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The last quarter has illustrated to us how much multi-media can be used to capture and promote local history.

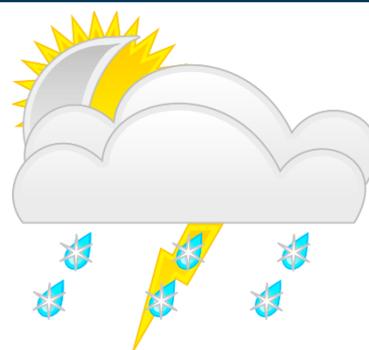
The centenary of Anzac Cottage was told in a song by James Blundell, which is [online](#) on YouTube and also released on CD. Those who attended the talk in April received a souvenir CD.

Lyn Kane Dale presented *Lady Soldiers* in May. This followed the lives of 16 service women from the 1950s to today and was extremely moving, especially when it documented the effects of the Vietnam War on women who served or had husbands who had served there. If you missed it we have a copy for loan in the library.

A class of Year 10 Aranmore Catholic College students have been researching places of interest in Vincent and produced web pages which have been mapped on a Google map. We have seen the work in progress (which is amazing) and look forward to launching the final product with them sometime soon.

The Local History Awards presentation will be held in August. Winners will be featured in the next newsletter.

Julie Davidson
Senior Librarian, Local History



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What's New in ancestry library edition

Australian records

- Australia, World War II Military Service Records, 1939-1945
- New South Wales, Australia, Convict Records, 1810-1891
- Tasmania, Despatches of the Governor's Office, 1823-1855
- Tasmania, Insolvency and Petty Sessions, 1829-1902
- Tasmania, Deeds of Land Grants, 1804-1935
- Northern Territory, Probate Index, 1911-1994
- Western Australia, Convict Records, 1846-1930
- Western Australia, Railway Records, 1872-1949

UK and Europe records

- Sutton, Surrey, England, Water Rate Books, 1868-1911
- Netherlands, Birth Index, 1787-1915 (in Dutch)
- Netherlands, Population Registers Index, 1850-Present (in Dutch)
- Netherlands, Civil Marriage Index, 1795-1950 (in Dutch)
- Germany, Dresden, Weekly Church Reports of Births, Marriages, and Deaths, 1685-1879 (in German)
- Sweden, Emigrants Registered in Church Books, 1783-1991 (in Swedish)

Users of Ancestry can now email and save records to their own Discovery Page.

Family history help on Wednesdays: We now have two Friends of Local History volunteers to help you with your family history research on most Wednesdays.

Family history tip

Online family history newsletter: Lost Cousins



If you are finding roadblocks in your family history research, or are feeling you need some inspiration for places to look or just to keep going, consider subscribing to lostcousins.com. This is a family history research site, which offers a free subscription. It publishes an informative fortnightly online newsletter, containing useful information, tips and advice to help locate relatives, mainly in the UK, but also in other countries.

Online 1939 National Register, UK

The National Archives (UK) and FindMyPast have digitised the 1939 National Register (England and Wales) and it is now available online, for you to search for the household of your relatives for free. There is, however a £ fee to view the full transcript online.

The register is significant, because the 1931 census was destroyed by bombing during the war and the 1941 census was not carried out, because of the war. So the information in the 1939 register fills in the gap between the 1921 census until the census in 1951.

You can search for a relative in the 1939 Register, on the FindMyPast webpage, by entering their name, date of birth and the place where they lived in 1939.

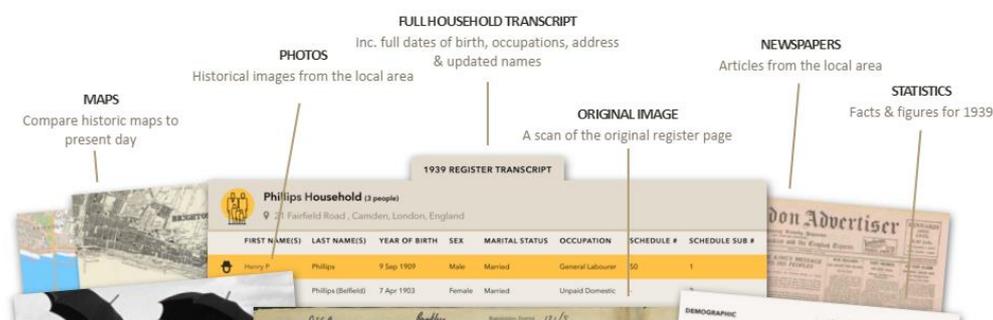
Search for your relatives in 1939 Advanced search

Who (Recommended) Birth year (Optional) Where in 1939 (Optional)

First name Last name e.g. 1901 e.g. Kent, York or High Street Search

Records of people younger than 100 and still alive, or who died after 1991 are officially closed.

The most comprehensive record set ever released.
Unlock a household and get all of the following.



A list of relevant hits will come up, and you can then select which is the most likely record and then view a preview of the household you are looking for.

The preview allows you to decide if it is the family or relative you are searching for and you can then proceed with payment to view the full transcript and the extras.

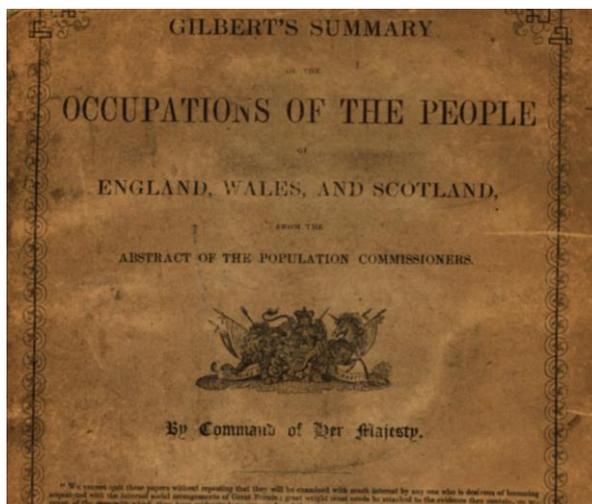
This is all explained in this quick video. [FindMyPast UK National Register 1939](#)

The register was taken on the 29th of September 1939 in preparation for the Second World War and announced after Germany invaded Poland on the 1st September 1939. It gathered population information in preparation for the imminent war and involved 41 million people. It is a national register of the population in September 1939 and was used for the war effort, for registering for rations and later, the figures were used for planning the NHS. <http://www.findmypast.co.uk/1939register>

Occupations in the 1841 Census

Many of the occupations recorded on the censuses don't exist anymore, so it can be hard to know how common our ancestors' occupations were.

In 1844 James Gilbert published a summary of the occupations recorded in the 1841 England, Wales, and Scotland censuses - and whilst you can buy a reprint at [Amazon](#), you can also read it free [here](#).



Below is an example of one of the tables in the book, listing occupational groups in 1831.

OCCUPATIONS, 1831.
[Reprinted from the Abstract of 1831, and referred to ante, p. 4.]

GREAT BRITAIN.—MALES (Twenty Years of Age) employed, in the Year 1831, in Retail Trade or in Handicraft, as Masters or Workmen.

OCCUPATIONS, 1831.	ENGLAND.			TOTAL.	OCCUPATIONS, 1831.	ENGLAND.			TOTAL.
	Males 20 Years of Age and upwards.	Wales.	Scotland.			Males 20 Years of Age and upwards.	Wales.	Scotland.	
Air-pump-maker	1	..	..	1	Billiard-table-keeper.....	4	..	..	4
Anchorsmith	7	..	..	7	Billiard-table-maker.....	1	..	..	1
Animal-preserver	1	..	..	1	Bird-cage-maker	32	..	..	32
Armourer	2	..	2	4	Bird-stuffer, Dealer	7	..	..	7
Army Accoutrement-maker..	18	..	..	18	Blacking-maker	36	..	2	38
Artificial-flower-maker.....	8	..	..	8	Blacksmith, Horse-shoes ...	45,405	3,557	9,200	58,142
Assayer	12	..	..	12	Bleacher	295	..	1	296
Auctioneer, Appraiser, She- riff's Broker	2,365	98	360	2,323	Blind-maker (Window-blind)	48	..	..	48
Awl-maker	2	..	1	3	Block-cutter (Calico-printing)	196	..	..	196
Back-maker (Brewing).....	13	..	..	13	Block-maker	195	17	53	265
Bacon, Ham-Dealer	10	..	4	14	Blue-maker (Indigo)	5	..	..	5
Bacon-drier	6	..	..	6	Boat-builder, Shipwright....	11,272	577	2,035	13,884
Bag-maker.....	6	..	..	6	Boiler-maker.....	7	32	..	39
Baker, Ginger-bread, Fancy..	23,730	371	384	27,942	Bone-boiler, Bone-sawyer and Grinder	30	..	2	32
Ball-maker	23	..	..	23	Bonnet-blocker	1	..	..	1
Barber, or Hair-dresser, Hair- dealer	7,580	153	736	8,449	Bonnet-maker .....	..	..	92	92
Barometer-maker	3	..	..	3	Bookbinder.....	3,023	88	488	3,599
Basket-maker	4,381	144	268	4,793	Bookseller or Vendor	2,732	55	540	3,327
Bat-maker	2	..	..	2	Boot-tree-maker	2	..	..	2
Bead-maker	30	..	..	30	Bottle-dealer, Maker	14	..	..	14
Beam-maker .....	..	..	2	2	Bowstring-maker	3	..	..	3
Beaver-cutter	1	..	..	1	Bowyer, Bow-and-arrow- maker	8	..	..	8
Bedstead-maker	58	..	..	58	Brace-maker	9	..	..	9
Beehive-maker	2	4	2	8	Braid-maker	1	..	..	1
Bell-founder	9	..	..	9	Brass-founder	23	..	..	23
Bell-hanger	6	1	9	18	Brass-worker, Tinker	6,314	78	459	6,851
Bellows-maker	26	..	..	26	Brewer	4,864	81	822	5,763
Belt-maker	3	..	..	3	Bridle-cutter.....	1	..	..	1

The Coolbaroo League

On 9 July a public artwork will be unveiled in Weld Square commemorating the Coolbaroo League, who held weekly dances opposite in Braille Hall in the 1950s.

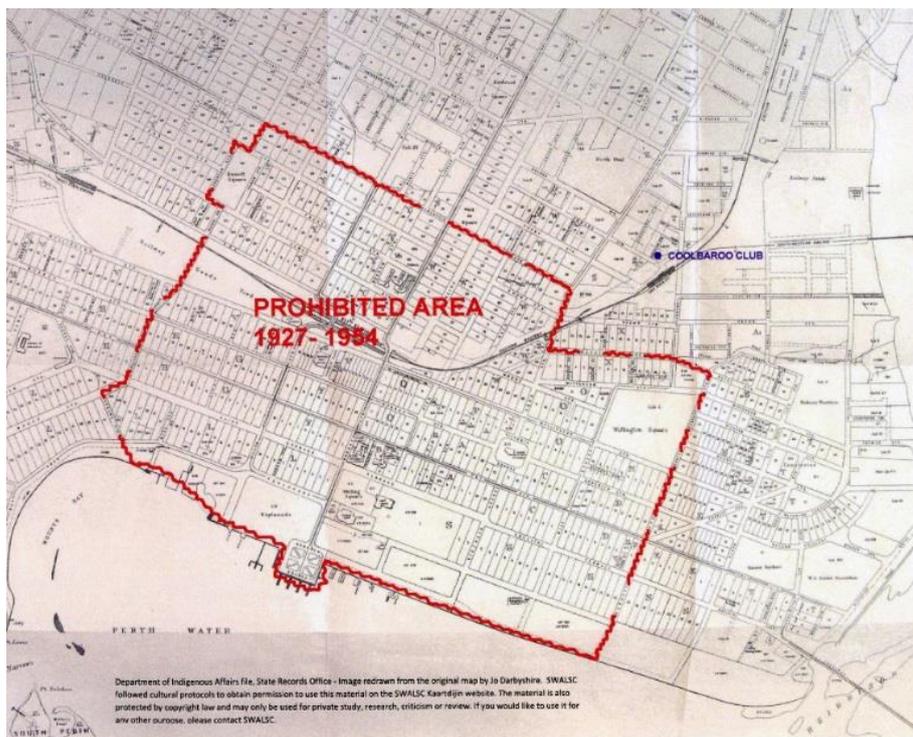
The Coolbaroo League was formed in 1946 with the desire to improve the political and civil rights, health, education and welfare of Aboriginal people in Western Australia. The League had a committed political agenda, as well as providing dances where people could meet and socialise safely.

Young activist Helena Clarke, who arrived in Perth from Port Hedland in 1942, was the instigator of this group, as she was concerned at the conditions she found the Aboriginal people living in. Her father had established the Euralia Club in Port Hedland, for mixed blood Aboriginal people to socialise, inspiring her to establish a similar organisation in Perth.

Stephen Kinnane interviewed Helena Clarke in the 1990s. She recalled how she met other like-minded people at 69 Glendower Street (his grandmother's house) and formed the group with Thomas Bropho, Bertha Isaacs and Bill Bodney, bringing together respected elders and youthful energy.

A key principle was that all office bearers were to be Aboriginal. Their hope was to achieve:

- unconditional voting rights for Aboriginal people
- scrapping the prohibited area laws
- practical schemes, such as a housing project.



They were against affiliating with any political group. Young men who joined the group were recently returned servicemen Jack and George Poland. Their white comrade Geoff Harcus also supported the League for its duration. Jack Poland suggested the name, after the Yamatji word for Magpie, with the black and white bird symbolising people of mixed descent.

These young men befriended the McIntyre sisters, who were members of the Modern Women's Club, a progressive organisation that was interested in assisting in their cause. In 1946 they organised a social function in the basement of their premises in St Georges Terrace, However this was a flop as it was in the restricted zone, so most Aboriginal people were not prepared to break the curfew. Dances were then held in East Perth Pensioners Hall, just beside the East Perth Station on the corner of Edward Street, on the edge of the exclusion zone.

Aborigines, Half-Castes Have Weekly Dance, Social

AN average of 300 aborigines and half-castes attend a weekly dance and social at the East Perth Pensioners' Hall.

The socials are organised by the newly-formed Coolbaroo League, an organisation for the betterment of coloured people in the metropolitan area.

League president C. Ryder said today that the attendance was increasing. Community singing and items by volunteer members of the audience varied the programme.

Two burly men, with armbands stamped D.P. (door police), ensured that no unauthorised people entered the hall. Only whites invited by a member of the league were admitted.

Organiser of the dances and the league is secretary Miss L. Clark.

Acting Commissioner of Native Affairs C. L. McBeath said today he had taken a keen interest in the league since its formation and had given it every assistance.

"I consider it is worthy of support. It is providing the natives with amenities they would be unable to get otherwise," he added. "The committee of the league has been in constant touch with me and appears to be carrying out its duties well."

Daily News, 18 March 1947 p.3

These family oriented dances were an immense success, with a mixed programme through the evening. People were encouraged to perform and they offered a safe, creative and entertaining environment, with no alcohol allowed. Beauty competitions became part of their calendar, with the first Miss Coolbaroo crowned in December 1947. White people could attend by invitation only.

The financing of the League depended upon community support and fundraising. Weekly dances were held from 1946 to 1960, with only a brief period in 1948 when it ceased to operate. Helena Clarke had returned to Port Hedland for family reasons, plus there was a big fight at a dance spilling onto the railway line, resulting in the League no longer being allowed to use the East Perth Pensioners Hall.

In 1950 some of the original members formed the New Coolbaroo Club. The weekly dances were held at Braille Hall on the corner of Newcastle and Stirling streets until 1955 when they moved to the Manchester Unity Hall in William Street. The annual balls were held in larger venues such as the Blue Room, City Ball Room, YAL and Town Hall.

League member Ron Kickett was a drummer who played in bands around Perth and he played at the dances with various musicians. Shirley Corunna, who worked for the Native Welfare Department, helped set up and also attended the dances. She recalled that there was all types of music: barn dances, gypsy tap and *Pride of Erin* and later jive and quick step, and that some of the boys went to Wrightson's Dance Studio to learn how to dance.

NATIVE LEAGUE

Regular Friday evening socials of the year-old Coolbaroo League have increased in popularity during the past 12 months.

At a recent anniversary function attended by Minister for Territories Paul Hasluck, Monica Ingram won WA's native bathing beauty contest from 14 other competitors. Competition was held in Braille Hall before 200 people.

Wearing a perfectly fitting black satin latex swim suit, white sandals and accessories, Monica was commended by a committee of judges for her poise, carriage and figure.

Judges were Mrs. Irene Greenwood, of Whitford Broadcasting Network and Corots; Mrs. Winifred Kastner, State president of Women's Service Guild, and Miss Helen Hughes, of National Fitness Association and Education Dept.

Mirror, 21 March 1953 p.9

On 12 May 1956 a headline on the front page of the *Mirror* read '**NATIVES END BAN, DANCE ATTENDED BY WHITES: color barriers broken down at Perth dance**'. The dance, held in the Manchester Unity Hall in William Street was the first one for six months. Coolbaroo League leader Ron Kickett was quoted as saying, "as an experiment in assimilation last night's dance was a huge success...in future both black and white – of all ages- will be equally welcome". The club attracted musicians and artists from interstate and overseas, including Nat King Cole.

The League also established a youth group, published their own bi-monthly newspaper, the *Westralian Aborigine*, from 1953 to 1957, organised deputations to ministers and opened the Coolbaroo Aboriginal shop, selling art and souvenirs, which was the first Aboriginal business in Perth.

With the assistance of the Trade Union movement the League rented two small rooms at the back of Trades Hall, 102 Beaufort Street, where they held weekly meetings.

The Coolbaroo Club ceased to operate in 1960 following the sudden death of Ronnie Kickett (aged 29). The Aboriginal Advancement Council was formed from the League and later the Aboriginal Rights Council. The Aboriginal Advancement Council of Western Australia operates from 201 Beaufort Street, opposite Weld Square.

An artwork reflecting on the Coolbaroo League has been installed in Weld Square, opposite the premises of the Braille Hall, where so many weekly dances were held in the 1950s.

Resources used in Local History Collection:

Kinnane, Stephen, *Shadow Lines*: Fremantle Arts Centre Press, 2003.

Haebich, Anna, *Spinning the dream: assimilation in Australia 1950-1970*, Fremantle Press, 2008.

Interview with Shirley Corunna by Maxine Laurie, 12 January 2011.

The Coolbaroo Club, DVD Ronin Films, 1996.

Online resources:

Trove online newspapers. List created by Local History team '[Coolbaroo League](#)'

<http://www.noongarculture.org.au/coolbaroo-league/>

FROM THE FRIENDS OF LOCAL HISTORY

The Queen's Hotel, 520 Beaufort Street, Highgate: John Andrew GENT - builder and owner 1897-1901

The story behind the construction and early years of the Queen's Hotel, in Beaufort Street, Highgate is a puzzling one. It begins with John Gent and his wife, Elizabeth.

John Andrew Gent, born in 1853 in Wellingborough, Northamptonshire, married Elizabeth Saddington in 1871. They were both from shoemaking families and in the censuses of 1871 and 1881 John is recorded as Shoe upper machinist and Machine boot upper closer, whilst Elizabeth is working as a Machine fitter (shoe making) in 1871.

The Gents left England and on 20 September 1886 and arrived in Fremantle, aboard the Helena Mena. They had with them their children: Eliza H, Harry, Florence, John Wm, Irwin & Fred E.

We can glean some of Gent's early years in Perth from a court case which received full coverage in the newspapers in July 1891.

He worked as a bootmaker and started up the London and Colonial Boot Factory in Howick Street, Perth (opposite the Town Hall) in 1889.

Unfortunately, he experienced financial difficulties and in February 1890 entered into a financial agreement with James Kelly, a contractor, whereby he allowed Kelly have the shop in his name. Gent was to remain the manager and receive £3 a week wages from the profits, although it seems these terms were not fully met. This newspaper advertisement appeared from October 1890, promoting £3,000 worth of stock had arrived. (A vast sum of money.)



Gent had hoped to regain the business once he had repaid his debt, however Kelly refused, so Gent left the business. Unfortunately there were different interpretations of the contract, words were said to others and the men ended up in court, accusing each other of slander, as both felt robbed in the deal. During the court hearing it was told that Gent had paid his grocers bill with boots as he stated that his wife and family were starving.

So how, within six years, did he come to be the owner of a large block of land and build the Queen's Hotel?

The 1895 & 1896 Perth rate books show that the vacant land on which the Queen's Hotel was built, was owned by Richard Scrivener, a baker. In 1897 that vacant land was owned by John A. Gent, with a house on the same sub-division, Lot 16, Burt Street (Burt Street became Beaufort Street in 1898/1899.)

The hotel constructed on the land was designed by leading architect J J Talbot Hobbs in typical Federation style, which included cast iron balustrades.

The West Australian 9 July 1897 reported,

"On Monday evening, at the invitation of the licensee, Mr. J. A. Gent, a large company assembled at the new Queen Hotel, situated in Burt-street, Highgate Hill, and after inspecting the premises sat down to supper. The toast of "Her Majesty the Queen" was proposed by the chairman, Mr. Ascher, and drunk in champagne. Various other toasts, including that of the host and hostess, were duly honoured and replied to. The rest of the evening was spent in harmony. The company separated shortly before mid-night, having spent an enjoyable evening."

In the 1898 rate book the hotel was given a capital value of £4,000 with annual rates of £25. The shop next door was valued at £300 with rates of £1.17/6d.

The Queen's Hotel was owned by John A Gent until June 1901. He was the first licensee, but during that period there were others: James McMullen (1898-early 1899), Kate Hill (mid-1899), Joseph Monaghan (early 1900), M H Graham (late 1900).

Amongst some papers recently donated to the Local History Centre was a copy of the signed agreement with Kate Hill when she took possession on 5 April 1899. Listed are all of the rooms and contents. Rooms included: *Billiard room, Dining room, Bar, Hall (ground floor), Commercial room, Kitchen (underground), Servant's bedroom (underground), Wash house, Lamp room, Bath room, Small sitting room (ground floor), Tap room, Kitchen (ground floor), Store room. First floor: Sitting room, 11 Bedrooms, Linen press, 3 Servant's bedrooms.*



Also in this donation was a copy of a Mutual release agreement between John A Gent and the Swan Brewery, dated 12 June 1901. It seems that the Brewery held two mortgages and a lease with Gent and sub-leased the hotel to him. Gent had subsequently transferred the sub-lease to James McMullen, plus various other mortgages and Bills of Sale had transpired, with the end result that the Swan Brewery claimed that John A Gent owed them £5,412.

Their terms of agreement included that:

1. Gent pay them £4,500 in cash in full settlement and discharge all moneys due by him to the Company.
2. The Company was to retain the furniture and Gent to obtain from Tolley & Co Ltd a release of their claims to the furniture.
3. The lease was to remain in force but the Swan Brewery were only liable to pay rent from the date of payment of the £4,500.
4. Upon payment of money and obtaining release from Tolley's the Brewery will discharge Gent's mortgages.

From 1903 onwards the Swan Brewery is listed as the rateable owner of the Queen's Hotel. Gent no longer had any involvement.

So, what happened to John Gent, a man who was an entrepreneur, but didn't seem to have the financial expertise to make a success of his enterprises for himself?

His name appeared in the *Daily News*, 3 October 1906, when he was sued by his wife for a separation order and maintenance. The bench granted the separation order and he was ordered to pay £1 a week maintenance. Five years later, in October 1911, they were in court again, as he had not paid maintenance since February. The amount was reduced to 15 shillings. At that time Gent was in business as a bootmaker in Southern Cross. Elizabeth was living in Lord Street, Perth.

Gent returned to Perth where, over the years, he had shoe shops in Perth City, Fremantle and Midland Junction. He may also have briefly traded at 446 Elizabeth Street in Melbourne. In 1921 he was again in the news, when a lady was arrested after she stole shoes by walking out of his shop in them.

It seems that John and Elizabeth reconciled, as from the mid-1920s the family are all living at 238 Lord Street, Perth, as he was at the time of his death on 24 November 1928, aged 76. His funeral notice described him as the loving husband of Elizabeth and fond father of Edith (Mrs C Walsh), Florence (Mrs W Hartnell), Ada, John, Frederick, George and Irvine of Melbourne.

If there are any descendants of John Andrew Gent out there we would love to hear your version of his story!

A timeline of licensees up to 1949 can be found in the Local History Centre Queen's Hotel file or accessed on our [Beaufort Street page](#). Contact us if you can add to our research.

Researched and compiled by Steven Andersen, edited by Julie Davidson.

Beaufort Street History Project Update

In 2016, we aim to capture more of the history of Beaufort Street. Can you help?

As part of this project Sarah Thomas, of Lawley's Bakery Café was interviewed. Following are some excerpts.

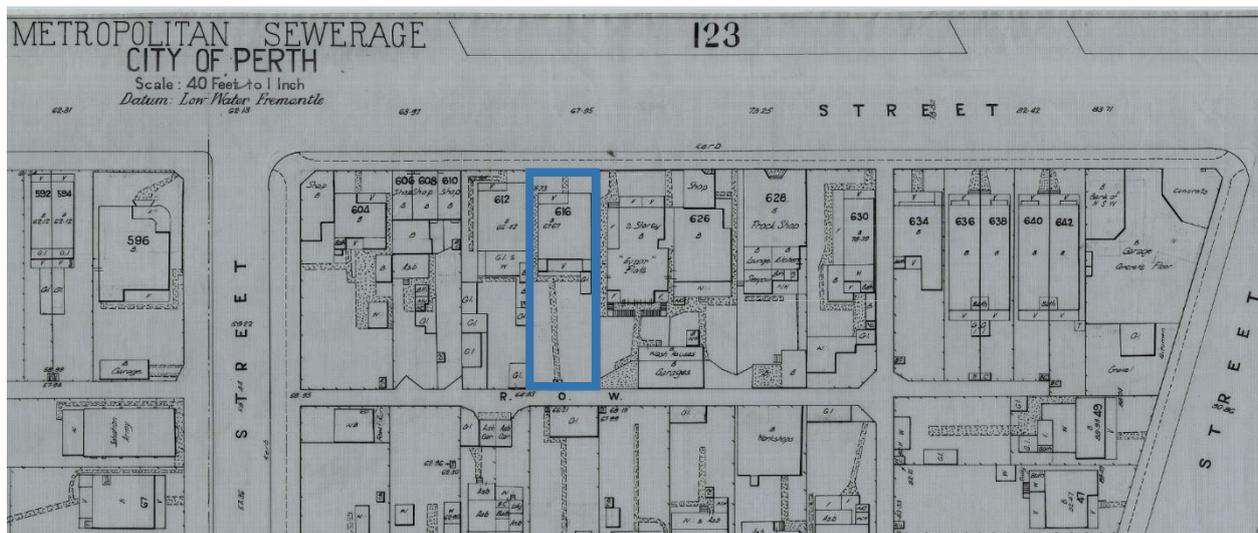
Initially in 2003 Sarah Thomas and her husband Trefor took over the lease at the bakery *Bagels on Beaufort*, at 562-564 Beaufort Street. A couple of months later they set up the first *Lawley's artisan bakery and café*.

"We did want to grow and to bring more people to the business. So we changed the name. We wanted to keep it local, we were a local store. It was somewhere where people could walk to, so we wanted to have that community feel and hence the name Lawley's came up because it was in Mount Lawley."

The new business was set up using the baking equipment from Bagels on Beaufort: a granite oven and dough break plus the kitchen facilities to make café food. They even roasted their own coffee beans in a little five kilo roasting machine.

"The café was so small and every Saturday morning, we'd roast the coffee and there was smoke coming out into the café and the customers loved it. They would all sit in there and we would open the windows and they would say, 'Oh, it smells so beautiful'."

Later in 2012, the business moved to new premises at 616 Beaufort Street.



1953 Sewerage map

"We moved there about 2012 and it was a little old house. It was a beautician and a hairdressing business, two separate businesses."

We took it over and wanted to keep the original house. We thought it just needed tidying up a bit. Of course, once we got in there, we ended up putting in new floor boards, we gutted it and we pulled the front forward to make it nicer at the street front and re roofed it. So pretty much all that is left is the original four walls."



"We had new fridges made, display fridges for our cakes and our sandwiches. They are manufactured in Melbourne and freighted over here. So we put new fridges in the front of the Mount Lawley café and trialed them there. And we've since put them in all our other stores because they have worked with the humidity, it is just a much better system to work with."

"That was the first store that we had a new concept of trying to keep all our stores symmetrical and looking the same. So we had marble tiles at the back on the wall and a bread display that people could see and glass at the front for the pastries and keeping all the fridges the same. We started getting a pattern so that all our stores were similar and Mount Lawley was the first one."



"So we're just looking at building a brand new factory out at Malaga that is better I feel, for our staff. We still keep some traditional things; we still do hand molding of our final products of the dough. We still have the granite ovens, with the granite on the bottom, so you get a true sour dough rustic product. But the labour has come off, where once they were lifting such heavy paddles, they are called peels, and put the dough in and then pull the bread out of the oven, and lift that down, which is absolutely back breaking. These are all automated now, so they go into the oven, you press the button and it lifts all the dough up, and pushes into the oven and pick it out of the oven and put it back down and sort it to a certain extent into some crates and then go through and cool it down. So the labour side becomes a lot easier for our staff to do, which I think is good because we are all getting older." [Laughter]

Lawley's now own ten stores across Perth, with their head office in Osborne Park and a new factory in Malaga.

If you have any photographs of businesses on Beaufort Street or can offer information, please contact the local history team at local.history@vincent.wa.gov.au or call 9273 6550.

In-house events

THE GOLDEN AGE WITH JOAN LONDON

Wednesday 29 June 2016

10am to 11.30am

Library Lounge@Vincent

Winner of the 2015 Prime Minister's Literary Award, *The Golden Age*, explores the lives of patients, families and staff at the Golden Age Children's Polio Convalescent Hospital in Leederville, 1954.

Presenter: **Joan London**

Bookings preferred Cost: Free Includes light refreshments



ANCESTRY.COM FOR BEGINNERS

Monday 18 July 2016

10am-12 noon

Library Media Room

A tutorial in how to get the best out of your searches on the Ancestry database, and the types of records which are available.

Priority will be given to those who attended the beginner's course in June.

Presenter: **Julie Davidson, Senior Librarian, Local History**

Bookings essential (Limit of 9) Cost: Free



HEROES, VILLAINS AND VAGABONDS

Wednesday 27 July 2016

10am to 11.30am

Library Lounge@Vincent

Richard Offen will take you on a fascinating journey through the history of aboriginal and colonial Perth, highlighting some of the people who, in their own way, for good or bad, and even sometimes a bit of both, contributed to the way Perth is today.

Presenter: **Richard Offen, Director of Heritage Perth**

Bookings essential Cost: Free Includes light refreshments

DISCOVER FAMILY HISTORY IN NEWSPAPERS ONLINE

Wednesday 14 September 2016

10am-12 noon

Library Media Room

A tutorial in how to get the best out of your searches on Trove and other newspaper databases.

Presenter: **Ian Simpson, WA Genealogical Society**

Bookings essential (Limit of 9) Cost: Free



SPECIAL EVENT

UNVEILING OF PUBLIC ART COMMEMORATING THE COOLBAROO LEAGUE

Saturday 9 July 2016

12.30pm-3pm

Weld Square (corner Newcastle and Beaufort streets)

Celebrating NAIDOC Week, including performances by TASHA Refreshments supplied by Kuditi (Perth's only Aboriginal owned and operated catering company).

Further information at www.vincent.wa.gov.au/NAIDOC2016

Bookings preferred Cost: Free Contact: mail@vincent.wa.gov.au



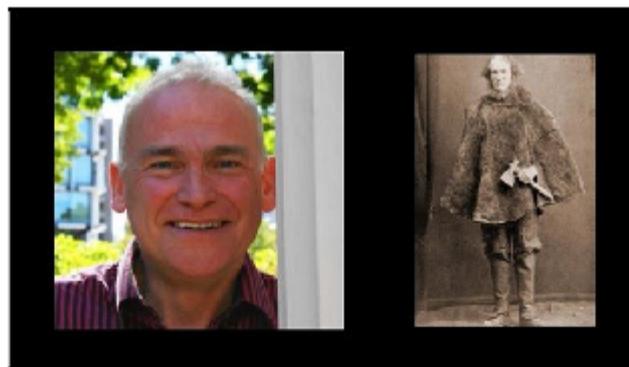
Heroes, Villains and Vagabonds with Richard Offen



Perth's history is littered with wonderful characters who shaped the city in a multitude of ways. In this talk, Richard Offen will take you on a fascinating journey through the history of aboriginal and colonial Perth, highlighting some of the people who, in their own way, for good or bad, and even sometimes a bit of both, contributed to the way Perth is today.

Were they 'mad, bad or totally eccentric'?

Come along and judge for yourself!



Wednesday 27 July 2016

@ 10.00 am

Lounge@Vincent

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99 LOFTUS STREET, LEEDERVILLE

Celebratory morning tea will be provided

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