

Society Monthly News for September 2024

Welcome to a new year of activities, events, seminars and news for PMDFHS. Our AGM was held on August 10 and was expertly conducted by our Returning Officer, Peter Day. Thank you, Peter. At the time of the election the new committee consisted of 8 members, but I approached one of our newer members, Karen Quinn and she was pleased to fill the casual vacancy on the committee.

The new management Committee has some familiar faces - President Diane Gillespie, Vice President Sue Brindley, Treasurer Clive Smith, Secretary Jennifer Mullin. The other Committee members are Janet Brown, Helen Hoare, Rex Toomey. I am pleased to welcome Bernice Darby and Karen Quinn to the committee.

There will be **NO GENERAL MEETING** at CC Mac Adams Centre

★ on 14 September as we will be participating in NSW ACT Annual Conference. This is a full-day event commencing at 9.15am. If you would like to attend, you need to contact us today.



Raffle Tickets for the conference are available from

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/1183571/sessions/4441617/sections/2222168/tickets>

The raffle closes at midnight Saturday 7th September. Many wonderful prizes are available, so be sure to get your tickets asap. We will be conducting our own small raffle at CC Mac Adams on Saturday 14th September.

Don't Forget to Vote before the Conference on Saturday (or pre-poll)



Scottish Indexes Conference commences at 4pm on Saturday 7th September. It goes into the night & is repeated from early on Sunday morning. It is a FREE Conference with outstanding speakers. If you are interested, pre-registration is required for the Zoom link.

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Our next **General Meeting** is Saturday 12th October at 1.15pm, where **Richard Grimmond** will be speaking about growing up in Australia in 1930s. Richard has published a book on this topic and will have copies available for sale on the day.

Congratulations & well done to Roz Galbraith, Narelle Milligan, Trysha Hanly and Margaret Blight who jointly organised the display in the library for Family History Month. It was an impressive display drawing many comments from members of the public and the library staff as well as our members.

Electrical cord tagging Well done to the members who took advantage of the cord tagging that we made available last month. The Society does not make any profit from this service. It is a service we provide for the benefit of our members.

The PMDFHS Committee


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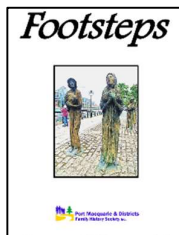
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Members' Support Groups

Group	Venue	Date	Notes
FamilySearch	PM-H Library	Mon 9 Sep 1pm – 3pm	Memories; Stories: Audio & problems solved
Research Support	PM-H Library	Wed 18 Sep 1pm – 3pm	Workshop – using Irfanview to add sources *Bring your laptop
Convicts	PM-H Library	Mon 16 Sep 1pm – 3pm	Ongoing Col Sec Correspondence
DNA	PM-H Library	Mon 23 Sep 1pm – 3pm	Pro Tools
Writers 	Happy to host on Zoom if there is a need	Mon 7 Oct Labour Day Holiday	"I was told this story. Is it true? Does it matter?"
Ancestry/FTM	PM-H Library	Mon 14 Oct 1pm – 3pm	Upload/download tree Pro Tools for Ancestry

Library Roster: The new draft roster will be sent to volunteers shortly. People who fill this roster are to be commended. They give of their time to assist others with family history. It is not a requirement to know “everything” about family history to help in the library, but you will learn a lot more. Well done to Janet for organising this important association on your Society’s behalf to the Port Macquarie Library. We encourage members to think about offering to do roster duty for many reasons – you learn as you go; it’s a way of giving back and you get to meet interesting people. Please contact Janet (via secretary@pmdfhs.org.au) if you are able to help.



You should have received the August issue of Footsteps, either printed or digital download. Our editor, Leonie Hiles may be contacted via editor@pmdfhs.org.au but if your email bounces or doesn’t go through please send it to the Secretary. The theme is for the November issue is ‘the Process of Research’ but other articles are always welcome. If you contribute a story during the year your name is included in a draw to win a PMDFHS 12-month membership, which is drawn at the May General Meeting.

Players Theatre event – ‘Unnecessary Farce’ – **booking changed to 27th Oct – the final day of production** to secure the Gould Room for intermission. \$30/head. Please add your name to the list if interested. There are spaces available to attend if you would like to attend – we need a minimum of 10 people to qualify as a group.

Our **Next Steps Course** was very successful with participants commending the presenters on their depth of knowledge. I would like to thank the presenters – Amanda, Sue, Pauline, Jennifer and Clive for giving their time to prepare informative sessions that were well-received by participants.

Christmas is less than 16 weeks away! 🤪 We are looking for raffle prizes for our Christmas Raffles. If you have something you would like to donate, please bring it to a General Meeting in the next couple of months or alternatively leave it with our volunteers in the library on Tuesday or Wednesday or call Jennifer or Diane & we will arrange for the prize to be collected.

Stay safe and stay well, please!

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