

Annual Conference

The first Virtual Annual Conference of the NSWACT AFHS was held last weekend (in case you missed it). We were amazed at the people from across Australia, New Zealand and other places in the world who attended. We chose the Zoom platform so people could get a 'buzz' from the conference. We found it allowed the speakers to interact with members of the audience while their talk was being presented and we are grateful to all the people who participated – especially the speakers who made the effort to not only prepare their talk but to log in and answer questions.



Still in chains in Port Macquarie

The conference was also on YouTube but this platform didn't allow for interaction like Zoom. We placed the speakers' talks on YouTube and this link expires on Saturday night so if you wanted to see a particular speaker again, please do so before midnight tomorrow.



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The production of Oliver by the Players' Theatre has been postponed to next year. Our booking has been re-scheduled for Sunday 13 March 2022.

Christmas: We have re-booked at Noshtalgia for Friday 3 Dec for a REAL Christmas celebration. The booking is for a Friday EVENING 6pm for 6.30pm. Add the date to your diary. People who have paid for the July event will be able to use this payment and go out for dinner. You may also request a refund from the Society for the July event if you wish.

There was no General Meeting in September as Annual Conference took its place.

The next meeting is on 9th October in CC Mac Adams Centre. Bookings will be essential – please ring Diane.

Member Support Groups: These groups are for **financial members of PMDFHS**. Meetings are in Chronological order.

Group Name	Meeting Date	Meeting Time	Venue	Topic
Convict Studies	Mon 20 Sep	1pm - 3pm	ZOOM	
DNA	Mon 27 Sep	1pm - 3pm	ZOOM	
Writers' Group	Mon 4 Oct	1pm - 3pm	ZOOM (Labour Day)	
FamilySearch	Mon 11 Oct	1pm - 3pm	ZOOM	

Join Zoom Meeting



Meeting ID:  Passcode: 

Use of the Library Meeting Room is dependent on Covid conditions & availability of the room. At the moment, the Library Meeting Room has re-opened but there is a limit of 12 in the room. However, if numbers of attendees are few the meeting will be moved to the Zoom platform. Please check website/calendar for Venues

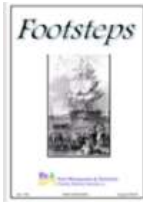
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Footsteps: Narelle Milligan, our new editor, is looking for articles for the November issue of Footsteps and would like articles/snippets/research ideas by mid-October to allow time to edit them. Please forward anything of interest to her editor@pmdfhs.org.au.

The library will re-open on **Monday 20th September** and our roster will again become active on Tuesday 21st. Janet Brown, our new roster coordinator, has already issued the roster for the coming 4 months – September – mid-December. If you can help by donating 2.5 hours/month to help it would be greatly appreciated. There is a limit of 5 people in the Local Studies Room so we are encouraging researchers to 'book-in' to avoid disappointment. The library is also encouraging us to 'book-in' so a quick call to the library will ensure you have priority.

Silver Lining to Covid We can stay safe at home and research or write family history articles without feeling guilty that we should be doing something else. Enjoy this time with your research.

The above bookings for Oliver and Christmas celebrations are all dependent on the lifting of lockdown restrictions.



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