

Newsletter Descriptions

Android: Cloud Storage

Find out about the Cloud at this workshop. You can share files among your various devices, and / or back them up, using the Internet. You will need to have a Gmail (Google) account to take part in this workshop. Most Android users probably already have a Google account, but if you do not yet have one, please set one up beforehand.

Android: Google Maps and Calendar

Google Maps is about the best app for finding your way to a new destination; but you can also check the travel time, not just now, but in advance. Find out the ways to get the best from this app

Learn how to use the Google Calendar: how to synchronise it with all your devices, the varieties of activities now supported, how to colour code them, repetition of activities and suggestions for creating a family-wide calendar. The presenter will demonstrate his own approaches to the app.

DNA Interest Group

Have you done a DNA test, or are considering doing one, and don't know where to go next? Come along!! Through sharing what we know and listening to others I'm sure we will make our journeys much more enjoyable and a lot less frustrating. There is so much more to DNA than the ethnicity that is promoted to entice you in.

Excel Step 1

This Step introduces you to the Excel interface and basic operations

Excel Step 2

This Step explains columns, rows, formulas and how to format cells

Excel Step 3

This Step allows you to practise and you get to take home an interactive rainfall chart

Excel: Tricky Problems

This workshop will explain how two difficult tasks were solved using Excel

The first is a spreadsheet to decide what new name cards are needed given the list of existing cards and the list of those on the next coach trip. The second is a spreadsheet for Bingo cards (actually, you can easily get sets from internet but it's a good problem)

Family History: Hard Copies

Do you have hard copies & pieces of paper amongst your family files? Paper trails come in all sizes, shapes & forms. Some can be documents in the not so old 'foolscap' size eg BDM's which today won't fit into A4 slips. Some are just scraps of paper albeit important scraps with information recently gleaned from relatives and Great Aunt Mary. If you have a prized collection of all the above plus more, then it's important to know how to sort each item.

Family History:

Immigration and Shipping

Today we will be investigating 'Departure ports, Passenger Lists, Shipping, Voyages & Arrival'. Learn to find your ancestor's name on Qld Govt data portal and shipping lists. NSW shipping lists are not searched the same as Qld's. There will be a practical session to acquaint yourself with both. A 'How to Search' handout will be available along with more internet sites available for searching.

iPad/iPhone: Calendar

In this workshop we explore the use of a digital calendar. I find having my calendar on my device extremely useful.

iPad/iPhone: Maps

Come and find your way around the Maps app. And find out how it can find your way for you.

TROVE: Searching Old Newspapers

Thanks to the National Library of Australia digitising a vast number of newspapers, gazettes, magazines, maps and more, we are able to access these for free online, much to the envy of the rest of the world as in most countries they have to pay for such a wonderful resource. We can show you how to get the best results when searching these old newspapers, up until approximately 1954, and what you can do with that information once you have found it.

Word Step-by-Step 1

This Step will take you through the Word interface and controls and introduce you to simple text entry. You will also learn how to open and save your work.

Word Step-by-Step 2

This Step will show you how to edit and correct your text; how to change fonts (character shapes); the formatting of paragraphs; and the use of built-in Styles.