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Mon to Fri	9.30am to 12 noon
Saturday	9.30am to 12.30pm

Special arrangements can be made for access to MWFHS Inc's resources outside listed hours by appointment

Members - No Charge	Non-Members	\$5 per hour or part thereof
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MEETINGS 3rd Saturday of each month [except December] at 1.30pm in the Taree Library, Victoria St, Taree

WORKSHOPS 1st Saturday of each month [except January] at 1.30pm in the Taree Library, Victoria St, Taree

MEMBERSHIP FEES	Renewal	New Members	
	1 Jul - 30 Jun	1 Jul - 30 Jun	1 Jan - 30 Jun
Single	\$25.00	\$17.50	\$17.50
Family	\$33.00	\$38.00	\$21.50
Overseas Members/ Overseas	Price on application	Price on application	

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Membership of the MWFHS Inc entitles financial members to :-

- * Free use of the Society's resources during their opening hours
- * 4 copies of journal 'Fig Tree' [2 copies half year] plus Members Interest Directory
- * Free research enquiries published in the 'Fig Tree'
- * 18 free entries per year each member/family in the Society's Member's Interest Directory
- * 2 hrs free research per member/family per membership year for out of area members [1 hr half year] on receipt of a stamped self addressed business size envelope [photocopying extra]
- * Monthly workshops

Research Service see back cover

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Annual General Meeting.

The Annual General Meeting was held on the 16th August, 2008 at the Taree City Library.

New Office Bearers are noted on page 2 of this journal

We thank the outgoing Committee for all the effort and hard work done for our Society.

Welcome to the incoming Committee

Unfortunately, the Annual Genealogical & Family History Fair had to be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.

The Fig Tree will, from now on, be sent out as an Electronic Newsletter.

This will save on paper, printing and postage costs --- but, more importantly it will save on many hours of manpower, which is somewhat scarce.

Please send anything that you would like included to the Society's Email Address.

We will, however, put some hard copies into the Library, for any of our members who have no computer access.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

We have experienced a year of considerable growth, with our membership reaching the 160 figure. This is probably as a result of the television programme, 'Who do you think you are', which has gained considerable interest in our hobby. To my executive, I say 'Many thanks for a great job throughout the year'

Although we have had a couple of changes in positions, everything seems to have functioned reasonably well. With an early disruption to the Committee, we were not off to a good start, and some would say that this could have been handled better, but I feel that I did the right thing for the Society, by my prompt actions and my understanding of the Constitution. The attendance at meetings and workshops has been excellent, which again shows the interest in the hobby and the need for people to understand their family's past history. We have had some excellent guest speakers and some very interesting workshop topics.

Our Annual Genealogical & Historical Fair in 2007 was again a great success with a reasonable attendance, a good range of guest speakers and a variety of stands. Again, it proved a profitable event for us.

My thanks to all who gave their time to make this occasion memorable.

The Farmers' Markets, although a good money spinner for us, has been declining in popularity, and it would seem that we lose at least 1 stand each month without too much gain. We do need help with this event, with signage and labour on the day. If any members have ideas to pass on, they would be appreciated.

The Burial Records are progressing steadily with 2 books completed and another 2 almost ready. Already the CD version is proving to be popular. It has been rather difficult for me and possibly others, to concentrate on this project, when we know that whatever we do, is being copied onto the internet, and it seems that we can do very little about it.

What we have decided is that we will produce our own records for the internet, and have it set up so people can purchase photos or information.

Pioneer registers are still our best production and the members are presently looking into the possibility of Book 3 sometime in the future.

We have begun the massive task of data-basing names from all sorts of publications. This will mean that when an inquiry for a person arrives, we will be able to log in that name and view all of the places in our publications where that name appears. This should complement our present system well & enable us to access data more quickly.

Without singling out anyone in particular, I wish to thank all of you for the efforts that you have given to each particular job, and without the efforts of each and every one of you, we would not be in the secure financial position that we are today. I urge all members to consider helping out, by accepting a suitable position in which to serve the Society. By doing this, the Society will be assured of a successful future.

Reviewing my life over the past couple of months, I joined my first Committee at the age of 16 and served on the national executive at the age of 17. With barely a break in between, this has now accumulated to 50 years of service to the Community, serving on many different boards and committees, and in most cases, holding down several positions at the same time, with different organisations.

My mind, although still full of ideas, is not as active as it has been, and I feel that now is the time to step down and let someone take over, with the same drive, that I once had.

I wish the Society and its executive and members, well in the future.

Ian MacLeod
Retiring President.

2008-2009 PRESIDENTS REPORT.

My name is Barbara Fogarty, and I am your new President for 2008-2009.

If I am able to accomplish half as much as the past President, I will feel content. I extend a huge 'thank you' to Ian MacLeod for his commitment and ongoing support.

Welcome to a year of exciting proposed workshops, research help and learning for us all.

'Who do you think you are' is a popular series on SBS TV, we have just had the first of our own workshops on local identities, with more to come over the next year. The workshops may also include speakers in a seminar style, or time for us to learn about new research programs, or a chance for us to use the computers with guidance, or other aspects that we, the members, request.

There are lots of opportunities for all of us to become involved in our organisation.

For instance, can anyone help with contact details for the families of a John Connor [he was the Information Officer in 1960's in Taree - and was a very keen historian], also a Wilf Connor [he died very recently and was also a keen historian]. We seek information about their families in the hope that the historical information they collected, can be shared with us, about the Manning Valley and our families that lived here.

If you can help, please ring Barbara on 6552 2456

If you are able to come and help us for a few hours on the 14th October, we are going to set up a stall at Bushland Place the hope is to attract more members, by being there for what was going to be the Official Opening, and for the residents, and their family members, to be able to give and collect information from us.

We are looking for someone to step forward into the Treasurer position. Please help us out.

Next May, 2009, we will be involved in the Scottish Festival, and will be looking for people to help, both before the weekend and during the weekend.

We are still after helpers to do duty on a roster system and we would like all members to help out, please ring Diana 6553 8119, even if you can only help one day per month !

Our meetings are on the 3rd Saturday of each month, everyone is welcome and I encourage you to attend to put your ideas forward. I particularly encourage the new and newer members to come and meet others, who are enjoying the learning curve associated with Family History. There is also the pleasant chance to have a cuppa at the end, and a chat with others.

A huge welcome to our new members for the months of August and September.

There will be an invitation for our Christmas Party on the 29th November, to be held at Sailo's, this will be coming your way soon.

Please help me to help our Society.

I look forward to meeting and working with lots of you, over the next 11 months

Barbara Fogarty
President

SOCIETY CALENDAR	
4 October	General Workshop
18 October	Monthly Meeting
1 November	Duty Persons, Workshop
15 November	Monthly Meeting
29 November	Christmas Luncheon
6 December	Lisa Greenwood on State Records
Please Note	No monthly meeting for December No workshop in January
19 Jan 2009	Monthly Meeting

SOCIETY NEWS

New Members

We would like to welcome to our Society, Monica Muxlow, Robyn Davis, Rhonda Sly, N C McFayden, Lynette Hanley, Jenny Richards, Thomas & Monica Roach & Margaret Pankhurst.

Hope you have many years of successful researching.

Life Membership

It is with great pleasure that our Society has bestowed Life membership to Mr Bevan Nelson. Bevan, has been a generous noble-minded person and freely given his time and donations to the Society for a number of years.

Congratulations Bevan, you deserve the recognition.

Genealogical Fair.

It is with regret that we had to cancel the Genealogical and Historical Fair for this year, but, next year we will be having 2 or 3 seminars. The first will be in Feb/Mar 2009 with Terry Eakin on Irish research

Sympathy

Expressions of sympathy goes to members Jan Mitchell, Judy Hoole, Nancy Matthews, George & Elaine Sawyer in their loss of family loved ones
Sincere sympathy from all your friends in the Society

On the Sick List

Our member Tina McCarthy has had a long stay in hospital in Sydney. So pleased to see you back home and on the road to recovery. All the best, Tina, from your friends at MWFHS

Workshops

Our workshop with the ABC radio personality, Cameron Marshall was a great success. Some of Camerons listeners on the Mid North Coast have been in touch with our Research Officer enquiring about having research done for them. We will be having other personalities in the near future.

Computer Care

Some of our members have used their flash drives etc in our computer, which has put the computer out of action for 6 weeks. Viruses were found and it has cost our Society to have the computer repaired.

We ask you again, please DO NOT USE FLASH DRIVES etc ON THIS COMPUTER

Resources

Once again, the Society has bought more resources, please check the back of this newsletter for the list.

If you would like us to purchase any resources that would help you, in your research, please let the Duty Officers know of your wishes

Christmas Party

Our 2008 Christmas Party will be held this year at Sailo's Restaurant, Aquatic Club in Macquarie St, Taree.

Your invitation is included.

RSVP before 21st November, 2008

Members Interest

It is that time of the year again, to submit your new Members Interest forms for 2009. Please take the time to enter a new list of the surnames you are researching. Your previous submitted list will be used, if you opt not to submit an updated list.

RESEARCH ENQUIRIES

Mrs Rhonda Rossetti, Toukley. NSW

Asking for information on William Henry WOODWARD died MRD Hospital 9 Jan 1912. Buried Woolla Cemetery
Wants location of unmarked grave, and who paid

Mrs Edith Sallows, Ocean Grove. VIC

William John FERRIS married Mary Jane WESTERN/WESTON at Walcha 16 Oct 1875. 1st child born Wingham.
Any information required

Mrs Marcia Smith. Upper Lockyer. QLD

A mother named Susan, possible surname WELLS, had 2 sons, Joseph 1894, Donald Gilbert 1897, possibly daughter Dorothy. Information please

Mr & Mrs Bolster. Sydney. NSW

William Henry BOLSTER died 28 Jun 1918, architect, who may have designed Nurses Quarters and Council Chambers [corner of Manning & Albert Sts] & Laurieton School of Arts built 1911

Diane Lewis. Chadstone. VIC

Wanted articles from 1991 Fig Tree Magazine describing the voyage of the 'Cateau Wattle' sailing from Antwerp to Sydney

Mrs Margaret Rouhan. Beerwah. QLD

Details of Angus William McKINNON 1st Headmaster of Taree National School

If you are able to help, please ring Gloria Toohey
6553 8083

MANNING WALLAMBA FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY INC
FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 2008

INCOME			EXPENDITURE		
Membership		\$3,273.00	Resources		\$5,146.87
Cemetery Books		\$1,457.80	Equipment		\$295.20
Pioneer Registers		\$786.50	Cemetery Books		\$27.39
Other Publications		\$249.50	Pioneer Registers & Other		
Newsletter		\$7.00	Publications		\$146.98
Research Fees		\$457.20	Newsletter		\$837.51
Cupboard Hire		\$91.40	Research Expenses		\$107.65
Resource Hire		\$748.00			
Donations		\$216.50			
Fundraising	Fair	\$482.00			
Fundraising	Raffle	\$114.00	Fundraising	Fair	\$237.50
Fundraising	Market	\$1,200.00	Fair - Signage		\$437.25
Fundraising	Magazines	\$230.20			
Fundraising	Floats	\$625.00	Fundraising	Magazines	\$176.80
Grant		\$2,692.00	Fundraising	Float Rebank	\$625.00
Equipment Refund		\$99.00			
Supper		\$177.20	Subscriptions		\$141.00
Sundries		\$529.60	Supper Expenses		\$51.30
Shortage	[3.40]		Sundries		\$181.10
Interest		\$19.63	Donation		\$500.00
			Insurance		\$484.00
Total Income		\$13,452.13			
Expenditure		\$14,127.60			
Operating Deficit for year		\$674.57			

I have audited the accounts set out above in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standard. In my opinion the accounts of Manning Wallamba Family History Society Inc are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the NSW code and give a true and fair view of records of the Society



CURRENT ASSETS			CURRENT LIABILITIES	NIL
Cash at Bank		\$7,256.00		
Statement of Assets & Liabilities			NON CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Stock & Publications		<u>\$1,900.00</u>		
Total Current Assets		<u>\$9,156.00</u>		
Non Current Assets			TOTAL LIABILITIES	NIL
Resources		\$47,404.00		
Equipment		<u>\$10,452.00</u>	NET ASSETS	
Total Non Current Assets		\$57,856.00		
TOTAL ASSETS		\$67,012.00		

MORE THAN WORDS

One man's quest to understand the father he never knew, leads him to handwriting analysis.

Why his crowd called him Bosco is a mystery, like much about my father. He died just five months after my birth in 1966/ From talking to my mother, who no longer remembers him clearly, and other relatives, I have gleaned some details. Bosco was a retired, hard-drinking British colonel and latterday tea planter who worked in what is now Bangladesh during the twilight of the British Empire. He had a superb physique, shot wild pigs and once, during his army days, accidentally set fire to a tent full of documents, so he would not have to deal with them.

I have no papers relating to him, except a green leatherbound diary from 1951. It registers public events such as the re-election of Winston Churchill and personal experiences, including the signing of his will [Wednesday, 6th June]. pretty factually. Among the few flourishes are an un-franked Festival of Britain stamp stuck to the page, the admission that his radio is belting music out louder than anyone else's during an 'SS Himalaya' voyage and this assertion: 'Glorious Gloria, Virtuous Valerie'. I hand his diary to Mona Vale handwriting analyst Caro Duncan, who holds a certificate of graphology from the American Handwriting Analysis Foundation, and has practiced in Boston and Sydney. Championing her trade, which critics dismiss as an astrology-like-pseudo-science, Caro Duncan traces its lineage to Confucius, who said: 'Beware of the man whose writing sways like a reed in the wind'.

Duncan shows me an example of the integrations in the style of a teenager who committed suicide, and the script of an accident victim, who, holding a pen in his mouth, wrote just as with his hand, showing that all writing is 'brain writing'..... a 'photo' of the thoughts in our heads, she says. I harbour doubts about whether handwriting can illuminate the deepest recesses of the mind, yet I suspect it must give broad clues into character, just as gait, dress and manner do.

Caro Duncan interprets character by assessing size, slant, speed, letter formations, pressure, writing materials and use of space. 'The first thing that jumps out is his love of nature', she says, 'And he has a nice sense of how he fits into society'.

He was neither in your face, nor is he a shrinking violet. He would be popular at parties'.

Flicking through the marble-trimmed pages, she adds that his writing is 'exceptionally, exceptionally minute', - a point she repeats throughout the 40 minute reading. 'The fact that he writes so small, clearly shows a fine mind - it shows a mind that's capable of going his own way, believing in himself and an incredible mind for detail and a wonderful memory'. His style is refined, which adds to the impression of intellectual finesse. Less intelligent people stick with the chunky script they learned in the classroom. All the talk of braininess comes as a surprise, I always thought my father lived through his body and had little time for flights of the mind.

He was quite bookish, according to Caro Duncan, who focuses purely on the visuals, rather than the literal meaning of words. Evidence for her observation comes at the back of the diary in the shape of a numbered list of 22 books by the likes of British thriller writer Nevil Shute.

Caro Duncan paints my father as a solid character who could fit into just about any milieu. Smiling at the spidery writing in my notebook, she rightly says that I am not like that.

My father's tight, tiny hand and his supposed desire for more money, bring my brother to mind. Disclosures of other traits, such as sensuousness, and love of female attention offset by the urge to withdraw, hit even closer to home. But, although I remember my mother saying that Bosco was strange and sometimes sad, nothing disturbing comes up. The closest Caro Duncan gets to finding serious fault with the stranger responsible for me, is calling him 'naughty', he expected others to conform to traditional standards, but let himself slip and hid secrets. Still, she says, he would have been a 'tremendous' and protective father. Making it plain that she is not just being nice. Caro points out that her rosy diagnosis, is by no means the norm - she has a 'rogues gallery' of people whose writing contains sinister aspects.

Caro's take on Bosco has a commonsense dimension.

To me, it stands to reason that, if you form incredibly tightly wrought words, you probably have a keenly organised mind. The practice of delving into the lives of lost relatives' texts is booming.

Graphologist, Meryl Bolin, of Halliday's Point, on the Mid North Coast, NSW, has done more than 500 readings.

She casts the typical reaction as 'wowed recognition; provoked by the realisation of sharing characteristics, such as a hot temper, an adventurous spirit or a tendency to timidity. The diggings, for insight is part of the search for meaning that people undergo when they investigate family trees.

Australians are intrigued by this type of research', Meryl Bolin says.

Ian Spencer, a retired Baptist minister and marriage counsellor from Greenwich, was intrigued by two key figures in his family history, his great-uncle and a larger than life great grandfather. 'I wanted to know as much about them as possible', Ian says. He hired Meryl Bolin to deepen his understanding, after seeing her analyse participants in personal growth programs he ran.

More than Words - continued

Among other things, Meryl Bolin's reading confirmed that his great grandfather, who met the 19th century bushranger, Ben Hall, was physically outgoing and had little time for social niceties. Indeed, he was a rebel.

Now, Ian Spencer better understands, why he is a bit of a rebel himself, 'My background was that I was a complete sceptic', he says. 'I'm a chemical engineer, I'm a scientist - the idea of getting information about people from their handwriting sounded to me, to be completely off-the-wall. But now he believes he understands more of where he comes from, and feels that he has filled in blanks and confirmed hunches about the past.

Which is also how I feel. It's as if I have a conversation, yet most distant ancestor through a process, marrying séance with science.

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Western Australian Post Office

The Western Australian Post Office Directories 1893 to 1949 are now on line and searchable www.slwa.wa.gov.au/pdf/battye/pods/Post_Office_Directories_Contents.html

Death Before Marriage

If you saw someone had died before they were married,
wouldn't you think that you had the wrong person !
Well, check again.

Nice. France. Tuesday, 10th February, 2004

Dressed in a demure black suit, a 35 year old Frenchwoman has married her dead boyfriend, an exchange of vows that required authorisation from President Jacques Chirac.

Under French Law, Christelle Demichel became both bride and widow in the ceremony, which was performed at Nice City Hall, on the French Riviera. The groom, a former policeman, identified as Eric, was killed by a drunk driver in September 2002.

Christelle told LCI television, she understood, 'it could seem shocking to marry someone who is dead, but her feelings for him had not dimmed. His body was not present for the ceremony.

Such marriages are legal, if the living spouse can prove the couple had intended to marry before the other died.

The French President must also authorise it.

George and Rosina Pegler

My great grandfather, George William Henry PEGLER married Rosina Amelia PARSONS [HARRIS] on the 19th December, 1888. According to the marriage certificate, they were married in the 'house at Wellingrove Station'.

This is where my search for answers began, and just as many questions were raised.

The marriage certificate stated George was a bachelor, and Rosina was a widow [PARSONS], no other information.

No one in the family could recall any mention of a first marriage.

Later, I visited the Glen Innes and District Historical Society Inc, seeking information about Wellingrove Station.

There were more surprises when the original church marriage record for George and Rosina was shown.

The church record gave ages, place of birth [London], parent's names and occupations - obviously not necessary to register all information with Births, Deaths and Marriages.

It also stated that the marriage took place 'in the house of Mr G W H Pegler, Wellingrove Station, Wellington'.

A visit to the property indicated that workers on the property lived in huts near the creek. I also saw the 150 year old shearing shed, where George may have worked

George's parents were David and Mary Anne PEGLER [SKILTON]. Rosina's parents were Daniel and Mary Ann HARRIS [SANDERS]. Also shown in the church records were births for 3 children born in the Glen Innes area.

The birth of the eldest was not registered, however, his name is recorded in a family Bible.

Death Certificates for George and Rosina raised more questions. Ages given on the Marriage Certificates and Death Certificates don't tally.

Rosina's death certificate indicates a first marriage to PARSONS, and 3 children from this marriage, perhaps one named Walter. Who is Mr Parsons, what happened to him, what happened to the children ?

Answers given by the son-in-law, to many of the questions, was 'not known'.

It goes to show that death certificates are not always helpful or reliable sources of information.

Sadly, the graves for George [at Sandgate] and Rosina [at Glen Innes] have no headstones.

After years of searching, I have not located information within English or Australian records for Mr Parsons or any of the children. As yet I can find no English records for George, Rosina, their parents, or any of the family.

Information for the arrival in Australia of either George or Rosina has also not been located.

One family rumour says they met on board ship coming to Australia ????? - which ship and when ?

Contact with some descendants has revealed very little extra information.

The only rumour about George and Rosina's early life is that Rosina was a twin.

George and Rosina had 9 children

1. George William b 1886 at Red Range, Glen Innes
 2. Henry Alfred b 1887 at Red Range, Glen Innes
- These two boys drowned in the creek at Quirindi in 1899
3. Esther Sarah b 1889 at Wellingrove Station, Glen Innes
m John Dale BENSON 1908
 4. Mary Ann Jane b 1891 at Quirindi
m Nicholas Eli SCARF 1910
 5. Albert James b 1892 at Quirindi
m Gladys [CORBETT] SPINKS 1920
 6. Elizabeth b 1894 at Quirindi
m George Levi WADWELL 1915
 7. Mark b 1896 at Quirindi
m Margaret PORTER 1918
 8. Frederick Chandler b 1898 at Quirindi
m Mildred WALSH 1921
 9. Emmanuel David b 1900 at Quirindi
m Euphemia ANDREWS [SLOTT] 1918

I continue to search for descendants of Albert, Frederick and Emmanuel.

The families of Mark and Ester have no information about these descendants.

Mary's family have not supplied any information.

Where to next ? I would like to hear from anyone with suggestions or information to help break down my brick walls.

Pam Jarman. Member No 551



George William Henry Pegler



Rosina Amelia Pegler

THE NORTH COASTERS

On searching through family documents, I have come across a letter dated March 6th, 1916 from a Private Harry Morrison of the above group marching through this area to enlist for the Great War. He was later to be in D Company of the 36th Battalion. The letter was to my late Grandmother, Edith Richardson. The group called at Mondrook School and were made welcome and provided with food by the ladies of that area. Below is a transcript of the original :

Dear Madam,

Just a few lines to let you know how us boys who marched through your district is getting along, well I must say that we are all doing real well, but I must not at all forget to thank you and all the other ladies who gave us a hearty welcome upon our arrival at the school, and also for the splendid way in which you ladies gathered together to give us a real good feed.

Well, I must tell you that as soon as we all got upon the road after that splendid meal, all the boys said that it was really the best feed we had had along the road and twenty times better than any big town that we called at.

Well I do not know what you thought about us in our Dungarees and white hat, I must say that we did not look very attractive or look like soldiers, but now we have got our uniform and I must say we look twenty times more like a soldier. I must also mention about our Mascot, the fox, which was given to us by someone in your locality, well it is by now as tame as a cat as well as ever it was.

Well I have no more news this time, but I must again thank you for the kindness you bestowed upon us, and I will now close my letter by wishing you and the ladies of Tinonee the best of wishes, health and success.

I remain

Yours respectfully

Private Harry Morrison

North Coasters

The letter was written on YMCA of Newcastle letterhead and domiciled, Showground, Broadmeadow. NSW
George Sawyer Member 533.

WEB SITES

August to October 2008

Old Bailey site adds more records

You can now search records from 1674 to 1913

www.oldbaileyonline.org

Australian Newspaper Digitisation Program

An ongoing project

www.nla.gov.au/ndp/

Limerick Digital Archives Collection

www.limerickcity.ie/Archives/

Burial Grounds of Tasmania

www.bgot.org

Tracing War Brides

www.warbrides.com.au/Jhome/

Australian Shipping Arrivals & Departures 1788-1968

www.blaxland.com/ozships

NSW Index to Divorce Cases 1873-1923

www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/divorce

Hebridean Connections

Has over 40,000 records relating to Western Isles, an island community off the west coast of Scotland

www.hebrideanconnections.com/

Convicts sent to Fremantle

It is searchable by name and/or ship

www.freemantleprison.com/history6.cfm

Malta Family History

www.maltafamilyijistutw.comf

Polish History

www.szukamvpolski.com/index.php?1=english

Czechoslovak Genealogy Sites

www.svu2000.orP_leeJp.atHedolcSgd.1.htm

NSW Parliament from 1856 to 2007

This site shows everyone who ran for parliament, how many votes they got etc. Do use the menu down the left, you can get all sorts of information

www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/resources/nswelectionsanalysis/HomePage.htm

Finding your Convicts on the Tasmanian Convict website

<http://portal.archives.tas.gov.au/menu.aspx?search^11>

Australasia Births, Deaths & Marriages Exchange

A free resource for genealogists to share information from Australia & NZ vital records, with links to similar sites in 44 countries

www.ausbdm.org/

British Concentration Camps of the South African War 1900-02

<http://medial.mweb.co.za/bccdb/default.asp>

COMPARE PRICES

All these examples do NOT imply that petrol is cheap. It just illustrates how outrageous some prices are. You will be really shocked by the last one. Think a litre of petrol is expensive? This makes you think, and also puts things into perspective. A can of Red Bull, 250ml, \$2.95...\$11.80 a litre! Robitussin Cough Mixture, 200ml, \$9.96...\$199 a litre. L'Oreal Revitalift Day Cream, 50ml, \$29.95...\$599.00 a litre. Bundy Rum, 1250ml, \$51.00...\$40.80 a litre. Visene Eye Drops, 15ml, \$5.69...\$379.00 a litre. Britney Spears Fantasy Perfume, 50ml, \$29.00...\$580 a litre. And this is the REAL KICKER. Evian Water, 375ml, \$2.95...\$7.86 per litre! \$7.86 for a litre of WATER!!!!

And the buyers don't even know the source. EVIAN spelled backwards is NAÏVE !!!

Ever wonder why computer printers are so cheap ?

So they can hook you for the ink!!

Someone calculated the cost of the ink at, you won't believe it, but it's true\$1040.00 a litre

Next time you're at the pump, be glad your car doesn't run on water, Printer ink, etc.

LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS

BUR:071F South Australia - West Terrace Cemetery - Burial Registers 1840-1940 [30 fiche]
CEM:525F Victoria - Eastern Cemetery Geelong Protestant Section Headstone Transcriptions [4 fiche] donated
CEM:526F South Australia - West Terrace Cemetery - Monumental Inscriptions [25 fiche]
CEM:527F South Australia - West Terrace Cemetery - Cremations [1 fiche]
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