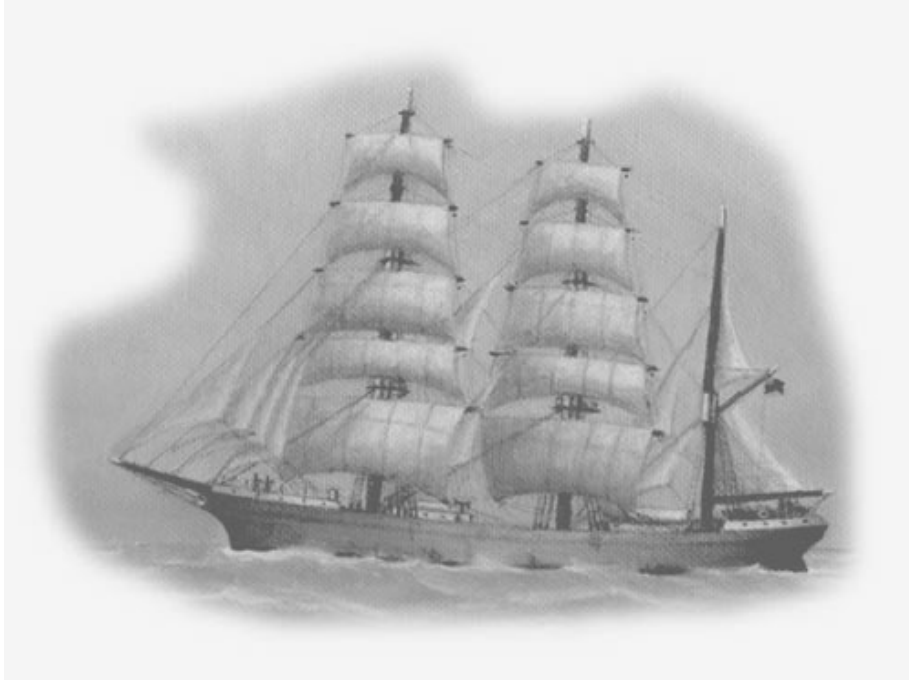


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Usually second Thursday of month at 10.00am

Thursday 10 September – speaker: Royston Lawson

Search For The Queenscliffe Treasure Trove

Thursday 8 October - AGM followed by

Victorian Land Titles and Documents

Sunday 29 November— Cemetery Visit \$15

Visit to Eastern Cemetery Geelong for a drama filled
tour 11.00am - to 1.00pm

Bookings essential, with Jan Morris 5263 3085
limited numbers. BYO lunch or purchase in Geelong—

**We aim to have Interesting guest speakers
to talk on all matters of research
Please submit topics of interest**

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AUSTRALIAN CONNECTIONS OF A MIGRANT (PART 2)

by Susan Clarke

In the last issue I stated that when I started my family history research, I knew of only one connection with Australia – when my paternal great grandfather, who served with the British Army, passed through here in the 1860s on his way back to England after serving in the Maori Wars in New Zealand. This story concerns his visit, and the later connection of his daughter, my great aunt, to a prominent Australian.

Passing through the colonies

James LEES was a Colour Sergeant with the 14th (Buckinghamshire) Regiment of Foot when he was based in the Garrison of Hobart Town, Tasmania in 1867. It was at the military barracks that his daughter Martha Ellen LEES was baptised on 2 October that year, having been born on 10 August¹. Martha was the fourth daughter of James and his wife Anne, but the first born in Australia the others, Mary Emma, Annie Jane, and Elizabeth Mordaunt, were born in New Zealand. James and Anne (nee STAUNTON) had married on 17 July 1860 at Birr (formerly Parsonstown), County Offaly, Ireland, while James was with his first regiment the 65th (2nd Yorkshire, North Riding) Regiment of Foot. The next month he was transferred to the 2/14th Regiment at Curragh, and left almost immediately for New Zealand, taking his new bride with him.

During his time in New Zealand he was attached to the Transport Corps, and was well regarded according to a newspaper report of 28 February 1866:

Another proof of the estimation in which the non-commissioned officers of this station are held by the men under them has recently transpired. A convivial and well-attended meeting took place on Friday evening here, for the purpose of presenting Sergeant-Major James Lees, 14th Regiment, attached to this corps, with a tangible mark of respect in the form of a gold watch, bearing a suitable inscription, which was subscribed for by the men of the 1st Waikato Regiment, and a few other friends of the C.T Corps. The meeting began to assemble at seven o'clock, and before half-an-hour had elapsed seats were at a premium, such being the respect in which Sergeant-Major Lees is held ... The party, after refreshments had been handed round, spent a very agreeable evening, and dispersed at a seasonable hour, highly pleased with the proceedings.² I would love to know what happened to that gold watch!

James and Anne arrived in Hobart later the same year, and by June 1869 had moved to Melbourne, where their fifth child, Arthur William, was born on 21 June³. The family left Australia to return to England at the beginning of 1870. At this time, James' pay was 3s 7d per day as the only sergeant major in the regiment⁴.

Turning to Elizabeth Mordaunt LEES, my great aunt, unfortunately the source of her unusual middle name remains a mystery. On 3 June 1893, Elizabeth married Francis Beresford Tenison WOODS at Brixton St Paul, London, where her widowed mother had moved the family at some stage prior to the 1901 census⁵. The groom's father was Nickolas Augustus Beresford Tenison Woods, occupation – journalist. This information piqued my interest. On researching the name on the internet, I found frequent references to Australia and finally established that Nickolas Augustus was the brother of Father Julian Tenison Woods, well-known in Australia for his connection with Mary MacKillop in Penola. Apparently he is less well-known as an explorer, geologist, botanist and artist. In 2013, the Mary MacKillop Penola Centre opened a major exhibition featuring different aspects of his scientific work, including that on tropical shells, that he illustrated in a series of watercolour and pencil sketches held by the Mitchell Library in Sydney⁶. This connection of mine to Australia is a distant one, but a colourful one.

1. Half-Yearly Return of Baptisms, solemnized in the Garrison of Hobart Town, Tasmania, 1 January 1868. Note: on the 1881 England and Wales census, place of birth was given as Adelaide.

2. 'Penrose – Presentation', *Daily Southern Cross*, Volume XXII, Issue 2689, p. 3

3. Date source: TNA: PMG10/72-L-Z; Establishment no. 2574 [Army Establishment: Compassionate List and Royal Bounty]. Place source: 1881 England and Wales census.

4. The information about James Lees' career is taken from the muster rolls, including TNA: WO 12/3200 - 14th Foot 2nd Battalion [Commissary General of Musters Office and successors: General Muster Books and Pay Lists]

5. Church of England Parish Registers, 1754 – 1921, London Metropolitan Archives, London.

6. Newsletter, Professional Historians Association (SA), issue 108, November 2013, p. 19. See also:

<http://www.mackilloppenola.org.au/exhibitions/dsp-default.cfm?loadref=122>

PAT HUGHES Many people inquire about our past president Pat Hughes. Pat unfortunately suffers from indifferent health. She is currently staying for a time in Queensland with one of her daughters. Mobility is an ongoing problem but fortunately she is still able to drive. Pat is using her great computer skills as editor of our Family File project. She is responsible for the final loading of the data to the master file. We are extremely grateful to Pat for her major contribution to this project. Pat sends her warm hello to all her friends at the Surf Coast Family History Group.

Annual Subscriptions for

Surf Coast Family History Group

are now due, at \$15 per year. The Historical Society has raised their subscription to \$20 per year, but ours has stayed the same at \$15 per family. The Historical Society is responsible for insurance, minor maintenance, and general care of the premises. To belong to Family History you must also belong to the Historical Society.

NEW RECORDS AND RESOURCES

South Australian Land Records – Online and free

<https://www.sailis.sa.gov.au/home/auth/login>

See YouTube videos at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOYNx3irUhF55Qussl0VgsA/videos>

Digitised WW1 Victorian newspapers

<http://www.slv.vic.gov.au/digitised-wwi-victorian-newspapers>

A major project commemorating World War I has digitised 216 WWI-era Victorian community newspapers and made them available online via the National Library of Australia's Trove portal. Victorians everywhere can now explore the stories of their communities and family and friends who lived and fought through the Great War. This digitised collection contains thousands of stories waiting to be found. These newspapers of the day provide, in their original format, news and public debate; letters from soldiers, sailors and nurses; death notices, images and more.

WW1 Veterans Affairs records

The National Archives of Australia (NAA) has begun a \$3.4 million project to mark the centenary of World War 1, describing and digitising many of the Anzacs' repatriation records, ensuring greater public access. For many Anzacs, ongoing health problems – both physical and mental – often meant unemployment, disability, pain, and suicide. The details were preserved in more than 600,000 World War 1 repatriation records, held by the NAA. More than 2,300 have already been digitised and are available online by searching under the person's name or service number. <http://discoveringanzacs.naa.gov.au/>

A World Away: South Australia's War <http://southaustraliaswar.com.au/>

This blog documents the experiences of South Australians on the front lines and from the home front during the First World War, in their own words, through diaries, letters and newspapers. All the letters and diaries used in the blog are part of the collection of the State Library of South Australia.

The Ryerson Index

The Ryerson Index is a free index to death notices appearing in Australian newspapers. The date range covered extends from the *Sydney Gazette* of 1803 up to newspapers published within the last week or so. The index also includes many funeral notices, and some probate notices and obituaries. The index has over five million entries. <http://www.ryersonindex.org/>

Millions of criminal, convict and black sheep records go online

Recently FindMyPast made available almost two million criminal and convict records online for the first time. These records have been digitised in association with The National Archives, UK. The records cover the period 1779 to 1936 and include:

Australian Convict Conditional and Absolute Pardons 1791 – 1867

New South Wales Registers of Convicts' Applications to Marry 1825 – 1851

Australian Convict Ships 1786 – 1849

Victorian Prison Registers 1855 – 1948 experiences, supplementing the sometimes patchy official records available for individuals.

In addition, of course, they give insights into personalities and life histories, in the same way that they do for all ancestors, military or otherwise.

Victoria's Coastal Passenger Lists

Victorian Passenger Lists 1852 - 1924 are going online at FindMyPast (FMP) by agreement with Public Records Office Victoria (PROV). Original images are being scanned and transcribed. Never before microfilmed or indexed, the collection of Victoria's Coastal Passenger Lists 1852 - 1924 will be brought online later this year. There are an estimated 118,000 records which provide a vivid snapshot of immigrants and travellers alike arriving in Victoria's coastal ports. FMP has also secured the rights to publish original petty sessions records.

Geelong Cemeteries Trust Additions

Geelong Cemeteries Trust has added two large cemeteries to its online database: Colac and Queenscliffe. Go to

http://www.gct.net.au/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=41&Itemid=20



EARLY ANGLESEA FAMILIES

HARVEY

*From the research of Lindsay Braden and
Keith Cecil and Trove Newspapers*

Frederick Harvey with his four sons

Sitting in his house, reading in the local Geelong Advertiser that his house had been destroyed by bushfire, was a startling event for Frederick Harvey. As there were three Harvey houses in Anglesea in 1902, it was easy to confuse the Harvey houses. Thus the Geelong Advertiser reported the wrong Harvey house as being demolished by fire.

Harvey Street, is named after Frederick Harvey who came to Geelong in 1853 with his brother. Henry Thomas aged 19 and Frederick aged 17, were the sons of William HARVEY and Charlotte SPANTON of Kent, England. They established a produce store H & F Harvey at 33 Ryrie Street. After Henry's death in 1867 the business became Harvey & Dan & Co. P/L.

Henry, the elder brother, lived for only 14 years after coming to Australia.

Henry b. 1833 d. Geelong 1867 aged 34. He had married in 1856 to Margaret MORKHAM

Issue 1860-1861 Sydney Spencer HARVEY

1862-1935 Alice Mary HARVEY m.1881 to Edward SANDS

Issue 1882-1888 Percival Lyne SANDS

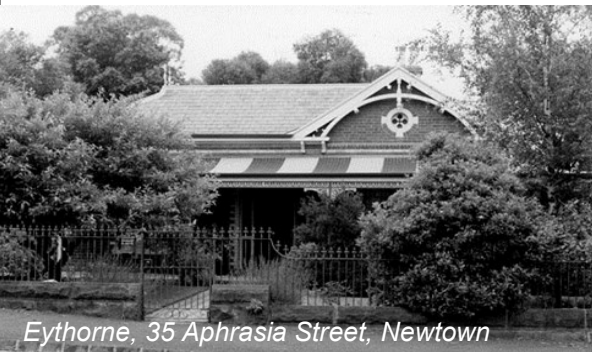
1884-1884 Elsie SANDS

1885-1948 Herbert SANDS m. 1938 Mona WOOD



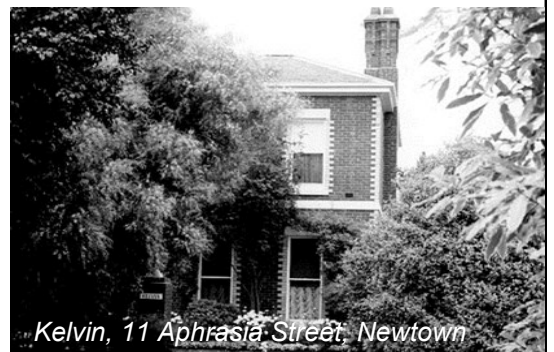
Una and Frederick Harvey

Frederick the younger brother, and Una his wife resided first at *Eythorne*, 35 Aphrasia Street, Newtown, and later at *Kelvin*, 11 Aphrasia Street. Fred and his family first had a holiday at Anglesea in 1887, renting William Parker's House. Two years later he purchased land closer to the river where he built a holiday cottage. In 1892 he applied for a river boathouse. Most holiday houses in the 1890s also had a boat house on the river. At about the same time Fred bought land at Craigieburn, where two of his sons Troward and Phillip became farmers. In 1891 Fred began buying up more land on the Gladstone or western side of the Anglesea River.



Eythorne, 35 Aphrasia Street, Newtown

*The Geelong
houses where
Fred and Una
Harvey lived and
brought up their
family*



Kelvin, 11 Aphrasia Street, Newtown

1836- 1931 Frederick John HARVEY married 1865. Una Jane GILL Two of their eight children died young.

Frederick was born in Kent, England and died in Newtown, Geelong aged 95

Una b.1836 in Canada, parents John Wyatt GILL & Amelia SPENCER, d. 1939 in Newtown, Geelong

Issue of Frederick and Una Harvey

1866 Una Amelia (Amy) HARVEY m 1898 to Alan James Bruce WAUGH, Goodiwindu, NSW.

1899 Kathleen Muriel WAUGH m. 1935 to John E HARVEY

1899 Alan Cameron WAUGH

1869-1964 Mabel Jane HARVEY m 1908 to 1864-1944 James Openshaw COOP. They went to New Zealand to live. James Coop, Justice of the Peace, had a sheep and cattle farm and a saw mill at Little River N.Z. He was the son of William COOP and took over the farm and sawmill from his father.

1909-1986 William James Harvey COOP

1873-1946 Frederick John HARVEY m to Eliza Sarah GALVIN

1900-1976 Frederick John HARVEY m. 1935 to Beatrice NELLY

1875 - 1957 Troward Underdown HARVEY m.1907 to 1885-1932 Sybil Primrose FERGUSON

Troward, a farmer, at "Olrig" Craigieburn, had bought the property in 1910. When Trow was 14 years old he was kicked by a horse. Recovery was very slow and he spent a lot of time at the Anglesea holiday house recuperating. He walked with a limp for the rest of his life. While in Anglesea he carved his name and the date in the rock below what is now the Surf Club. That carving can still be seen today.

Issue of Troward and Sybil HARVEY

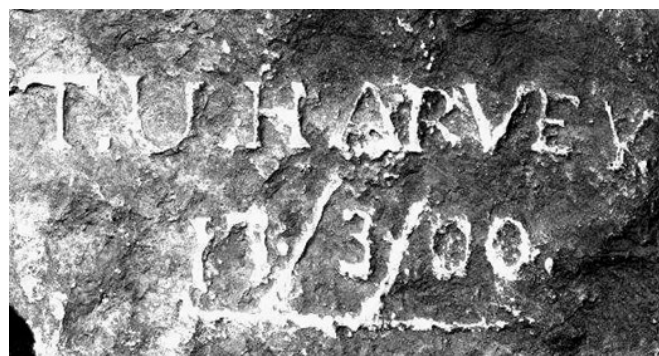
1909 Helen Marion HARVEY m. 1938 Horton James PEARCE

1911 Una Jean HARVEY m. 1940 Thomas Lloyd WALKLEY and took over her father's property Oirig

1918 Margery Lorraine (Bobbie) HARVEY m. OLIVER. Robin, Allison, Peter and Linda were grand children



Trow Harvey and the name and date he carved in the rock at Anglesea Beach



1877-1963 Phillip Henry HARVEY m. 1876 - 1964 to Margaret HUTCHISON. Phillip and Margaret did not have any children. They were very community minded. Originally he had land at Craigieburn, a farming property his father had purchased. He moved to Harvey Street, Anglesea where he became Hon. Secretary of the Anglesea Rural Fire Brigade and also Hon. Secretary of the Tennis Club on the corner of Tonge and Parker Streets.

GOLF COURSE On New Years Day 1939 Phillip Harvey, attended the realising sale of the estate of George Noble. 100 acres fronting Noble Street was offered for sale. To help the bidding along, Phillip made an opening bid of \$35. To his astonishment, there were no more bids and the land was knocked down to him. Ten years later when there was a move to establish a new golf course, Phillip sold 50 acres to the Golf Club at what was described as a *gift price*. This became the first nine holes of the golf course. The remainder of the land became Camp Wilkin and some housing blocks.

ANGLESEA COMMUNITY PRECINCT In 1940 Phillip Harvey purchased lots 5,6 & 7 McMillan Street from Frank Wray. Seven years later he transferred the title to the Anglesea Progress Association for the erection of a memorial to WW2 soldiers. This memorial in the form of a hall, was opened in 1954.

1884-1974 William Wyatt HARVEY m. 1930, 1884-1966 Annabella Elizabeth BRETT d. Camberwell. William was the youngest son of Fred and Una Harvey. He was six years old when the Harvey family had their first holiday at Anglesea. He grew up coming to Anglesea regularly and continued doing so until his older brother Phillip died in 1963.

William, as a final-year engineering student, was recruited to John Monash's Melbourne office late in 1905. In 1907 he became resident engineer to the South Australian Reinforced Concrete firm (SARC). He was first involved in making and driving reinforced concrete piles for the Hindmarsh bridge. In January 1908 he was supervising test bores for the Glanville Wharf. Next he tackled the Register building, and then the tramway bridge to join the Barton and Hindmarsh bridges at Holland Street. Then followed the Bowman's Building, and the Glenelg breakwater.



William Harvey

After leaving SARC, William Wyatt Harvey worked for a time for the Truscon Company in England. In 1916, he enlisted in the Australian army and served in France. Ranked lieutenant, he took photos in 1919 during a battlefield tour of France and Belgium. These are in the War Memorial at Canberra. He had also been fighting in water logged trenches at Gapaard (Belgium). As John Monash knew of William's engineering skills, he commissioned him to the Western Front. After the war William worked with the British army for some months. Returning to Australia, he was a respected consultant engineer. He retired to Mornington and often visited Anglesea. William died in 1984.



Harvey holiday House c.1890 with buggy in front and c.1920 with their Singer car in front

