In addition, I would also like to extend thanks to those who have helped in the kitchen during the year. Without their assistance we wouldn't all be enjoying afternoon tea each month, and their support enables me to fulfil my role as Journal Editor during meetings.

Have a safe and Happy Christmas and New Year.

**Christine Keen**



## WEBMASTER REPORT TO AGM

For me, this is the end of an era; being Webmaster now for 4 years, and being able to instigate a renowned Website for the Fleurieu Peninsula Family History Group, following on from the original efforts by Bob Beaton.

I have attempted to do as much as I can within my IT capabilities, in keeping up to date with any records which needed to be of interest to members and the public. So now is the time to hand over to a lovely lady in Pam Hodges who has shown her IT capabilities to be well above mine.

So this year already Pam has upgraded the Website to where my vision was where I wanted it be, plus some.

I commend her to you as the incoming Webmaster as I bow out after this AGM. So I thank you Pam for willingly taking on this job, and for this group and its Committee for allowing me to offer you opportunities on a great information platform.

Please check it out as a renewed Website for your research on your Family tree.

Thank you

**Graham Redman**

## CHRISTMAS RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to the winners of the Christmas Raffle:

1st Prize—\$100 Gift Voucher: Heather Boyce

2nd Prize -\$50 Gift Voucher: Liana Frederick

3rd Prize—6 bottles of wine: Helen Pevie

Many thanks to Elizabeth for her organisation of the raffle, and to the members for selling so many tickets.

**Executive Committee**

### **SPEAKER REPORT TO AGM**

Thankyou all for showing a great interest in the Speakers I have arranged each month, it is pleasing to see on average of 55/60 members here each month. You might think it is an easy task, but it's a challenge to arrange speakers who are interesting and that's why I ask for suggestions, which I do follow up and book in where I can.

Another BIG thank you goes to you all, for your support of the club with our monthly raffle—\$833.00 raised in 2018, plus another \$548.00 for People's Choice—that was a great job. The Club's Christmas Raffle, to be drawn today, has collected \$530 so far, with more money to come in. Give yourselves a pat on the back, for these efforts, which are much appreciated by the Committee.

My last thankyou goes to the girls who have helped me in the kitchen today – great job.

Enjoy our Show and Tell today and enjoy and have a Merry Christmas and Happy and Safe New Year and we will see you all in 2019.

Thankyou.

**Elizabeth Grocke**  
**Speaker Co-ordinator**

### **DAY DNA GROUP REPORT TO AGM**

We met on the first Monday afternoon of the month except for November. We were a small group who had fun and reviewed DNA systems. We considered the use and opportunities of the DNA systems and their changes but did not look at the more complicated DNA scientific detail.

We are willing to assist anyone in their introduction to DNA so please feel free to come and join us when we resume on the first Monday in February.

**Peter Tuck**  
**Day DNA Group Convener**

## AUSSIE GROUP REPORT TO AGM

Aust Interest Group has once again been a success with our meetings averaging 14 people on the second Saturday of each month, from February to November.

DNA has become the catch-cry of almost all our members, some having great success understanding the whole process while others of us are floundering with the concept. Many questions have been asked, answered and, hopefully, understood.

During the year we were saddened by the loss of Arthur Clisby, a friend and member for many years.

Some members had family weddings to attend, became grandparents, had family reunions, met up with cousins, visited interstate to meet family members and others were lucky enough to enjoy overseas visits.

Each member has shared their experiences with us at our meetings and we were excited to hear of their finds, meetings and journeys. We have had some training with computer programmes and raising gedcoms and transferring to various sites. These will continue in 2019.

The group had our breakup on 10 November and we are all looking forward to doing further research during our break and meeting again in February 2019.

**Ros Dunstall**  
**Convener - Australian Interest Group**

## EVENING COMPUTER GROUP REPORT TO AGM

We've had an average of 8 - 12 members per meeting. I'd like to thank the Committee for allowing us to use the Resource room. I'd like to thank Bev and her helpers (Sharon and Joy) for taking care of the kitchen for tea, coffee, cake and biscuits etc. Next, I must thank Heather for all her help and assistance and her Projector for the meetings. Thanks also to the members who have come along.

We've covered various topics:

- Internet Security and Malware remover programs
- Security settings in IE and Firefox

- Backing up your Documents, Pictures, Family Tree Data etc
- Backing up your Emails, Address book and other files
- Win 10, Dropbox
- Putting gedcom reader onto Android devices for exported data/gedcom
- Screen Snips and video capture by various methods
- Viewed some Ancestry videos by Crista Cowan on YouTube
- Upgrade your laptop or Desktop with Solid State Drives, aka SSD's simply makes your system run faster
- What's inside your Hard Drive
- Other items.

Remember to support the Special Interest Groups as they are there for You.

Thanks

**Dave Boyce**

### **RE-LOCATION GROUP REPORT TO AGM**

In January the Executive Committee decided to form a team to overview the proposed relocation of the Uniting Church. At this stage we had no firm proposal for this relocation but a number of options were available to them.

1. Relocate all facilities to a new site – this would involve us relocating with them or finding an alternative.
2. Partial rebuild on current site and this would require short term relocation.
3. Another possible option that could be considered is the closure of the church and resultant relocation.

I, Peter Tuck, was elected as Chairperson and the active members of the team were Neville Hudson, Lynette Gibson, Sharon Green and Barry Maslin.

After discussions with the landlord we developed a plan. We produced a specification of the group including our purpose, membership statistics, our achievements and how our group operates. Then the group looked at where we were heading. We detailed our facility requirements and documented the concerns we have with the relocation. The specification can now be used in any negotiation with politicians, council members and potential landlords.

In addition, although the relocation is uncertain, we did look at potential sites that will be available in the future. We found a good number of potential venues but we need to seriously consider the members' interest with any proposed relocation, ie location, access, costs, availability and those criteria will assist the final decisions.

This team completed their work by May and I would like to thank all those who assisted.

The current situation: We still do not have any positive direction from the church but will be required to sign a lease for the next 12 months. Given that lack of decision, I believe we have at least two years tenure here.

**Peter Tuck**

### PIONEER REGISTER REPORT TO AGM



This year we added another 61 names to the Pioneer Register and are now up to 291 pioneers. This number does not include wives and children who are also listed. Thank you to members of the club who have continued to provide family group sheets and information to the Pioneer Register.

The focus for this year was to complete family group sheets of pioneer ancestors of people whose stories are told in the book: *WW1 Anzacs of the Fleurieu Peninsula: Stories of Pioneer Families*. Apart from a few promised by members this was completed.

We decided to broaden our 'Adopt-a-Pioneer' list to cover pioneers from a varied range of places. Another aim we are working towards is to cover pioneers after whom places have been named. New member Janet Apostolopoulos has been working on pioneers from Willunga. This year Pam Hodges has added our index list to the website.

We are looking forward to a busy year next year and encourage anyone who would like to help to see either of us.

**Kath Fisher and Judy Dowling**

## EDITH MAUD PRINCE by Kath Fisher



### Returning paintings to family – a search into family history

A few years ago I had to remove items from my mother's unit so that she could move into aged care. On the wall were two paintings (above) which had been in our family home and prior to that in my grandparent's house at Mitcham. I wondered if a member of the family was responsible and perhaps I could give them to the closest relative.

In the corner of both paintings was the name E M Prince and the year 1901. I recalled hearing that when my grandparents built their home at 10 Hogs Road, Upper Mitcham in the 1920s that family assisted with furniture and that included the Prince family. I researched the family tree and found Edith Maud Prince who would have been 22 at the time of the paintings and she married a Howard Trafalgar Whittle in 1903. Edith's mother was Mary Anne Prince (nee Playford) and my mother's maiden name is Playford. Mary Anne was my great great grandfather Edward Playford's sister. There was some tragedy for the family as Edith's father, James Duly Prince committed suicide eight months before her birth. The Playfords were a close family and I assume that Edward played a role in Edith's upbringing.

My first thought was to contact someone I had come across in my research of the Playford family who was known to be the key family historian and collector of all things to do with the Prince family. He was happy to take the paintings and we had a plan in place for him to collect the paintings. He didn't contact me and later when I got back to him I discovered that he had lost a lot of his property in the Pinery bush fires and had lost the drive to re-establish the Prince family collection.

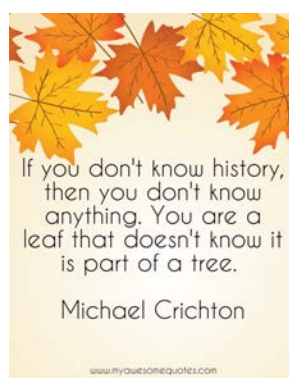
I then researched the children of Edith and Howard Whittle and discovered that they had two daughters and two sons. One of the daughters was an artist so I felt that I was heading in the right direction. By using *Trove* I discovered that one son had moved to Canberra. In the hope that other descendants could be found in Adelaide I put a notice in the *Sunday Mail* 'Can We Help' section seeking descendants of Howard Trafalgar and Edith Maud Whittle. This was in May 2018. A John Whittle contacted me and said that he was the son of Maxwell James Whittle, the youngest son of Howard and Edith and he knew his grandmother, Edith.

John collected the paintings, one for himself and the other for his brother Andrew who lives in Melbourne. A few months later Andrew visited with his wife and took us all out to lunch so that I could fill him in on the family history. It was a great gathering and Andrew's wife was an Art teacher so there was much interest.

Andrew also put me onto his cousin Chris who was the son of the other son of Edith, Howard Playford Whittle and lived in Canberra. He was the family historian and we also exchanged family information. We are all 1<sup>st</sup> cousins three times removed.

I was really delighted to have met this family and feel a great attachment to Edith whose paintings I had been looking at for most of my life. I am sure that she would be pleased to see that the paintings are now in the hands of her grandsons.

**Kath Fisher**



Source: <http://www.myawesomquotes.com/michael-crichton-if-you-dont-know-history>

## WEDDING BELLS by Kay Griffin

### Editor's Note:

This article is from the *Border Chronicle* newspaper. Unfortunately the copy of the article provided was of poor quality and it was necessary to retype the article – spelling, grammar, punctuation and paragraphing are as in the original article.

## Wedding Bells

SHELDON - FALLON

On Wednesday afternoon Serviceton presented a scene of animation, more especially in the vicinity of the public hall, and enquiry elicited the fact that two popular young people were taking the plunge into the sea of matrimony. Being one of the favoured (writes our correspondent) I entered the hall and was greatly pleased with the result of the ladies' work; the building was decorated with festoons, art muslin, etc, and there was one large and three small marriage bells suspended near the altar. The contracting parties were Miss Maggie Fallon, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs W. Fallon, senr, Mundalla, and Mr Thos [sec] W Sheldon, son of Mr and Mrs Sheldon, of Serviceton. As the bride passed down the aisle, on the arm of her father, she made a beautiful picture, gowned in white silk, skirt trimmed with silk lace and French knots, bodice transparent yoke, lace Berthe, finished with true lovers' knots; she wore a long veil, caught with the blossom, and carried a bouquet, the gift of Miss E. Sheldon. At the altar, I noticed as bridesmaids Misses E Fallon and E Sheldon, attired in cream silk, draped skirts, kimonas, with lace sleeves and pale blue sashes; cream silk hats relieved with pale blue. The train bearers were Misses Ruby Fallon and Ruby Sheldon, tastefully dressed with white muslin, relieved by pale blue and carried baskets of flowers. All wore their respective presents. Mr Sheldon was supported by Messrs Chas Sheldon and Stanley Fallon. The ceremony was performed by Revd McKay, of Kaniva, assisted by Ref French, of Bordertown. Mrs Williams presided at the organ, and played both bridal and wedding marches.

The wedding breakfast took place in the railway refreshment rooms, where relatives and friends sat down to a capital spread. The toasts honoured were – Bride and Bridegroom, by Rev McKay; United Families, by Rev French; Bridesmaids, by Mr C Sheldon.



The evening was spent dancing in the hall, music being supplied by Messrs Copeman, Murphy and Sheldon. Mr T Makin acted as Master of Ceremonies.

The young couple left for Adelaide by the 8 express, where the honeymoon will be spent. The going away dress was of navy blue with white hat.

Mrs Sheldon wishes to publicly thank Mr and Mrs Wraith for the assistance rendered at the breakfast.

Following are the presents received –

Bride to bridegroom, gold sleeve links; bridegroom to bride, gold brooch 'Mizpah'; to Miss E Sheldon, gold photo pendant; to Miss E Fallon, gold brooch.

Father of the bride, sewing machine and cow; Mother of bride, household linen; Father of bridegroom, 100 sheep; Mother of bridegroom, cow and calf; Misses Collins and Parsons, set of jugs; Mr and Mrs Wraith, silver cruet and cutlery; Mr and Mrs Sheldon, dinner set; Mrs and Miss Jones, tea set (7 pieces); Mr C W Sheldon, silver pickle jar; Mr C Sheldon snr, tea set (21 pieces); Mr and Mrs J Sheldon jnr, 'ditto'; Mr J Ross, tea cosy; Mr W Fallon, jnr, tea pot; Miss M Hall, sauce bottle; Mr and Mrs D Makin, silver sugar basin; Mr and Mrs W Hudson, butter dish and knife; A friend, pair ornaments; Miss E Fallon, sauce bottle and jewel case; Mr and Mr [sic] P C Woolfit, silver butter dish; Misses S and E Sheldon, silver bread tray and teaspoons; Mr and Mrs Kennedy, silver biscuit barrel; Mr J Prider, clock on stand; Mr S and Miss Stevens, jam spoon; Master N and C Fallon; salad bowl; Mr and Mrs Wood, cheese cover; Mr C Sheldon snr, cake dish on stand; Mr and Mrs J Tully, milk and hot water jugs; Misses McInnes, lamp; Mr and Mrs Backwill, water bottle and glasses; Mr S J Fallon, revolving cruet; Mr and Mrs McInnes, biscuit barrel; Miss B Fallon, sugar basin; Mr and Mrs Daniels, silver jam spoons; Miss Price, silver jam dish; Mr and Mrs T J Makin, dessert knives; Mr and Mrs Seater, cake stand; Mr and Mrs Kennewell, 3 doz assorted spoons; Mr and Mrs Stimson, cutlery; Miss K Stimson, plaque; M and W Brooks, salt cellars; Mrs F Brooks, vases; Miss M Brooks, water glasses; Miss L Brooks, custard glasses; Miss J Brooks, jug and cake dish; Mr F Newman, afternoon tea tray; Mr and Mrs Murphy, fancy tea pot; Mr and Miss Murphy, cheese cover; M and Mrs Hagarty, bread board, knife and box; Miss Hagarty, white and gold salad bowl; Miss N New, tea pot, sugar and cream jugs; S J McLean, jugs; Misses N and C Sheldon, ribbon-worked cushion; Mr and Mrs Merritt, cake dish; Miss Watson, butter dish and knife; Mr and Mrs C Sheldon jnr, cake stand; Rev F R French, silver mounted salad bowl; Mr and Mrs Stoddart, silver teapot; Mr A Sheldon,

lamp; Mr and Mrs C T E Davies, jam dish; Miss Gates, cheese cover; Mr Fallon, cake stand; J Williams, vases; Mr and Mrs Wiese, and Miss Rankine, three vases; Mr J Holland and family, silver teapot; Mr and Mrs M Williams, double jam dish; A friend, salad bowl and teapot; Mr A W Parsons, mincing machine; Miss Alice and Master J Merritt, fancy ornaments; H L Miles, silver jam dish; Miss and Master J Matthews, ruby jam dish; Miss Alice Miles, photo album; Mr and Mrs J Kent, white and gold cups and saucers; M Higgins, jug and glasses; Miss E and Mr H Fallon, vases; Mr H Anderson, vases; Walter Hill, silver inkstand; Mr and Mrs Parker snr, cake dish; Mrs W Parker, silver butter knife and jam spoon; Teanie Parker, water jug; D and W Smith, serviette rings; Miss E Haynes, vases; Mr and Mrs J Woolfit, water jug and glasses; Mrs McDonald, serviette rings; Mr and Mrs G G Halliday, silver breakfast cruet; Misses F and E Ballinger, silver candle stick.

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Thomas Wilfred and Marguerite are my Grandparents on my Dad's side. I have obtained Thomas's birth certificate, and he was born in 1883. I can only remember Grandma once when I was very young, someone lifted me up so I could kiss her goodbye on her forehead.

I was four. Grandpa lived on, moved to

Orange NSW to care for his parents, came back to SA, remarried, ran a farm at Bethel, came back to Adelaide when ill health kicked in. Grandpa liked to play the violin, much to Mum's horror, he was self-taught, and thought it was lovely. He spent his last days in Richmond. I was 15.

**Kay Griffin**

## TIPS FOR SUBMITTING ARTICLES

Here are some tips for submitting articles to the *Relative Thoughts*:

- Where possible please submit articles as a WORD document.
- If possible please use font Book Antiqua, font size 9, justified (or Times New Roman, size 10).
- Acknowledge sources. If the work is not your own – please provide the full details of the source.
- Numerals 1-9 to be written as words **NOT** numerics.
- Photos/pictures – adding these to your article helps break it up a little, particularly if the article is long. Acknowledge the source of the photo if it is not your own.
- Write dates as 1 January 2018 **NOT** 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018.
- Use single quotation marks **NOT** double, unless they have already been used within a quote or are direct speech.
- Please ensure that names of people and places have been spelt correctly – it is not always possible for proof-readers or the Editor to verify spellings.
- Names of books, magazines, newspapers, websites need to be in italics.
- If possible have someone else read your article – check for spelling and grammar – before you submit it.
- Articles can be submitted via email to the Editor (see inside Journal cover for email address) or may be handed to the Editor at a meeting.

**Christine Keen**

## UPCOMING SPEAKERS & EVENTS



All meetings are 1:15pm, Uniting Church Hall, 23 William Road, Christies Beach. If you have a suggestion for a suitable speaker, please contact Elizabeth Grocke with details

19 January – Resource Room Show and Tell

16 February – Andrea Ogler, Ambassador Craniofacial Australia

16 March – History, Then and Now with the RAA

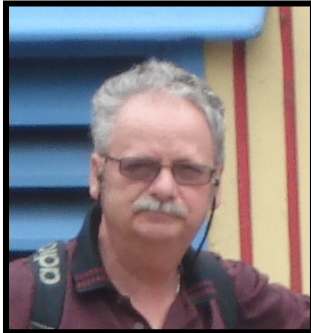
\*27 April – Cheryl Williss, Miss Marryat's Circle

**\* April Meeting will be held a week later than usual due to Easter**

**Biennial Seminar will be held on 17 August - NO General Meeting**

Please contact Elizabeth with any suggestions for speakers.

## RESOURCE ROOM OPENING TIMES



The Resource Room is available to members for research. During the opening time before the Saturday meeting the resource room volunteers will not be available to give assistance with 'Family Research', but books, newsletters and magazines can be borrowed from 12 to 1.15 pm and during the afternoon tea break.

Other opening times for the Resource Room will be the 1st and 3rd Wednesday afternoons only from 1.00 – 3.30pm.

Members wishing to access *findmypast* during resource room openings, are now requested to contact Chris Grivell and book a specific computer time. Chris's contact details may be found at the front of the journal.

Opening dates for this quarter are: 19 January, 6 February, 16 February, 20 February, 6 March, 16 March, 20 March, 3 April, 17 April, 27 April.

## BARWELL BOYS AND LITTLE BROTHERS

After the passing of our last boy the Group became known as *Barwell Boys and Little Brothers Family and Friends* so as descendants and family could carry on their proud tradition.

Our Annual luncheon is held on the last Wednesday in March, the next lunch being **27 March 2019**. If you wish to attend please contact Nola or Ros.

Nola Clisby

## EVENING COMPUTER GROUP



The evening computer class is held in the Uniting Church Hall Christies Beach. A gold coin donation is requested to help cover the cost of the hire of the hall.

The Group meet monthly on the second Monday night of the month at 7.30 pm.

The program consists of a presentation on a specific topic followed by a question and answer session. Bring a tagged laptop from home but if you cannot you will be seated with someone who has a similar operating system to you.

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### EDITOR'S NOTE by CHRISTINE KEEN



It is an honour to have been re-elected as Journal Editor for another two years.

I look forward to receiving your stories and articles for inclusion in *Relative Thoughts*. If you have photos/pictures, where possible include them with your articles. Items relevant to ANZAC Day or events during History Month in May, would be great to receive for the April and July editions.

If you are interested in being a proof-reader, please contact me, either via email or approach me at a meeting.

**Christine Keen**



## When & Where

### MEETINGS

The monthly Meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month from January – October at 1:15pm, Uniting Church Hall, 23 William Road, Christies Beach. The Resource Room is open from 12:00 each meeting day.

Annual General Meeting is held on the 3rd Saturday in November commencing at 1:30pm. Committee elections are held at this time.

### SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

**Aussie Interest Group** – meets at 1:00pm on the 2nd Saturday of each month. For information contact Ros Dunstall.

**United Kingdom Interest Group** – meets at 7.30pm on the 3rd Monday of each month. For information contact Sharon Green.

**Evening Computer Group** – meets at 7.30pm on the 2nd Monday of each month. For information contact Dave Boyce

**DNA Evening Group** – meets at 7.30pm on the 1st Tuesday of each month. For information contact Sharon Green.

**DNA Day Group** – meets at 1.00pm on the 1st Monday of each month. For information contact Peter Tuck or Sharon Green.

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