

CAROLE RILEY

About Carole

Carole Riley is a professional genealogist based in Sydney and specialises in land and property research. She has a background in computer technology and an interest in how to use computers in the service of family history research. She is the author of *Land Research for Family Historians in Australia and New Zealand* and *Social Media for Family Historians*, both *Unlock the Past* publications.



Carole serves as a Vice President of the Society of Australian Genealogists and is the Honorary Editor of its journal, *Descent*. She is the founder of the Sydney User Group of The Master Genealogist (TMG) and has served as a Director of the Association of Professional Genealogists. She has a Diploma of Family Historical Studies from the Society of Australian Genealogists; a Master of Applied Science (Psychology of Coaching); a Bachelor of Science from the University of Sydney, and a Diploma of Professional Counselling.

Her topics

[Crossing the great generational divide using social media - Use social media to reach the younger generations](#)

Beginner

The internet is not only a source of information, but also a medium for social interaction, and for younger generations it is a part of life as essential as electricity or the telephone. We can use social media to connect with younger generations and get them interested in their family history.

[Dropbox and Evernote for family historians - Everything you need, everywhere you are](#)

Intermediate to Advanced

Dropbox and Evernote are two of the most valuable tools a family history researcher can use. Dropbox allows you to backup and synchronising your research data, and selectively share it with others. Evernote keeps everything together and makes it accessible on your computer, on the web, and on your smartphone or tablet.

[Following the Gold - How the various gold rushes influenced our families](#)

Beginner to Intermediate

People came in droves when gold was discovered in a succession of sites across Australia and New Zealand to try to make their fortunes, either directly by searching for gold or by running business, shops and hotels to cater to the gold diggers. Come with us on a journey around the goldfields and learn how to find your ancestors there.