

Orange Family History Group December 2014 Newsletter

The December edition of our *Newsletter*, where has the last year gone? It has been a sad year for us, with the passing of three of our members: Jean Simpson in June, long time member and former President and Vice President Shirley Duckworth in July, and former Secretary Pam Langham earlier this month. Their varied contributions to the Group will be sorely missed.

From us all best wishes for a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year.

OFHG NEWSPAPER INDEXING TEAM

The Newspaper Index grows in value with each entry and the Indexing team continue to do an exceptional job adding records to the online Central West Libraries catalogue. Their fabulous effort has resulted in over 69,375 entries which have been used by local and distant researchers to obtain that vital information to begin a search or to verify their family knowledge. Much of the data input has been completed by Lynne Irvine and Julie Milne with assistance from Liz Gammie, who has recently withdrawn from the team due to other commitments, and the record keeping group comprising Marie Cousins and Sue Griffin.

DISCOVER OUR ANZAC HISTORY ONLINE

Mapping our Anzacs is no longer available online. However, you can find all of the content, and a lot more, on the new Discovering Anzacs website, a joint Anzac Centenary project by the National Archives of Australia and Archives New Zealand. Explore a growing selection of government records about Australians and New Zealanders in World War I and the Boer War. Enhance a profile dedicated to the wartime journey of someone who served. Uncover the personal stories of service men and women through original archival records.

http://discoveringanzacs.naa.gov.au/

REMAINS OF MISSING FAMILY MEMBER FOUND IN 2011

This family member went missing approximately fifty years ago. His family, not knowing his whereabouts or what may have happened to him, left his three young children feeling abandoned as their mother was already deceased. Then many years later in 2011, remains were found in bushland in North Sydney. DNA testing along with personal items lead to a positive identification. Sadly this man turned out to be Aubrey Neilsen, the three children's father (one child was deceased) which helped to put closure to what happened to him. After all the years to finally know he hadn't abandoned them. His death was classified as not suspicious but from natural causes in approximately 1961.

May he now be at peace.

Jenny Gillard.

IS THIS THE GOODLET FAMILY?

This photograph was found behind a picture of Frederick Brown who married Susan Goodlet in 1884. Susan died in 1908 but Frederick lived another 30 years and married for a second time. It appears likely that Fred covered up the photograph of his late wife's family sometime after her death which was only discovered nearly a century later by family members removing old pictures from a frame.

James and Amelia Goodlet had a total of eight children - six of whom may feature in this picture: Walter, James, Elizabeth, Susan, Thomas, and William are very likely to appear in this picture. There would then appear to be a wife of a son also included in this picture.

Margaret Thomson



NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

Western Advocate - 6/6/1900: Death – Mr J. Beshewatie.

The death took place on Friday afternoon of a Syrian storekeeper residing at the corner of Lord's Place and Kite Street, the cause of thereof being hemorrhage on the brain. We believe that he was not long ill, and that until a short period before his death no untimely results were anticipated.

The Leader - 6/6/1900: Gossip - Mr J. Beshewatie.

Mr J. Beshewatie aged 47 years, died at his residence corner of Kite Street and Lord's place on Friday afternoon last, at 4 o'clock from paralysis of the brain, after a brief illness of about 24 hours.

The Orange Leader - 23/8/1926: Obituary - Mr Harold Heavener.

The death occurred at Waverley War Memorial Hospital last week, of Mr Harold Heavener, who was in the employ of Messrs Coulson, Harton and Co at Orange about 14 years ago. He was 33 years of age, a native of Blayney and a son of Mr Hugh Heavener, late of Blayney. His parents' home is "Thelma" Rainbow Street, Randwick and his father who is nearly 90 years of age has been falling in health for some time. There are two brothers, Robert, Hotelkeeper, Macleay River and Bert solicitor now abroad. Mr Hugh Heavener the well-known hotel broker. Mrs Will Moore of Waldara and Miss Gerty Heavener are his step brother and stepsisters. (Harold Edward Heavener buried Catholic Cemetery, Randwick).

The Orange Leader - 14/5/1928: Local and general news - Woman Severely Burnt. Mrs Adelaide O'Hanlon of Budge's Terrace, William Street, East Orange was the victim of a painful burning accident on Monday and as a result she is an inmate of the Orange Hospital. She was sitting beside the fire reading a newspaper when her clothing came in contact with the flames. Her attempts to reduce the burning cloth were unsuccessful, until practically the whole of her right side had been severely burned. Dr Hodgkinson was called in and he ordered her removal in hospital by Orange Ambulance.

The Orange Leader -18/5/1928: Obituary - Mrs Margaret Bowman.

The death occurred on Wednesday morning of Mrs Margaret Bowman at her late residence 34 Clinton Street, after an illness extending over two or three days. The cause of death was senile decay and heart failure. The deceased 78 years of age and was born in Victoria. Leaving her home state the deceased went to Parkes, where she resided for a number of years with her husband and on his death ten years ago. Mrs Bowman came to Orange. She opened a small shop in Clinton Street, opposite Cook Park and became very popular with her many patrons. The funeral left her late residence yesterday morning for the Church of England portion of the Orange cemetery. The Rev. Bromley conducted the burial service and Mr P.J. McGowan had charge of the funeral arrangements. Sergeant Bowman of Sydney, is a son of the deceased. (Unmarked Grave - Orange Cemetery - Church of England section).

The Orange Leader - 5/8/1929: Obituary - Mr John Martin Donlan.

The death of Mr John Martin Donlan formerly of Forest Reefs, took place at Hurstville on Thursday last. The cause of death was pneumonia. Mr Donlan is survived by his widow and six children, the oldest being 12 years and the youngest 12 months. He is also survived by two brothers James (Sydney) and Thomas (Burnt Yards) and three sisters Mrs Rogan (Sydney); Mrs W. Ovington (Forest Reefs); and Mrs White (Sydney). After leaving Forest Reefs the late Mr Donlan bought a newsagency business at Lithgow making a very successful business man. After disposing of his business he tried his hand at hotelkeeping. Mr Donlan was an accomplished violinist and very often gave his services for charity's sake. His passing will be very much regretted by a large circle of friends.

The Orange Leader - 5/8/1929: Obituary - Mr William Bell.

The death occurred at Orange on Friday July 26, of Mr William Bell, of Garra at the age of 80 years. Excepting for a few years in Queensland, Mr Bell had lived at Garra for the greater part of his life. His father was a blacksmith at Boree station in the early days. The deceased was one of the band of pioneers, who are passing or have passed, to their reward. He lived in the days of early settlement blacks and bushrangers and could recount many stirring and interesting anecdotes of the earlier days. His wife, who was a sister of the late Mr John Wynne, a prominent, figure in Molong some years ago, died 10 years ago. There were no children.

The Orange Leader - 5/8/1929: Obituary - Mr Richard Halcroft.

On Tuesday morning last at the Molong Hospital there passed away one of the oldest natives of the district in the person of Mr Richard Halcroft. Born at Toogong in the roaring days the late Mr Halcroft, spent most of his life in the district. For a period he was a driver of Cobb and Co's coaches, being on the run from Toogong to Forbes and also on the Dubbo run and later he was for years in charge of the company's depot at Toogong. For many years past he resided quietly in Molong, his one and only recreation being fishing. He was of a quiet and retiring disposition, with a fund of dry humour and was liked by all who know him. He left one son and one daughter and he is also survived by one brother, Mr Thomas Halcroft (Molong) and four sisters, Mesdames Shreeves, snr. (Molong); R. Jaye (Molong) and W. and H. Langdon (Pinecliff).

The Orange Leader - 9/8/1929: Personal - Miss Mollie McDonald.

The very sad death of Miss Mollie McDonald took place at the Orange Hospital on Monday morning last from cerebral meningitis at the early age of 16 years. She was an only child of Mr & Mrs T. McDonald and niece of Mrs M.E. Russell. The funeral left her aunt's residence on Tuesday, the chief mourners being Mr & Mrs T. McDonald (parents), Mr Jas McDonald (grandfather); Mrs M.E. Russell (aunt); Miss Maisie Russell and Master Jim Russell (cousins); Nurse Maher (aunt) Mr Conroy and Mr Maloney (Bathurst). The Rev. Fr Healey performed the last sad rites at the graveside.

The Orange Leader - 2/10/1929: A pioneer passes.

Died at "Erin Vale" in the Dalby district, Queensland, Mrs George Bourchier, who was formerly Miss Anne Blazley, one of the pioneers of the Carcoar district, where members of the family still reside. The original Mr Blazley arrived in Australia after a tedious voyage in one of the old sailing ships before ever a steamship touched the shores of Australia and after working around Blayney for a time, eventually took up some land and started farming on his own. His wife died in 1864. Their daughter (Anne) then married Mr Bourchier who was a native of Maitland and who died in June last, aged 85. After their marriage they lived in the Carcoar district, but subsequently removed to Oberon, then to Warren and thence to Nevertire, where they owned "Malverin". On selling that holding they removed to Dalby, where they remained. Mrs Bourchier was laid to rest beside the bodies of her husband and Mrs Healey, her sister, three pioneers of the Carcoar district, whose years when added together numbered 254. One son of a grown-up family is Mr P.J. Bourchier (Narromine).

The Orange Leader - 13/1/1930: Obituary - Mr Robert Simpson.

Mr Robert Simpson aged 87, formerly of Forbes Road, Parkes, died at his residence on Tuesday morning, after an illness of three weeks. The late Mr Simpson was born at Canobolas, near Orange and subsequently held land at Molong and Coates Creek, coming to Parkes about 45 years ago. Subsequently he went to Parkes, where he worked as a miner for a number of years. A widow and large family are left to mourn his loss. Members of the family still living are Alice; George and Thomas (Parkes); Robert (Fifield); Martin (Condobolin); William (Moss Vale); Mrs E. Sharpe (Bogan Gate); Mrs B. Guthrie (Cumnock) and Miss Emily Simpson (Orange).

The Orange Leader - 5/11/1934: Obituary -Mrs J. McBride.

The death at Bondi of Mrs Winifred McBride wife of Mr Jack McBride at the age of 55 years will be regretted by many friends in Orange where she was born and lived for many years. The late Mrs McBride was the eldest daughter of the late Mr & Mrs John Byrne pioneers of the Orange district and respected residents of the town. For some time after her marriage the late Mrs McBride lived with her husband in Orange, where he conducted a successful hairdressing business before going to Bondi, where they have lived ever since. She is survived by her husband, two brothers and one sister: Messrs John (Sydney) and Matthew (Orange) and Mrs Luke Johnson (Orange). The body was brought to Orange by mail train and interred in the Catholic portion of the Orange cemetery, on Saturday afternoon.

The Orange Leader - 3/8/1936: Obituary - Mr G.H. Phillips.

Mr George Henry Phillips of Rosemary Lane, died yesterday at the Base Hospital. He had lived in the Molong and Euchareena districts for 45 years. He had worked on the railway as a fettler, residing in Orange for the last ten years, since retirement. The widow was formerly Miss Elizabeth Williams of Coonabarabran and with her survives a daughter, Mrs L. Shepherd (Kerr's Creek) and an only son, Mr Fred Phillips (Bellengen, North Coast). There are also eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. The funeral will leave the Modern Undertakers' funeral parlours tomorrow for the Presbyterian portion of the Orange Cemetery.

(Unmarked Grave - Orange Cemetery - Presbyterian section.)

The Orange Leader - 14/9/1936: Obituary - Mr Timothy O'Shea.

The passing of Mr Timothy O'Shea recalls memories of political meetings in the district when Mr O'Shea used to ride horseback for many miles on occasions to act as chairman at conferences of the old Protectionist party. His death after only a week's illness occurred in a private hospital on Saturday. Mr O'Shea was born in Country Kerry, Ireland, in 1854 and was 23 years of age when he reached these shores. For about 33 years he worked his farm "Rockfield" in the Hobby's Yards district, where he was well-known for the many acts of kindness he performed. Fifteen years ago he retired and took up residence at 99 Sale Street, from where his remains will be conveyed to St. Joseph's Church, prior to leaving for the Catholic cemetery, Newbridge to-day. His wife, who was a member of the well-known Healey family, of Bathurst, predeceased him by 3 years, as also did his two children. Mrs J. Smith of Sale Street, with whom Mr O'Shea resided is a niece. Mr P.J. McGowan has charge of the mortuary arrangements.

The Orange Leader - 29/10/1937: Obituary: Mrs Florence Marion Horrell.

The death as briefly reported in a recent issue of the "Leader" occurred at the Base Hospital last week of Mrs Florence Marion Horrell at the age of 74 years. She was the eldest child of the late Eldred and Elizabeth Denham and was born at Ryde, Isle of Wright in 1862. She sailed to Australia with her parents in 1878 and spent most of her life in and around Orange. In 1883 she married Mr W. Horrell, who is well-known in Orange. There was no issue of the union. Besides a husband she leaves four brothers, Charles (Enfield); Albert (Dundas); Bert (Orange) and Joe (Arncliffe). Two brothers predeceased her.

(Note on headstone Orange Cemetery Methodist Section - In loving memory of dear wife Florence Marion Horrell Died Oct. 24th 1936 aged 81 years)

The Orange Leader - 18/5/1938: Obituary - Miss Ruby Jane Scott.

The death occurred suddenly in Sydney on Monday of Miss Ruby Jane Scott sister of Mrs F. Aubrey Webb of Endsleigh Street, Orange at the age of 39 years. She was very well-known in Sydney where she had spent practically the whole of her life. Miss Scott, who had travelled extensively in foreign countries, was an entertaining conversationalist. Her manner was charming and she possessed many fine qualities which endeared her to a legion of friends not only in Australia, but in other parts of the world. Her remains were brought to Orange and yesterday interred in the Catholic portion of the Orange cemetery. The modern undertakers were in charge of arrangements.

The Molong Express - 6/1/1940: Obituary - Nancy Irene Thomas.

The death occurred in the Molong District Hospital on Sunday December 24; of Nancy Irene Thomas the 3 months old baby of Mr & Mrs F. Thomas of West End. The child was always delicate only leaving the institution for a period of a few days, death being caused by pneumonia. Following a short service the remains were

interred in the Church of England portion of the Molong Cemetery. (Nancy Irene Thomas Father Frederick Harold Thomas Mother Netta Irene).

The Orange Leader. - 4/10/1944: Obituary - Mr John Bennett Dwyer.

The death occurred suddenly on Sunday night at about 10.30 of Mr John Bennett Dwyer of 279 Lord's Place, following a heart attack. Deceased was 49 years of age. He was born at Lismore and came to Orange on the appointment of his father as local gas manager. He was a returned soldier of the Great War and was highly respected by all who knew him. In addition to a sorrowing widow he leaves two children, Marie (Mrs Stan Bullock) and James. Sisters are Mrs H.A. Douglas (Barraba); Mrs A. Jones (Brisbane) and Miss Marjorie Dwyer (Orange) and one brother Bert (Crow's Nest.) The funeral was a most representative one, being headed by returned soldiers, prominent business men, Salvation Army and members of the Municipal Council. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Torrance assisted at the graveside by Major Bailey (Salvation Army). The returned soldiers conducted a service, headed by the president of the local branch by the president of the local branch of the league, Mr Reg. Rowe.

The Orange Leader - 18/5/1945: Friday - Obituary – Mr John G. Hutchinson.

Mr John G. Hutchinson, who passed away at the Base Hospital on Wednesday night, at the age of 79 years, was a native of Cornwall (England) but had lived the past 58 years in N.S.W. For 40 years he had been living at Orange, where he was well known and highly respected. He leaves a grown-up family, viz., James Robert (Orange); Samuel (Sydney); John William (Sydney); Mrs Leveridge (Sydney); Mrs J. Dean (Orange) and 36 grandchildren. Brothers and sisters are Mrs Morris (Geelong); Mrs McPherson (Sydney); Mrs Smith (Sydney); John W. (Orange). Deceased, who is survived by his widow, was formerly a trusted employee of the Summer Street, Freezing Works, but had lived in retirement for many years. His funeral will leave A.McGrath's parlors, after a service commencing at 11 a.m. to-day (Friday) for the Methodist portion of the Orange Cemetery.

Central Western Daily - 25/1/1949: Obituary - S. Chesterton.

A well-known resident of the Belgravan Kerr's Creek district died at the Base Hospital on Sunday, aged 83. He was Mr Sidney Herbert Chesterton, who served in World War 1. Several members of the returned Soldiers League attendant his funeral yesterday. Mr Chesterton is survived by his wife. The Rev. J.S. Richards officiated at the service in the Church of England portion of the Orange Cemetery and the funeral arrangements were carried out by Mr A. McGrath. (unmarked grave - Orange Cemetery).

Central Western Daily - 12/6/1952: Obituary - Leslie Leigh Horton Bond.

Obituary: Mr Les Bond of 17 Fourth Ave., Campsie and one-time a resident of 16 Nile St., Orange died suddenly on June 8 at the age of 57 years. Mr Bond was a railway guard and had 35 years service with the Railway Department at Dubbo; Parkes; Orange and recently at Sydney. He is survived by his wife, Elsie and his two daughters: Mona (Mrs A. Hill of Earlwood) and Betty (Mrs R. Wall of Yass). The

cremation took place at the Rookwood Crematorium on Tuesday, June 10.

Central Western Daily - Thursday - 9/5/1957: Obituary - Mr W. Waters.

The death occurred under tragic circumstances recently of Mr William Waters of Goulburn at the age of 38 years. Mr Williams died while carrying out his duties as railway guard at McDonaldtown, near Sydney. He was born in Blayney and lived the greater part of his life in and around the Orange district, where he was well-known and respected. He joined the railway 18 years ago and made his home Goulburn. He is survived by his wife Phillis (formerly Miss Lemmon of Orange) one daughter Margaret. His mother Mrs M.A.Waters of Dundas. Sisters: Mrs R. Hasling (Orange); Mrs R. McGrath (Wagga); Brothers - Robert Waters (Orange); Jack (Dundas) & Dudley (South Australia). After requiem mass the remains were buried in the Roman Catholic portion of the Goulburn Cemetery.

Central Western Daily - 22/11/1958: Obituary - Mrs Catherine Marion Junor.

Mrs Catherine Marion Junor died in Orange Base Hospital yesterday at the age of 75 years. She was a resident of Orange for 30 years until about two years ago when she moved to Earlwood. Mrs Junor was on holidays at the time of her death. She leaves two daughters: Betty (Mrs Cleghorn) and Kath (Mrs Featherstonhaugh). Grandchildren are: Tom, Yvonne, Dick and Anne. Her funeral will leave funeral parlours today for Canobolas Crematorium.

Central Western Daily - 6/2/1964: Obituary - Miss E.M. Warren.

A well-known and highly respected Lord's Place identity, who was engaged in the insurance and real estate business died on January 22 at the age of 82. She was Miss E.M. Warren. Miss Warren was at her business up to three or four days prior to her death. Miss Warren spent a lifetime in Orange. She had an agency with the Mercantile Mutual Insurance Co. as well as an estate agency trading under the name of Nancarrow & Co. Many years ago her father, John Warren, was a building contractor and it was he who constructed the present overhead bridge at the railway leading from Peisley St to Endsleigh Ave. Three of her sisters Annie (Mrs Padey), Jane (Mrs McDermott) and Clara, as well as two brothers, Dick (builder and plasterer) and Jack (bootmaker) predeceased her, Lizzie being a surviving sister. Among her numerous vocations she was at one time a demonstrator for the Singer Sewing Machine Co. One of the references she highly prized was one from Dalton Brothers dated November 11,1901.

Canobolas Garden Crematorium: Ethel May Warren - plaque.

Central Western Daily - 21/10/1966: Obituary - Miss Lily Higgins.

A former resident of Millthorpe died in Sydney recently. She was Miss Lily Higgins of Enmore, who was 83. Miss Higgins was the daughter of the late Mr & Mrs Thomas Higgins. Her father was an auctioneer at Millthorpe. She leaves a sister, Eunice and two brothers Ray and Harold. Some members of the Higgins family still attend the Millthorpe; reunion held at the Botanical Gardens in Sydney every March.

Central Western Daily - 4/10/1969: Mrs Elsie Thomas.

The death occurred on September 25 at Orange Base Hospital of Mrs Elsie Adeline Thomas of "Wontama" homes. She was almost 85 years old. Mrs Thomas was the wife of the late James Thomas who predeceased her almost nine years ago. Mrs Thomas was born in the Young district and resided in earlier years at Forest Reefs but spent the greater part of her life in Orange. She was a very kind and loveable lady whose Christian character endeared her to all who knew her. She was a member of a remarkable family noted for longevity. She is survived by a daughter Ethel (Mrs Wade) of Orange and one son Roy of Orange. A son Edgar James predeceased her about 37 years ago. She has 11 grandchildren (two deceased) and 28 Great grandchildren. She is also survived by a sister Mrs Cecil Thomas of Wontama Orange. Mrs Thomas was the first person to be admitted to Wontama and took a great interest in its activities such as fetes for which she worked diligently. A special service of remembrance was held at the Salvation Army Citadel last Sunday morning to pay tribute to the life and work of Mrs Thomas who had been very conscientious member for the past 44 years

Central Western Daily - 10/6/1976: Michael Ostorero.

The Prisoner who returned to Orange: Former Italian prisoner-of war Michael Ostorero, came to Orange 33 years ago under orders to work in orchards. He had been captured in East Africa in 1941 and shifted through barbed wire camps throughout Africa and Kenya and then Australia. In 1943 Michael, along with others, was taken from a Liverpool POW camp and brought to work in the Orange orchards. Michael found himself working for Mr Lyle Sampson at his Pinnacle Road orchard. There Michael found friendship and understanding. In return he gave willingly of his tremendous ability to work and create. In 1946 Michael was repatriated to his home in Turin. Before he left he asked Lyle Sampson if one day he could return. Three years later Michael returned to "Hazelhome" with his French born bride as an assisted migrant sponsored by Mr Sampson. Michael was happy to be back. He was happy among the fruit trees. But most of all he was happy working the garden area. With the co-operation of Mr Sampson, Michael began creating a six-acre garden setting which now equals any area of tranquillity to be found in the world. With finegrained sandstone quarried on the Central Coast, huge river stones won from the Macquarie River and rocks from Old Man Canobolas, Michael fashioned terraces, cloisters and patios. Garden walls in areas of privacy and peace are a tribute to his skill and creativity. Michael was proud of his work. He regarded the garden as "his" he found tremendous personal satisfaction in his work. While he worked Michael saved and invested. He invested modestly in property, he took out life assurance and he banked whatever he could spare. Died in sleep. In 1972 Michael felt the wrench of losing his wife but returned to his second love - his garden. This week Michael Ostorero died in his sleep in his well-kept cottage at Orange. He has lived exactly half his lifetime in Orange - in an area he grew to love. He has left behind a magnificent monument the gardens and patios of Hazelhome which will endure as a fitting epitaph to his workmanship.

RESEARCH INQUIRIES

If you recognize your family or can help with information etc, please contact the research officer:

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CRAWFORD AND RENNIE

Thomas Crawford: "Mayfield" Emu Swamp; "Rob Roy"; and purchases properties in Orange, would like to know what properties he owned in Orange and a shareholder in Sydney. Died 1939 in Sydney buried Rookwood Cemetery. Married Victoria Matilda Mcdonald in Victoria 1890. Brother James Shields Russell Crawford (unmarried) died 1927 Stanmore Sydney. He had been in the Orange District for 15 years. He was a member of the firm of Crawford and sons, biscuit manufacturers of England.

Edward Arthur Rennie married Madge McDonald Crawford.

Requested by Allan Barton.

DAVIS / FONSECA

Alfred Moses Davis/Fonseca died 1911 - married Elizabeth Ann Carr. Looking for information on his parents.

Requested by Roy Kulma.

EVANS/MARTIN

Hannah Carroll married William Martin approximately 1852 no marriage certificate found. Children: William Martin; John Martin; Andrew Martin & Edward Martin. William Martin died 17/7/1861 Guntawang near Gulgong. 2nd Marriage Henry Evans 19/11/1867 Mudgee died 3/6/1907. Children: Henry Evans; Annie Evans; Charles Evans; James Evans. Hannah Evans - died Orange Hospital May 1897. Requested by Joyce Martin.

HENDEN

Harry Henden:- Born England - died 6/4/1937 Orange - Pioneer Balloonist, Watchmaker, Bellringer and Jeweller. Married Louise Stratton Born 1853 -died 3/10/1943 Melbourne. Children: Lillias St. Claire Henden; Mary Elizabeth (Bessie) Henden; Florence Edith Henden; Dora Isabella Henden; Violet Elizabeth Caffyn Henden; Albert Frederick (Don) Henden.

Requested by Cecily Wilson.

PULBROOK

William Lott (Nott) Pulbrook: Born 1883 - died 1960 Orange - son of William (Willie) Pulbrook died 1952 Wellington. Mother Louisa Jane Mostyn died 1938. Request by Marg McAlpin.

WATTS

John Watts - died November 1938. Member of the Canobolas Shire Council, Native of Cornwall England. Also information on Towac School. Requested by Ruth McEwan.

VALE - PAMELA LANGHAM 18/2/1938 – 16/11/2014 A VALUABLE MEMBER OF THE ORANGE FAMILY HISTORY GROUP



Pamela Joy Simpson was born on 18 February 1938 in Coonabarabran, NSW. Pam married Leslie Langham in St Joseph's Church, Orange on the 22 March 1958 and they subsequently had three children. Pam passed away in the Orange Hospital on 16 November 2014.

Pam joined the Family History Group in 1998. She was a committee member from 2002 to 2003, Secretary from 2003 until 2005 and President in 2006, and remained so until the group joined the Orange Library in 2008. Pam became Chairperson and tried to keep us 'relatively in order'. Over the years Pam spent lots of time at the cemetery recording monumental inscriptions along with other members. This information was then put onto a CD which has become a valuable resource. Pam also spent many, many months recording inscriptions at the crematorium and adding crematorium records up until 2004, which are also available on CD.

More recently Pam had been involved in indexing births, deaths and marriages from early editions of the *Central Western Daily* newspapers which are being put onto the internet for ease of access.

Pam is remembered for being very welcoming to all our new members, helping in any way she could. Pam always brought along something delicious for afternoon tea which was enjoyed by all after our gatherings.

Pam will be remembered and very much missed by us all.