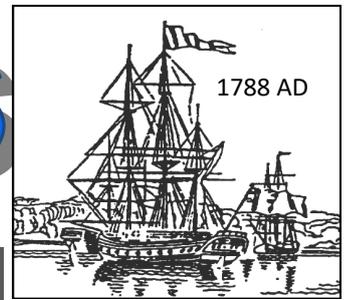


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PATRON: Her Excellency The Honourable Marjorie Beazley AC QC

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

THE APPOINTMENT OF OUR NEW PATRON IS APPROVED

The President is pleased to have received the following response to the Fellowship's patronage invitation from Elizabeth Chapman, the Senior Personal Assistant to the NSW State Governor:

'I am delighted to formally confirm that **The Honourable Margaret Beazley AC QC**, Governor of New South Wales has agreed to grant Vice Regal Patronage to the Fellowship of First Fleeters. You may be also interested to note that Her Excellency is the direct descendant of **Mrs Rebecca Oakes** (nee Small) who was born on 22 September 1789 at what was then Government House – believed to be the first *registered* female birth after the landing of the First Fleet.

Her Excellency and Mr Wilson are both looking forward to engaging with the Fellowship of First Fleeters over the coming years.

Kind regards, Elizabeth.'

The approval for this appointment was the highlight of the recent Annual General Meeting of the Fellowship, further details of which may be found on Page 2 of this issue.

The Governor's office supplied the following biography:

'Her Excellency the Honourable Margaret Beazley AC QC is the 39th Governor of New South Wales, commencing her five year tenure on 2 May 2019.

Prior to her appointment as Governor, Her Excellency enjoyed a long and distinguished law career spanning 43 years, during which time she served as a role model for

women in law at both the State and national level.

Appointed Queen's Counsel in 1989, in 1993 she was made a judge of the Federal Court of Australia, the first woman to sit exclusively in that Court. In 1996, she achieved the distinction of being the first woman appointed to the New South Wales Court of Appeal and, subsequently, as the first woman to be appointed as its President. She served, on a number of occasions, as Administrator of the Government of the State of New South Wales.

She was made a Companion of the Order of Australia in the Australia Day Honours List on 26 January 2020 for "eminent service to the people of New South Wales, particularly through leadership roles in the judiciary, and as a mentor of young women lawyers".

Her Excellency has three children - Erin, Lauren and Anthony Sullivan - and is married to **Mr. Dennis Wilson**, a barrister, mediator, accredited international arbitrator and Adjunct Professor of Law, at Notre Dame University, Sydney.

Her Excellency brings her deep commitment to education, youth leadership, human rights and social justice to the role in service of the people of New South Wales.'



Editor's Note. The Directors are hoping that some activities now in the planning stage for the Fellowship next year can be held and that members will be able to meet Her Excellency and Mr Wilson as part of the Vice-Regal patronage. Details next issue, Covid-19 willing!

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PRESIDENT'S PEN



There is probably no need to tell you that this very unusual Covid-19 year has made huge inroads into our regular Fellowship activities, not only in the normal volunteer work dealt with at First Fleet House, but more significantly for our chapters right across the nation. Our Annual General Meeting, held on Thursday, 22 October, did not escape the upheaval either.

The meeting was via Zoom, and with no gathering place or hosting by a chapter this year, all 23 attendees joined us from their homes, representing eight of our NSW/ACT chapters. From further afield was one member beaming in from his home in Illinois, USA. The usual agenda was followed with the President in the chair, and after acknowledging indigenous elders from 'all over', and welcoming members present he called on the Minutes Secretary to read the minutes from our 2019 meeting at Windsor.

The President's and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted, the latter's financial statements for the year being adopted, as required by Company law. In his Review of Operations Jon drew attention to some of the directors' and volunteers' initiatives brought to fruition during the year. He mentioned the Gravesite Page project, the First Fleet PowerPoint presentation, the Covid Safe procedures for First Fleet House, the part-indexing of *Founders*, and of course the ongoing significance of our Face Book group, our magazine, *Founders*, and the regular updating of our website with additional stories for the SHIPS page.

He did express a little concern at the 13% drop in new memberships, wondering whether the months of lockdown, the gradually younger potential cohort with differing views on community involvement or even 'political correctness' had some bearing on the changes. In thanking our directors and volunteers he congratulated retiring Vice President **Denis Smith** for his years of solid service at First Fleet House and in organising our more recent annual luncheons.

The members expressed their pleasure at the news that we would be returning to Vice-Regal patronage and happily approved the NSW governor's acceptance of our invitation to become our Patron for the duration of her office. In so doing the President passed on to all the warm wishes from our retiring patron, **Dame Marie Bashir**, who, after twenty years' service in the role, had responded with delight at the appointment news. Jon's June 2020 letter to Marie had included the following: '...your much appreciated and loved years as our Patron will be coming to an end. Your many friends in the Fellowship have relished the warmth of your friendship and affection over the years as 'one of us' and will be joining me and the Board in expressing our heartfelt thanks for your dedication and commitment in your role.'

Our Vice-Patron, **Commodore Paul Kable** happily accepted his re-appointment to the duties he knows so well, having now served therein for 35 years, and then, as Returning Officer conducted the Election of Officers for the year ahead. Of the thirteen retiring Directors eleven were re-elected unopposed with **John Boyd** returning to the Board to the delight of all. This leaves a casual vacancy that can be filled at any time during the year ahead should one of our members so apply. **Julie Webb** has taken leave for at least a year due to family and study commitments, and was heartily thanked by all for her contribution and willingness to stay on in a voluntary role to oversee DNA membership applications.

The one item of general business raised was that despite Covid-19 restrictions FF House remains open on Wednesdays and Thursdays until the Christmas break on 10 December. In closing the meeting President Jon thanked director Warren O'Shea for his fine Zoom arrangements for the day.

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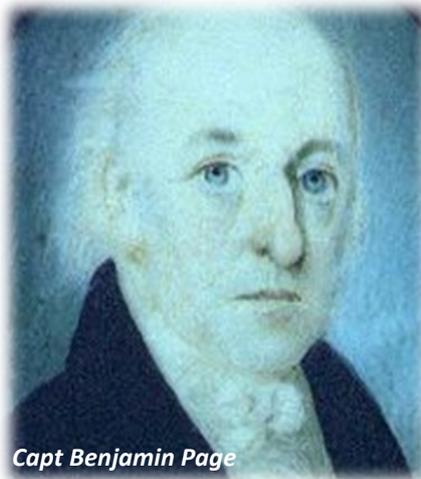
SEA TRADE BRINGS A SOULE TO AUSTRALIA

In an edited extract from *Southern Compass*, the first newsletter of the newly formed *Australian Society of Mayflower descendants*, **Martin Lawrence** shares his story of **Benjamin Page**, the six times grandson of his Pilgrim ancestor, **George Soule**. It is with Benjamin that the Soules' Australian connection begins.

Benjamin Page, Naval Officer and Ship's Captain

Benjamin Page was born on 22 March 1753 at Providence, Rhode Island. Benjamin played a significant role in the destruction of the *Gaspee*, a customs vessel. This event, on 09 June 1772, some 18 months prior to the Boston Tea Party, is still annually remembered in Providence, with week-long celebrations. During the Revolutionary War, Benjamin was first a Lieutenant on a number of ships, and later the Commander of the *Regulator*, an armed sloop of 24 guns.

Benjamin was Captain of trading ships sailing out of Providence. Prior to the Revolutionary War, this included voyages to Surinam and the West Indies, and subsequent to the Revolutionary War several voyages to each of the West Indies and Europe (the most distant location was Saint Petersburg).



Capt Benjamin Page

From 1790, Benjamin's trading voyages focused on trade between Providence, Rhode Island, and the East. The first such voyage was on the ship *Hope*, to Bombay, India, lasting from 21 Jan 1790 to 06 Jul 1791.

Following this, Benjamin undertook four trading voyages to Canton from 1793 to 1799. Three, on the ships *Hope*, *Halycon* and *Ann & Hope*, stopped in Sydney Cove Australia. The ship's visits to Sydney are documented in the press of the 1790s and various historical records. The highlights below give an insight into sea trade and life in the young Australian colony.

Voyage 1: Ship 'Hope' at Sydney Cove, 1792

Hope arrived in Sydney Cove on 24 Dec 1792 and stayed 17 days. In December 1792, the Colony's Judge Advocate and Secretary, **David Collins**, reported:

"there anchored in the cove an American ship, the Hope, commanded by a Mr. Benjamin Page, from Rhode Island, with a small cargo of provisions and spirits for sale. The cause of his putting into this harbour, the master declared, was for the purpose of procuring wood and water." "This ship had touched at the Falkland Islands for the purpose of

collecting skins from the different vessels employed in the seal trade from the United States of America, with which she was to proceed to the China market." The colony purchased cured beef, port, flour. Notably, "seven thousand five hundred and ninety-seven gallons of (new American) spirits at four shillings and sixpence per gallon, were purchased".

In the early days of Sydney Cove, there was largely a barter economy with rum being the mainstay of the system.

Governor Philip had had to leave the Colony due to ill-health, and the Deputy Governor **Francis Grose** took command. Grose's first letter back to England (in January 1793) reported firstly the departure of Governor Phillip and secondly the visit of the *Hope*. He first addressed the visit in general and then wrote a long paragraph regarding the large purchase of spirits that was made, starting with: *"I lamented on this occasion being obliged to purchase his spirits, without which he would not agree to the disposal of his provisions."*

Voyage 2: Ship *Halcyon* at Sydney Cove, 1794

Halcyon arrived 14 Jun 1794, staying 24 days. Collins reported: *"arrived in the harbour the Halcyon, a ship from Rhode Island, commanded by Mr. Benjamin Page, who was here in the ship Hope at the close of the year 1792, and who had ventured here again with a cargo of provisions and spirits on speculation."*

"The ship he built himself at Providence, after his return from China in the Hope."

"The whole of the spirits were purchased by the officers of the settlement and of the garrison at the rate of six shillings per gallon; and afforded, together with what had been received from Batavia by the Britannia, a large and comfortable supply of that article for a considerable time." Grose had been frequently corresponding with Britain regarding the spirits purchased in late 1792 from Capt. Benjamin Page of the *Hope*. Coincidentally, he sent his latest letter on the subject with Capt. Benjamin Page of the *Halcyon*.

On the passage from Sydney Cove to Canton, Benjamin Page discovered a new "Spice Island" and claimed it for the United States.

Voyage 3: Ship *Ann and Hope* at Botany Bay, 1798

Ann and Hope arrived 20 Oct 1798, staying just 3 days. There are three journals/logbooks of this voyage still extant, including one by Benjamin Page, junior, son of the ship's captain. Thus, there is a wealth of interesting detail known about this voyage.

Collins reported: *"On the 20th, an American ship, the Ann and Hope, anchored in Botany Bay, unfavourable winds having prevented her getting up so far as Port Jackson. As the master only wanted a little wood and water, three days were sufficient to procure them; and at the end of that period he sailed for China." (continued on page 9)*

ZACHARIAH CLARK ~ 'OF WHOM THE LESS SAID THE BETTER' ~Pt 2

John Martin explains what happened when Zachariah Clark came back to Norfolk Island to continue his duties after home leave in England.

In 1802 Zachariah returned to Norfolk Island. He travelled on the *Coromandel* which left England in February 1802. Other passengers included a party of non-conformist free settlers from the Scottish borders, as well as his daughter Ann. They arrived at Port Jackson in June and Zachariah and Ann set off for Norfolk Island in August. He resumed his duties in October, but only lived another two years. As reported by the Sydney Gazette:

Mr Zachariah Clark, Deputy Commissary, departed this life on the 5th of December [1804] after a short illness.

His daughter Ann had meanwhile married the Deputy Judge-Advocate of Norfolk Island, **Thomas Hibbins**, and when the Norfolk Island settlement was disbanded a few years later, they were moved to Hobart, eventually settling in New Norfolk. Thomas Hibbins in turn did not live long, dying in 1816.

Zachariah's widow **Hannah Clark** died in 1819. Her will shows that she was living at 3 Avery Farm Row, and left that property in trust for her other daughter, Hannah Highfield. Records show that the property passed from **Benjamin Tolley** to Ann Clark about 1800 but after a few years it was Ann's mother who was paying the rates and the insurance. There were at times an "Everingham" in residence and a "Miss Tolley" living next door, both names connected with Hannah's family.

Did Ann get anything in return? Thomas Hibbins's will (1816) contains this bequest:

I give devise and bequeath unto Ann Hibbins my wife her own mother's lawful property claim I have before in charge in the district of New Norfolk ... that is a farm containing thirty acres or more or less and the grant thereof when it can be procured ...

It seems then that Ann, knowing that she would not be returning to England, transferred the Pimlico property she had inherited to her mother Hannah, who in turn was able to organise some property for her daughter in far off Van Diemen's Land.

Hannah's will also distributed gifts to friends and family. They included "my three volumes of Dr John Gill's Doctrinal Divinity" and "all my Evangelical Magazines". A friend received "my stuffed birds and cases that came from New South Wales" and a young relative received "my two drawings of Norfolk Island."

Other members of this family also died in the first decades of the nineteenth century. Their wills consistently

include relatives as executors, witnesses and beneficiaries. A few decades earlier they had all turned up as witnesses to each others' weddings.

All of this leaves the strong impression that Zachariah Clark was a member of an extended but close-knit family with deep non-conformist roots and values, that he was a hard-working man, a member of an important London livery company, and someone to whom others would happily entrust responsibilities, including the care of a favourite pet dog.

Which makes those slurs quoted at the beginning of this article all the more uncharacteristic:

Zachariah Clark, of whom the less said the better.

These sorts of comments are based solely on the events precipitated by Zachariah's return to Norfolk Island in 1802. He found a new man in charge, Joseph Foveaux, who did not welcome his return. As Zachariah later wrote:

Upon my arrival here I re-entered upon that duty on the 1st October 1802 but found on delivering Government Dispatches which I received from Governor King for the Lieutenant Governor here **Major Joseph Foveaux** that my arrival was by no means agreeable to him ...

The first experience I had of the Lieutenant Governor's antipathy toward me was his refusing me a participation in some trifling indulgences by him as well as his predecessors in office allowed to the officers here and which at that time and at this day is enjoyed by that storekeeper (now supplying my place), such as a little milk for tea from Government cows, firewood etc which he peremptorily refused to me and which as not being strictly matter of right I tacitly submitted to, but the most marked exclusion of me from every privilege annexed to my station as a Civil Officer was the Lieutenant Governor's refusal to me of my proportion of a pipe of wine sent here from Port Jackson to be distributed rateably amongst the Officers, Civil and Military, to be paid for at a certain price consigned to me by the Commissary General, but which I was denied the smallest share of by special orders from Major Foveaux withal desiring in much anger that in future I would not presume the Liberty of asking any favours (for such it seems he deemed my equitable participation in this wine). And upon my presenting to him the Commissary General's orders to me – respecting the distribution thereof – he replied that he was not to be dictated to and that the Commissary's orders were nothing to him at the same time observing in a vehement angry manner that he had no acquaintance with me ...



Lieut. Gov. Joseph Foveaux
(source: Pocket Oz, Sydney)

Zachariah took this treatment to be Foveaux's way of ensuring that **William Broughton**, who had stood in for Zachariah during his period of leave, should remain in the position.

When Zachariah stubbornly continued in his role, Foveaux dropped his bombshell. He had Zachariah charged with incest with his own daughter. Zachariah was suspended from duty, depositions from witnesses were taken, a trial was held, he was found guilty of a misdemeanour and sentence was pronounced – a fine of 40 pounds, and imprisonment for one year. Foveaux decreed that the imprisonment should not be in the main settlement, but take the form of confinement at Cascades, a remote location on the island.

The quality of the evidence produced to substantiate this charge can be judged from these excerpts from the depositions taken:

Robert Jones, Head Constable, Gaoler and Superintendent: "In consequence of an order from the Lieutenant Governor soon after Mr Clark's arrival to see if I could discover any thing that was going on amiss between him and his daughter; last Thursday night about half after eight o'clock I ordered Kimberley to go to Mr Clark's window to look thro' a crack which is in the shutter. While he was there I ordered Marsh to go to the other window that looks into the bedroom and endeavour to force the top of it open so that I could see thro' it which he did ..."

Henry Marsh, Constable: "On Thursday night last by an order from Robert Jones I was sent to the outside of Mr Zachariah Clark's House to try if I could discover the actions between Mr Clark and his Daughter, or see anything of it – by straining the Shutter back a little and putting something between to keep it a little way open I could see clearly into Mr Clark's bedroom ..."

Edward Kimberley, Head Constable of the Night Watch: "About a month or five weeks ago Robert Jones came to me and desired me to go with him with a pair of steps for the purpose of getting up to the hole in Mr Clark's window in the first house he went to reside in after his arrival to see what passed between Mr Clark and his daughter ..."

Francis Flaxmore, Constable: "Last Saturday night near the hour of ten Edward Kimberley ... told me to go to Mr Clark's front door and there to try if I could hear any kind of whispering or talking ..."

Foveaux laid the charge, Foveaux was present at the taking of depositions, those presenting the evidence laid the ultimate responsibility for their actions with Foveaux, Fo-

veaux conducted the trial and Foveaux determined the place of imprisonment. Even in those days, this process did not pass the pub test. **Captain Ralph Wilson**, a member of the Court, declared "that he would not convict a dog upon such evidence, much less a fellow creature and a gentleman". He "considered the prosecution as originating in malice and the evidences mere tools, selected by intimidation or promise of reward for the purpose ..." and he later wrote: "On the whole ... I look on the entire prosecution against Clark, a total stranger to me, the work of corruption and not justice."

Even after Zachariah had served his year's exile, he was not re-instated. After he died, it was put about that death had been caused by heavy drinking.

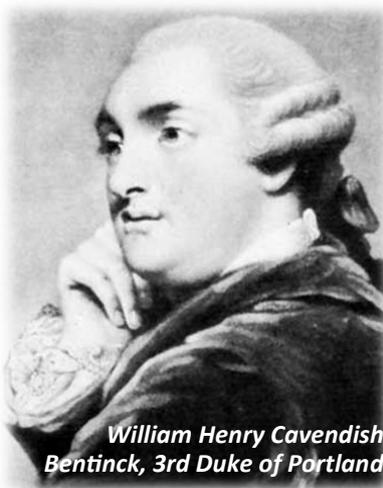
So why did Foveaux behave in this manner? Had incest actually taken place in such an overt manner that Foveaux felt compelled to act? The outrageous nature of the depositions and the apparent incentives to let ribald imaginations run riot strongly suggest otherwise, as does Zachariah's protest:

to bring such an accusation unnatural in itself, exciting horror in the human Breast, against a Man of my unimpeached Character, 60 years old, when even in ordinary connections of this nature the mere Man feels a frozen debility, must be something more than credulity will sanction, yet so it is ...

Were Foveaux's actions aimed merely at keeping William Broughton in the job, as Zachariah thought? If so, then Foveaux certainly used excessive measures. Any headmaster dealing with teachers returning from leave has ways of convincing them that their inspirational teaching will change the lives of the Remedial Woodwork class, rather than the Senior Mathematics class they were expecting, but a charge of incest is not generally one of them.

The reason for Foveaux's actions may more plausibly lie in the political climate of the time. It was a time of revolution –

the American Revolution, which had indirectly brought about the need to transport convicts to Botany Bay and, more recently, the French Revolution. Foveaux himself had recently had to take decisive action to discourage a planned uprising by Irish political prisoners on Norfolk Island, by hanging the two ringleaders without trial. He reported this to the **Duke of Portland** in 1801, adding "nor do I see, considering circumstances, how I could have acted otherwise and have laid the foundation of future peace and tranquillity." He then pointed out that the situation of Norfolk Island was exceptional and that sometimes measures needed to be taken which were not strictly legal:



William Henry Cavendish Bentinck, 3rd Duke of Portland

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... the nature of this place is so widely different from any other part of the World ... Your Grace will, I am persuaded, allow that different examples, however vigorous, if not exactly conformable to Law, are in some occasions indispensably necessary; At all events you will I trust give me the credit of acting for the best.

A prominent figure in this climate was **Thomas Paine**, an American political activist who had been born in England to a Quaker family. His pamphlet *Common Sense* had encouraged popular support for American independence from Britain. In the early 1790s while living in England he wrote *The Rights of Man* which supported the French Revolution and the right of people to overthrow their government. The British government suppressed the work, and Paine, who had meanwhile fled to France, was tried in absentia and found guilty of seditious libel. A Scotsman, **Thomas Muir**, was found guilty of charges which included circulating a copy of *The Rights of Man* and was sentenced to 14 years transportation to New South Wales. Publishers of the work were arrested and imprisoned.

One of Paine's strongest supporters was **Thomas Clio Rickman**. Paine was lodging in Rickman's house in 1791 and 1792 while he wrote the second part of *The Rights of Man*. Rickman shared Paine's liberal ideas, wrote Paine's biography, and named his own children Paine, Washington, Franklin, Rousseau, and so on. When *The Rights of Man* was banned he dashed off the following *Impromptu*:

Hail, Briton's land! Hail, freedom's shore!
Far happier than of old;
For in thy blessed realms no more
The Rights of Man are sold!

Rickman had earlier written the poem *The Fallen Cottage*

to which Zachariah Clark had subscribed, for four copies!

Perhaps that was all it took. Perhaps Foveaux received some gossip from England warning him that he was about to see

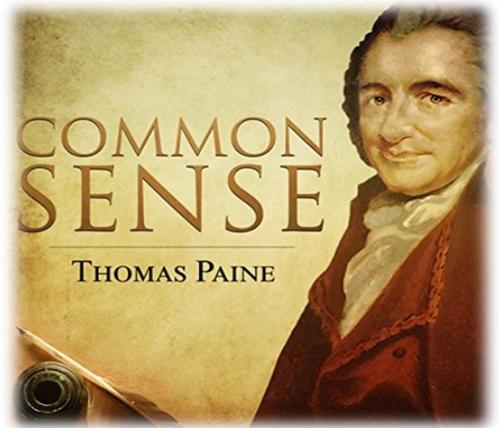
the return of the Deputy Commissary, a known dissenter and who was part of the Rickman-Paine circle. Perhaps Foveaux considered Zachariah a potential threat to the tenuous "peace and tranquillity" of Norfolk Island. Perhaps he viewed him, as he later viewed **Samuel Marsden**, as one of those "deep designing men, whose delight it is to sow the seeds of discord and insubordination." A new arrival from revolutionary Europe, potentially with dangerous ideas, would need to be discredited or removed. In the case of Zachariah Clark, Foveaux achieved both.

Let Zachariah have the last word:

The station of my persecutor puts it out of my power to arraign him in legal form for his Conspiracy against me, but I arraign him at the Bar of Eternal Justice!

John Martin kallangur@gmail.com June 2020

Editor's Note: An extensive annotated reference list has been provided by the author, and will be found at the end of the article as it appears on our website, under SHIPS - ALEXANDER -ZACHARIAH CLARK



FROM GOVERNOR JOHN HUNTER'S DRAWING ROOM

This painting of **Carrigaline Castle, Cork**, on the Melbourne art market in 1924 and 1932, was then advertised as the work of the famed artist **JMW Turner**. It will soon be for sale by the present owners who have kept it in the family for several years despite many purchase offers.

The family was told that **Captain Hunter** had brought it with him on *HMS Sirius* in 1788 so approached *Founders* for information on its likely provenance. We have done our research and now feel that it was more likely brought out in 1795 either on *HMS Reliance* or *HMS Supply* when Hunter returned to take up his appointment as Governor.

Hunter was a bachelor, but brought out his niece **Eliza Kent** to be his vice-regal hostess to assist with his official duties. Eliza's husband **William** captained *Supply* on the voyage and was often away on duty at sea over the next few years. With Eliza living at Government House we suspect that the painting came with the family's personal effects to adorn the wall of the official residence.

If you are interested in the painting, its historic significance, artist and any other details, why not go to the website www.captainjohnhunterpainting.com to find out more. Thank you **Leonie Thomas** (leonie121@icloud.com) and **Greg Thomas** (gregthomas1@gmail.com) for bringing this to our notice.



EDWARD MILES ~ FIRST FLEETER C1761-1838 Part 1

This is a tribute to an ancestor, who survived the trip with the First Fleet, carved out a farming and family life in the new colony and who, although unable to write his own name, has handed down his surname to a descendant who established Australia's most famous literary award.

Edward's surname: Edward's surname is 'Moyle' in all but one of his English transportation records. For his life in the colony, 'Moyle' disappears and the spelling 'Miles' is the one most used. Comparing British and NSW records, there is enough matching information on his trial, sentence and/or ship to prove they are all the same person.

Edward's possible birth year and parentage: Edward's most likely birth year can be calculated from his age as given in his imprisonment record (24 in 1785) and a census (67 in 1828), both of which point to a birth year of 1760 or 1761. Possible parents of our Edward are therefore thought to be **Richard and Charity Moyle** (née Prisk) whose son was baptised on 23 November 1760 in Wendron, Cornwall

Edward's crime and sentence: On 19 March 1785 at the Spring Assizes held in Launceston, Cornwall, Edward Moyle (possibly from Wendron) and his accomplice **John Rowe** (from Lanivet) stood before **Sir Beaumont Hotham**, Baron of the Court of Exchequer. They were charged with 'feloniously breaking and entering the [dwelling house] of **Benjamin Barrett** about 11 in the forenoon no person being therein and stealing thereout two cloth coats val. 50s, and other goods val. 17s.8d. his property... Guilty of stealing the goods not guilty of breaking and entering the house in the day'.... Their sentence was seven years' transportation and while awaiting this fate, incarceration in the grim gaol in the grounds of old Launceston Castle would have been a terrifying time for the young men.

Edward's transportation: From Launceston Castle, Edward Moyle and John Rowe as well as John's brother **William**, (who had been charged with a separate crime on the same day's Launceston sitting), were all taken in 1786, for imprisonment in yet another notorious place, the *Dunkirk* hulk - a ship moored in Plymouth Harbour. On

11 March 1787, they were transferred to the *Charlotte*, which along with the *Friendship*, made its way to Portsmouth to join other ships waiting for the voyage to Botany Bay. They arrived at Portsmouth on 17 March, then some time over the next few weeks while waiting there with all the assembling First Fleet ships, they were transferred to the *Scarborough* leaving on 13 May 1787 to sail to their new life.

We have no record of Edward's own experiences on that journey but do have a small insight into the personality of the master of his ship. **John Marshall** was described by **Elizabeth Macarthur**, as 'a plain honest man... a very humane man' when she and her husband travelled on the *Scarborough* two years later on its return journey, with its same master, on the Second Fleet.

Edward in the early colony: After his arrival in Sydney Cove in January 1788, Edward's Cornish surname disappears from written documents. It is assumed this initially arose through mis-hearings of his accent by clerks who recorded his name in colony documents.

On 25 November 1788, 'Edward Miles, labourer' was called to give evidence in the trial of a seaman accused of speaking insolently to a superior, the carpenter of the *Supply*, on a job at the 'saw-pits'. Edward, who revealed that at the time of the alleged incident he was living at 'the Stone Quarry' claimed he did not know the accused 'other than having done a little job for him'.

Edward's next mention in early colonial documents was in February 1790, when he, himself, was the accused – accused of stealing vegetables from **Captain Johnston's** farm garden. Edward claimed that he was gathering cockles at the time and was not in the garden. The case was discharged for want of proof.

First land grant at Prospect Hill: Soon however, gathering cockles at the water's edge would be replaced by farming at Prospect, some miles from the sea. Edward was possibly working his land grant as early as 1792, the year his seven-year sentence expired, although he was not officially notified of it till 1 May 1797. Miles, being single, received a 30-acre block, 'Portion 30' at Prospect Hill. On a modern map, it runs along the middle section of the western side of Clunies Ross St, Prospect, at about the site of 'Austral Masonry'. His friend John Rowe, now with a wife and child, received 60 acres, next door, at Portion 28.

Despite, by 1802, producing five acres of wheat and four acres of maize, and being 'off-stores') he had no stock, and the dream of land proved to be difficult for Edward. That same year he mortgaged then sold off his block in two equal parts – one to his friend John Rowe. Interestingly, as late as 1826, a later owner's deed was still referring to this land under the name of the original grantee... 'Miles' farm'.

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Launceston Castle, Cornwall

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Marriage and family: On 31 October 1803, at St John's Parramatta, Edward married **Susannah Smith** who had arrived on the convict ship the *Glutton*, seven months earlier. The marriage was by banns and performed by the **Rev Samuel Marsden**. Edward signed with his mark and Susannah signed her name. On 12 August 1804, the baptism of their first daughter, **Susannah**, by the same minister is recorded in the registers of the same church. Susannah had been born on 21 July 1804 at Prospect Hill and they were also later to welcome **Martha** on 4 February 1807 at Prospect and **Elizabeth** on 3 March 1810 at the Cowpastures.

Moving and working around: After the sale of his land, a further blow came in 1804, after Edward's marriage, when writs were ordered against him and he had to work off the debt by labouring. The detail is not clear, however it appears that in the next few years he and Susannah were moving around and working on various properties. Records suggest that at least Susannah was in Prospect in 1804 (daughter Susannah's birth); that they were both in Parramatta in 1806 (muster record revealing a servant, **Catherine Sully** for Edward with Susannah recorded as a washerwoman, the couple possibly renting a farm; on the Hawkesbury by the end of 1806 (his name appearing in a list of settlers); Susannah at least in Prospect again by early 1807 (birth of daughter Martha); the family somewhere where Edward could walk to the Cowpastures in 1809 where Edward was living away, working for **Robert Campbell** (revealed by Edward's petition); and the family probably all at the Cowpastures in 1810 (birth of daughter Elizabeth).

Second land grant on Prospect Creek: At the time he was working for Mr Campbell, Edward experienced a short false hope of a second land grant. During the period between **Governors Bligh** and **Macquarie**, when the colony was under the control of military lieutenant governors, 297 grants of land were made. Edward Miles received 70 acres on Prospect Creek. On a modern map, the long narrow block is in the suburb of Smithfield. It stretched from Prospect Creek, through what is now Tait Street Park, almost up to the Sydney Water Supply pipeline. The grant was dated 24 October 1809, with a notice in the *Sydney Gazette* of 16 December 1809 that Edward's, among some others, was ready to be collected. However, Macquarie arrived very soon afterwards and on 4 January 1810 cancelled all the orders that had been made by the military leaders.

Edward petitioned Macquarie for a re-grant of this land, on the grounds that he was at work for 'Robt. Campbell Esq. at the Cowpastures, and did not hear of your Excellency's order for the Deeds to be returned until he came home a few days ago'... that he 'has a wife and two Children, and his Wife now pregnant, which was the reason for his going to work for Mr. Campbell, in order to have a little beforehand to begin Clearing his Farm...' A clerk has

written the petition. It appears to have Edward's mark, right near the handwriting of Macquarie refusing his request on the grounds that the petitioner had 'recd Lands in another Part of the country'.

While many of the cancelled grants were re-granted later, Edward's was not among these. His was surrendered on 12 February 1810, the family must have moved to where Edward was working and Elizabeth, their third daughter, was born there at the Cowpastures three weeks later.

Third land grant at Airds: Although Macquarie had been the one to take away the second land grant, it was a later proclamation by this progressive governor that led to the family's luck changing. In 1810, Macquarie created both a new town of Liverpool and a new district, Airds. **James Meehan**, of *Macquarie Field* at Lower Minto, was tasked with surveying the new district. (In more modern times, the old locality names 'Minto' and 'Airds' have been given to local suburbs).

Meehan began his surveying job at Airds on 7 March 1811, one block being 60 acres for one Edward Miles. Edward and family were possibly on this land from this time even though it was not officially granted till 20 June 1816. The block had as its eastern boundary, Bow Bowing Creek. The 1850s historic milestone in the southern corner of Ben Lomond and Campbelltown Roads is on part of Edward's block.

Interestingly, some maps of this block spell the name of the original grantee as 'Myles'.

1811-1823 Family and community: Susannah's Certificate of Freedom became official in February 1811. Another happy event followed in the next year with the baptisms of Martha and Elizabeth, both baptised by **Rev Cartwright** on 1 November 1812 and recorded in the registers of St Luke's Liverpool (although the actual church was not built for several years afterwards.)

Edward must have felt proud when being included in a document (1 July 1813) listing 80 settlers from the districts of Minto, Airds and Appin who had subscribed varying amounts to a fund to build a courthouse in Sydney. Two examples - Edward Miles of Airds, who gave £2 and his near neighbour **Dr William Redfern** of *Campbellfield* [now in modern Minto] who gave £21.0.0.

Edward had become respected in his community. In 1817, **William Roberts**, a road-builder responsible for roads and bridges in Sydney, Liverpool, Airds, Minto, Bringelly, Parramatta and Windsor areas had a case of extortion brought against him. As his principal bridge makers were away on government contracts, he needed someone to give evidence on his behalf... 'Edwd Miles is in Sydney who can prove the extortion intended on the part of Manning...'

This article by descendant and FF member: #2732 Margaret Francis will conclude in the next issue of Founders.

END OF AN ERA



It is said that all good things must come to end and so it was to be for the Southern Highlands Chapter after 16 outstanding years. Sadly and regrettably we were not able to form a Committee at our AGM on the 14th October. The current Committee members retired with great despondency – we had hoped that others would step forward at the 2019 AGM but not to be so. We felt that we couldn't continue to be re-elected without contest year after year doing a job because others were not able to as we too had our difficulties. We all valued the Chapter, the fellowship and friendships, the many happy times but circumstances change and so for many reasons we had to call it a day. Covid-19 didn't cause the Chapter to close but it did cause the cessation of the wonderful programme we had planned for the year.

We have so much to look back upon – 93 meetings, numerous outings and events, community involvement through displays in the Berrima Museum, Harper's Mansion, The Foyer Gallery in the Wingecarribee Shire Council Chambers, Anzac Day Services, Australia Day in Berrima and our outstandingly successful convict bonnet project *Stitched with Love* displayed not only here in the Highlands but also at The Courthouse Museum in Batemans Bay. We have had contact with over 150 descendants of First Fleeters living here in the Highlands. We have mourned the passing of our members.

We are incredibly grateful to members of the Board over the years for their support, encouragement and collegiality as well as our members who have been on our committee and supported the Chapter in many ways. Many friendships have formed since 2004. We hope that sometime in the future younger members will emerge and that the Chapter will be re-formed. WS



*The Caretaker Committee until our Chapter Affairs are finalised.
Rob & Gwen Herbert, Wendy Selman, Pamela Cormick, Ted Westwood & Rob Davis.*

(from page 3) SOULES to AUSTRALIA

The journals include long accounts of this few days spent in Sydney. While the ship was in Botany Bay, several Aborigines came in canoes to the ship and some bartering took place. The journals provide descriptions of the native people, the flora and fauna, and translations for some Aboriginal words and phrases. There is also a description of Sydney, which at this time had a population of 1217.

There is a description of a battle they witnessed between two groups of Aborigines, which resulted in several being speared. "**Benelong** [*sic*], a native of enlarged mind and who had been to England and dined with the first noble men of England" was one of those speared. "*The Europeans at Sydney are almost as much in the dark now as they*

were 10 years ago with respect to the cause of these fights. The natives are cautious of explaining themselves and will even deny there is to be a battle on the day they prepare themselves for it."

Here I cannot resist mentioning that on the journey home, the *Ann and Hope* was attacked by a privateer. The *Ann and Hope*, which mounted 12 nine-pound cannons, drove off the privateer. ML

Editor's Note: The permanent move to Australia for part of the Mayflower Soule family came in 1853 with the arrival of Benjamin's grandson, **William**, a 'Gentleman', aged 22, aiming to make his fortune on the goldfields.

Readers may like to browse in ***Southern Compass***, the society's newsletter for more of this and other stories.

BOOK REVIEW: THE CHURCHYARD ON THE HILL: ST ANNE'S AT RYDE, NSW

Our members, as family historians, have long developed the art of tracking down long lost forebears by wandering, family list in hand, through churchyards large and small in their quest. Country churches, often those with a long history, may have helpfully provided an illustrated sheet or small brochure to assist the visitor in the search.

This new book, published by Ryde District Historical Society, and written by FF members #3253/.1 **Kevin Shaw** and **Janice Eastment**, is not that sort of aid.

It is a beautifully presented volume of 450 pages, enhanced with new coloured plates from the authors and archival prints from historic sources. In producing the volume the Society hoped to make earlier information now locked away in major reference libraries readily available to the general public.

The book begins with a historical overview of the church itself and also the cemetery where 1608 people were buried, according to the register, from 1826 to 1914 when it closed. Movements of headstones due to extensions to St Anne's and landscaping in the 1950s are listed. There is then a chapter of biographies relating to the 27 headstones moved to Field of Mars cemetery for road widening in 1952.

The main part of the book, over 300 pages, records headstone inscriptions and biographies of the 279 burials

based on the 1966 transcription team led by founding Society member **Eve Trevitt**. **Julie Dawson's** biographies based on the 1948 Mutch transcriptions have been re-written by the present authors to take in information now available in the Trove collection from the National Library.

There are some additional biographies relating to burial sites unrecorded earlier, three pages of bibliography, a full alphabetical listing of the burial register and a complete index.

The book concludes with an excellent back-page map compiled by **George Elliott** in 2006, perfect to have in hand as you walk the cemetery.

There are seven First Fleeters known to be buried in the churchyard or at Field of Mars, five of them with dedicated Fellowship plaques: **James Bradley, Edward Goodin, Joseph Hatton, Richard Hawkes, Betty Jackson (Mason), John Small** and **Ann Smith (Colpitts)**.

But don't stop there. Find and read about Second and Third Fleeters, Premiers and their wives, surveyors, architects and ordinary folk whose stories make fascinating reading.

This is a book for browsing, re-living the past and taking with you for historical venturing. Congratulations, Kevin and Janice on an excellent publication and no doubt a labour of love in honour of a First Fleeter or two! **(WJF)**
Available (\$50 posted) from Kevin Shaw (0426 882 441)

**The Churchyard on the Hill:
St Anne's at Ryde, NSW**



Kevin Shaw & Janice Eastment

CHAPTER OFFICE BEARERS 2020-2021

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OUR CHAPTERS IN ACTION

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

Venue: usually at Albury Library/Museum, Kiewa St. Albury, monthly meetings, third Saturday at 10:00 for 10.30 am. **Next Meeting:** 20 February: Speaker *TBA*. **Next Event:** **Contact:** Mary Chalmers-Borella 6025 3283

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:** 18 December: John Blair, *Governor Phillip's Walk at Parramatta*; 19 February: Ian Burnet, *The Tasman Map*. **Next Events:** 18 December, following the meeting: Christmas Party. **Contact:** Judith O'Shea 9797 0240

BOTANY BAY - Southern Sydney, from Cooks River to Waterfall and west to Liverpool

Venue: Our Lady of Fatima Church, 825 Forest Rd, Peakhurst. Bi-monthly on third Tuesday 10.30am. **Next Meetings:** 16 February: 2nd Anniversary Celebrations, at Peakhurst. **Next Event:** 8 December: 10.30 Morning Tea and Social gathering, at Peakhurst; 19 January: Australia Day Outing *TBA*. **Contact:** Carol Macklin 0415376434

CANBERRA – ACT, Queanbeyan and surrounds.

Venue: Various locations in Canberra. . **Next Meeting:** There will be a Christmas Barbecue on 6 December at 7 Portus Place Bruce.– for further details ... **Contact:** Toni Pike 041 041 2778

CENTRAL COAST – From Lake Macquarie to Broken Bay, highlands to coast.

Venue: Point Clare Community Hall, – meet monthly, second Saturday at 10 am for 10.30. **Next Meeting:** 13 February: Karys Fearon, *Anthony Rope and Elizabeth Pulley*. **Next Event:** 12 December: Christmas BYO Barbecue, at Woodbury's Inn Park, Wyong. **Contact:** Jon Fearon 43116254

DERWENT - Southern Tasmania

Venue: Bi-monthly, 11am, first Saturday at Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania, Sandy Bay. **Next Meeting:** 5 February: Speaker *TBA*. **Event:** 5 December: Christmas BBQ, *Venue TBA*. **Contact:** Paul Dobber 0401566080

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:** 6 February: *TBA*. **Next Event:** 5 December: **Cancelled**. **Contact:** Jennifer Follers 97991161

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

Venue: Windsor Library, Penrith Library and Springwood. Presbyterian Church --Bi-monthly, third Saturday, 11 am. **Next Meeting:** 20 February, at Windsor: *TBA*. **Next Event:** 19 December: Christmas Morning Tea at *Ebenezer*. **Contact:** William Hempel 0410950101

HUNTER VALLEY – Hunter Region, Newcastle and surrounds.

Venue: Teralba Community Hall Supper Room, 15 Anzac Pde Teralba – bi-monthly meetings, usually third Monday from 10am – 12.30pm. **Next Meetings:** **Next Event:** 7 December: 11.45 am, Christmas Function at The Blackbutt Hotel, New Lambton, \$25 pp. **Contact:** Kerry Neinert 49615083

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:** **Next Events:** Small group social gatherings by postcode areas for morning tea or picnic. **Contact:** Heather Bath 0427018566

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, *TBA* **Next Events:** 12 December: 11.30am Christmas Function at Alderley Arms Hotel; 26 January: Australia Day Function at Alderley Arms Hotel. **Contact:** Robin McCarthy 0412305501

NORTH COAST – Nambucca Heads, Dorrigo, Boambee to McLean.

Venue: Either at various halls or at members' homes, Bi-monthly, usually first Sunday at 10.30am. **Next Meeting:** 7 February at Mylestom Hall, *TBA*. **Next Event:** Saturday 5 December: 11.45am Christmas Party at Golden Dog Hotel, Glenreagh, then Afternoon Tea at Bass's, Nana Glen. **Contact:** Robyn Condliffe 66533615

NORTHERN RIVERS – Lismore and surrounds.

Venue: Ballina Cherry Street Sports and Bowling Club - bi-monthly meetings, fourth Sunday at 11.30am followed by lunch; **Next Meeting:** 26 January, Australia Day gathering. **Contact:** Roddy Jordan 6687 5339

NORTH WEST – Tamworth and surrounds.

Venue: Various locations – bi-monthly meetings, usually first Saturday at 1.30pm **Next Meetings:** (in Family History Rooms) . **Next Events:** 5 December, 12 noon: BYO Lunch at First Fleet Garden, Wallabadah. **Contact:** Janet McLean 0438465529

SOUTH COAST – Engadine to Burrill Lake.

Venue: Scribbly Gum Room, Ribbonwood Centre, 93-109 Princes Highway, Dapto – monthly except. Jan, May and Dec. – first Tuesday at 10am - 1pm. **Next Meetings:** **Next Events:** **Contact:** Rob Ratcliffe 42321842

SWAN RIVER – Perth, Fremantle and surrounds.

Venue: 16 Inwood Place Murdoch, bi-monthly, usually first Saturday, at 2pm. **Next Meetings:** 5 December: *TBA*. **Next Event:** **Contact:** Toni Mahony 0892717630

PLEASE NOTE: Some of the events on this page may be deferred or cancelled. Please check with your committee contacts for the latest news.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Closing date for this page for the next issue is 25 January 2021

Karys Fearon, Chapter Liaison Officer

MORE CHAPTER NEWS



Mid North Coast Chapter has kindly offered to represent the Fellowship and man our table at the Family History Association's Annual Conference in September 2021 at Port Macquarie. This will be in conjunction with the bicentenary of the founding of Port Macquarie.



A **Chapter for Melbourne** is coming soon. The volunteer committee has called a meeting for 11 am on 6 February at St George's Anglican Hall, Warnclyffe Rd at East Ivanhoe. If restrictions return and the meeting is deferred, check with #6792 Pamela Cristiano on 0409583559, or #8828 Leanne King on 0412330180.



In response to our President's comments in Issue 51.2 came the following motion: 'that **Swan River Chapter** deplores the defacing of statues, memorials and plaques and strongly supports their preservation and protection from any form of vandalism'; seconded and carried unanimously by those in attendance.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS **DEATHS**

Ordinary and Pensioner Members
JAMES WILLIAMS
 #9077 Michael Bennett Gardner
MATTHEW EVERINGHAM/PETER HIBBS
 #9078 Rodney Bruce Northey
JOHN RANDALL
 #9079 Athol John White
MICHAEL MURPHY
 #9080 Caroline Pamela Knaggs
JOHN McCARTHY/ANN BEARDSLEY
 #9081 Michele Ann Williams

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 #9082 Gerard Patrick Macauley
THOMAS BISHOP/MARY DAVIS/BISHOP
(Additional)
 #8467 Julie Bushell
Associate Members
 #9079.1 Margaret Mary White
Friends
 F206 Neil Fitzpatrick
 F207 Janette Alison Shephard

SAMUEL PIGGOT
5371 Raymond L Moss, late of Richmond Lodge Aged Care in Casino, New South Wales, died on 20.08.2020, aged 82. Raymond had been a keen member of the Fellowship for 32 years.
RICHARD MORGAN
#1827 Helen Maxine Almond Reddy, late of Los Angeles and earlier of Sydney and Norfolk Island, died on 29.09.2020, aged 78. Helen first joined the Fellowship in 1981 and was able to take occasional time out from her busy international musical career to attend Fellowship activities.
PETER HIBBS
#6110 Betty Lilian Warn, of Helensburgh, New South Wales, died on 22.11.2020, aged 89. Betty was an esteemed and long term member of the Fellowship and a foundation member of South Coast Chapter. She served as a committee member and writer of historical articles for the chapter and other societies.



DISCLAIMER: Whilst every effort is made to check the accuracy of articles published in this Newsletter, the Fellowship accepts no responsibility for errors, and the views expressed are not necessarily those of the Fellowship.

 We have news of **two newly published books** which will no doubt be of interest to our members: The first is *A Concise History of New South Wales*, by **Professor John S Croucher**, specifically written to complement school syllabi. The second is *People of the River*, by **Professor Grace Karskens**, a historical study of the Hawkesbury-Nepean area and the colliding ancient cultures there of Aboriginal people and the settlers that followed. Reviews will be forthcoming as time and space allow.

 Please note that **Founders** now has its own **email address**. Send letters and articles to firstfleetfounders@iinet.net.au

 For your diary, First Fleet House will close on the afternoon of Wednesday, 9 December for the annual **Christmas holiday break**. It will re-open on Monday 18 January 2021, with volunteers back on duty that week and a Directors' meeting on 21 January. E-mails may be monitored during the break but not the House phone.

 Plans are under way for a **Sailing of the Fleet 234th Anniversary Luncheon** on 14 May 2021. Mark the date, but numbers may be limited if Covid-19 restrictions are still in place.

 As promised, some guidance in **referencing your articles**. The simplest way is to have a numbered list, at the end, of any books or sites you have used. Use single inverted commas if you have quoted from them verbatim, ideally with a superscript corresponding to the book's number in your list. You can see a fully referenced story on our FFF website SHIPS page. Go to the *Alexander* list and click on Zachariah Clark. It is annotated with biographical end notes.

 Members in Victoria, the Anglican hall at Ivanhoe East is booked for 11 am on 6 February to set up a **Melbourne-based Chapter**. Do plan to be there and support the organising team. Details, page 11



Norfolk Island History Lovers Tour for 2021 - 8 nights/9 Days self contained accommodation - Ex Sydney Friday 26 February - Saturday 6 March.
 Includes workshops, activities and tours, all with COVID Safe policies in place.
 Prepare with special history and research webinars in February 2021: *Step back in time - Shadows of the Past*.
 Discover your family's Norfolk island history - walk in the footsteps of your ancestors and lots more.
 For the information flyer and booking form, email Tour Operator **Cathy Dunn** at office@australianhistoryresearch.info
 Yes, that's right, there is no passport required for Australians to travel to Norfolk Island.

CHAPTER SECRETARIES

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