

FELLOWSHIP OF FIRST FLEETERS

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TO LIVE ON IN THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF DESCENDANTS IS NEVER TO DIE

Membership Application Information

The Fellowship is committed to assisting applicants completing their search for family-tree connections within the bounds of the resources we have collected over the years. These records, in many instances, enable us to successfully connect an application to existing family-trees and prove ancestry back to a first fleeter.

Where an applicant has a relative who has already proven their line and been accepted as a member of the Fellowship, the applicant need only provide 'certified' evidence of their relationship to that person. Often certification exists in our files verifying the ancestral line up to the Great-Grand Father/Mother. We would then suggest the applicant obtain the missing link/information, with the certificates/transcripts needed to fill in the gaps, to allow the application to proceed.

We accept '**Transcripts**' of all certificates provided that information shows the relationship to an existing member or past member. Transcripts are obtainable from the three **Accredited Transcription Agents** listed below. The use of transcription agents will reduce the cost of certificates considerably compared to the cost of full certificates from the Registrar of Births, Deaths & Marriages.

We have been advised that the Mitchell Library, National and State Archives, in accordance with the 'Privacy' and 'Copyright' legislation have refused to allow photocopying of Church and Cemetery baptisms, marriages, and deaths records. New copyright legislation (2005) also restricts access to our store of research material.

Applications quoting a page from a family history publication as evidence of their lineage to a certain family, are unacceptable as 'certified' evidence. Information obtained from Ancestry, also **cannot be accepted**. On-line Birth, Death & Marriage registrations, and printed family-tree charts with no corroborating certificates/transcripts are **unacceptable**. Often when a certificate/transcript is ordered to confirm this **family link** the disappointing result shows, **same name, but wrong ancestor**.

We would like to be able to welcome into the Fellowship the thousands of people who we know are descendants of First Fleeters. We know that research costs money and takes a considerable amount of time to unravel tangled ancestry but is a most rewarding journey.



Transcription Agents:

Joy Murrin Family History Services.

PO Box 278 OATLEY NSW 2223

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Membership – Categories and Requirements

There are several categories of membership available to folk who wish to join the Fellowship.

Ordinary, Pensioner, Student, and Junior memberships are available to those who can provide documentary proof of direct descent from one or more First Fleet ancestor. When applying for membership, each prospective member needs to complete an application form for each First Fleet ancestor claimed (**except where two First Fleeters were married**). A photocopy of the applicant's **FULL** Birth Certificate plus a photocopy of sufficient **FULL Certificates or Transcripts** (birth, death or marriage) is required to trace direct descent through each generation back to the First Fleeter to substantiate the claim.

Once a parent's membership has been approved, children need only supply an application form plus a photocopy of their own **FULL** Birth Certificate to be granted membership

Associate membership is available to someone closely related to an Ordinary Member but who does not have descent from a First Fleeter-such as a spouse, partner, step-child or adopted child. It is not necessary to complete a separate application form; it is sufficient to just insert this applicants full name at the bottom of the prospective member's application form and (if appropriate) supply a copy of the marriage, adoption or birth certificate.

Friend membership is available to anyone who is ineligible for Ordinary or Associate Membership in their own right. This includes people who have been unable to prove descent from a First Fleeter but have an interest in both the Fellowship and Australian history are eligible for Friend membership. **First Fleet Friend** should complete the appropriate application form, as available on the website.

When you have completed your Application Form and obtained copies of **all relevant certificates**, mail to:

**Membership Committee,
Fellowship of First Fleeters,
First Fleet House:105 Cathedral Street,
Woolloomooloo NSW 2011**

And please enclose the **One-Off Joining Fee of \$20.00*(see note below)**

**Note: If an Application for an Ordinary Member + Associate Member is submitted together, at the same time, then only one Joining Fee of \$20.00 is payable*

plus the appropriate ANNUAL Subscription Fee per Applicant (as noted below)

Category	ANNUAL Subscription as applicable
Ordinary Member	\$42.00
Associate Member	\$32.00
Pensioner Member (<i>supply card number</i>)	\$32.00
Full time Student Member	\$20.00
Junior Member (<i>under 18 years – supply date of birth</i>)	\$10 00
First Fleet Friend	\$32.00

PAYMENT MAY BE MADE BY CHEQUE OR CREDIT CARD

Our Newsletter, **Founders**, is emailed to Ordinary, Junior, Life and Associate Members and Friends, one copy to each email address provided. For those not on email their copy is posted, one per household.

Juniors and Students do not receive **Founders** by post. However they may receive an emailed version if an email address is supplied.

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MEMBERSHIPNO

APPLICATION FORM

Applicants are required to send with their application form, a photocopy (**NOT the original**) or a **TRANSCRIPT** of their own full birth certificate and sufficient other certificates (**birth, death & marriage**) or **TRANSCRIPTS** to provide proof of their blood relationship through all generations back to the **First Fleeter(s)** they claim as their ancestor(s). All certificates will be retained for filing in the **Fellowship of First Fleeter** records and used for the purposes of the Fellowship.

I hereby apply for Membership of **the Fellowship of First Fleeters**, which is a Company limited by guarantee. If admitted as a member, I acknowledge that if the Company, **Fellowship of the First Fleeters** is wound up while I am a member, or within one year after I cease to be a member, that I may be called upon to contribute to the liabilities of the **Fellowship of First Fleeters** up to an amount not exceeding \$100.00.

In support of my application, I hereby declare that the following represents my lineage:

My name is:

My parents were / are Male _____ Female _____

His/her parents were Male _____ Female _____

His/her parents were Male _____ Female _____

His/her parents were Male _____ Female _____

His/her parents were Male _____ Female _____

His/her parents were Male _____ Female _____

His/her parents were Male _____ Female _____

His/her parents were Male _____ Female _____

His/her parents were Male _____ Female _____

Name the ship your **First Fleeter** arrived in 1788: _____

1. Name all ancestors down to your **First Fleeter**.
2. When referring to a female ancestor, please give her **maiden name**.

FULL NAME:

(Mr./Mrs./Ms/Miss) _____

(ASSOCIATE if also applying _____)

ADDRESS: _____ **Postcode:** _____

Phone/Mob No: _____ **Email:** _____

(Pension No, if applicable: _____ Date of Birth if Under 18: _____)

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I enclose payment as follows:

One-Off Joining Fee: (\$ 20.00)*

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Annual Subscription: (\$ _____)

Signature: _____ Date _____ - Total Payment: (\$ _____)

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT USING – VISA/MASTERCARD:

NAME ON CARD:

CARD NUMBER:

EXPIRY DATE:

*Are you willing for your research to be shared with other descendants of your First Fleeter?

[] Tick yes

[] Tick no

*Are you willing to have your name & address given to a First Fleet Chapter that may be in your area?

[] Tick yes

[] Tick no