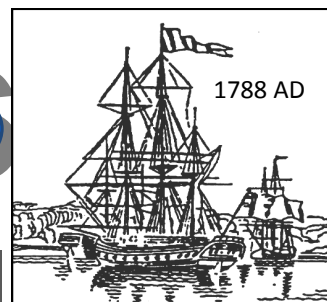


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To live on in the hearts and minds
of descendants is never to die

FAMILY PLAQUE DEDICATED AT WINDSOR

Saturday 21 November 2015 was a pleasant low 20 degree day compared to Friday's heat of very high 30s. This made for a comfortable day for the dedication of the memorial to **Edward Pugh and Hannah Smith** at St Matthews Anglican Church cemetery in Windsor, New South Wales.

The dedication was held at the site of the memorial. It started with a welcome by #8144 **Joe Lester** (descendant) to the gathered group of about 44 including members of the Pugh/Smith descendant group, their extended families and members of the Board of the Fellowship of First Fleeters both present and retired. Also included was an acknowledgment of respect for the original custodians of the area.

Joe went on to say that the purpose of the gathering, almost 178 years after his death on the 30th November 1837, was to commemorate the burial of Edward here at St Matthews and also of Hannah, his wife, who was buried at Devonshire Street on 17 October 1826 just over 188 years ago.

Joe's introduction was followed by **Carmen Atkinson** (descendant) who gave a eulogy on Edward and Hannah.

Carmen reflected on the fact that it is hard to do a eulogy for someone you never knew and who died over 170 years ago. She stated: 'you can only go on facts that were recorded.'

Edward, she said, was sentenced to transportation in September 1784 for stealing a great coat, and Hannah was sentenced in April the following year, also for stealing items of clothing. But this doesn't make them scoundrels and villains; many were driven to such desperate acts at the time, to support or even clothe themselves.

It was not until 2½ years later in May 1787 that they left England, to sail to the new colony. Gaol conditions were harsh and

nine months' sailing on the First Fleet ships possibly worse. This tells us that Edward and Hannah were resourceful and resilient, tough in both body and mind – qualities that would stand them in good stead for their future in the colony.

They married in June 1788 and raised five children, three boys and two girls, the first born in March 1789 and the last in May 1799. Edward received a land grant at Prospect Hill in 1791 but due to a poor water supply it was not a success. In 1800 Edward joined the Rum Corps and this would have given the family a steady income. He remained with the corps until his discharge late in 1809.

Hannah died in 1826 at a relatively old age of about 67. They raised their family and stayed together through good times and bad. Most likely their bad times were worse than any we have endured. Edward, still tough of mind and body, lived another 11 years without her. He died in November 1837, almost exactly 178 years ago, possibly alone, in a hospital here in Windsor and was buried as a pauper here at St Mat-

thews. To borrow from Scottish poet Thomas Campbell, 'to live on in the hearts of those we leave behind is not to die'.

Following Carmen, **Ian Palmer**, recently retired President of the Fellowship of First Fleeters, spoke about the history of the placement of plaques at various cemeteries by the Fellowship.

Starting in 1976 and up to today, said Ian, we have installed 121 plaques at various locations. Many of those plaques are on the individual gravesites of First Fleeters, while some are Commemorative Plaques that identify the general area for the final resting place of First Fleeters where the individual sites are no longer identifiable.

The descendants of Edward and Hannah are to be congratulated for the work they have done to make this dedication service for Edward Pugh possible.

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Pugh-Smith Descendants at Windsor

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PRESIDENT'S PEN

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Eight years ago, in *Founders* 38/4, the Fellowship was first advised of a Bonnet-making project envisaged by Tasmanian artist **Christina Henri** which came to be known as *Roses from the Heart*.

Many of our members, often in association with family history and other societies, set about helping Christina reach her goal of 25 566 bonnets made, one for each of the women convicts who came to Australia in the convict era. Our former editor, Withington, was a champion of the cause and over many issues he was encouraging and congratulating our members taking part.

Of course those who arrived in 1788 have been well represented by our stitchers and embroiderers who have risen to the challenge to honour their ancestors' contributions towards successful lives at the other end of the world. I understand the full complement of bonnets may now have been reached and many of you would have attended dedications, services and displays of your bonnets around Australia and in other parts of the world.

In the current issue of *Journeys*, the magazine of the *Royal Automobile Club of Tasmania*, Christina writes:

'I have just returned home from Ireland. My trip included attending the launch of three new exhibitions at the Down County Museum, Downpatrick. One showcased *Roses from the Heart* tributes in memory of the 400 women and their children incarcerated at the Down Gaol prior to transportation to Australia.

'Much of my visit was spent in discussions with various executives regarding the tributes becoming a permanent symbol at heritage sites relating to the female convict story across Ireland. Most exciting were my visits to Grangegorman in Dublin. The Grangegorman Female Penitentiary was modelled on Quaker reformer **Elizabeth Fry's** ideals ...and it was the first prison established in the British Isles as an exclusive confinement depot for women and children. In 1836 Elizabeth Fry travelled from England, visiting Grangegorman Lane to view the nearly completed, first segregated prison. 3300 women and children held at the Grangegorman Female Penitentiary were transported to Van Diemen's Land.'

As this issue goes to press we will be celebrating **Australia Day** once again. A refreshing approach has emerged in Sydney this year with the city's festivities to begin with Jessica Mauboy's singing of the national anthem in local indigenous languages from the top of the Bridge. Smoking ceremonies at seven points around the harbour will highlight the day's WugulOra ceremony, a First Nation tradition on a date that will forever be 'complex' for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. Aboriginal educator, Clarence Stockee, added, 'the day itself is an interesting conundrum, but the essence for us is just to remember that we are still here...that we do have the world's oldest living culture and that we contribute to what is the core and the essence of the land'.

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Christina Henri, Artist
in Residence, Cascades
Female Factory, Hobart

(from Page 1) A ceremony like today's doesn't just happen. First the site must be identified and then permission sought from relevant authorities for an appropriate location and design of a memorial. Satisfying authorities and conforming to the constraints governing historic sites and old burial grounds is no easy task. Ian concluded with the following tribute: 'I must make special mention of the work initiated by your late President **Terry Lester** who together with **Ann and Ray Keating** and the Descendants of First Fleeters Edward Pugh and Hannah Smith Association, all of whom have brought this work to fruition today.'

John Dun (a descendant) and his wife **Lyn** then conducted the dedication service. John opened with a story that when he taught in this area many years ago he would bring the students to this cemetery and give them the task of finding the graves of First Fleeters and record the information. Little did he know that he would return to dedicate a memorial to his own ancestor.

John introduced his wife Lyn to start the service with a Bible Reading from Genesis 1:27-31a. He then read a prayer: *God of our Ancestors*, part of which states 'As we meet in this historic place, we give thanks for the goodness of creation. We give thanks for being here because our ancestors were fruitful and multiplied. We give thanks for this bountiful and free country that has been built by those who have gone before us'.

John then dedicated the memorial with the words: 'Friends, we are gathered here today to dedicate this plaque to the memory of our forebears, Edward Pugh and Hannah Smith. In doing so, we assert that, whatever the judgements of people around us, we are all made in the image of God. We are all creations of a loving God, whose grace freely forgives the mistakes we all make. We recognise the inherent dignity in all persons and we honour the lives of two people who probably did not receive much honour in their own time

'We are all, in one way or another, shaped by the world around us. Edward and Hannah grew up in a society that was much more unfair than the still very imperfect one in which we live today'.

John then called on #7046 Ann Keating (descendant) and Ian Palmer representing the Fellowship of First Fleeters, to unveil the memorial by removing the Queen Anne flag. This was greeted by a round of applause

After the unveiling Ray Keating thanked all those present for their attendance today and members of the Pugh/Smith Descendants Association who contributed to the cost of the memorial and also the Fellowship of First Fleeters for their plaque.

A thank you was also extended to the chairperson of St Matthews Cemetery Trust for her help in having the memorial placed here. This was in the form of flowers presented by **Imogen** and **Alana** who both had personally made thank you cards to give as well. Imogen and Alana are 10th generation descendants of Edward & Hannah. A donation was also presented by #8040 **Heather Brownnett** (a descendant) who is the treasurer of the Pugh/Smith Group to help the trust

to maintain the cemetery's neat condition.

Ray concluded the ceremony by recommending that those present view the St Matthews Church both inside and out. It was dedicated in 1823.

He pointed out that it is not known if Edward had done so but he would like to think that he may have walked into this church to attend a service here. In fact a number of other First Fleeters may have attended

such services considering there are another thirteen of the 30 buried here at St Matthews who died after the church was dedicated.

The attendees were then invited after viewing the church to join the families in morning tea in the Tebbutt Room at Hawkesbury Library. Before moving off for that a number of group photos were taken and some placed a flower at the memorial.



#8144 Joe Lester

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WILLIAM BAKER and SUSANNAH HUFFNELL

MARINE CORPORAL WILLIAM BAKER b. 1761 sailed with the First Fleet aboard the *Charlotte* with the 53rd (Portsmouth) Company. It is recorded that the young corporal, two days after leaving Portsmouth on board the *Charlotte*, accidentally shot himself in the foot when laying down his loaded musket which he had just taken out of the arms chest. **Surgeon White** recorded that when the shot struck his ankle it deflected and had enough force to go through a harness cask full of beef, and killed two geese stored behind it. Thanks to his excellent health Baker was fit to return to duty within three months.

At Port Jackson William Baker was promoted to Sergeant and attached to the Company of **Watkin Tench** and was then appointed orderly sergeant to **Governor Phillip**, an administrative office that relieved him of routine duties such as supervising the landing of convicts or clearing trees and undergrowth for the building of the settlement.

Immediately on arrival in Port Jackson, Baker took a common-law wife from among the convicts, 25-year-old **Susannah Huffnell**, who had been sentenced to seven years transportation for petty larceny. Their only child, **Elizabeth**, was born on 1 January 1789. However the relationship was not a happy one and Baker refused to accompany his wife and child when they were transferred on the *Sirius* to the remote colonial outpost of Norfolk Island in March 1790.

Baker returned to England in 1792 with the second group of returning Marines on the *Atlantic*, the ship on which **Arthur Phillip** was travelling. On arrival in England, Baker declined re-enlistment into the British Marines and returned to civilian life. Within six months he received an appointment from the Navy Board to act as civilian superintendent and returned to Sydney on the *Surprise* on 24th October 1794 having been appointed agent for the convicts on that ship. On arrival he was then given the post of Government Storekeeper at the Windsor settlement.

He was an enthusiastic fisherman and may have been the first to catch *Latropiscis purpurissatus*, a common species along the



A Sergeant Baker

New South Wales coast and described as 'growing to more than two feet, coloured red to violet blue with red and yellow tail fin', and 'edible, but not greatly esteemed'. The fish, similar in appearance to a pike, was

named 'Sergeant Baker' in his honour in 1843.

Following his return to the Colony he was granted 40 acres at Toongabbie (Parramatta) in December 1794 and a 30 acres grant at Mulgrave (Windsor) in June 1800 was also his. On 26 August 1795, having comfortably established himself as a farmer and government agent, Baker married former convict **Elizabeth Lavender**.

In 1798 Baker received a third official appointment, as govern-

ment storekeeper for the Hawkesbury region in addition to his equivalent duties in Parramatta. Despite his past experience, Baker was quickly found wanting in the management of the stores, specifically those for farmers near the settlement of Windsor. He unfairly organised the storage of the large grain harvest in 1798 and **Governor Hunter** was forced to step in.

In 1800 he also bought and began operating the Royal Oak Hotel selling alcohol to convicts and settlers in Windsor. While supporting by letter **Governor Bligh's** attempts to regulate liquor imports he publicly welcomed Bligh's overthrow and congratulated Marine officer **George John-son**. As a result of these events Governor Lachlan Macquarie dis-

missed him from all his government posts in 1810.

The Royal Oak, described by a later historian as one of 'the worst houses along the river', was also ordered to be closed.

In 1814 William Baker appears in Hobart as the Government Storekeeper and in November 1815 Crier of the deputy Judge advocates court and finally as Crier of the supreme court of Hobart in May 1824. This would be Baker's last and longest oc-

Thompson's Corner, Windsor



cupation. His request for increased salary in February 1836 was endorsed and showed it had been accompanied by a statement of his appointment at the Hawkesbury in 1795. A £20 increase was granted. He held 30 acres at Argyle and 200 acres at Ulva, Van Diemen's Land.

He died and was buried at Hobart on 14th September 1836 - the age given as 75 confirmed him as the William Baker who had been crier of the Supreme Court and thus the First Fleeter.

He is commemorated in the naming of Baker Street in Windsor, adjacent to the former site of the Royal Oak Hotel and in Baker's Lagoon a body of water between the Hawkesbury River and Richmond. His wife Elizabeth appears to have died in April 1824 at Hobart.

SUSANNAH HUFFNELL, b. 1765, was almost certainly the daughter of **William** and **Elizabeth Huffnell** whose daughter Susannah was baptised in St. Peters Church Worcester on 13th January 1765.

Sentenced to seven years transportation at Worcester on 2nd October 1786 for theft of apparel, she was ordered to the hulk

Dunkirk on the Thames. She was 21 when she was received on the hulk on 26th October 1786. Originally embarked on the *Friendship* in March 1787, she was transferred to the *Lady Penrhyn* in April, a month before the First Fleet set sail.

Susannah's first appearance in Port Jackson after her arrival in 1788 was the baptism of her daughter Elizabeth on 1st January 1789 - Corporal William Baker stated as the father. The relationship was not a happy one and Baker refused to accompany his wife and child when they were transferred on the *Sirius* to the remote colonial outpost of Norfolk Island in March 1790. She shared a sow with a **James Clark**, which produced a litter of 3 making them independent for meat. Her daughter **Sarah** was born 18 July 1795 and a daughter **Frances** in 1793. She was victualled on the Island, on and off till 1805.

In the muster of 1811, Susannah was listed as living in NSW under the name *Uffnell*. In 1817 she was apparently married to a settler. No later information about her has been discovered but her daughter Elizabeth, by William Baker, married **Richard Hayes**, b.1767. Richard arrived as a convict aboard the *Friendship* in 1800. The couple have descendants still living in NSW.

Contributed by #7985 Pat Smith and #7487 Judith Aubin of Hunter Valley Chapter.



St Peter's, Worcester

TWO GREAT GREAT GREAT GREAT GRANDMOTHERS

#7987 Matthew T Hogan reflects on a visit to St Thomas's Cemetery at Sackville Reach

*Two graves
Adjacent in a long forgotten place.
Of pioneer women
From a distant past.
Hands held with my daughter,
We stand before them
In mute reverie,
Silently counting our blessings.
But for them
We would not be.*

MTH 2012

Several years ago my daughter Belinda and I made a small pilgrimage to the St Thomas Church of England Cemetery at Sackville Reach to visit the graves and headstones of two great great great great grandmothers. Our First Fleet antecedence began in 1788 when convicts **Ann Forbes** and **William Dring** arrived in Port Jackson on 26 January.

Ann was transported from England on the only all-female convict ship, *Prince of Wales*, and William on *Alexander*. Due to food shortages and other privations for the early settlement within a few months, William was dispatched to Norfolk Island on the *Golden Grove*. Some seventeen months later, in March 1790, Ann Forbes was also sent to Norfolk Island and before long had formed a partnership with William Dring.

Another link to our First Fleet forebears is **Thomas Arndell**, an apothecary and assistant surgeon, who arrived at Port Jackson on the *Friendship* in 1788. Thomas's grandson, **Samuel Arndell**, married **Elizabeth Dring** with that union producing, among others, a daughter, Charlotte, born 1 Jan, 1822.

On Sunday 13 June, 1802, five families aboard the *Coromandel* became the

first free settlers to migrate from England to the colony of New South Wales. One group of the family of **John** and **Ann Turnbull** and their four children, Ralph 10, Mary Ann 5, James 4 and Jessica 19 months. A suggestion had been made four years previously by the British Government for free settlers to migrate to the colony with the promise of land grants for farming along the fertile areas around the Hawkesbury River at Swallow Rock Beach near the village of Ebenezer. **Jessica** worked with the family on the farm until she married **Denis Kirwan** when aged 17 at St Matthew's Church of England on 16 Nov. 1817.

Denis and Jessica were granted 40 acres of land by Governor Lachlan Macquarie at Upper Portland Head in 1821 which was farmed for a number of years at one shilling per annum provided certain conditions were met such as clearing, fencing and cultivation. Denis and Jessica's first child, **Hiram John Kirwan** was born on 6 April, 1819 and at age 21 married the previously mentioned **Charlotte Arndell** on 6 April 1840. Because of that union, the link between three First Fleeters, Ann Forbes, William Dring, Thomas Arndell and the first Coromandel free settlers John and Ann Turnbull, via marriage and progeny thus produced has been forged.

In carefully searching the St Thomas's cemetery, Belinda and I finally found the final resting places of our two great great great grandmothers, Ann Forbes (now, after re-marrying, **Ann Huxley**) and **Jessica Kirwan** nee Turnbull. Ann passed away on 28 Dec, 1851 aged 80 and Jessica on 1 April, 1882 aged 82. They were certainly tough pioneer women. By some quirk of extraordinary coincidence, although their burials were separated by over thirty years, their graves and headstones are virtually side by side as if they were placed that way by some divine decree. We stood before them in mute astonishment.

Matthew T HOGAN 2015



#8035 Belinda Collis

SHELLHARBOUR'S FIRST FLEET CONNECTIONS - Part 2

#7993.1 Wendy Nunan concludes her research into the children of First Fleeter, Thomas Jameson, Pioneers of the Illawarra, New South Wales.

St Clarence Howard remarried 22.06.1864 in Elizabeth Street Sydney to **Robert Cassells Oliphant**, widower. They were married by Rev. James Fullerton, Presbyterian minister. The witnesses were George B. Wood and Catherine Howard and the bride was listed as Clarence Howard.

Robert Cassells Oliphant, gentleman, was born 25.05.1819 London England and his first marriage was to Mary Anne Horwood of Haggerston, Middlesex. In 1846 Robert Cassells Oliphant, now of the 80th Regiment was promoted to Lieutenant. (*London Gazette* December 1846; page 5786). However it was not in a military capacity that Oliphant came to Australia a few years later, but rather as a prospective settler.

Robert and family arrived in NSW, possibly 07.06.1853 per *Katherine Stewart Forbes*, on which a M^r and M^{rs} Oliphant and child arrived, as per newspaper record. However, they are not listed on the NSW Archives Office Reel for the *Katherine Stewart Forbes* 1853. The microfilm record only lists one page of immigrants, probably those who were bounty immigrants. In August of the same year, Robert was appointed to Albury as the Clerk of Petty Sessions. (*The Empire* Friday 12.08.1853) By December 1854 he was back in Sydney and by 1856 he was working for the Sydney Municipal Council as a bailiff.

Robert's wife, Mary Anne Oliphant died 07.04.1862 Crown and Liverpool Streets Sydney, from consumption, aged 32 years. She was buried 08.04.1862 in Camperdown Cemetery by Rev. C.C. Kemp.

When Robert Oliphant and St Clarence Howard were married in 1864, she was referred to as 'relict' of the late Dr Thomas Jamison. In this case, relict referred to grandchild, not wife, even though she was not the oldest grandchild. *Sydney Morning Herald* Friday 24.06.1864: 'MARRIAGES, On the 22nd instant, at Sydney, by the Rev. James Fullerton, LL.D., Lieutenant Robert Cassells Oliphant, late of H. M.'s 80th Regiment of Foot, and formerly of Bonnington Park, N.B., to Clarence Howard, of Jamberoo, New South Wales, relict of the late Dr. Thomas Jamison'.

In April 1865: John Jamieson Brown surrendered his 1/3 interest in the Howard / Brown property at Jamberoo to Robert Owen, more or less in completion of the conveyance foreshadowed by his surrender of the Equity of Redemption of the mortgage he had entered into with his sister and uncle, and then further extended on his own part. (Old Sys. Reg.93 No.457). Then two weeks later Robert Owen is recorded as having sold his remaining interests in the Howard / Brown property at Jamberoo to his son Robert Hall Owen. The transaction makes note of the outstanding principle and interest still owing by the

Brown / Howard family in their 2/3 portion (i.e. other than John Jamieson's 1/3) and appears to be also a surrender, by them, of the property to the new owner. (Old Sys. Reg.92 No.801)

This summation of the above transaction is reflected in the following sale notices, the first being a clearing out sale on behalf of Joseph Howard, William and St Clarence's eldest child, and the second being the sale of the actual property, now split into five separate farms, on behalf of the Owens. This departure from the area and a move to the Northern Rivers district is confirmed by the family deaths that are recorded in that area some ten years later.

Catherine Howard, Mary's eldest daughter, died at her residence, Edward's Grass, Richmond River, on the 01.06.1877. She was listed as a native of Port Glenone, County Antrim, Ireland, aged 60 years. (*Northern Star* 09.06.1877). St Clarence Oliphant, Mary's second daughter, died 23.03.1882 at Lismore, from a carbuncle, aged 53 years. Her death was registered as St Clare Oliphant. She was buried 23.03.1882 at North Lismore by Rev. Frederick Smith, C/E minister. It is possible that she was parted from Robert Oliphant, who died 02.10.1894 at George Street Asylum Parramatta, from heart disease, aged 74 years. He was buried 03.10.1894 in C/E Cemetery Rookwood.

St Clarence's son, Joseph Howard, died 22.09.1884, at his residence, at Goonellabah, aged 41 years, leaving a wife and three children. (*Northern Star* Wednesday 24.09.1884). St Clarence's son, Robert Thomas Jamison Howard, was still alive and was the informant on Joseph's death in 1884.



Despite the departure of the remaining Jameson descendants to the Northern Rivers this is not the end of the Jameson story in the Illawarra. Going back to the Irish records we find **Jane Jameson's** marriage, 26.11.1805, in Ballymoney Parish, County Antrim Ireland, to **Daniel M'Kinny**, born 1781, the son of a local farmer.

Daniel and Jane had three children, **Murt** born c.1809, **Thomas** born

c.1811 and **Daniel** born c.1819. Jane died and Daniel remarried in County Antrim Ireland to **Rose Jane Greer** also of Ballymoney county and who at the time of her marriage to Daniel was the same age as her husband's eldest son, Murt. Four more children were born: **Alexander** born c.1826-34, **James Greer** born c.1830, **Rose Jane** born c.1834 and **Archibald** born c.1834.

Daniel, Rose and their four youngest children arrived in NSW about 1836. Both Daniel's and Rose's death registrations stated they were in Tasmania for three years prior to coming to NSW. There is no record of Daniel's older children coming to Australia so they probably remained in Ireland. It was also Daniel's death registration that listed his first wife as Jane Jamison, listed his parents and listed the names and ages of the first three children. The descendants of these three may well be unaware of their First Fleet connections.

In the 1841 Census Return No. 368 for the Illawarra, we find Daniel M^cKinny living at Wollengarry Dapto on land owned by Alex^c Emly (sic) Esqur. (Alexander Imlay?) His house was of wood, was unfinished but was inhabited by two free persons. These two people were both single males, one aged 45-60 years and the other aged 21-45 years, both arrived free, belonged to the Church of England and were classified as a "Land Proprietor, Merchant, Banker or Professional Person". The Return was signed by Daniel M^cKinny 05.03.1841 at Wollengarry. This Census Return is quite confusing in that it appears to represent Daniel senior, aged 60 years, and one of his older children but he is listed as "single" instead of married and the rest of the family is not listed. As the house was unfinished, it is possible that the rest of the family was staying elsewhere.

Daniel was very community minded and was reported in the newspapers in various lists of donations over a period of twenty years. Included among the beneficiaries were building funds for local churches and relief funds both in New South Wales and in the home counties. One of the latter was publicised thus: 'to alleviate the distress and misery of the houseless sufferers from the late calamity.'

He lived as a farmer at Macquarie River (the western end of Albion Park). In April 1859 he advertised the sale of his dairy stock, working bullocks and horses as his lease had expired. However, he did not move far as he was farming in the Macquarie River area when he died 18.06.1869 at Macquarie River. His death was registered as Daniel M^cKenny. He was buried 20.06.1869 in the General Cemetery Shellharbour by Rev. Philip Richard Spry Bailey, Anglican minister.

His obituary in the *Kiama Independent* Thursday 24.06.1869 was as follows: 'SHELLHARBOR. The oldest resident in this municipality, Mr. Daniel M^cKinny, died on Friday last. Mr. M^cKinny may be regarded as a pioneer of this district. He was one of the earliest settlers on the upper part of the Macquarie Rivulet, where his industry and perseverance, coupled with the efforts of an industrious family, turned the forest into fertile fields. The remains of Mr. M^cKinny was buried by the Rev. W. Bailey at Shellharbour, who delivered an impressive address over the corpse in the Episcopal Church, on Sabbath afternoon. Mr. M^cKinny was 88 years of age. His remains were followed to the grave by an unusually large number of relations and friends'.

Daniel's wife Rose lived on for another twenty years, eventually dying on 21.08.1889 in the Hospital for the Insane, Parramatta, from senile decay. She was buried 24.08.1889 at the Presbyterian Cemetery Rookwood. The three sons, all of whom remained single, moved far afield from the Illawarra. Alexander M^cKinny died in Goulburn, James Greer M^cKinny at Ryde and Archibald M^cKinny in far north Queensland

Their sister, Rose Jane M^cKinny remained in the Shellharbour area after her marriage in 1870 at Albion Park to **Isaac Pearsons**, son of Robert Pearsons. Their married life was short-lived with Rose dying in 1875 at Macquarie Rivulet. She was aged 41 years and buried at St Luke's Brownsville.

In conclusion, not only did Thomas Jameson's son John come to Australia but also his daughter Mary and her three children, and his son-in-law Daniel M^cKinny.

(This article concludes the edited extract from Terry and Wendy Nunan's : Shellharbour's Forgotten Cemetery and Selected Pioneers.)

DISCOVERY and DISCOVERIES at HARPER'S MANSION

2016 National Trust Heritage Festival.

The **Harper's Mansion** (Berrima, New South Wales) Committee kindly invited **Southern Highlands Chapter** to mount an exhibition including books, documents, charts, maps and memorabilia related to the First Fleeters who arrived on the 26th January 1788 to establish the first European settlement in Australia in the display room at Harper's Mansion.

Chapter Secretary, **Wendy Selman**, comments, 'this is an invitation that we were



Harper's Mansion Berrima

delighted to accept; we are now a registered festival event as part of this year's National Trust theme, *Discovery and Discoveries*.

The display will open 10 am 16th April & continue until 5 pm on the 29th May during Harper's opening hours. (Saturday, Sunday & Public holidays ~ 10.30am to 4.00pm.)

Admission to the display is included with the admission charge to the House.

Adults \$7 (Concessions available & admission is free to National Trust Members).

ARTHUR PHILLIP GOVERNOR SAILOR SPY

For those who missed this excellent documentary when it was screened on ABC television in June last year you will be pleased to know that it is still available from ABC shops.

In the lead up to this year's Australia Day it has been a re-screened as a short series. Biographer **Michael Pembroke** describes Phillip's mission as 'like taking a group of citizens against their will to establish a colony on the moon'

Recommended as a worthy addition for your family library.

YOUR STORIES

Founders, we must remind you again, is always ready to receive First Fleeter stories for the magazine and web.

The following guidelines are suggested:-

1. Include your name as the author.
 2. Only one story per FF. A new story could replace that existing with previous author so informed.
 3. The Fellowship deserves the right to edit.
 4. Biographies must contain facts.
 5. References are definitely preferred.
 6. Type in *Calibri*, size 10 .
- Contact the editor for further information.

YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

The Editor will be pleased to have your items and stories for *Founders* 47/2, by **Monday 14 March** preferably as e-mailed attachments. Send pictures separately.

We often receive interesting news of chapter events through the year but are just as keen to hear from individual members out there with a story to tell.

Do remember the **story writing** challenge given by Hunter Valley Chapter Chapter for 2015-2016

Already they have submitted four stories for publication and we understand there are more on the way..

WILLIAM WALL alias HARDING - FIRST FLEET CONVICT

William Wall was born about 1764 in Oxfordshire England. In March 1785, when he was a 21 year old labourer, he was caught stealing: two linen shirts, one linen shift, and one dimity mantle. The total value of the theft was seven shillings. In August 1785 he was found guilty and sentenced to: 'Transportation beyond the seas for seven years.'

On the 6 January 1786 he was incarcerated on board the *Ceres* hulk, and 15 months later, on the 12 April 1787, he was put on board the *Alexander* which sailed for Port Botany on the 13 May 1787, arriving in Port Jackson on the 26 January 1788 with the First Fleet. He had thus been incarcerated for two years before arriving in Port Jackson, Sydney Cove, to serve the remaining five years of his sentence.

The convicts on board the *Alexander* were one of the first groups of convicts to set foot at Sydney Cove. William left his wife (name unknown) and two young boys - **William Wall** and **Richard Wall**, back in England. However, he subsequently married twice again and had another nine children, six with his second wife and three with his third wife, before he died on the 20 Feb 1821, aged between 56 and 58, in Sydney.

In approximately 1790, William married his second wife **Grace Brown**, another convict, and they had six children. Sadly, two children died at birth (**Arthur Phillip Wall** and **William Wall**) and two others, **John Wall** and **Sarah Ann Wall**, died within two years of their birth. The only survivors beyond two years were **Phoebe Wall** and **Joseph Wall**.

By 1793 William would have served his sentence and become a free settler. In 1799, aged about 35 and having stayed out of trouble, William was made a Police Constable for the Nepean District and in 1800 an Overseer of Women Prisoners. In 1802 William was on record as being a Private in the *Loyal Sydney Association*, a volunteer organisation formed to counteract any threat of a convict insurgence.

In 1803, William's son Richard Wall (ancestor of **#8402 Carolyn Olivier**, this contributor) aged 17, arrived on board the *Glutton* as a free settler, followed by his older brother William in 1814 on board the *General Hewitt*, also as a free settler. Their mother had died, leaving them orphans in England. As a result, their uncles successfully petitioned **William Balmain** for them to be allowed to join their father in Sydney.

Between 1805 and 1807, William separated from his second wife Grace Brown who subsequently returned to England in 1809 on the *Admiral Gambler* with their 2 remaining children Joseph Wall aged 4 and Phoebe Wall aged 17.

In 1808 William 'married' his third wife **Mary Ann McGuire**, who also had arrived as a convict. They had two sons, **George Edward Wall** and **Edward Thomas Wall**, and a daughter, **Rhoda Ann Wall**. His other two children Joseph Wall, and Phoebe Wall were living with their mother Grace, back in England.

In 1809 William was granted a Wine and Spirits Licence. In January 1810 William petitioned **Governor Lachlan Macquarie** for a grant of land pointing out that he had a family of five and having held several positions of trust with the government over a period of almost twenty years he had been promised 150 – 200 acres and a Licence for Vending Spirits by **Governor King**.

In April, three months later, William was appointed as Government Storekeeper and in November of the same year he was finally granted his 200 acres at Castle Hill on the basis of his long

service to the government. William, now aged 46, was at the pinnacle of his respectability and success in the new Colony. He was a land owner, government storekeeper, had been a police constable, overseer of women prisoners and a volunteer in the Loyal Sydney Association. All seemed to go well for William for the next six years.

Alas, in February 1816 it was recommended by the Colonial Secretary, **John Thomas Campbell**, that William be dismissed from his job as Government Storekeeper for malpractice. He had been 'receiving meat into the Government Stores from persons not authorised to turn in any trade, and in conniving at other malpractices'. William then began operating as a Private Storekeeper on a leased lot at 10 York Street Sydney with his third wife Mary Ann McGuire.

Of William's original eleven children, four were dead, and five were still alive and living in Sydney: William Wall, Richard Wall, George Edward Wall, Rhoda Ann Wall and Edward Thomas Wall.

In August 1817 he announced his separation from Mary Ann McGuire. Soon after this separation,

their youngest son George Edward Wall, and their only daughter, Rhoda Ann Wall, were sent to Orphan Schools. Presumably Mary and William were unwilling or unable financially, to look after them. One son, however, Edward Thomas Wall, it is assumed, remained with his mother, Mary Ann McGuire.

In January 1819 William petitioned Governor Lachlan Macquarie for permission to return to England. It is possible that he wished to renew contact with his two brothers and his second wife Grace and their children Joseph Wall and Phoebe Wall, who were now living in England. Permission was granted, and he left Sydney on the *Shipley* on the 26 March 1819.

He returned to Sydney on the *Hebe* on the 31 December 1820, thus being away for just 21 months. While in England, sadly, his daughter Phoebe Wall, aged 28, died. William's return to Sydney after his stay in England may not have gone well, because within two months he himself was dead. On the 20 February 1821 he hung himself 'while in a state of lunacy' in the bakehouse at the rear of his old dwelling at 10 York Street, Sydney, where he was cohabiting again with his third wife, Mary Ann McGuire.

The *Sydney Gazette* reported William's death as follows: 'On Tuesday morning last the body of Mr William Wall, one of the Primitive Europeans of the Colony and who had only within these last few months returned from a visit to England, was found suspended on his premises in York St.

'The vital spark was quite extinct when the body was discovered and the unfortunate and respected old man is supposed to have perpetrated the unhappy act under the influence of temporal derangement, to which effect a Coronal Inquest assembled for the occasion, returned a verdict.' The Coroner was **Edward Smith Hall**. After the Inquest, his body was sent to Governor Lachlan Macquarie for burial. The burial record for William is blank, with only his age 65 recorded which could not be correct. His age would have been between 56 and 58. He probably had a pauper's burial in Sandhills Cemetery, which is now Sydney Central Railway Station.

Nearly 200 years later, he finally has family members interested in his life story!

William Wall (alias Harding) is the 4th great grandfather of Carol Olivier FFF # 8402



The Female Orphan School, Parramatta

From the Coroner's Inquest into the death of William Wall. *Evidence taken at the house of Chris Mrs (sic) the 20 Feb 1821 in the afore noon, in York Street, Sydney*

James Pooley, shoe maker, being sworn: 'I have known the deceased many years. About half past 8 o'clock last night I saw him arrive on his own premises. He was walking calmly in the passage between his own home and his neighbours and had a piece of paling in his hand. I said to him, 'Mr Wall you have done a wrong thing to use your wife in this manner.' He said, 'I own your eyes I have often told you I would do you an injury for interfering on the behalf of that woman'. He was a little in liquor but not drunk, he walked steadily and spoke quietly but angrily. He had his senses about him.

'My wife went for some constables. Six came up and they went into Wall's premises to take him into custody for stabbing his wife on Friday night. He had not been quarrelling with his wife last night but from his general habits I am sure that he intended last night to have got in and beat his wife. He left the passage when the constables were sent for, and let himself in to the front room of his own house. He was very quiet.

We opened the window to see if he was in the room and when we did so, he clapped it to, three or several times. I and Wall's little boy remained outside the gate till half past eleven and we then went home and went to bed. Mrs Wall was at my house for safety. She and her little boy slept on the floor.

'One of the Constables came this night about 1 o'clock and told me that their front window and back door were both open. I replied that that was the state in which I had left them. When the first bell rang in the morning I got up and went to Mr Wall's house and found all the doors and windows fast.

At about 7 o'clock she told her little boy to go home and fetch her black stockings. He returned back, saying his father was hanging. I ran up and found the door of the bakehouse behind his house open and saw him hanging. I jumped on the stool and cut him down. He was warm and quite dead but not stiff so I attempted to recover him to life. There were no symptoms of re-animation.

'I have always thought the deceased out of his mind – I attribute his lunacy to his domestic quarrels, to the loss of his daughter and to his intoxication – when he was sober he was given to fits of passion – I consider he was not right in his mind at any time – *Finis. E S Hall, Coroner*

Some Reflections from Carolyn Olivier

"What the next generation will value most is not what we owned, but the evidence of who we were and the tales of how we lived. In the end, it's the family stories that are worth the storage." **Ellen Goodman, American Journalist.**

The First Fleet sailed into Sydney Cove Port Jackson on the 26 January 1788 after an eight month voyage from Portsmouth England with about 1483 people onboard. They are now recognised as the Founders of modern Australia and the voyage 'one of the greatest achievements ever of humankind'.

In researching my descendants through my mother's family back to William Wall, a convict on the *Alexander*, I have come across three interesting historical links with other family members:

Firstly, the British Government's approval in 1786 of the settlement of Botany Bay by convicts was made during the first prime ministership of **William Pitt the Younger**. My youngest daughter, Michelle, married Benjamin Richard Pitt, who can trace his family history back to Prime Minister William Pitt the Younger.

Secondly, the surgeon on the *Alexander*, **Dr William Balmain**, was later petitioned in England by William's brothers, for approval for William's sons Richard and William, to join their father in Australia after the death of their mother. The Sydney suburb of Balmain was named after William Balmain. After marrying my husband Frank, our first family home was at 13 Paul Street Balmain.

Thirdly, William Wall's descendant and my grandfather, **Bertie Clyde Wall**, was Head of Immigration in NSW after World War II. In 1947 Bertie personally approved the unusual sponsorship of Frank's mother, a war widow with four children, to migrate to Australia from Germany.

These are not only interesting coincidences but also without the above three men holding positions of influence and decision making power, our family line would not exist. I hope that my children, my grandchildren and many generations to come will be proud of their family history and will pass on the story to their Wall descendants.

In his early years William most likely faced extreme hardships living in England like many others of his time, however after serving his sentence of 'transportation beyond the seas for seven years' he made a success of his life in Australia.

DID HE GO VOLUNTARILY OR WAS HE PUSHED?

#8456 Patricia Kernahan has noted an interesting discrepancy she has found through further research on the story of **Thomas Chipp** that appeared in *Founders* 46/6.

The records show that after deepening unrest on Norfolk Island in 1794 Chipp sold his farm to **Stephen Martin** and returned to Sydney with his wife **Jane nee Langley** and the children on the ship *Daedalus* in November of that year.

The reasons for his action and that by several other marines at the time appear in a letter that **Lt Governor King** wrote to **Henry Dundas**, Lord Melville, First Secretary of State. King indicated that the marine settlers had been advanced goods and money in 1791 and 1792 against their first maize crop due in 1793 to allow them to set up farms, build dwellings and hire labour.

Now nine weeks after the second harvest in 1794 King received a directive from **Major Grose** that no settler was to be paid for their maize until fresh instructions were received from England. This left many unable to repay their considerable debts

and King said 'I am much concerned to inform you that ten marines and two other settlers have sold, or rather given away, their farms, crop and stock, ten of whom have enlisted into the NSW Corps'.

Some 16 years later, Thomas Chipp, as 'dutiful memorialist', wrote to **Governor Macquarie** in 1810 asking that his lease on his land at Minto, granted by **Lt Gov Paterson**, be renewed because of his loyal military service. Chipp claimed in his memorial that he was one of the settlers at the island who were 'removed from there by Order of HM Government and ordered to go to the Derwent...claiming some objections to settling at that place'

In hindsight we can see a hole in his argument. The settlement at the Derwent was not established until 1803 so Chipp would not have been able to object to being sent there back in 1794. Even so, whether he was ordered to leave Norfolk Island, for whatever reason, or chose to sell up himself may never be known. **[Ed: Can our readers throw any further light on this?]**

TWO BOOK REVIEWS: 1. GREAT SOUTH LAND - ROB MUNDLE

Author Rob Mundle's interest in the sea, ships and those that sail in them is, once again, evident in his latest book *Great South Land*.

Mundle is the author of a number of books related to the early discovery history of the Australian continent including the biographies of *Cook*, *Flinders* and *Bligh* as well as *The First Fleet*. This new work could best be introduced in Mundle's own words and he writes:

'I set myself on a new writing adventure that would take me on a different course to my more recent books. *Great South Land* was not designed to deal with a prominent individual or event extracted from the nation's colourful past; instead, it would document an absorbing century, from when Dutchman Willem Janszoon became the first known European to set foot on Australian soil, through to an amazing individual, Englishman William Dampier.'

The author, as in his other books, brings history alive in a way not achieved by others writing on similar subjects. Mundle is very easy to read and his knowledge of all things 'maritime' adds a perspective not available in other narratives.

How Dutch Sailors found Australia and an English Pirate almost beat Captain Cook ...

GREAT SOUTH LAND

Rob Mundle

'A master of the maritime narrative' - *SUNDAY AGE*

Public knowledge of Australian history outside the boundaries of and earlier than Cook and, 18 years later, the first fleet, is, in the main, sadly lacking. Mundle attempts to correct this by looking back to a time over 150 years before Cook, to some of the earliest known European (mainly Dutch) connections with Australia and, whilst these early discoveries initially covered only a few hundred kilometres of coastline they, nevertheless, whetted the appetite of others who followed to discover more of this great south land.

Strangely, it was only the north and west coasts that received the most attention with no one either deliberately or accidentally venturing to the east coast. This was left to James Cook.

This book is well worth reading and is currently available in all good bookshops.

Publisher: ABC Books 1st November 2015

Rob Mundle



Reviewed by Rod Davis (# 6139 First Fleeters Thomas Chipp/Friendship & Jane Langley/LadyPenrhyn)

2. LEGACY of ANDREW GOODWIN and LYDIA MUNRO - PATRICIA KENNEDY

The library at First Fleet House has a growing number of genealogical studies focusing on particular First Fleeters. Some of these are mighty tomes, purporting to list all and/or to tell stories of many of the descendants of that First Fleeter.

Others are slim volumes that concentrate on just the life and times of the Fleeters themselves and their immediate family. In these there may be little or no attempt to bring the family lines down to the present day.

#8147.1 Patricia Kennedy, the author of this new acquisition, *Legacy of Andrew Goodwin and Lydia Munro*, has, wisely we feel, chosen the middle road. As she indicates in her introduction, with tens of thousands of descendants to choose from, after covering each of the ten Goodwin/Munro children in some detail, the decision was made to focus on just one line, that of the second child Sarah Goodwin.

Helpful, easy to read family tree charts precede each section of her chapters, each of the latter concentrating on a single generation. Where the line may not be part of the chosen focus there will be added details to direct that part of the family down to the present day. This undoubtedly reflects the contributions the author received from the wider family.

Legacy of Andrew Goodwin & Lydia Munro



by Patricia Kennedy

There are many useful illustrations throughout the text, some of historical significance, others from family photo collections. The pick of them all, and the one that graces the cover of the book, is surely that of the William Foy family taken outside their *Foy's Tin Works* on the corner of Hunter Street and Hamilton Lane in Sydney in 1862.

As befits an author with strong credentials in the writing of family history Patricia Kennedy's book has a complete index, a very thorough end-noted and referenced bibliography and a worthy selection of relevant appendices.

The layout of the book is inviting, with uncluttered pages and an easy to read font. The early chapters give an excellent background to eighteenth century English social history, the crimes and sentencing of Goodwin and Munro themselves, and a well-presented summary of the voyage and then daily life in Sydney, Norfolk Island and Van Diemen's Land.

Your reviewer particularly appreciated seeing familiar names and places down through the generations that had direct links but not relational connections to his own lineage and stories. Touches like these are what make well-written family history so engaging.

Our Eighteen Chapters in Action

ALBURY-WODONGA DISTRICT – *Both sides of the Murray River.*

Venue: Albury Library/Museum, Kiewa St. Albury, monthly meetings, third Saturday at 10am for 10.15 **Next Meetings:** 20 February: Paul Gooding, *FF Andrew Goodwin and Lydia Munro* and Gaye Merkel, *Thumbnail Sketch*; 19 March: Speaker and Programme, *TBA*. **Next Event:** **Contact:** Mary Chalmers-Borella 6025 3283 or Gaye Merkel 6025 5747

ARTHUR PHILLIP – *Milsons Point to Brooklyn and across to all northern beaches.*

Venue: Meeting Room, Old Gordon Public School. 799 Pacific Highway, Gordon – monthly meetings, third Friday at 10.30 . **Next Meetings:** 19 February: Ann Howard, *A Carefree War*; 18 March: *TBA*; 15 April: Gus Breen, *Gallipoli*. **Next Event:** Thursday 10 March: Port Hacking Cruise, from Gunnamatta Bay, Cronulla 10.30 am. **Contact:** Jane Ann Tainsh 94885453

CANBERRA – *ACT, Queanbeyan and surrounds.*

Venue: Various locations in Canberra. **No meetings or events planned for February - March.** **Contact:** Geoff Cameron 62514095

CENTRAL COAST – *Gosford, Tuggerah Lake, Wyong, Budgewoi and surrounds.*

Venue: Wyong RSL Club, – monthly meetings, second Saturday at 10am for 10.30. **Next Meetings:** 13 February: Patrick Dodd, *Touring with Governor Macquarie*; 12 March: Alan Draper, *History of Brisbane Water*; 9 April: Geoff Potter, *The Wreck of the Maitland*. **Next Event:** **Contact:** Jon Fearon 43231849

DERWENT - *Southern Tasmania*

Venue: Bi-monthly, 11am, first Saturday at Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania, Sandy Bay. **Next Meeting:** 6 February: Doug Chipman, *A Colonial Romance*. **Next Event:** **Contact:** Marilla Lowe 0362437726

EASTERN FARMS – *Ryde, Eastwood, Parramatta, Kings Langley, Pennant Hills and surrounds.*

Venue: The Hall at Brush Farm House, 19 Lawson St. Eastwood –monthly meetings, first Saturday from 10am **Next Meeting:** **Contact:** Jennifer Follers 97991161

HAWKESBURY-NEPEAN --*Western Sydney, Penrith to Windsor, Blue Mountains.*

Venue: Mainly Tebbutt Room, Public Library, 300 George St, Windsor , but occasionally in Penrith and elsewhere-- monthly, second Saturday, 11 am. **Next Meeting:** 13 February: Ron Withington, *Dispatched Downunder*. **Next Event:** **Contact:** William Hempel 47303527

HUNTER VALLEY – *Hunter Region, Newcastle and surrounds.*

Venue: Adamstown Senior Citizens' Hall, 153A Bruncker Road, Adamstown – bi-monthly meetings, usually third Monday from 10am – 12.30pm. **Next Meetings:** 15 February: Rosemary Rope, *Convict Clothing of Early NSW*; 18 April: Brian Boughton, *Students' 2015 Gallipoli Tour*. **Next Event:** 14 March: Mulla Villa, Wollombi. **Contact:** Barbara Turner 49439105

LACHLAN MACQUARIE – *Orange, Bathurst, Parkes, Dubbo, White Rock, Cowra, Kelso.*

Venue: Kinross-Wolaroi Library, Orange. **Next Meeting:** 13 February: Visit and tour of *Bishop's Court* in Bathurst. Meet at 11 am sharp, cost \$15 pp, then lunch & tour of Government House and Flagstaff \$5. **Contact:** Judy Dwyer 63658234 or 0428 173213 or dyr.tara@bigpond.com

MID NORTH COAST -- *Taree and Surrounds, Bulahdelah to Kempsey.*

Venue: Presbyterian Church, 76 Albert Street, Taree, Bi-monthly on 4th Tuesday at 2pm.. **Next Meeting:** 22 March: Rodney O'Reagan, *History of the Lighthorse*. **Next Events:** **Contact:** Bev Williams 65598912

MORETON – *South East Queensland.*

Venue: St. Augustine's Anglican Church Hall, Hamilton – bi-monthly meetings, at 10 am on an available 2nd Saturday. **Next Meetings:** 13 February: Dan Kelly. *Boolorong Press*; 9 April: Speaker, *TBA*. **Next Events:** . **Contact:** Mary-Joy Payten 0755320543

NEW ENGLAND – *Armidale to Glen Innes and surrounds.*

Venue: Various locations – five times per year, usually 12 noon at Anglican Parish Centre, Armidale. **Next Meeting:** **Next Event:** **Contact:** Wal Whalley 67723499

NORTH COAST – *Boambee, Coffs Harbour, Dorrigo to Woolgoolga.*

Venue: Either at Mylestom Hall or at members' homes, Bi-monthly meetings, usually first Sunday at 10.30am. **Next Meeting:** 7 February, at Mylstrom Hall: Mal Dale, *Panama Canal*; 3 April, at home of Margaret and Joe Bass, Nana Glen: Colin Robertson, *Cowra Detention Camp*. **Next Events:** **Contact:** Robyn Condliffe 66533615

NORTHERN RIVERS – *Lismore and surrounds.*

Venue: Various locations - bi-monthly meetings, fourth Sunday at 11.30am; **Next Meeting:** 20 March: at Karin and Bob Brown's, 32 Bottlebrush Crescent, Evans Head, *Visit to Marine Rescue Tower*. **Contact:** Margaret Soward 66863597

NORTH WEST – *Tamworth and surrounds.*

Venue: Various locations – bi-monthly meetings, usually first Saturday at 1.30pm **Next Meetings:** 6 February: at Tamworth Family History Rooms, Pat Worrall & Anne Ware, *Parramatta Female Factory*; 2 April: Gordon Holding, *Life in England in the 1700s/ DNA for family history*. **Next Event:** **Contact:** Diana Harband 67652122

SOUTH COAST – *Engadine to Burrill Lake.*

Venue: Laurel Room, Ribbonwood Centre, 93-109 Princes Highway, Dapto – monthly meetings except. Jan, May and Dec. – first Tuesday at 10am - 1pm. **Next Meeting:** 2 February: Members, *Show and Tell*; 1 March: Phil Laird, *Railways in Australia and Japan*; 5 April: Tony Ball, Bicentenary of European Settlement in the Illawarra. **Next Event:** !6 March, 10.30 am, Bigfoot Adventure Tour at Coolangatta Resort, Shoalhaven. **Contact:** Warwick Grace 42727013

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS – *Mittagong, Moss Vale and surrounds.*

Venue: Mittagong Community Centre – bi-monthly – second Wednesday at 10.30am \$5 Admission. **Next Meetings:** 10 February: Glenda Miskelly , *Arthur Phillip's Last Days - the True Story*, and Rod Davis, *England before the First Fleet*. 13 April: Speaker, *TBA* **Next Events:** From April 16 to 29 May: FFF Display at Harpers Mansion Berrima, in collaboration with National Trust Heritage Festival. **Contact:** Wendy Selman 48624849

SWAN RIVER – *Perth, Fremantle and surrounds.*

Venue: 256 Stirling St Perth, quarterly, third Saturday, at 2pm. **Next Meeting:** 20 February: Tony Monck, *Family History*. **Next Event:** April, date to be advised: Afternoon Tea at Woodbridge House, Guildford. **Contact:** Jodi Gratton 0893845944 or Toni Mahony 0892717630

EDITOR'S NOTE: Closing date for this page for the next issue is 21 March 2016

Karys Fearon, Chapter Liaison Officer

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

DEATHS

Ordinary and Pensioner Members

JOSHUA PECK

#8561 Leonie Anne Baker

HENRY KABLE/SUSANNAH HOLMES

#8549 Helen Louise Cooling

#8551 Vicky Macdonald

WILLIAM EGGLETON/MARY DICKENSON

#8550 Todd Charles Juchau

JOHN SMALL/MARY PARKER/JAMES

SQUIRE

#8552 Marcia Mary Birnie

MATTHEW EVERINGHAM

#8553 Dennis William Page

#8555 David Ross Milliken Michel

HENRY HACKING

#8554 Melitta Kate Harris

EDWARD MILES

#8556 Dorothy Tulloch

Ordinary and Pensioner Members continued

THOMAS ACRES

#8557 Reece Strachan

ROBERT FORRESTER

#8559 Robert Douglas Orr

JACOB BELLETTE/EDWARD GARTH/

SUSANNAH GOUGH

#8560 Lorraine Frances Polglase

Junior Members

JOSHUA PECK

#8547 Charlotte Rose Baker

#8548 Declan James Baker

MARY TURNER

#8558 Henry Francesco Sunderland

Friends

#F157 Mary Hughes

#F158 Fay Heading

#F159 Roger Heading

#F160 James Sunderland

THOMAS LUCAS

#8506 Kevin John Lucas, of Rainbow Flat, New South Wales, died on 01.12.2015, just short of his 74th birthday. Kevin was a founding member of Mid North Coast Chapter.

JOHN SMALL/MARY PARKER

#7423 Malcolm Reid Lobsey, OAM, of Quirindi. New South Wales, died on 20.11.2015 after a long illness.. Malcolm was a keen member on North West Chapter. His OAM was for Service to Local Government and the Community.

DAVID KILLPACK/WILLIAM ROBERTS

#1441 Nancy Una Roberts OAM, of Bowral, New South Wales., died on 01.01.2016. Nancy regularly offered her service as a resource person to fellow members of Southern Highlands Chapter and in her retirement after 45 years as Matron of Bowral Hospital she was much loved in her local community. 'A remarkable lady of great courage, strength of character, generosity and goodness, who embraced life with wit and intelligence, touching the lives of many'.

JAMES SHIERS/MARY SMITH

#2481 Norman B Kingham, of Gunnedah, New South Wales, died on 29.08.2015 after a nine-year battle with cancer. Norm was a member for over 32 years and belonged to Lachlan Macquarie Chapter.



This is a reminder that on Sunday 7 February 2016 St Philips Church York Street Sydney at the 8:30 am Holy Communion service will be commemorating the **228th Anniversary of the first church service** conducted by Rev Richard Johnson on 3 February 1788. You may like to join the President and other Fellowship members there if you can.



Recently the Fellowship has had a request for a speaker for a Probus meeting in Melbourne. The Directors are delighted that one of our local members there is happy to take on the task on our behalf. However, this makes us wonder, yet again, why our **Victorian members**, of whom there are over 90 currently on the books, have not been clamouring to set up a chapter in the Melbourne area.



Remember **Founders by e-mail** is available in full colour each issue. It comes in pdf format and can be enlarged for ease of reading and to pick up photographic detail. The Editor will be happy to hear from you to make the change. Contact him on jfearon@iinet.net.au giving your name, membership number and e-mail address.

FACEBOOK EXPLAINED

For those of my generation who cannot comprehend why Facebook exists:

I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles. Therefore, every day I walk down the street and tell passers-by what I have eaten, how I feel at the moment, what I have done the night before, what I will do later, and with whom.

I give them pictures of my family, my dog, and of me gardening, taking things apart in the garage, watering the lawn, standing in front of landmarks, driving around town, having lunch, and doing what anybody and everybody does every day.

I also listen to their conversations, give them the "thumbs up" and tell them I like them.

And it works just like Facebook.

I already have four people following me: two police officers, a private investigator, and a psychiatrist.

MESSAGE BOARD

1. FF WILLIAM EGGLETON/MARY DICKENSON

New members #8501 **Doug Watt** and #8501.1 **Sandra Watt** are keen to make contact with other Eggleton/Dickenson descendants with a view to exchanging information.

Contact them at 121 Sunshine Road HILLVILLE NSW 2430, on email at sandra_watt@activ8.net.au or by phone on 02 6550 6070.

2. NEW BOOK AVAILABLE FROM AUTHOR

Patricia Kennedy advises that her book, *The Legacy of Andrew Goodwin and Lydia Munro*, is available for purchase direct from her. The price is \$25.00 plus P & H of \$13.40 which will cover one to three books, the contact can be her email way-farer3@bigpond.com or postal address: 277/25 Mulloway Road, Chain Valley Bay NSW 2259 or phone: 0427 620 360

3. CALL FOR FIRST FLEETER NAMES

Would you like to have your First Fleeter immortalised in a fictionalised account of the sailing of the fleet and the early days of settlement? If so, the Alaskan author, **Dani Haviland**, who visited First Fleet House in 2014 for research into her series *The Fairies Saga* would like to hear from you with your Fleeter's name and details of physical traits, age, occupation and reason for being on the voyage.

She is particularly interested in those who came on *Alexander* or *Sirius*. Her website is at www.danihaviland.com and you can contact her at dani.haviland@gmail.com

4. FOUNDATION DAY ON NORFOLK ISLAND 2016

The Norfolk Island Travel Centre advises our members that this year's anniversary, to be celebrated on 6 March, will include a special focus on **families and family research**.

The aim is to reconnect with our ancestors' lives with re-enactments, a forum, tours, story writing, lunches. Contact the centre on 1800 140066 for an information package on the 7 day holidays being arranged for the 228th anniversary.