

Community resources for teaching local history

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(NB this list is by no means exhaustive.)

Books : equipping your school Library:

- **Gwen Dundon:**
 1. The Shipbuilders of Brisbane Water \$45 Gosford Local Studies Library
 2. Ferries of
 3. Gosford in Pictured series (5 booklets) . Indexed by -----
- **Charles Swancott** series of four publications on early areas of Central Coast . Some volumes still available from HKHS. (Need for supplementary verification.)
- **Monographs series of Brisbane Water Historical Society**, available at very minimal cost.(eg Aboriginal People, History of CC , Brief Chronology of CC, Placenames of CC, significant women, Henry Kendall and the Fagans, Citrus Growing industry of CC.
- **Wyong Historical Society Pictorial History of Wyong area** in 6 volumes by Edward Stinson, plus index.
- **Local history publications by various individuals.** Consult Geoff Potter (Gosford City Council) and LS catalogue for knowledge of local area publications and his website histories for your local area.
- **Margaret Hardy** contemporary publications: Significant Men of CC, Significant Women of CC.
- **Terrigal area Tourist App** from Local Studies Library.
- Publications now out of Print by Brisbane Water Include Bench books, History of Brisbane Water Local Government.
- **Family History Society** publications include cemetery transcripts, indexes to and publication of various historic records such as newspapers, funeral directors, transcripts of early records, and original research (eg 1841 census of Brisbane Water) .

Note:

Most booklists for Family Hist Socs and Historical Socs. are online at their website, but do not necessarily include Out of print books and CDs, copies of which may be held at Local Libraries.(eg on such topics as early publicans, picture theatres , shipwrecks of CC, Local Councils also publish some histories.

- **Series of Monograph booklets** on early CC History available from Brisbane Water Historical Society, including:
 1. Aboriginal People of Central Coast
 4. A History of the Central Coast

5. Place-names of the Central Coast

A Brief Chronology of Central Coast History

Henry Kendall and the Fagans

Dharug & Lower Hawkesbury Historical Society. Publications, including Cemetery transcripts,

On Gosford's first place of settlement, including History of Lower Hawkesbury,

Building of Great North Road, free map of walking tracks in area .

Historical Societies:

- **Henry Kendall Cottage & Brisbane Water Historical Society.** President Edith Campbell. - Museum , archive and publications. Local monographs series
- **Dharug & Lower Hawkesbury Historical Society** - Wesleyan Chapel , archive and publications
- **Alison Homestead and Wyong & District Historical Society** - homestead rebuilding , archive and publications . Publications of Edward Stinson c6 vols plus index
- **The Pick journal and website** with downloadable information for touring the Great North Road
- **Royal Australian Historical Society.** Note index to jols. - jols and index, library & archives.

Family History Societies :

- **CC Family History Society** website, publications, Research Centre and Library, Courses, Research support. NB "The Dream Begins" (Heather Sushames) major work in 2 vols of families in 1841 census, numerous CCLGA Cemetery transcripts, Bench Books, etc.
- **Wyong & District Family History Society** -similar for Nn area. Transcripts of burials at Palmdale.

Gosford City Council:

- **Library Services - local History** - see Geoff Potter's presentation and GCC local History website - information and pictorial resources.
- **Heritage provisions** - Heritage Officer Rebecca Cardy, Heritage Inventory (World, National, State & Local Significance listings). Terry KassThematic History Study, David Scobie Community Heritage Study. See also minutes of Heritage Committee published by Council.
- **LEP schedule 5 heritage items in LGA and inventory sheets on same.** (see earlier studies by Brookes, Suters 1, Suters 2 , suters Mann St , NBRS study of Gosford Waterfront, archaeological study of Gosford PS and Park Site.

Local Schools Initiatives:

- **The Boer War and Gosford's role** - Jennie Newton. AP, Gosford PS
- **Teaching Local History: Jennie Newton** - Gosford's Fish Fossils "1. Gosfordia" and other Teacher Worksheets in progress , Teaching Local History other units in preparation.

Other teachers' initiatives?

Local Authors:

- Current local suburb histories on Terrigal (Liz Parkinson), Kincumber (Marie Riley) and topics such as War Memorials, Picture Theatres, Shipwrecks. Consult Local Studies Library collection. Most in print are marketed via Societies listed above or GCC local Studies (G Potter)
- Peter Rea' s local military history site and program. See website:
<http://4hresearch.weebly.com>