

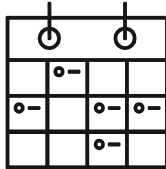


# Tween Meeting News

Monday 01 August 2022

## Next Meeting

09 Aug 2022



## Coming Events

Tue 16 Aug 10am – Maltese Migration to Australia, NAA Cannon Hill

Sat 27 Aug - GSQ Open Day, Wishart

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## Next Meeting

Our next meeting is Tuesday 09 August; the Library opens at 8:30am, our meeting starts at 9am.

Obviously, we are still open for Show & Tell snippets and interviews, so if you haven't had your say yet there's still time! For those who have already shared something for show & tell, we are relaxing the rules to allow people to do it more than once! And still at the same low price!

The interview will make a return, stay tuned for the latest episode.

The major topic for this meeting has not yet been determined, but there will be something!

## Snippets

- A reminder: **It's time to get on your competition entries in.** August is National Family History Month, an initiative of the [Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations](https://familyhistorymonth.org.au/index.php) (AFFHO). You can check this out at their webpage <https://familyhistorymonth.org.au/index.php>. Make sure you check the "Competition Page" and follow the instructions at the bottom to enter. Their sponsors have again provided a number of useful prizes. We know this is definitely worth entering because members of our own group have won prizes from this competition in previous years.
- Don't you just love grumpy old men? FamilySearch have amended many of their christening/baptism records to show parent's sex. For example, Father: David, Father's Sex: Male, Mother: Jane, Mother's Sex: Female. This has prompted much discussion on the GOONS Forum, including someone who wrote that he was displeased to be asked on a DNA questionnaire "what sex was assigned to you at birth?". His reply was "I brought my sex with me when I slid down the birth canal. It was not assigned by some stranger". The organisation subsequently changed the question to "what is your genetic sex?".
- The Queensland Office of the National Archives of Australia (NAA) has a seminar titled "From restricted to assisted: Maltese migration to Australia" at their offices at Cannon Hill on Tue 16 Aug 2022. It is free but you need to book at <https://www.naa.gov.au/visit-us/events-and-exhibitions/restricted-assisted-maltese-migration-australia-0>
- On the Sussex Family History Group Facebook page someone posted a question

“Has anyone ever used information from a medium to break down brick walls and then had that information check out when you got to the records?”. This generated responses from a number of people who had been told things by a medium and this had prompted them to undertake a new line of research that found documentary evidence which supported the medium’s assertions. They said they would never have followed that research path without the tip-off. Who knows?

- Although the Queensland Family History Society have cancelled their 6<sup>th</sup> August Open Day due to Covid concerns, the Genealogical Society of Queensland (GSQ) are still promoting their Open Day on Sat 27 Aug at their Wishart campus. They also have a website which is well worth a visit <https://www.gsq.org.au/>. They run a lot of courses (fees to attend but less if you are a GSQ member) that could be just what you need to advance your research.

## Items of Interest

Here are a couple of suggestions for whiling away your day

- A case study about overcoming identity assumptions in Census research. This article show that things are not always as they first appear. It can be easy to make mistakes if you don’t do your research, diligently. <https://familytreemagazine.com/records/census/census-assumptions-a-tale-of-a-genealogy-near-mistake> PS. This would be an excellent site on which to try out Warren’s tip of the Chrome extension PrintFriendly. Get it from the Chrome store.

## Admin

- If you have previously had difficulties hearing presenters or seeing the screen clearly, you may find you get better results by sitting in the front rows
- Please wear your name tags; it will assist us in getting to know other members, especially now that we have some new members
- Masks are no longer required at meetings (obviously, rules are subject to change). Some people may have their own reasons for continuing to wear masks, even more so in our current conditions, so please respect individual choices.

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We meet at Strathpine Library from 9:00 to 11:00am on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month.

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