

Strathpine Library Family History Group

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Coming Events

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Our next meeting is Tuesday 13 Sep; the Library opens at 8:30am, our meeting starts at 9am.

The major topic for our last meeting was DNA, and this time it's the same, further information about exploring your DNA results.

The new booths in the Library would be ideal for people who wished to bring a laptop, tablet etc, or someone who loves to take lots of notes (like me, for instance). I'm told that you can still see the screen from the booths.

Snippets

- I don't like to say, "I told you so", but today I am going to. My morning email notified me that I was a prize winner in the National Family History Month competition, winning a 12 month subscription to GSQ. Another group member has already advised me that he also won a prize. Hopefully others of you followed my suggestion to enter and were also rewarded with a prize.
- Sometimes when you are researching an ancestor you find a time period for which you haven't
 found any records. This article, https://lifelinesresearch.co.uk/2022/08/20/welcome-to-the-family/
 talks about how the writer discovered new information by exploring the time gap.
- Along the same line, Dr Sophie Kay's article "Negative Space: Making Your Genealogy Gaps
 Work For You (and your family tree)" https://parchmentrustler.com/family-history/negative-space/
 also investigates the 'gaps' issue, and the use of timelines to look at what's not there, or missing.
- Most people test their autosomal DNA. However, there is a DNA webinar with Diahan Southard about the other two types of DNA testing ("mtDNA and YDNA in 2022") on Thu 08 Sep at 4am Brisbane time. https://familytreewebinars.com/webinar/mtdna-and-ydna-in-2022/#. Just in case you are not up and about at that time, it can be viewed afterwards, for free, during the following 10 days. You should note that she has 35 other DNA videos on that site, but some might require a subscription. If you don't want to pay, she has about 90 videos on her own YouTube site that you can view for free. https://www.youtube.com/c/YourDNAGuide/featured
- Interestingly, there was another YouTube video about the same topic in July from a different presenter (Sarah Stoddard) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GvkFbrt3a0w
- Family History Magazine have a free-to-view YouTube video, "How to Use the Internet Archive for Genealogy", It is only 8 minutes and explains how you can use this wonderful resource for genealogy research. Great for finding stuff that you can't find anywhere else.

• In the coming months QFHS are expecting to move to their "New QFHS Library & Resource Centre" at 46 Delaware Street, Chermside. The move from Gaythorne has been under consideration for a couple of years and now they finally have certainty about the future. I'll keep you posted.

Items of Interest

If you are having trouble filling the time in your day, here are a couple of suggestions

- Amongst other interesting items, the Lost Cousins newsletter of 25 August contains an article called "A
 Puzzle, and an Extraordinary Coincidence". It details a woman's lengthy search for an ancestor and
 subsequently finding the answer right on her doorstep.
 https://www.lostcousins.com/newsletters2/lateaug22news.htm
- Most people have heard of Marie Kondo and her decluttering system based on "does this bring you joy?". But do you know about "Swedish Death Cleaning"? This web page https://www.thespruce.com/swedish-death-cleaning-4801461 explains about the concept (basically getting your stuff organised before you die and your kids etc have to do it). Using a similar philosophy to decide what family history papers to keep and what to bin is discussed in this paper https://familytreemagazine.com/organization/family-papers-what-to-keep
- I do keep harping on about it, but the Legacy Family Tree webinars are REALLY worth looking at. There are lots of free videos and a subscription costs about \$68 per year (only about a dollar a week).

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- 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.

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

Explore our website at https://familyst.weebly.com; no login needed.

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