

NEWS AND INFORMATION UPDATE

EDITION 153

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Our vision is

"To promote, foster and practise all aspects of genealogical study"



**Welcome, Welcome, Welcome: A Big Welcome to new members
Selby Witteveen and Raymond Webb**



DNA and Your Family History - 21st June at the Newhaven Hall.

Over 40 people attended the DNA Workshop, and it was received very well. People came from far and wide.

A PowerPoint presentation of Dr Jenny's talk is available, so if you haven't received a copy and would like to, please contact Lesley (piadgs@outlook.com) and she will arrange for you to get a copy.



A letter of thanks has been sent to Jenny.

Thanks were also extended to the Bass Coast Shire Council for their Grant which enabled us to offer this workshop. Thanks to everyone who brought afternoon tea to share... what a feast we had! And lastly but not least, thanks to the Committee for their efforts in promoting the event, organising the kitchen and generally running the afternoon.

Special thanks are extended to Caroline Talbot for rescuing us in the kitchen – she knew how the dishwasher (and everything else) worked.... Thank you, Caroline!!

19th July, 1.30 to 3.30pm

**Cuppa and chat at the Hill Top Farm café
Coghlan Road, Cowes.**

Buy Your Own coffee and cake

Got a brick wall? Don't know where to go to next? Just want to chat about your research? Come and have a chat and let's see if we can help

**Rsvp by 17th July
Lesley piadgs@outlook.com**

Cuppa and Chat

When: 19th July

**Where: Hill Top Farm,
Coghlan Road, Cowes**

Time: 1.30 - 3.30pm

BYO coffee and cake

**An opportunity to just catch up or
discuss any research issues.**



A reminder of our new opening hours

From now on the room at Newhaven Hall will be open only two sessions a week:
Tuesday Morning 10am to 1pm, and Thursday afternoon 1pm to 4pm.

If you need help or advice, the volunteer on duty will do her/his best to help. If you need help and those hours don't suit you, please ring me (Sue Viney – 0419 665 862) and I will do my best to sort out a time convenient for you.

Secretary needed.

One Important item - at the AGM to be held in September – we will be needing a new Secretary. Lesley who has done an amazing job, has moved to Melbourne and is currently driving to the Island to attend the committee meetings. This is a vital position on our committee. Lesley is ready to speak with anyone who would like to find out more. It is the most important job on the committee. Without a secretary, we cannot legally exist as a club. Please contact Lesley either by phone - 0488 088 101 or email: lesleyargaet@hotmail.com



Do you research, or would like to research, in Ireland, but have been told it is too hard, even impossible.

There is a new free website: virtualtreasury.ie

VRTI is an all-island and international research partnership hosted by Trinity College Dublin, working to reconstruct the Public Record Office of Ireland — a magnificent archive destroyed in 1922 at the outset of the Civil War. This is an ever-growing, open-access resource, freely and permanently available online to all those interested in Ireland's deep history, at home and abroad.

June 30th was the 103rd anniversary of the Dublin fire and an additional 175,000 records have been released, bringing the total of reconstructed records to 350,000.

Check out our Facebook page, I have posted a link (<https://www.facebook.com/reel/2483118862056360>) telling you all about this new website.

A Question that has arisen: are we charging enough for our Commissioned Research....

Wizard of Id by Parker and Hart

February 20, 2009



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

19 th July	Chat and Cuppa	Hill Top Farm Café	1.30 to 3.30pm
August	Family History Month	Berninneit Centre	dates to be confirmed
20th September (note change of date)	AGM	Newhaven Hall	time to be confirmed
6 th December	Christmas Break-up Lunch	San Remo Hotel	12 noon