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Our Australasian Really Useful Information Leaflet

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Welcome

For over 40 years, the Federation of Family History Societies has represented family historians and supported, informed and advised our membership, which consists of family history societies and similar bodies, in the UK, Australasia and further afield.

With an ever-increasing amount of information available on the Internet, provided by commercial, as well as volunteer organisations, there has never been a better time to research your family history. Take a look at our list of useful websites on pages 3 and 4 to get an idea of just how much information is available to you.

Getting started

If you are a newcomer to family history you may not be aware of the existence of family history societies or indeed how much you might benefit from joining one! It is true to say that in the early stages of research, quite a bit of progress can be made by going it alone. However, there will be times when your research grinds to a halt, and that is where membership of a society can be of great benefit.

Family history societies

There are two main options; either join a society based in Australia in a state where your ancestors settled or join a UK society local to where your ancestors originated. Of course, you can always join more than one society at home, as well as overseas. That way you get the best of both options!

The Federation of Family History Societies has over 180 member societies throughout the world including societies based in the Northern Territory, South Australia, Western Australia, Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria and Tasmania, as well as New Zealand. In addition to our UK-based member societies we have other international, regional, specialist and one-name groups. The names and web addresses of all our members are included in this leaflet, on pages 8 to 12. They will be happy to share their knowledge and come up with ideas for you to pursue. They may also have produced transcriptions of the more unusual records that as yet are unavailable online.

Why not consider joining a society today? It could be just what you need to kick-start your research!



A UK Edition of *Our Really Useful Information Leaflet*, an essential guide to researching family history in the British Isles, is available FREE online at www.ffhs.org.uk

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USEFUL WEBSITES

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- Ancestry: Key Australian records, UK census and vital records, and AncestryDNA www.ancestry.com.au
- Auckland Museum Cenotaph Database: Allows a search for deceased individuals from the 19th century through to today www.aucklandmuseum.com/war-memorial/online-cenotaph
- Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations Inc: Established in 1978 to coordinate and assist the work of Australian and New Zealand groups with interests in family history, genealogy, heraldry and related subjects www.affho.org
- Australian Capital Territory: Archive which holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family historians www.archives.act.gov.au
- Australian Capital Territory Heritage Library: Records and information relevant to family historians www.library.act.gov.au/find/history
- Australian Capital Territory Justice and Community Safety Directorate: Index to births, deaths and marriages; certificates can be purchased www.ors.act.gov.au/community/births_deaths_and_marriages
- Australian Cemeteries: Offers a searchable database for many cemeteries throughout Australia. The site indicates whether a cemetery has information available online or a contact address. Information available may include monumental inscriptions, photographs, and transcriptions www.australiancemeteries.com.au
- Australian Cemeteries Index: Provides a searchable database of cemetery inscriptions recorded by the transcribers and contributors over several years www.austcemindex.com
- Convicts to Australia: Guide to researching convict ancestors www.convictcentral.com/index.html
- CoraWeb: Websites for genealogists. Excellent and highly recommended site which includes a comprehensive listing of many smaller, regional family history societies www.coraweb.com.au
- FamilySearch: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints baptism, marriage and burials index; 1881 England and Wales census, Family History Centres, etc www.familysearch.com
- Federation of Family History Societies: Long-established genealogy charity that supports ancestry research and family history societies around the world; bimonthly newsletter www.ffhs.org.uk
- FindMyPast: Comprehensive collection of family history records, plus records from Ireland, US, Australia and NZ www.findmypast.com.au
- Founders & Survivors: Partnership between historians, genealogists, demographers, and population health researchers. It seeks to record and study the founding population of 73,000 men, women, and children who were transported to Tasmania www.foundersandsurvivors.org
- Irish Convicts to New South Wales 1788–1849: Contains details of Irish convicts who were transported to New South Wales in the period 1788–1849 members.pcug.org.au/~ppmay/convicts.htm
- MyHeritage.com: Build your family tree for free and find relatives with Smart Matching technology and automatic matching to 4+ billion names in historical records www.myheritage.com
- National Army Museum (New Zealand): A place to seek out and research information about New Zealand veterans and family members who served in the armed forces www.armymuseum.co.nz/research
- New South Wales: State archive which holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family historians www.records.nsw.gov.au
- New South Wales Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages: Index to births, deaths and marriages; certificates can be purchased www.bdm.nsw.gov.au
- New Zealand Department of Internal Affairs: Free online access to index of births, deaths and marriages; certificates available to purchase www.dia.govt.nz/Births-deaths-and-marriages
- Northern Territory Archives: Holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family historians artsandmuseums.nt.gov.au
- Northern Territory Department of Attorney General and Justice: Index to births, deaths and marriages; certificates can be purchased www.bdm.nt.gov.au
- Northern Territory Library and Information Service: Holds records and information relevant to family historians www.ntl.nt.gov.au
- Paperspast (New Zealand): Provides digital access to over 2 million pages from 80 newspapers and publications throughout New Zealand from 1839 to 1945 paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/cgi-bin/paperspast

- Queensland: State archive which holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family historians **www.archives.qld.gov.au**
- Queensland Government Justice Gateway: Index to births, deaths and marriages; certificates can be purchased **www.qld.gov.au/law/births-deaths-marriages-and-divorces/**
- Rookwood Anglican and General Cemeteries: Offers a deceased search facility **www.rookwoodcemetery.com.au**
- Rootsweb.ancestry.com: Largest and oldest free genealogy information website; host to mailing lists, news groups, message boards, volunteer projects, websites, etc. **www.rootsweb.ancestry.com**
- Society of Australian Genealogists: Helping people trace family history for over 80 years; world-class library and manuscript collection **www.sag.org.au**
- South Australia: State archive which holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family historians **www.archives.sa.gov.au**
- South Australia Government: Index to births, deaths and marriages; certificates can be purchased **www.sa.gov.au**
- State Library of New South Wales: Holds records and information relevant to family historians **www.sl.nsw.gov.au**
- State Library of Queensland: Holds records and information relevant to family historians **www.slq.qld.gov.au**
- State Library of South Australia: Holds records and information relevant to family historians **www.slsa.sa.gov.au**
- State Library of Tasmania: Holds records and information relevant to family historians **www.statelibrary.tas.gov.au**
- State Library of Victoria: Holds records and information relevant to family historians **www.slv.vic.gov.au**
- State Library of Western Australia: Holds records and information relevant to family historians **www.slwa.wa.gov.au**
- Tasmania Department of Justice: Index to births, deaths and marriages; certificates can be purchased **www.justice.tas.gov.au/bdm/family_history**
- The Archives of New Zealand: Holds a range of records, including many national treasures **www.archives.govt.nz**
- The Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS): Provides a Family History Kit that gives tips for starting your family history search and contact details for other organisations that can help **www.aiatsis.gov.au**
- The Australian War Memorial: Key resource for Australian war history and for military records of servicemen and women **www.awm.gov.au**
- The Convict Records: Provides a search of the British convict transportation register between 1787 and 1867; information available includes name of convict, known aliases, place convicted, port of departure, date of departure, port of arrival, and the source of the data **www.convictrecords.com.au**
- The Convict Transportation Registers Database 1787-1867: Compiled from the British Home Office (HO) records; includes details for over 123,000 of the estimated 160,000 convicts transported to Australia: names, term of years, transport ships, and more **www.slq.qld.gov.au/resources/family-history/info-guides/convicts**
- The National Archives of Australia: Contains a fascinating collection of more than 100 years of Australian Government records, documenting the history of individuals, communities, and the nation **www.naa.gov.au**
- The National Library of Australia: Provides access to the world's greatest collection of material relating to Australia and the Australian people; collection ranges from the earliest European works about the Great Southern Land to current publications **www.nla.gov.au**
- The National Library of New Zealand and the Alexander Turnbull Library: Provide access to and use of the collective knowledge of New Zealand **www.natlib.govt.nz**
- The New Zealand Archives Archway: Provides direct access to records, some of which have been digitised **www.archway.archives.govt.nz**
- The Ryerson Index: Index to death notices appearing in current Australian newspapers; the Index also includes some funeral notices, probate notices and obituaries **www.ryersonindex.org**
- Trove: Provides digital access to more than 500 million Australian and online resources including books, images, historic newspapers, maps, music, archives and more **www.trove.nla.gov.au**
- Victoria: State archive which holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family historians **www.prov.vic.gov.au**
- Victoria Births, Deaths and Marriages: Index to births, deaths and marriages; certificates can be purchased **www.bdm.vic.gov.au**
- Western Australia: State archive which holds and provides access to a broad range of records of interest to family historians **www.sro.wa.gov.au**
- Western Australia Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages: Index to births, deaths and marriages; certificates can be purchased **www.bdm.dotag.wa.gov.au**
- Whakapapa—genealogy (New Zealand): Provides information about exploring Maori heritage **www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz/EN/heritage/familyhistory/whakapapa/Pages/whakapapa.aspx**



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DIARY DATES

- National Family History Month, held annually in August in Australia and New Zealand, is an initiative of the AFFHO (Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations). For details of the events see: www.familyhistorymonth.org.au
- AFFHO Triennial Congress, 'Bridging the Past and Future', Friday 9 March to Monday 12 March 2018, International Convention Centre, Sydney (Darling Harbour). Hosted by the Society of Australian Genealogists under the auspices of AFFHO (Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations). Details at www.congress2018.org.au



Scottish Association of Family History Societies

www.safhs.org.uk

The SAFHS promotes and encourages the study of Scottish family history, and provides a forum for the exchange of information among members. Our membership includes all established family history societies in Scotland, as well as several national and regional bodies throughout the world.

They have a wealth of local knowledge and will be pleased to assist you in researching your ancestors in the years before they left Scotland to emigrate to Australia and New Zealand.

To find a society which matches the area your ancestors came from, please visit our website.

RESEARCHING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY

If you are just embarking on researching your family history you will probably be aware that an ever-increasing amount of information is available on the Internet, provided by commercial as well as volunteer organisations. In fact, there has never been a better time to start your research! You might be researching on your own or with other family members. Perhaps you have a friend who wants to trace their family history and you are going to help each other. Whatever your situation, it is true to say that in the early stages of research, quite a bit of progress can be made using online resources, however, there might be times when you need some guidance or you are not sure what to do next. The following questions and answers may help you to decide on your next step.

Q. Where do I start?

A. Draw a basic family tree. Start with yourself, add your family, your parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts, cousins, etc in fact, any relatives you can remember. You might find it easiest to do this first on paper, or you can use a family history software package. There are a number of software programs available and major family history societies stock a range of these. The advantage of using computer software from the start is that it gives you greater flexibility when you want to print out charts and share information with other family members. There are also a number of commercial websites such as **findmypast.com.au**, **ancestry.com.au** and **myheritage.com** which offer the facility to build your family tree online. However, do remember that you need to be sure your information is correct before you start sharing it with others. Question older relatives, they might be able to fill in some of the gaps with their knowledge of ancestors you may not know of or have forgotten. And don't forget to ask if they have any photographs, certificates or a family Bible. Sometimes until you ask they won't think to tell you!

Q. I've recorded everything I can. Where do I go next?

A. From the information you've already gathered hopefully you'll have an idea of where your family lived in Australia. From the time of white settlement in 1788 through to Federation in 1901, every colony kept its own records. So to have any real chance of finding your family you need to know whether to look in New South Wales, or Western Australia, or Queensland, or whichever area you believe to be the one where your people settled. Record keeping was different for each colony and there is no guarantee that a record source you find in one will exist in another. Even after Federation took place in 1901, the states continued to maintain their own independent record keeping for births, deaths and marriages, probates, land transfers and many other sets of records.

Q. Where will I find birth, death and marriage information?

A. There is no national index of births, deaths and marriages in Australia, although commercial 'pay to view' sites are creating their own versions by consolidating the various state indexes available to them. A good website to look at initially is Cora Num's gateway site for Australian research – **www.coraweb.com.au**. This will lead you to the website of each state's Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages – most have online indexes you can search and some allow you to order copies of certificates online (and in several cases to download them electronically as soon as you have completed your purchase).

Q. What information can I expect to obtain from a certificate?

A. Again this will vary for each state. Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria have some of the best civil registration systems for births, deaths and marriages anywhere in the world. A New South Wales death certificate, for example, can tell you when the deceased had arrived in the colony; when and where they were born; who their parents were; where, when and who they married; and the names and ages of their children. It can also give the burial place, the former occupation, cause of death and the date of death. There was no uniform date for the commencement of civil registration in the various colonies (most had introduced this by 1856 although the territories did so much later) and prior to this you will have to rely on surviving church registrations of baptisms, marriages and burials which are not as informative.

Q. Where do I find parish registers?

A. Prior to the commencement of civil registration, churches kept records of baptisms, marriages and burials, as they continue to do to this day. Some parish records are available on microfilm in libraries and family history societies, others may still be held with the diocesan archives. For some colonies the early church registers have been copied across to the State Registry and are available as part of their historical record series.

Q. How can I find when my ancestor arrived here?

A. Like birth, death and marriage records, passenger records were kept by authorities in the colony in which they arrived, so there is no one national index you can check. However, many of the State archives are putting shipping records online as have some of the commercial 'pay to view' websites. Your ancestor may have come to Australia as a convict, a free person, an assisted passenger, as crew or as part of the military; and the records associated with each will be different. Unfortunately record keeping sometimes left a lot to be desired. For instance, when thousands were flooding into New South Wales during the goldrush of the 1850s, the authorities resorted to recording the number of arrivals, but not recording individual names.

Q. Why can't I find census records – I've used them for the UK and they are great

A. Unfortunately historical census records have not survived in Australia as they have for many overseas countries and hence they are not a key source for Australian family history as they are in the UK and America. Where census (or muster) information does exist, it may include name, age, ship of arrival, status (as in free or convict), religion, occupation and place of residence. Some census will only show details for the head of the household but not for everyone living with them. A good substitute can be electoral rolls and directories. Before 1903, only males over 21 who were British subjects were listed on electoral rolls, but after that time women begin to appear too. Post Office directories for both city and country areas were common and many of these can be searched online.

Q. What if my ancestor was a convict?

A. This can be good! Convicts were prisoners of the crown, so many records were created about them – when they were transported, their sentence and crime, what they looked like (in case they escaped and had to be identified), whether they were assigned to work for someone or sent out on a road gang, and much more. Depending on how well-behaved they were, they may have received a Ticket of Leave (giving them permission to work for themselves in a specific district), a Conditional Pardon (having the rest of their sentence overturned on condition they did not return to the country from which they were convicted) or an Absolute Pardon (reinstating them as free citizens). Different records were created at different times and each colony which took convicts had their own system of record keeping. New South Wales, Tasmania and Western Australia were the main colonies which accepted convicts, although many ended up in other colonies because they reoffended or were assigned to work there. The State Archives in each state is the place to start if you wish to trace convict records.

Q. What if I think my ancestor served in one of the wars?

A. Excellent records survive of Australian service personnel for both world wars. World War I service records are available for free online through the National Archives (www.naa.gov.au) and provide detailed information about war service, as well as useful genealogical information such as age and place of birth, next of kin, occupation and place of residence. If a soldier was wounded or died there may also be Red Cross files which you can consult. National Archives is beginning to place these service records online.

Q. What if my person came from Europe or Asia?

A. Australia has always been a nation of immigrants. As it was established as a British colony, people who wanted to buy land or vote had to be British subjects. Many non-British settlers therefore became naturalized, and these records can assist in determining their place of origin, as well as where and when they arrived. Prior to 1903, naturalization records were state based, but after this time naturalization was a Commonwealth responsibility. From 1923 the Commonwealth took over responsibility for recording shipping arrivals, so the National Archives will be the place to check for arrivals after that date.

Q. Is everything I need online?

A. No. While an increasing array of records are online, there are as many that are not. In order to fully research your family history you'll need to visit your state archive and library, family history societies and other repositories. Sometimes only indexes are available online, and you need to follow up with further research in a record repository.

Q. Why would a family history society be able to help me?

A. Family history societies all have volunteers available to assist you with your research. They tend to be people who've already done a lot of research into their own family history, so they know what records you need to use and the pitfalls you might face. They can often show you more economical ways to find the information you need and can help you determine if someone has already done work on a line you are tracing. We all find brick walls in our family history, and as the saying goes, 'a problem shared is a problem solved'. Sometimes you can't find something because you don't know where to look or which record to consult next – a visit to a family history society will often help you break down that barrier.

Q. Where can I find information on any family history societies that I might want to join?

A. The Australian Federation of Family History Organisations Inc lists all of its member organisations on its website at www.affho.org and this is a good place to start. Cora Num's gateway site at www.coraweb.com.au is another good reference point.

Q. Where can I learn more about researching family history?

A. Check with the society in your local area to see if they run courses, or ask at your local library. Some offer webinars too, so you can participate in sessions from the comfort of your own home.

Q. How can I be sure this family hasn't already been traced?

A. It's important to check to see if others have already done research – they may have purchased certificates or obtained documentation that could be useful to your research. Before you reinvent the wheel, check online through the major websites and also with your local society. Remember that people have been tracing family history long before the Internet came along, so a local or family history society or the major genealogical organization in your state might hold a book published 50 years ago that contains the information you are looking for.

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Calderdale FHS covers the ancient parish of Halifax, with the addition of the townships of Todmorden and Walsden. Free search facilities and a quarterly magazine are available to members. Internet membership £5.50 or overseas membership £15.00. See our website for details.

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The society was formed in 1986 to encourage the research of family history in the already rich historical area of Hastings & Rother in East Sussex. We also have a research room which is open two mornings a week.

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Lancashire Family History & Heraldry Society

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Lancashire Parish Register Society

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 PO Box 408, Maryborough, Queensland, Australia; Upstairs – Heritage Centre, 164 Richmond Street, Maryborough. Home of the 'Big M', an ongoing index of all names relating to Maryborough and the Wide Bay district of Queensland held in our rooms. Currently holding 750,000 records.

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North West Kent Family History Society

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Queensland Family History Society IncW: www.qfhs.org.auE: secretary@qfhs.org.au

Queensland Family History Society Inc, located in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, is the state's leading family history society. We hold extensive resources to further family research in Queensland, in Australia, and throughout the world, and can assist you with Australian research.

Ripon Historical SocietyW: www.riponhistoricalsociety.org.ukE: rhsinfo@aol.com

The Society is concerned with all aspects of local and family history in the City of Ripon and surrounding areas. See our publication pages for booklets and CDs.

Romany and Traveller Family History SocietyW: www.rtfhs.org.ukE: enquiries@rtfhs.org.uk

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- Central Coast Family History Society www.centralcoastfhs.org.au
- Central Queensland Family History Association Inc www.cqfamilyhistory.org.au
- Dubbo & District Family History Society Inc dubbofamilyhistory.org.au
- Genealogical Society of Queensland Inc www.gsq.org.au
- Genealogical Society of Victoria, The www.gsv.org.au
- Heraldry & Genealogy Society of Canberra www.hagsoc.org.au
- Maryborough District Family History Society Inc www.maryboroughfamilyhistory.org
- Queensland Family History Society Inc www.qfhs.org.au
- Society of Australian Genealogists www.sag.org.au
- South Australian Genealogy & Heraldry Society Inc www.saghs.org.au
- Tasmanian Family History Society Inc www.tasfhs.org
- Wagga Wagga and District Family History Society www.waggafamilyhistory.org.au
- Western Australian Genealogical Society Inc www.wags.org.au

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- Channel Islands Family History Society, The www.jerseyfamilyhistory.org
- La Société Guernesaise www.societe.org.gg/sections/familyhistory.php

England

England: East Midlands

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- Derbyshire Family History Society www.dfhs.org.uk
- Leicestershire and Rutland Family History Society www.lrfhs.org.uk
- Northamptonshire Family History Society www.northants-fhs.org
- Nottinghamshire Family History Society www.nottsfs.org.uk

England: East of England

- Alde Valley Suffolk Family History Group aldevalleyfamilyhistorygroup.onesuffolk.net
- Bedfordshire Family History Society www.bfhs.org.uk
- Cambridgeshire Family History Society www.cfhs.org.uk
- Cambridge University Heraldic and Genealogical Society www.societies.cam.ac.uk/cuhags
- Essex Society for Family History www.esfh.org.uk
- Felixstowe Family History Society www.felixstowefhs.onesuffolk.net
- Fenland Family History Society www.fenlandfhs.org.uk
- Hertfordshire Family History Society www.hertsfhs.org.uk
- Huntingdonshire Family History Society www.huntsfhs.org.uk
- Isle of Axholme Family History Society www.axholme-fhs.org.uk
- Letchworth & District Family History Group www.ldfhg.org.uk
- Lincolnshire Family History Society www.lincolnshirefhs.org.uk
- Mid-Norfolk Family History Society www.tsites.co.uk/sites/mnfhs
- Norfolk Family History Society www.norfolkfhs.org.uk
- Peterborough & District Family History Society www.peterborofhs.org.uk
- Royston and District Family History Society www.roystonfhs.org.uk
- Stevenage Family History Society www.stevenagefhs.site88.net
- Suffolk Family History Society www.suffolkfhs.org.uk

England: London

- East of London Family History Society www.eolfhs.org.uk
- Hillingdon Family History Society www.hfhs.co.uk
- London Group of Yorkshire Family History Societies yorkslondongroup.tumblr.com
- London Westminster & Middlesex Family History Society www.lwmfhs.org.uk
- Waltham Forest Family History Society www.wffhs.org.uk
- West Middlesex Family History Society www.west-middlesex-fhs.org.uk
- Woolwich & District Family History Society www.woolwichfhs.org.uk

England: North East

- Cleveland, North Yorkshire & South Durham Family History Society www.clevelandfhs.org.uk
- Northumberland & Durham Family History Society www.ndfhs.org.uk

England: North West

- Cheshire, The Family History Society of www.fhsc.org.uk
- Cumbria Family History Society www.cumbriafhs.com
- Furness Family History Society www.furnessfhs.co.uk
- Lancashire Family History & Heraldry Society www.lfhs.org.uk
- Lancashire Parish Register Society www.lprs.org.uk
- Lancaster & District Family History Group www.lfhg.org
- Liverpool & South West Lancashire Family History Society www.liverpool-genealogy.org.uk
- North Cheshire Family History Society www.ncfhs.org.uk
- North Meols Family History Society www.nmfhssouthport.co.uk
- Ormskirk & District Family History Society www.odfhs.org.uk
- St Helens Townships Family History Society www.sthelenstownshipsfhs.org.uk
- Wigan Family & Local History Society www.wiganworld.co.uk/familyhistory

England: South East

- Buckinghamshire Family History Society (Family Roots) www.bucksfhs.org.uk
- Eastbourne & District Family History Society www.eastbournefhs.org.uk
- East Surrey Family History Society www.eastsurreyfhs.org.uk
- Folkestone and District Family History Society www.folkfhs.org.uk
- Hampshire Genealogical Society www.hgs-online.org.uk
- Hastings and Rother Family History Society www.hrfhs.org.uk
- Isle of Wight Family History Society www.isle-of-wight-fhs.co.uk
- Kent Family History Society www.kfhs.org.uk
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- Oxfordshire Family History Society www.ofhs.org.uk
- Oxfordshire Record Society www.oxfordshire-record-society.org.uk
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- Tunbridge Wells Family History Society www.tunwells-fhs.co.uk
- West Surrey Family History Society www.wsfhs.co.uk/pages/index.php

England: South West

- Bristol & Avon Family History Society www.bafhs.org.uk
- Cornwall Family History Society www.cornwallfhs.com
- Devon Family History Society www.devonfhs.org.uk
- Dorset Family History Society www.dorsetfhs.org.uk
- Gloucestershire Family History Society www.gfhs.org.uk
- Rodbourne Community History Group www.rodbournehistory.org
- Somerset & Dorset Family History Society www.sdfhs.org
- Weston-super-Mare & District Family History Society www.wsmfhs.org.uk
- Wiltshire Family History Society www.wiltshirefhs.co.uk

England: West Midlands

- Birmingham & Midland Society for Genealogy & Heraldry www.bmsgsh.org
- Burntwood Family History Group www.bfhg.org.uk
- Coventry Family History Society www.covfhs.org.uk
- Herefordshire Family History Society www.herefordshirefhs.org.uk
- Malvern Family History Society www.mfhs.org.uk
- Nuneaton & North Warwickshire Family History Society www.nnwfhs.org.uk
- Rugby Family History Group www.rugbyfhg.co.uk
- Shropshire Family History Society www.sfhs.org.uk

England: Yorkshire and the Humber

- Barnsley Family History Society www.barnsleyfhs.co.uk
- Bradford Family History Society www.bradfordfhs.org.uk
- Calderdale Family History Society www.cfhsweb.co.uk
- Cleveland, North Yorkshire & South Durham Family History Society www.clevelandfhs.org.uk
- Doncaster and District Family History Society www.doncasterfhs.co.uk
- East Yorkshire Family History Society www.eyfhs.org.uk
- Harrogate and District Family History Society www.hadfhs.co.uk
- Huddersfield & District Family History Society www.hdfhs.org.uk
- Isle of Axholme Family History Society www.axholme-fhs.org.uk
- Keighley & District Family History Society www.kdfhs.org.uk
- London Group of Yorkshire Family History Societies yorkslondongroup.tumblr.com
- Morley & District Family History Group www.morleyfhg.co.uk
- Pontefract & District Family History Society www.pontefractfhs.org.uk
- Ripon Historical Society and Family History Group www.riponhistoricalsociety.org.uk
- Rotherham Family History Society www.rotherhamfhs.co.uk
- Ryedale Family History Group www.ryedalefamilyhistory.org
- Selby & District Family History Group www.selbydistrictfamilyhistory.btck.co.uk
- Sheffield & District Family History Society www.sheffieldfhs.org.uk
- Wakefield & District Family History Society www.wdfhs.co.uk
- Wharfedale Family History Group www.wharfedalefhg.org.uk
- York & District Family History Society, City of www.yorkfamilyhistory.org.uk
- Yorkshire Archaeological Society – Family History Section www.yorkshireroots.org.uk

Ireland

- Genealogical Society of Ireland www.familyhistory.ie
- Irish Family History Society www.ifhs.ie
- Irish Genealogical Research Society, The www.irishancestors.ie

Isle of Man

- Isle of Man Family History Society www.iomfhs.im

Northern Ireland

- North of Ireland Family History Society www.nifhs.org

Scotland

- For details of all Scottish societies, see the Scottish Association of Family History Societies (SAFHS) www.safhs.org.uk

Wales

- Cardiganshire Family History Society www.cgnfhs.org.uk
- Clwyd Family History Society www.clwydfhs.org.uk
- Dyfed Family History Society www.dyfedfhs.org.uk
- Glamorgan Family History Society www.glamfhs.org.uk
- Gwent Family History Society www.gwentfhs.org.uk
- Gwynedd Family History Society www.gwyneddfhs.org
- Montgomeryshire Genealogical Society www.montgomeryshiregs.org.uk
- Powys Family History Society www.powysfhs.org.uk

CANADA

- Alberta Family Histories Society www.afhs.ab.ca
- British Columbia Genealogical Society www.bcgs.ca
- British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa www.bifhsgo.ca

NEW ZEALAND

- Family History Society of New Zealand Inc www.ffhs.org.uk/members2/overseas/newzealand.php#NZ-FHS
- New Zealand Society of Genealogists Inc www.genealogy.org.nz

USA

- British Isles Family History Society – USA www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~bifhsusa
- Federation of Genealogical Societies www.fgs.org
- International Society for British Genealogy and Family History www.isbgfh.org
- Wales, Ireland, Scotland, England Family History Society www.wise-fhs.org

ONE-NAME SOCIETIES

- Alabaster Society, The www.alabaster.org.uk
- Alderson Family History Society www.afhs.org
- Badham One Name Society www.badham.org.uk
- Beresford Family Society, The www.beresfordfamilyociety.org.uk
- Bliss Family History Society, The www.blissfhs.co.uk
- Blo(o)r(e) Society, The www.bloor.org
- Brookings Society, The www.brookingsociety.org.uk
- Bunting Society, The www.buntingsociety.org.uk
- Cave Family History Society www.cavefhs.com
- Chandler Family Association, The www.chandlerfamilyassociation.org
- Clan Davidson Association www.clandavidson.org.uk
- Cory Society www.corysociety.org.uk
- Courtenay Society, The www.courtenaysociety.org
- Dalton Genealogical Society, The www.daltongensoc.com
- Entwistle Family History Association www.entwistlefamily.org.uk
- Filby Association, The www.filby.org
- Guild of One-Name Studies www.one-name.org
- Kay Family Association (UK), The www.kayfamilyassociationuk.com
- Leather Family History Society, The www.ffhs.org.uk/members/leather.htm
- Metcalfe Society, The www.metcalfe.org.uk
- Moxon Society, The www.moxonsociety.org
- Palgrave Society, The www.ffhs.org.uk/members/palgrave.htm
- Relf Society, The International www.relfociety.org
- Rix Family Alliance www.rix-alliance.com
- Silverthorn(e) Family Association www.silverthornfamily.co.uk
- Sole Society, The www.sole.org.uk
- Stonehewer to Stanier Society, The freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~stanier
- Swinnerton Family History Society www.swinnerton.org
- Witheridge Family History Society, The www.witheridgefhs.com

OTHER SOCIETIES

- Anglo-Italian Family History Society www.anglo-italianfhs.org.uk
- Association of Genealogists and Researchers in Archives (AGRA), The www.agra.org.uk
- British Association for Cemeteries in South Asia www.bacsa.org.uk
- British Association for Local History www.balh.org.uk
- Catholic Family History Society www.catholicfhs.co.uk
- Families in British India Society www.fibis.org
- Family and Community Historical Research Society (FACHRS) www.fachrs.com
- FamilySearch www.familysearch.org
- Heraldry Society, The www.theheraldrysociety.com
- Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies (IHGS), The www.ihgs.ac.uk
- Jewish Genealogical Society of Great Britain www.jgsgb.org.uk
- Pedigree Users Group www.pugweb.org.uk
- Quaker Family History Society www.qfhs.co.uk
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- Guild of One-Name Studies # www.one-name.org
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www.womenspioneer.com.au

New South Wales

- Armidale Family History Group Inc www.familyhistoryarmidale.org
- Bankstown Family History Group Inc
freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~bankstownfhg1
- Blue Mountains Family History Society Inc
www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nswbmfhs
- Botany Bay Family History Society Inc #
www.botanybayfhs.org.au
- Cape Banks Family History Society Inc #
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- Casino & District Family History Group Inc
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- Central Coast Family History Society # www.centralcoastfhs.org.au
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- Cowra Family History Group Inc www.cfhg.webs.com
- Dubbo & District Family History Society Inc #
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- Family History Society Singleton Inc
www.xroyvision.com.au/singleton/sfhspage.htm
- Griffith Genealogical & Historical Society Inc www.griffithgene.org.au
- Gwydir Family History Society Inc PO Box 3061, Moree, NSW 2400
- Hawkesbury Family History Group
www.hawkesbury.net.au/community/hfhg
- Heraldry & Genealogy Society of Canberra Inc #
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- Illawarra Family History Group Inc
www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ausifhg/
- Lithgow & District Family History Society Inc www.lisp.com.au/~ldfhs
- Liverpool Genealogy Society Inc www.lgs.org.au
- Macleay River Historical Society Inc Family History
www.kempseymuseum.org
- Manning Wallamba Family History Society Inc
www.manningwallambafhs.com.au
- Milton-Ulladulla Family History Society Inc www.mufhsi.org
- Nepean Family History Society
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- Newcastle Family History Society Inc www.nfhs.org.au
- NSW & ACT Association of Family History Societies Inc
www.nswactfhs.org
- Port Macquarie & Districts Family History Society Inc
www.pmdfhs.org.au
- Ryde District Historical Society Inc www.rydehistory.org
- Shoalhaven Family History Society Inc www.shoalhaven.net.au/~sfhs
- Society of Australian Genealogists Inc # www.sag.org.au
- State Library of New South Wales www.sl.nsw.gov.au
- Tea Gardens Hawks Nest Family Research Group Inc
PO Box 250, Tea Gardens, NSW 2324
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<http://home.iprimus.com.au/bonzaideas/TFHG/TFHG.html>
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www.tweedgoldcoastfamilyhistoryheritageassociation.bravehost.com/
- Wagga Wagga & District Family History Society #
www.waggafamilyhistory.org.au

- Wyalong District Family History Group
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- Wyong Family History Group Inc
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- Young & District Family History Group Inc
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Queensland

- Caboolture Family History Research Group Inc cfhrg.tripod.com
- Cairns & District Family History Society Inc www.cdfhs.org
- Caloundra Family History Research Inc
www.caloundrafamilyhistory.org.au
- Central Queensland Family History Association Inc #
www.cqfamilyhistory.org.au
- Genealogical Society of Queensland Inc # www.gsq.org.au
- Gold Coast Family History Society Inc www.goldcoastfhs.org.au
- History Queensland Inc www.historyqueensland.org.au
- Maryborough Family Heritage Research Institute Inc
www.treeroots.com.au
- Queensland Family History Society Inc # www.qfhs.org.au
- Southern Suburbs Branch of the Genealogical Society of Queensland Inc www.southernsuburbs.net.au
- State Library of Queensland Serials Section www.slq.qld.gov.au
- Sunshine Coast Historical and Genealogical Resource Centre Inc
sites.google.com/site/genealogysunshinecoastinc/Home

South Australia

- Adelaide Northern Districts Family History Group Inc
www.andfhg.org.au
- Fleurieu Peninsula Family History Group Inc
www.facebook.com/FPFHG
- South Australian Genealogy & Heraldry Society #
www.saghs.org.au
- South East Family History Group Inc www.sefhg.org

Tasmania

- Tasmanian Family History Society Inc # www.tasfhs.org

Victoria

- Australian Institute of Genealogical Studies Inc www.aigs.org.au
- Ballarat & District Genealogical Soc Inc
www.ballaratgenealogy.org.au
- Cobram Genealogical Group Inc
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- Genealogical Society of Victoria, The www.gsv.org.au
- Mildura & District Genealogical Society Inc
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- Narre Warren & District Family History Group Inc [nwfhg.org.au](http://www.nwfhg.org.au)
- Portland Family History Group Inc PO Box 409, Portland, VIC 3305
- State Library of Victoria, Genealogy Centre www.slv.vic.gov.au
- Victorian Association of Family History Organisations Inc
www.vafho.org.au
- West Gippsland Genealogical Society Inc
www.westgippslandgenealogy.com
- Yarrawonga Family History Group Inc
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Western Australia

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- Geraldton Family History Society Inc
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- Western Australian Genealogical Society Inc # www.wags.org.au

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- Auckland City Libraries, Serials Department
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- New Zealand Society of Genealogists Inc # www.genealogy.org.nz



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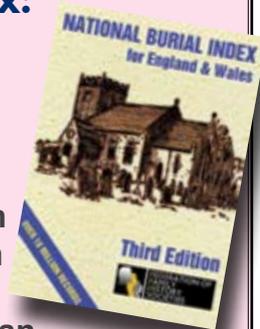
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