

CONGRESS PROGRAM

Friday 27 March

- 8.30 am Official Opening
Royal Theatre
- 9.00 am Opening address: Dr Mathew Trinca, National Museum of Australia
- 9.45 am Morning Tea in the Exhibition Hall

10.15 am Concurrent Session 1

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Shovelling out paupers: Researching assisted emigration in English archives	What can I find using eRecords	Tracing your ancestors in the digital age - State Library of NSW's Digital Excellence program	Early Chinese Australian families – putting your Chinese ancestors in context
Simon Fowler Advanced	Cora Num Beginners/Intermediate	David Berry All	Kate Bagnall Intermediate/Advanced

11.15 am Concurrent Session 2

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Buried Treasure: what's in the English Parish Chest	DNA for genealogists: introducing the DNA tests that can be used as tools in FH research	New Zealand remembers - 100 years on	The Social Archive: socialising Australia's wartime history
Paul Milner Intermediate/Advanced	Kerry Farmer All	Seonaid Lewis All	Shaun Rohrlach All

12.00 pm Lunch in the Exhibition Hall

12.15 pm Lunch Session: Breaking down brick walls in your research
David Holman in the Murray Theatre

Friday 27 March

1.30 pm **Keynote address:** Tracing free emigrants to Australasia
Roger Kershaw introduced by David Fricker, Director NAA, Royal Theatre

2.30 pm Concurrent Session 3

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Help! What information is correct? – strategies for determining historical truth	Dropbox and Evernote for family historians	FamilySearch: Future and Vision	Far from home: researching stories of WW1 military service
Carol Baxter All	Carole Riley Intermediate/Advanced	David Rencher All	Jennie Norberry All

3.15 pm Afternoon Tea in the Exhibition Hall

3.45 pm Concurrent Session 4

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Not just the facts, Ma'am, give me the big picture	The Joint Copying Project – making Parish Registers accessible to researchers	English Workhouse and its records	Using British medals to help fill out the family tree
Colleen Fitzpatrick All	Heather Garnsey Intermediate/Advanced	Helen Smith Intermediate	David Holman All

4.45 pm AFFHO AGM in the Menzies Theatre

Saturday 28 March

8.30 am Keynote address: Connecting Across Past, Present, and Future
Joshua Taylor, findmypast, Royal Theatre

9.30 am Concurrent Session 5

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Wills from England and Ireland	The marriage of local and family history – a bridge to the past	Following the gold.	Hardship/ boredom, marauding and drink – researching British Military Deserters
Jenny Joyce Intermediate	Pauleen Cass All	Carole Riley All	Simon Fowler All

10.15 am Morning Tea in the Exhibition Hall

10.45am Concurrent Session 6

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Scotland – maps and gazetteers for research	Work choices – shaping our lives	Stories of the Western Front, 1916-1918	Finding your Chinese Roots – tips for tracing your Australian family's Chinese origins
Paul Milner All	Cora Num Beginners/Intermediate	Richard Reid All	Kate Bagnall Intermediate/Advanced

11.45am Concurrent Session 7

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Irish census and census substitutes.	The UK Gazettes – a treasure trove of information for family history	Help! Why can't I find my ancestor's surname?	Did your ancestor serve in the British Military during WWI?
David Rencher Beginners	Jenny Joyce All	Carol Baxter All	David Holman All

12.30 pm Lunch in the Exhibition Hall

12.45 pm Session: Volunteering at TNA - Roger Kershaw in Murray Theatre
12.45 pm GOONS meeting in Menzies Theatre

Saturday 28 March

2.00 pm Keynote address: If you ever go across the sea to Ireland: realities of 19th Century Ireland.
Richard Reid introduction by Patrick Corr, Royal Theatre

3.00 pm Concurrent Session 8

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Learn more from autosomal and X-chromosome DNA	Separation and divorce in Scotland 17th to 19th Centuries	Heraldry and the genealogist	Across the centuries – the Huguenots and their Australian descendants
Kerry Farmer Intermediate/Advanced	John Blackwood All	Stephan Szabo	Robert Nash Beginners/Intermediate

3.45 pm Afternoon Tea in the Exhibition Hall

4.15 pm Concurrent Session 9

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Remembering and commemorating our ancestors	Friendly societies and family historians	Finding your family in New Zealand	Sporting ancestors – discovering forgotten athletes
Perry McIntyre All	Helen Smith Intermediate	Robyn Williams All	Shauna Hicks All

5.00 pm Session Close

6.30 pm Congress Dinner in the Great Hall of Parliament House



Congress Dinner

Australasian Launch of Irish Anzacs Database
Make your table selection from Friday morning tea onwards.

Shuttle bus from Congress to Parliament House - \$10 return
– tickets available from Purple People

Sunday 29 March

8.30 am Keynote address: Meeting people at war: writing war on the home front
Michael McKernan (Historian and writer), Royal Theatre

9.30 am Concurrent Session 10

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Migration schemes to Australia	Tracing Your Pre-WWI British Soldier	Bankrupts and insolvents in mid-19th century England – records and sources	How did that Kiwi get in your tree?
Kerry Farmer Intermediate/Advanced	Paul Milner Intermediate/Advanced	Sue Reid Intermediate	Seonaid Lewis All

10.15 am Morning Tea in the Exhibition Hall

10.45 am Concurrent Session 11

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Hidden Gems: finding and using unusual record collections in English archives	A different kind of DNA talk	Crossing the great generational divide using social media	Interpreting and evaluating name lists (Ireland)
Simon Fowler Intermediate/Advanced	Colleen Fitzpatrick All	Carole Riley Beginners	David Rencher Beginners/Intermediate

11.45 am Concurrent Session 12

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Mapping our families – putting them in their place	'the infernal villain will be sent away' – convict case studies in the National Archives of Ireland	One Name Studies – what use are they to you?	A history of British Child Migration Schemes
Cora Num Intermediate/Advanced	Perry McIntyre All	Helen Smith Intermediate	Roger Kershaw Beginners/Intermediate

12.30 pm Lunch in the Exhibition Hall

12.45 pm Session: Genealogical lecturing skills. Proposal to Presentation, Paul Milner Murray Theatre

Sunday 29 March

2.00 pm Keynote address: Men, women, sex and desire: family history on Australia's first frontier
Grace Karskens (Associate Professor, historian, UNSW), Royal Theatre

3.00 pm Concurrent Session 13

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Finding your ancestors in the Genealogical Haystack	Writing up your family history for pleasure and profit	Source for Mr Goose and Mrs Gander	From Dorfprozellen to Australia: how social media reunited the emigrants' descendants across time
Heather Garnsey Beginners/Intermediate	Simon Fowler Intermediate/Advanced	David Holman All	Pauline Cass Intermediate/Advanced

3.45 pm Afternoon Tea in the Exhibition Hall

4.15 pm Concurrent Session 14

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Chasing the poor and landless (Ireland)	Bring your ancestors to life – using Court of Petty Session Records	The House of Commons Parliamentary papers – an unknown resource	For King and Empire – services rendered: WW1 Medical Records
David Rencher Beginners/Intermediate	Shauna Hicks All	Jenny Joyce Intermediate	Roger Kershaw Beginners/Intermediate

5.00 pm AAGRA meeting in the Menzies Theatre

Monday 30 March

8.30 am Keynote Address: Fascinating facts and figures from five centuries
David Holman (President UK Federation of Family History Societies), Royal Theatre

9.30 am Concurrent Session 15

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
The many meanings of TROVE	Digging for gold locating British miners and their records	Migration to New Zealand – including Trans-Tasman travel	The abandoned child – social changes 1850-1870 through the records of the Randwick Asylum for Destitute Children
Tim Sherratt All	Paul Milner All	Robyn Williams All	Jan Worthington All

10.15 am Morning Tea in the Exhibition Hall

10.45 am Concurrent Session 16

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Getting the most out of nationalarchives.gov.uk	Connecting the community through FamilySearch	A general and indiscriminate stigma – the Irish Famine Orphans, 1848-1850	House and Home – finding NSW house and land records (Part 1)
Roger Kershaw Beginners/Intermediate	David Rencher All	Cheryl Mongan All	Carole Riley All

11.45 am Concurrent Session 17

ROYAL	BRADMAN	MENZIES	NICHOLLS
Genealogy and the six degrees of separation: how to find anyone in the world	Discovering the hidden riches in public libraries - FH in Local Studies Collections	Distressed cotton weavers emigration scheme	House and Home – finding NSW house and land records (Part 2)
Colleen Fitzpatrick All	Michelle Nichols Beginners/Intermediate	Helen Smith Intermediate	Carole Riley All

12.30 pm Lunch in the Exhibition Hall

Monday 30 March

1.30 pm Keynote Address: Front page to back page using online newspapers.
Cora Num (Fellow of HAGSOC, professional family history researcher), Royal Theatre

2.15 pm Panel : Family history research- why leave home to do it?
Moderated by Jill Ball with David Holman, Carole Riley, Joshua Taylor
Royal Theatre

3.15 pm Announcement of raffle winners
Call to Sydney

4.00pm Congress Close