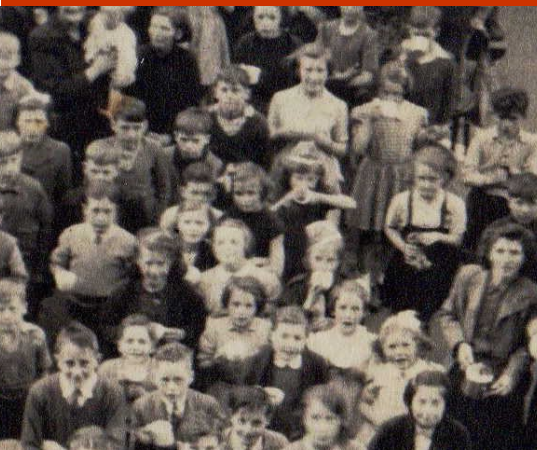


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NEWSFLASH



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Family History Month!

MyHeritage Special Deal

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Opening Ceremony!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Family History Month!

Welcome to this special Family History Month edition.

On the following pages you'll read about the many prizes that can be won—over \$4,000 worth of books, DNA tests, conference, and subscriptions. Register for the Opening or Closing Ceremonies at the [AFFHO website](#) to be in the running to win!

Join us at 6pm AEST, 1 August for the Family History Month Opening Ceremony to celebrate our community! We'll discover the 2024 Nick Vine Hall Award winners and hear about the prizes on offer throughout the month!

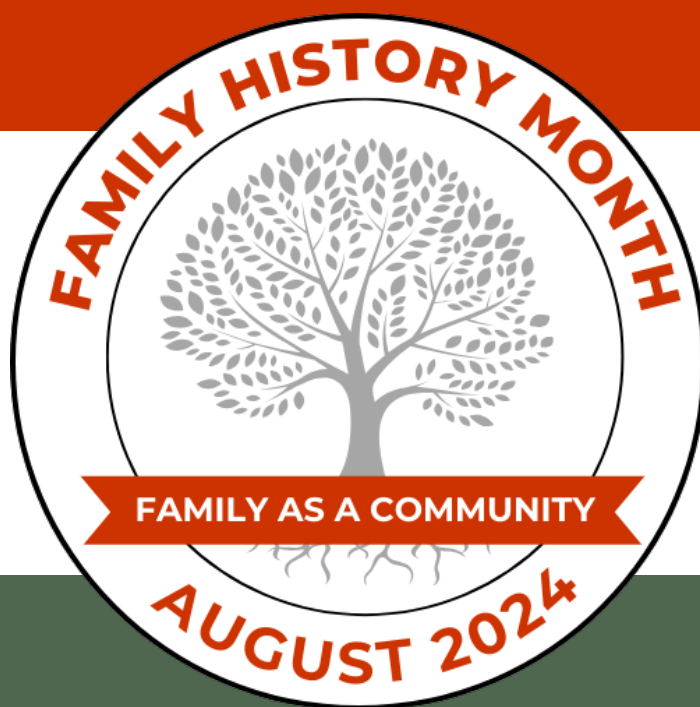
We are also honoured to have Heather Garnsey OAM & Shauna Hicks OAM discuss their experiences of volunteering and contributing to family history.

Don't forget to publish your events on the [AFFHO website](#) and have a wonderful Family History Month!

~ Sonya

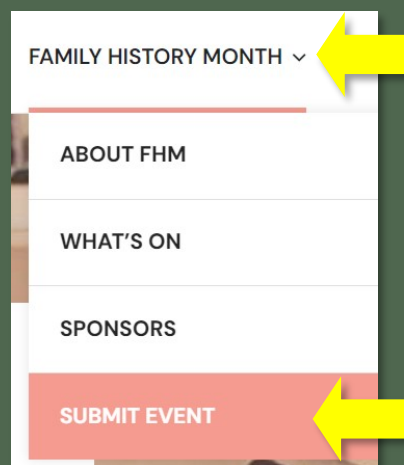
FAMILY HISTORY MONTH

1—31 August 2024



In 2024, Family History Month's theme is "Family as a Community - Together We Can Achieve So Much More". This year's theme focuses on how we are part of a bigger community, despite much of our family history research being a solo endeavour. It is an opportunity to celebrate amazing members of our community, who have contributed so much to family history research's development as well as a chance to share ideas for how we can all support family history research. The theme honours the central role family history organisations and societies play in progressing our beloved pastime.

Save the Date for the Opening (1 August) and Closing (31 August) Ceremonies and don't forget there are prizes to be won!



**Don't forget to submit
your events on the brand
new AFFHO website!**

OPENING CEREMONY

Celebrating our Community!

6pm AEST, 1 August
2024

Discover the amazing prizes on offer
in 2024!

Learn the winners of the Nick Vine
Hall Awards for 2024!

Hear from recent Medal of the Order
of Australia recipients Heather
Garnsey and Shauna Hicks about
their experiences and contributions
to the family history community!

Discuss projects and activities that
you can contribute to as a family his-
torian!

Register at the [AFFHO Website](#)!



GET TICKETS TO WIN PRIZES

First Name *

Last Name *

Email *

I would like to attend the OPENING CEREMONY
on August 1? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

I would like to attend the CLOSING CEREMONY
on August 31? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

I would like to receive further communication
from AFFHO re events and member organisa-
tions *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Submit





Discover amazing family stories in historical records

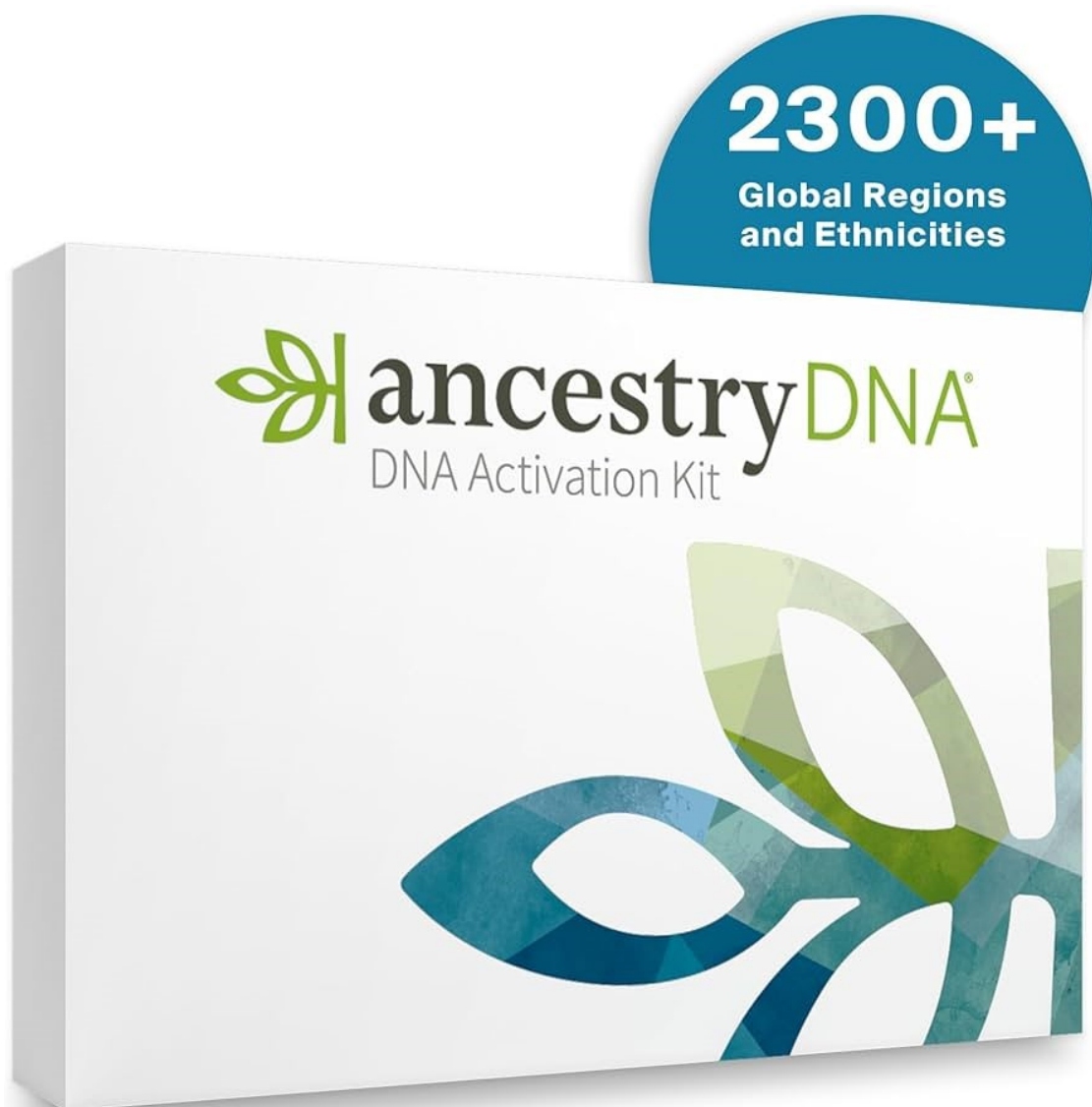


Family History Month Prizes:

4 x 12-month [MyHeritage](#) Complete Subscriptions



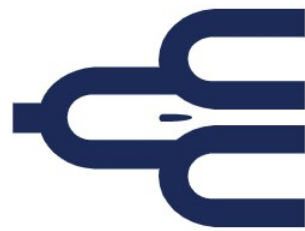
Attendees at the Opening and Closing Ceremonies have the chance of winning one of two 12-month [Ancestry](#) UK Heritage Plus subscriptions or an AncestryDNA kit (two available). That's hundreds of dollars of prizes to the lucky winners!



New Zealand Society of Genealogists

Te Rangapū Kaihikohiko o Aotearoa

Family history - Preserving our past for the future



Family History Month Prize:

1 [NZSG](#) annual membership!



SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIAN GENEALOGISTS

Family History Month Prizes:

- 2 x tickets to the Society's "Wills & Probate Virtual Conference" on Saturday 23rd November (recordings available if unable to attend live)
- 1 x 3-volume series of the "Women of Colonial Australia" books
- 2 x tickets to the online workshop "Writing Family History" with Dr Betty O'Neill (not recorded - attendees must attend live)
- 2 x 1-year [Society of Australian Genealogists](#) membership



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Genealogy & History

Family History Month Prizes:

- ♦ 2 genealogy e-books (worth \$50 and \$100) and
- ♦ 2 "Unlock the Past" publications (\$50 and \$100)

[Gould Genealogy & History](#)



FAMILY HISTORY ACT

HERALDRY & GENEALOGY SOCIETY OF CANBERRA

Family History Month Prizes:

- ♦ A copy of the book "Family History for Beginners and Beyond" and a 12-month digital subscription to the Society's award-winning journal "The Ancestral Searcher".

[Family History ACT](#)

Find *my* past

Family History Month Prizes:

- ♦ 12-month Pro subscription and a 1-month Pro subscription

[FindMyPast](#)

AFFHO PRIZES


2 x annual memberships*

***non-existing members**



Do you know of a small family history society wanting to connect with fellow societies? Are you an organisation focused on genealogy, heraldry, or family history? Would you like to be able to post your events on the AFFHO webpage? Do you want to win the prestigious "Nick Vine Hall Award" for your amazing society journal?

As part of Family History Month, AFFHO is pleased to announce that we are offering two FREE annual memberships to societies (not already members of AFFHO).

To apply, please email  president@affho.org with your interest. The winners will be announced at the Closing Ceremony on 31 August!



FAMILY HISTORY MONTH August 2024

Celebrating all things Family History across Australia and New Zealand since 2006, this month long festival includes in-person and virtual events.

[LEARN MORE](#)

Check out the brand new AFFHO website at www.affho.org and log your Family History Month Events!

Event Information

Event Name required

Society or Organisation Responsible for Event required

Select the Event Category required

Date & Time

Start required

Date

14 July 2024

Time

10:02 am

End

Date

Time

Description required

VISUAL

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Event External URL Include the full URL including http:// or https://

3-DAY CONFERENCE

BRISBANE 21 - 24 March 2025

JOIN US FOR CONNECTIONS 2025

Australasia's premier event for local and family historians, ancestry researchers and genealogists to uncover the past, celebrate the present and tap into the future.

- **3 FEATURED SPEAKERS**
 - Judy Russell JD, CG, CGL
 - Dr Nick Barratt
 - Professor Hamish Maxwell-Stewart
- **42 SPECIALIST SPEAKERS**
- **6 MASTER CLASSES** *[optional extra]*

Brisbane Technology Park Conference & Exhibition Centre | 1 Clunies Ross Court, Eight Mile Plains QLD

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 [*Early Bird available until 30 Nov 2024]

www.connections2025.org.au



Use the QR CODE
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AFFHO Special Deal

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5-9 August 2024

The AFFHO Mailing List will receive an email on 5 August with a special link to get the deal.

Please share with your members!





GPO Box 1394, Canberra, ACT, 2601 www.affho.org Contact: president@affho.org

Membership

Full membership is open to any organisation based in Australasia, which satisfies the Council it is primarily concerned with family history, genealogy, heraldry or allied subjects.

Associate membership is open to any organisation which satisfies the Council that it is interested in family history, genealogy, heraldry or allied subjects.

Mission Statement

The Australasian Federation of Family History Organisations (AFFHO) aims to promote, preserve, and foster the study of family history, genealogy, and related subjects in Australia and New Zealand. AFFHO aims to support its member organisations in their pursuit of family history research by providing resources, networking opportunities, and educational programs. AFFHO will advocate on behalf of member organisations to address arising challenges. Additionally, AFFHO seeks to raise awareness of the importance of family history and genealogy in preserving cultural heritage and understanding individual and collective identities.

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