Wider local studies 11 June 2024 10 minute talks – ask questions in chat



Partnerships





Partnering with Community Groups to preserve and promote local history



Wollongong Camera Club 'Then & Now' exhibition

We invited club members to choose photos from Illawarra Images library collection and they took matching photos in present time which were donated to the library.

The photos were displayed in the library and in an online exhibition.





CWA 100 years Interviews, photos, walkway Images









Interviews photos, posters & ephemera







Surf Clubs — interviews and photos













Council project

Interviews from mural participants





Botanic Gardens Videos of poems 50 years by Aboriginal people





Community Groups

- links to cultural stories









Council Community Centres & Library Projects links, interviews, poems, videos











Coming partnerships







Contact localhistory@wollongong. nsw.gov.au

Using Wikimedia Commons to make the Central Australian Historical Images Collection Accessible

A partnership between Alice Springs Public Library and Wikimedia Australia



Ella Turner eturner@astc.nt.gov.au

Alice Springs (Mparntwe)

- The Arrente people are the Traditional Owners of Mparntwe.
- > It has a population of about 26,000.
- 20.6% of residents identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander.*
- Within the population, 48.2% of one or both parents were born overseas.*
- The most common languages used at home other than English are Arrente, Malayalam, Punjabi, Tagalog and Warlpari.*

* 2021 Census conducted by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.



The Alice Springs Collection

The Alice Springs Collection is a repository of mixed material relating to the unique history, geography, social, cultural and economic fabric of the Central Australian region.

It includes two indigenous specific collections - Akaltye Antheme (Giving Knowledge) & Local Languages.

It also holds a significant digital collection, including the Central Australian Historical Images Collection (CAHI).



Central Australian Historical Images Collection (CAHI)

- > CAHI is made up of 29 smaller collections and contains approximately 3000 images.
- > With the exception of the two collections that have already been uploaded to Wikimedia Commons, these images are only available to view on computers within the Library.





View of Alice [Springs] [from Billy Goat Hill, Stuart Terrace goal in the foreground]

Uploading images to Wikipedia Commons

- A procedure for uploading images to Wikipedia Commons has been created by Alice Woods, Education and Projects Officer at Wikimedia Australia, for the Alice Springs Public Library and a training session has been held for staff.
- All images are uploaded using PattyPan open-source software in a Wikimedia Commons account for Alice Springs Public Library.
- All images can be found under the institution "Alice Springs Public Library" and the category "Central Australian Historical Images" on Wikimedia Commons.



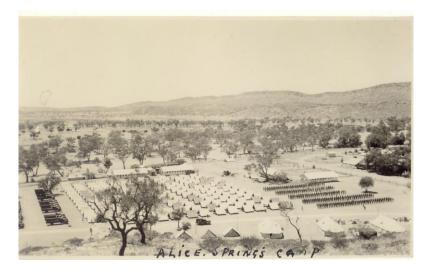
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The Donald and Isabel Dowling Collection

The first collection added to Wikimedia Commons was the Donald and Isabel Dowling Collection.

This is a collection of 241 black and white images taken between 1938 and 1948.

They capture the town, the surrounding landscapes, leisure time, work, as well as some portraits. They also capture the impact that World War II had on the township.



The Donald and Isabel Dowling Collection







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The Anton Faymann Collection

The second collection added to Wikimedia Commons was the Anton Faymann Collection.

This is a collection of 81 colour images taken between 1957 and 1958.

They include portraits, images of the town, work for the Northern Territory Public Works Department as well as pictures of the Todd River in flood.



Work on the Stuart Highway (south of Alice) [Northern Territory Public Works Department]

The Anton Faymann Collection





Aboriginal boys, they always hung around for somebody to buy them an ice-cream [at corner of Gregory Terrace and Todd Street outside Heenan's shop]

Todd River flooded [Wills Terrace causeway, Alice Springs]

Pitchi Richi Sanctuary

Article Talk

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Pitchi Richi Sanctuary, located approximately 4 km south of the Alice Springs town centre, is a heritage listed, and now closed, tourist attraction. It was established in the early 1950s by Leo Corbet. The sanctuary is most famous for its collection of works by William Ricketts; it is the largest known collection outside of Ricketts' own sanctuary in the Dandenongs in Victoria.^[1]

It is Alice Springs' first man-made tourist attraction. The sanctuary was named one of the region's four "mustsee" attractions during the 1960s.^[1]

Background [edit]

The Pitchi Richi Sanctuary, just south of Heavitree Gap, is set on 12 acres (4.9 ha) of land that were purchased by Leo Corbet in 1955 following the death of Charles 'Pop' Chapman, an eccentric Alice Springs legend, who had named the property 'The Pearly Gates'. It is not known exactly when Corbet changed the name to Pitchi Richi but he told a friend "the Pearly Gates might seem a bit presumptuous coming from me".^[2] The name Pitchi Richi is (loosely) derived from the Arrente language and it is said to mean "come and look"^[2] and also "gap in the range".^[3] William Ricketts, a close friend of Corbets, built a kiln on the site shortly after it was purchased and his sculptures were displayed from the time that the sanctuary opened.

Corbet planned for the sanctuary to be a kind of open air museum and he travelled extensively to collect Centralian memorabilia. It is said that his easy charm opened many doors for him, and many outlying stations allowed him to go through their rubbish dumps and sheds. Through this, Corbet created an interesting collection, which alongside art exhibitions, spear and boomerang throwing demonstrations and Corbet's effort to make it a bird sanctuary, made it popular with tourists.^{[2][4]}

At its opening in August 1956 the sanctuary held an exhibition by landscape artist, Robert Johnson, the proceeds of which went to the Australian Inland Mission. Also in 1956 it conducted pottery workshops with ceramicist Roy Cook.

In 1958 the magazine *Woman's Day* devoted two full pages to the sanctuary. The author, Ailsa Craig, portrayed it as a haven, saying that "Leo was one of the few men in the world who had managed to translate a youthful idea

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Sculptures at Pitchi Richi Sanctuary Fin 1957-1958

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Sculptures at Pitchi Richi Sanctuary in 1957-1958

Her Majesty's Gaol and Labour Prison, Alice Springs

Article Talk

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Her Majesty's Gaol and Labour Prison was a government run prison in Alice Springs in the Northern Territory which operated between 1938 and 1996. It was preceded by Stuart Town Gaol and replaced by the still operating Alice Springs Correctional Centre.^[1]

It is now the location of the Women's Museum of Australia.^[2]

History [edit]

Builders began work on the gaol in 1936 and was the replacement for the, significantly maller, Stuart Town Gaol and it was designed by CE Davies who displayed an understanding of arid zone principles.^[3] It was opened in November 1938 and housed men and women; until 1964 male prisoners were segregated by race. The gaol was originally designed to house 22 prisoners and prisoners sentenced to longer sentences were regularly transferred to Fannie Bay Gaol or prisons in South Australia.^[1]

The first Warden, also called Keeper, of the gaol was Philip Francis (Phil) Muldoon who was a long serving Northern Territory police officer; he was appointed by the then Administrator Aubrey Abbott.^[4] He worked there alongside his wife, Bertilla Muldoon, who was the de facto (unpaid) matron and also cared for the female prisoners.^[5] During the Muldoons' management, the gaol was neatly maintained with substantial vegetable, fruit and flower gardens. It also had an ant-bed tennis court constructed by Phil Muldoon.^[6]

For this reason it gained the nicknames 'Vatican City' (in reference to their Catholicism) and 'Muldoon's Guest House'.^{[77][8]} The prisoners often called it Greenbush and this name is still in use by the Greenbush Art Group which operates from the Alice Springs Correctional Centre in partnership with Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education.^{[5][9]} Phil Muldoon left the role when he retired in 1960.^[4]

During World War II one of the women's call blocks, with had been set aside for 'European' women (non-Aboriginal) women was acquired by the Army for military prisoners including, for two months, German and Italian internees; they were then transferred to Tatura, Victoria.^[6] Also during World War II the gaol was the only correction facility in the Northern Territory from 1942 until the end of the war during the Bombing of Darwin.^[1]

One famous former prisoner is Olive Pink who, after being denied an inspection, intestinally entered an Aboriginal Reserve (without permission) so that she would be arrested.^[10] She was found guilty in court and was required to pay a fine or spent 5 days in prison. She was furious when the Warden Phil Muldoon paid her fine rather than have her in the gaol.^[11] Albert Namatjira also spent a number of night there before being transferred to serve his sentence in Papunya; after his death a protest camp of approximately 250 people camped at the gates of the gaol.^[10]

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The gaol soon after construction, as seen from Billy Goat Hill, Alice Springs, c 1938



The main cell block, c 1938





Cultural Sensitivity

- Braydon Kanjira, a Traditional Owner from Ntaria (Hermannsburg), assessed the cultural sensitivity of the images.
- Colleen Powell, from Ntaria/Amoonguna, an Indigenous Services Officer at the library was also involved.
- Images were categorised using a traffic light system; green for OK; orange for caution and red for restricted.
- To ensure cultural sensitivity and safety, any images listed as being orange or red have not been uploaded.
- Wikimedia Australia and the Alice Springs Public Library support and refer to the Guidelines for First Nations Collection Description for best practise.

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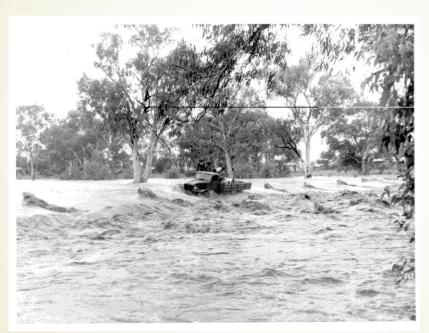
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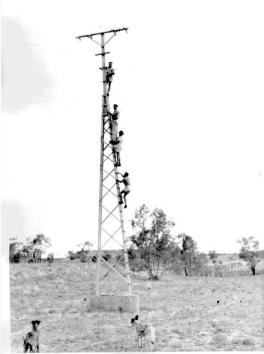
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Dale Conrick Collection

[Men up power or telephone pole.]





Georges River Libraries Historical Markers

Steph Gildaly, Coordinator Library Operations 11 June 2024





Historical Markers Background

Prior to amalgamation Hurstville City and Kogarah City Council's both had a historical marker program that acknowledges sites of significance in their local government area.

These markers remain in situ.



Former Hurstville City Council design

DRAKE'S OYSTER BARGES 1955 - 1996 These barges are some of the few remaining relies of the opec the burges

relice of the once thriving Georges Liver oyster industry.

Former Kogarah City Council design

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Historical Markers Background

Georges River Council Historical Markers were launched in 2018, the program recognises people and places of historical and cultural importance, as recommended by the local community. Each year Council will fund and install up to five new historical markers.

Existing markers can also be considered for conservation or repair.

The program meets outcome 3.7 of Libraries 2030, Georges River Libraries' Strategy.

Develop and support programs that highlight diverse migration histories and contemporary stories to reflect the richness of the multicultural community

Collaroy House c.1882

EFORGES RIVER COUNCIL

This house was originally built for Robert Newell on an 8 acre block, and is believed to be named after the SS Collaroy. Used as a popular function and reception venue since 1947.

Current Georges River Council design



Historical Markers Existing Markers

Since 2018 the program has installed 29 historical markers throughout the Georges River Local Government Area and restored 3 existing markers.

Notable markers include:

- Joe Anderson (King Burraga)
- Ellesmere Camp
- Isaac Peake's Farm
- Shipwrights Bay
- John Radecki





Historical Markers Management

The program is governed by the Historical Markers Policy.

The policy outlines:

- · Nomination, assessment and selection of sites
- Approval
- · Plaque design and placement
- Information Management

Available online: Historical Markers policy



HISTORICAL MARKERS POLICY

December 2021



Historical Markers Program Structure

- Annual community consultation for nominations via Council's Your Say platform
- Evaluation panel assesses submissions using Policy criteria
- Recommendations are made to Council's Executive
 Team
- · Launch event and announcement during History Week
- · Markers are manufactured and installed
- Added to <u>Council's website</u> and Historical Markers <u>Online tour</u>

Jack Napier Davenpor

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Silvester's Castle

Henry C Silvester tried to build a castle here during WWI but abandoned construction in the 1920s. Children played in the ruins and traces of stonework can be found nearby.

Historical Markers Making a Nomination

Using Council's community engagement platform, our nominations include:

- Contact details: Name, Organisation (if applicable), Address, email, phone.
- Nominated Historical Marker Detail (i.e. name)
- Criteria (with options to choose from as per policy)
- Rationale for submission
- Research (option to type in, or attach a file)
- Suggested location (with option to attach a file if needed)
- Other key information





Historical Markers Criteria

- A site of cultural or natural importance to the Georges River LGA, NSW or Australia
- Has a strong or special association with the life or work of a person, or group of people
- Has a strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group
- Marks and contributes to an understanding of the area's cultural or natural history
- Demonstrates special characteristics of a cultural or natural place





Historical Markers Installation

- · Preference for installation on Council-owned land
 - Identify locations using Intramaps
 - Consult with your Placemaking or GIS team
- Two install methods:
 - Sandstone plinth
 - Embedded in a concrete slab / pavers





Historical Markers Online

Using Stqry, we created 'Connected to Culture', an app for Georges River Arts & Heritage. The app allows us to share our Local Studies collection and stories in an engaging way.

For Historical Markers we have developed a virtual tour of all GRC markers, complete with background information, images and location of the markers.

https://georgesriver.stqry.app/en/



Silvester's Castle, Yarran Road and Southern Street, Oatley NSW, 1927

Silvester's Castle

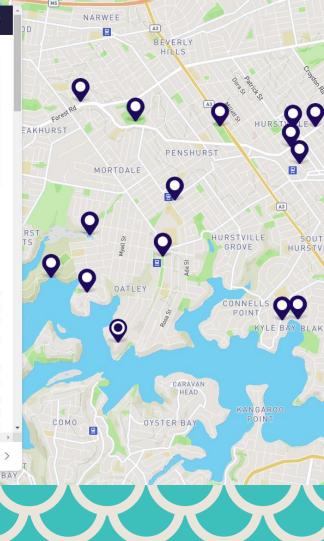
This was a building constructed but never completed by the wealthy, eccentric businessman Henry Crawford Silvester, on land he owned at the corner of Southern Street and Yarran Road, Oatley.

Silvester (1863-1935) was a co-founder of the Silvester Brothers smallgoods manufacturing enterprise at Redfern. He lived at Oatley from approximately 1907 to 1928. Mr Silvester became the listed owner

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Have more questions?

Contact Georges River at localstudies@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au







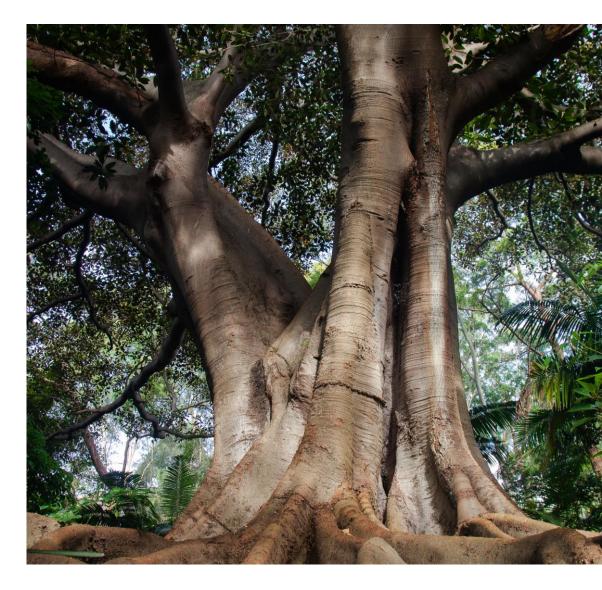
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Wider Local Studies meeting, 11 June 2024

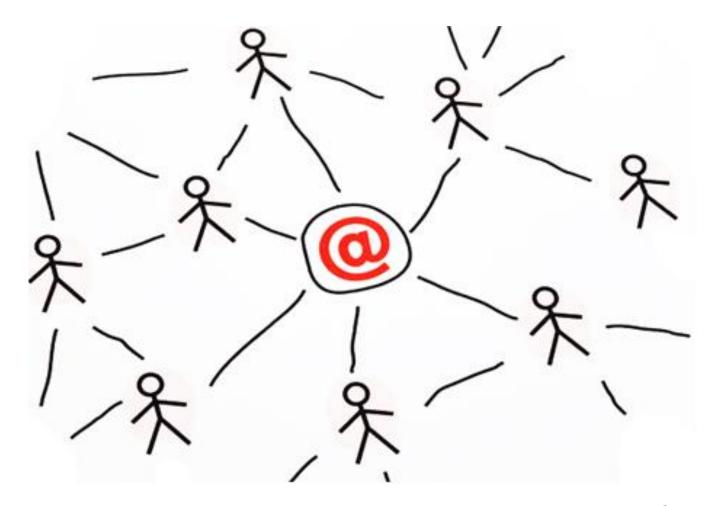
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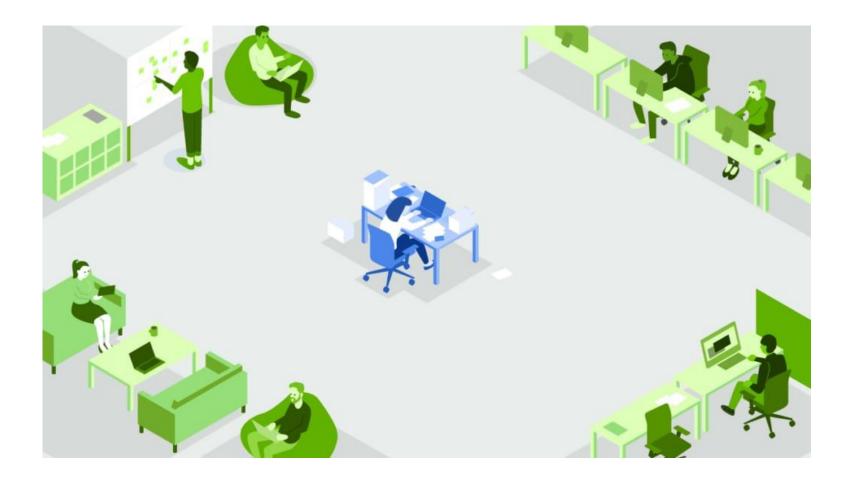
I wish to show my respect to Elders past, present and emerging.



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Home Sweet Home exhibition @ Mascot Library





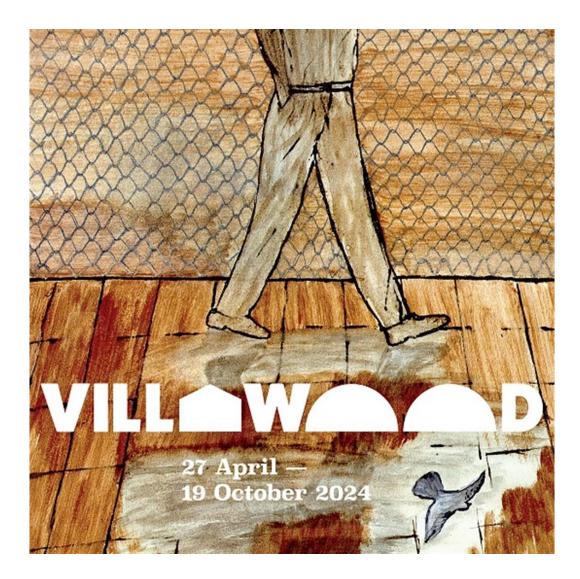


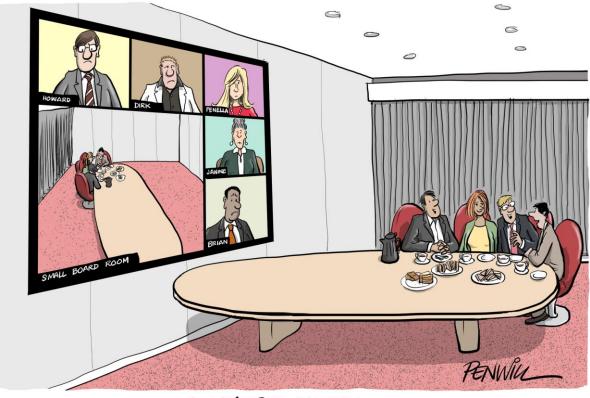
Alinde (Fairfield), Jenny (Strathfield), Claire (Georges River), and Alison (then Bayside) viewing the exhibition.

'Talking shop'

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- Gatorboard
- Silk tac
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- Wrapped prints
- Split batons
- SAV
- 101 uses for fishing line
- Text hierarchies
- 'Streakers, strollers, and students'

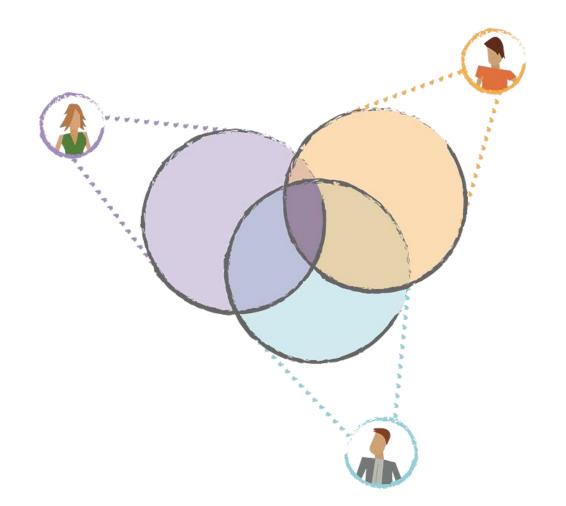






A HYBRID HAZARD

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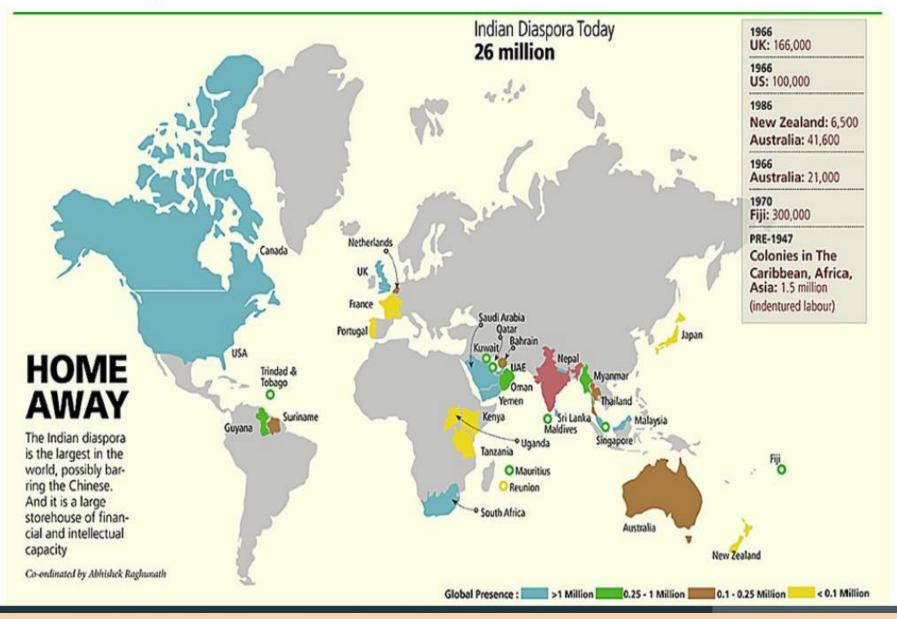
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Recording the family history for people of Indian / Sri Lankan origin

Smita Biswas

YARRA CITY LIBRARIES

Indian diaspora around the world



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The Sri Lankan Diaspora The Sri Lankan diaspora is relatively large in comparison to the country's overall population

- 3 million Sri Lankans live overseas, with Western Europe,
- Arab Gulf States and North America being major population hubs.
- Saudi Arabia has the largest population with 600,000, followed by the United Arab Emirates (300,000), Kuwait (300,000),
- India (200,000),
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- Qatar (145,000),
- Canada (139,000),
- United Kingdom (132,000),
- Italy (110,000),
- Australia (110,000)
- Lebanon (100,000).

Family History of India/ Sri Lanka is in danger of being lost The culture of India has been shaped not only by its long history, unique geography and diverse demography but also by its ancient heritages.

Regarded by some historians as the oldest living civilization of Earth, the Indian tradition dates back to 8,000 BC and has a continuous recorded history for over 2,500 years.

But due to the influence of Western culture and migration of Indians to foreign shores, the rich culture, values, and family history of India are disappearing.

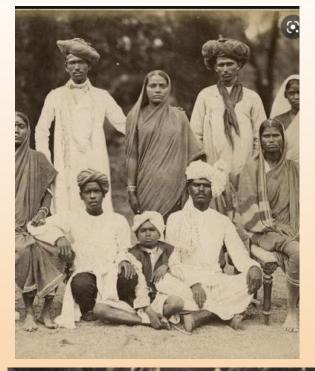
Most of the developed countries have now brought these records online into searchable databases giving people living in these countries the ability to search online for census data, electoral registers, shipping and immigration records.

Lacking all this, people of Indian/ Sri Lankan origin must try hard and look for unusual sources to track the data.

Family History is about stories –

Family history is far more interesting than Genealogy.

It is here that we place people in their "time period", find out the places they lived and how they lived, the events and social changes that impacted their life.



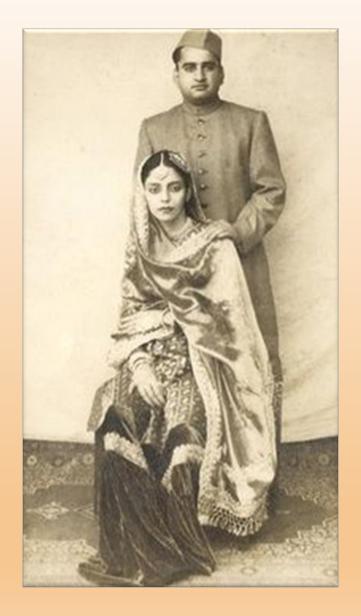




Oral tradition of recording Indian/ Sri Lankan family history

Most of us remember our grandparents or great-grandparent who loved to reminisce about "the old days".

Family history was often passed down from generation to generation, with children hearing the stories from their "elders" from early childhood.



However migrations of the younger generation to the cities, other parts of India and overseas meant, we lost touch with our distant uncles, aunts and cousins.

Often our parents and other elders stayed back in their village or home town and passed away without us recording any of their memories for future generations.

The official registration of births and deaths did not start in India until the 1850s, and that, too, only in urban areas of India.

In the rest of India, especially rural areas, very few official records of births, deaths, or marriages were kept; as a result, none are available today for research.

Most of the Indian ancestors were cremated, so no physical burial sites are available to go back to. *Therefore, the reliance is on people's memories and stories.*



In absence of any written records – how to get started

Your immediate family often holds the key to starting your family history research.

Record the memories of your parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, siblings, and cousins as you start exploring your family tree online.

Ask each relative about specific individuals and gather details surrounding their lives including nicknames, places they lived, vital information (including birth, marriage, and death dates), occupations, and other important clues

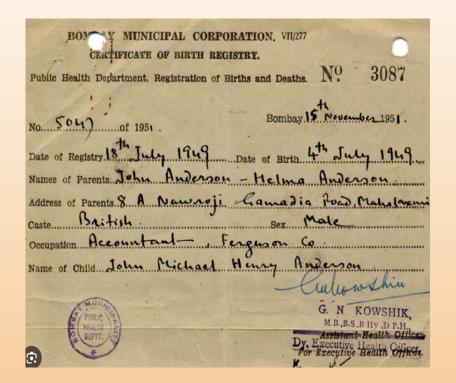
Consult family elders

The family seniors are the best bet for information. They could be from your own family or related or connected families. They have a treasure trove of knowledge, which needs to be captured and documented before their own

List of personal records which you can use

- Parish records
 - Baptism
 - Marriage (& marriage banns)Funeral/burial records
- Census records and substitutes
 - each census year
 - electoral rolls
 - directories

- Civil registration
- Birth certificate
- Marriage certificate
- Death certificate
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Birth & Death certificates

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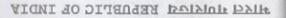
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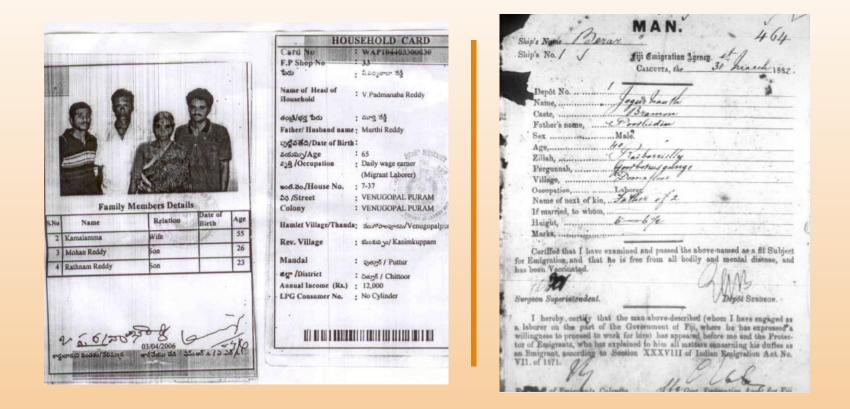
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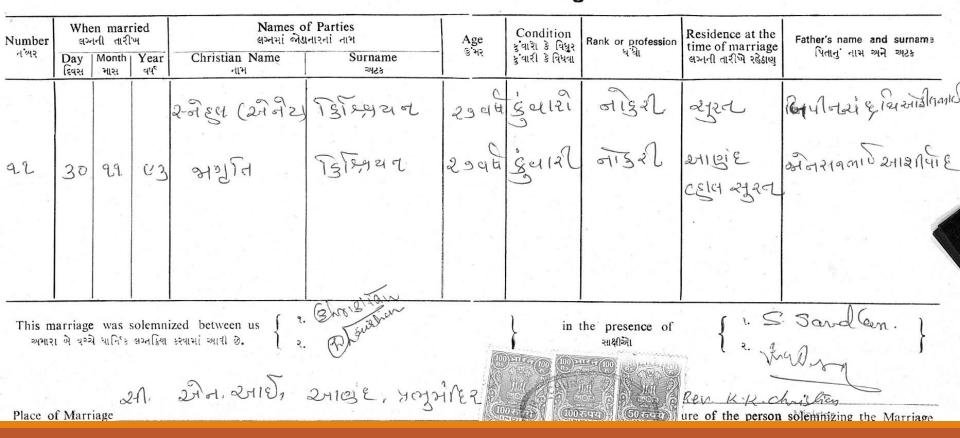
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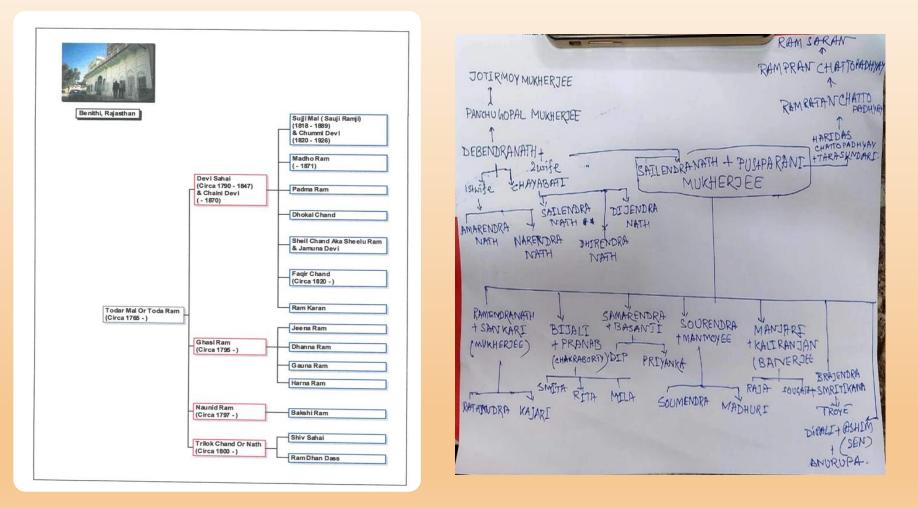


Old letters, diaries and business papers



Family Photographs

An interesting fact often only male lineage was recorded in family trees as Indian family is by and large patriarchal in structure. These trees are private and shared only among immediate family members so often lost



Tips for further family research

To effectively search the records available at the country of your ancestors' origin, it is necessary to define more precisely where your family or ancestors came from.

Due to lack of border control in the old days, people migrated to Asian countries without any restrictions to spread religion, trade with merchants, explore and conquer.

Example

Siddis, are an ethnic group who migrated to India from Abyssinia. The descendants of this community live in Gujarat and Maharashtra and in the Hyderabad area

Parsees (Iranians), due to religious prosecution in Persia, migrated to India and adopted settled in the Gujarat state and adopted the Gujarati traditions – eg Freddie Mercury

In 68AD Jews from Europe and Baghdad settled in the Malabar, Mumbai (Bombay) and Kolkata (Calcutta) regions of India. Common Jewish surnames in India include Sassoon and Joseph

https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/india-virtual-jewish-history-tour

Indian Names & Surnames provide an important clue

Indian surnames and names are based on a variety of systems and naming conventions, which vary from region to region. Names are also influenced by religion and caste and may come from epics.

For some Indians, their birth name is different from their official name; the birth name starts with a randomly selected name from the person's horoscope

Names often follow : First name, Middle name, Village name/Surname pattern

Surnames can be drawn from the name of the place, food items, dresses, temples, type of people, platforms, cities and profession and so on

Names in South India follow

Village name, father's name, personal name.

For example, take H. D. Kumaraswamy.

H refers to Haradanahalli (his native village),

D refers to Devegowda (his father's name) also indicates they were farmers

His first name is Kumaraswamy

Upon marriage, the wife takes on the husband's first and last names as their middle and last names

E.g Smita Soumitra Biswas – married name

E.g Smita <mark>Pranab Chakraborty- unmarried name</mark>

 Singh – common surname from Punjab means warrior

 Aggarwal – surname from Northern India for business people

 Common Goan surnames – converted by Portuguese have surnames like Rodrigues, Fernandes, Pereira and D'Souza.

 Patel : Common Surname from Gujarat means Headman of village

 Khan : automatically indicates a person who follows Islamic religion

 Biswas, Basu, Ghosh : Common surnames for people from Bengal in India and Bangladesh Effects of partition of India on family records East and West Pakistan state were not created until August 1947.

Here oral family history plays an important role, as normally one can trace only a few generations of history within India and Pakistan.

You should consider asking the following questions:

If your ancestors were born in the old Indian territories which are now in Pakistan, do you know which states they came from?

Were they born in East Pakistan (which became Bangladesh in1972)?

Did they opt to migrate to Pakistan from India during partition?

Did they migrate from East Pakistan to West Pakistan for employment and then proceed to Britain?

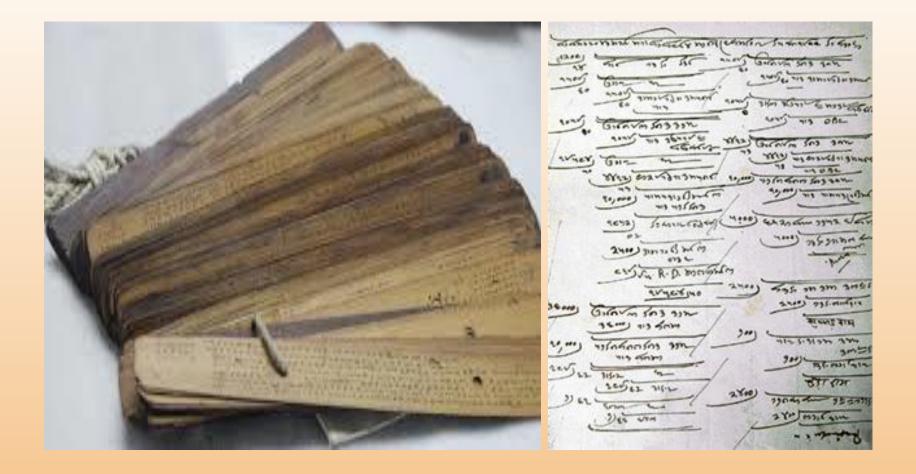
Have they chosen to migrate directly to Fiji, Mauritis, Kenya or African countries from India or Pakistan?

Were they indentured labourers from Tamil Nadu (previously Madras Presidency, later Madras State) who migrated for work under British Rule to Sri Lanka (Ceylon)?

Challenges in finding details of Hindu ancestor

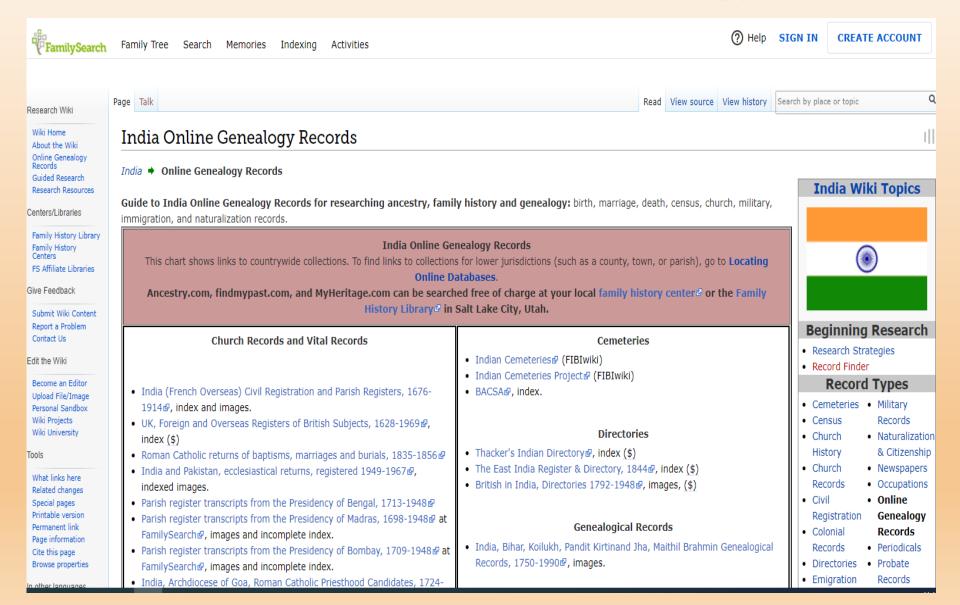
A major problem for Genealogists is the Hindu custom of either burning the body, or (preferably) consigning it to the Ganges river. Thus finding records is a critical problem.

The earliest records, written on palm leaves, have been lost to the elements, but there are sites across India where such records can still be found, and Haridwar remains the most comprehensive and well-preserved repository



Some Hindu family history has been recorded by temple priests

Section on Indian Genealogy



Listing of all records collections for India is available on FamilySearch.org

Map of Hindu Pilgrimage Sites **Dictionary of Indian Biography Indian Cemeteries Cemeteries in South Asia** The Indiaman Magazine Families in British India Society **Websites** India Office catalogues of private papers, prints etc. Hindu Pilgrimage records Maithil Brahmin genealogical records **BYU Research Resources for India**

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Some Hindu Pilgrimage Records, 1194-2015



India, Hindu Pilgrimage Records, 1194-2015

Description

Hindu pilgrimage records kept by Pandits in India. The records can be for people and families making pilgrimages from numerous places throughout India. These records are created and updated when family members pass on. The records in the registers are arranged by "caste" and contain native place, names of family members, the last occasion on which a family member came to this place of pilgrimage and made an entry in the register, the ceremony performed at the time and offering made to the priest. No women are mentioned unless their deaths are referred to indirectly. The registers represented here are arranged by the location of the Pandit, the Pandit's name, and then by the volume numbers or year ranges associated with the registers.

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A marriage record kept of Islamic marriages (civil registration) record or Kadi:. Establishes individual identity and linkage back two generations Time period: 1500 to present

Location: Located in Mosques and in the houses of the Kazi who is the marriage registrar and judge

India Church & Parish Records

Church records are an excellent source for accurate information on names and dates and on places of births, marriages, and deaths.

Since civil authorities did not begin registering vital statistics until 1872, church records are the best source for family information before that date.



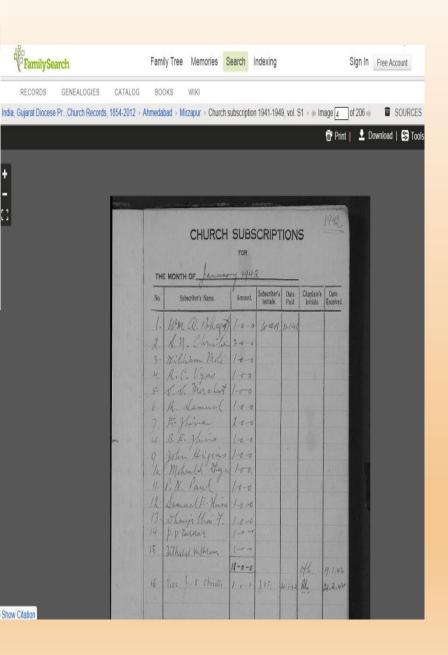
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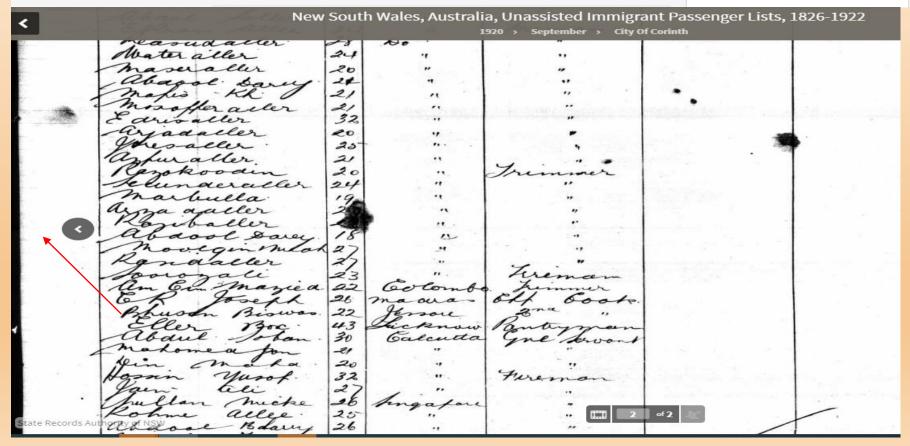
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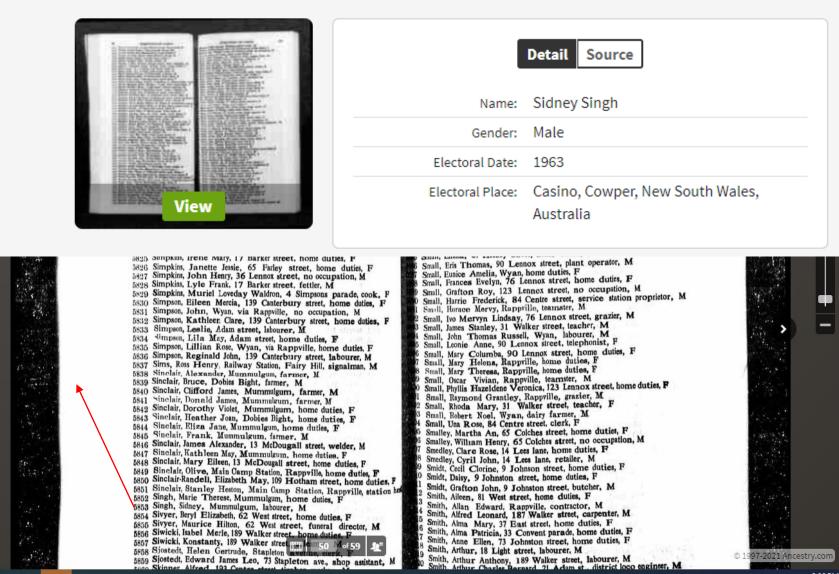
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Sidney Singh in the Australia, Electoral Rolls, 1903-1980



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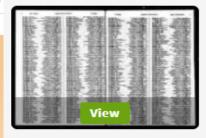
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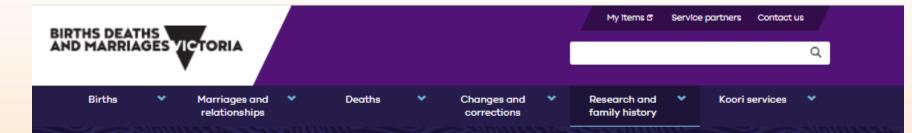
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Although not all passes and immigrant records have yet been indexed by name, the content of the films can be quickly accessed in The Library acknowledges the <u>National Archives of Fiji</u> as custodians of the original collection material. The passes have been digitised and are freely available online through the National Library of Australia. They can be consulted in several ways including Acces by arrival date, Acess by ship's name and Access by pass number.

In 2011 the combined records of Indian Indentured Labourers of Fiji, Guyana, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago were placed on the <u>UNESCO Memory of the World</u> <u>Register</u>.

Amongst others these included the Indian Emigration Passes to Fiji for the period 1879 to 1916.

These records comprise over 60,000 individual passes issued to Indians who were to come to Fiji as indentured labourers.

The original passes, held in 344 volumes, are kept by the <u>National Archives of Fiji</u>. In addition to the digitised material available online, copies of these records, comprising 42 reels of microfilm, are held by several institutions outside of Fiji, including:

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The Library's microfilm reels are accessible by request through the following record on the Library catalogue:

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The <u>Girmit.org</u> website has a <u>searchable/sortable index of</u> <u>emigrants' names beginning A</u> <u>through M</u> (compiled using data obtained from the <u>National Archives</u> <u>of Fiji</u>).

Use the index to find the pass number and father's name of an emigrant, as well as the name of the ship they arrived into Fiji on.

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This website focuses on over 60,500 labourers who were transported to the Fiji Islands over a period of 37 years (1875 – 1916) to work on the plantations of Fiji.

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How to search for an Immigration Pass?

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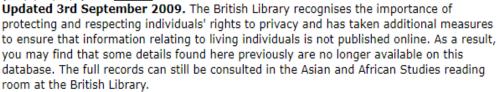
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The second name is the personal name

and the third name is the surname.

An example of this naming structure is 'Kaluhandhilage Hemachandra SILVA'.

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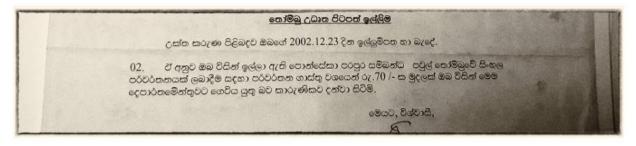
Many Sri Lankans adopt an English name when they go overseas due to the perception that their Sri Lankan name may be too long and difficult for others to pronounce.

Tamils generally have no family name. Their first name will be their father's personal name, followed by their own name (e.g. Alagaratnam Rasiah).

Women will generally adopt their husband's personal name upon marriage in place of the father's personal name.

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Introduction

Genealogy is the research and study of family lineage. But ask anyone who has delved deeply into it, and they will tell you it is much more than that simple definition! It's a journey in search of your roots, it is a journey to find your identity.

Family history is far more interesting than Genealogy. It is here that we place people in their "time period", find out the places they lived and how they lived, the events and social changes that impacted their life. This is what brings alive the data in the family trees, the family stories and the anecdotes, their achievements and their failures. History itself takes on a new meaning when you align your family with the events of that time. Today I am a keen cyclist and every time I cross the Kalutara bridge, I pause to think that the little island in the middle of the river was once owned by one of my ancestors (a Dutch land Grant). From my home in Battaramulla, I regularly go across Kotte, where among the ruins of the fortress lays the most probable place where my Portuguese sounding surname first originated in the country.

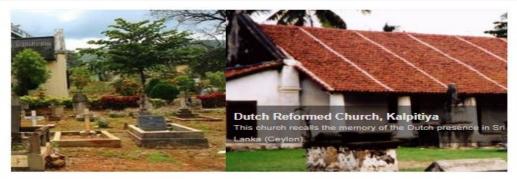
Today there is a renewed interest in family history. Over the years, many people have reached out to me to ask "how do I do family research, like what you have done. Where do I start?". This is what prompted me to write this guide, to share the knowledge I gained from this project over years.

The Sri Lankan genealogist faces many a barrier, as lack of records of any sort, and easy access to whatever that exists, is a serious constraint in looking up one's family history. I was extremely lucky to have access to previous research, a starting point which charted the family from 1658 (in the year the Dutch arrived), up to around the turn of the 19th century. The research based on one unique court case in which the powerful 'Disava' or the Dutch ruler of the province (who was also the chief land administrator), was challenged in a Dutch court of law, left a trail of records relating to the family. The Dutch records (still available in the National Archives) pertaining to the case was subsequently translated and published in English as the '**De Andrado Manuscripts**' by Mr. J. H. O. Paulusz, who was the Government Archivist, from 1940 to 1958. It was a stroke of luck for the family, and early researchers such as Mudliyar S R De Fonseka worked with scholars to translate the Dutch work and built up the history of the family. The authenticated research was published by M D

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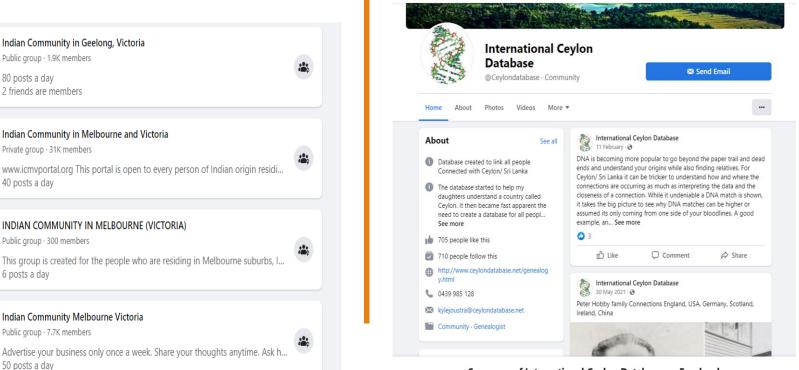
Now, in this information age, the pursuit of genealogical research has grown enormously and is no longer the domain of a handful of serious students or professionals with mandates or time on their hands to sift through tons of dusty records archived in musty rooms. Today, just as everyone has become a photographer through the advancements in digital technology, everyone has also become a genealogist. Indeed, this sphere of activity is reputed to generate the second highest levels of Internet traffic, only behind that of the XXX variety!

For these budding genealogists who have taken this subject up as a hobby, or those individuals who simply wish to trace their own ancestry, the genealogies produced in the JDBU have been a rich source of information and we are delighted to be able to present them on-line.

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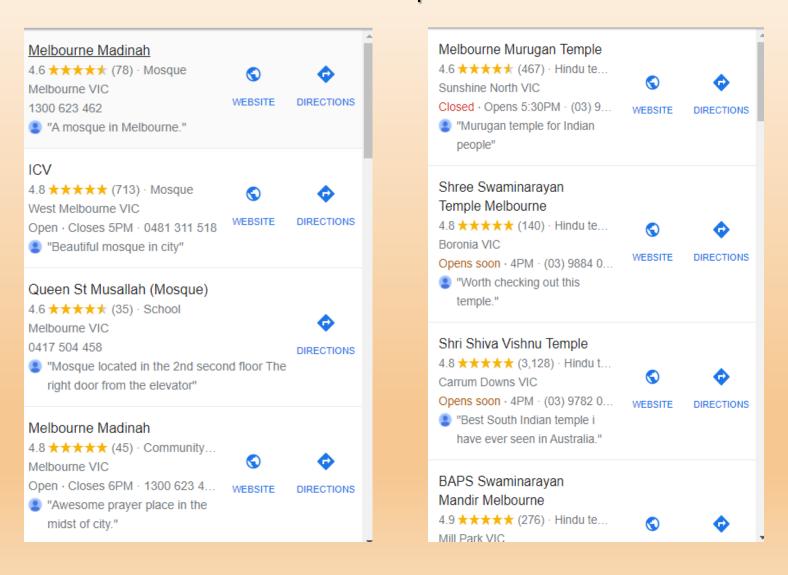
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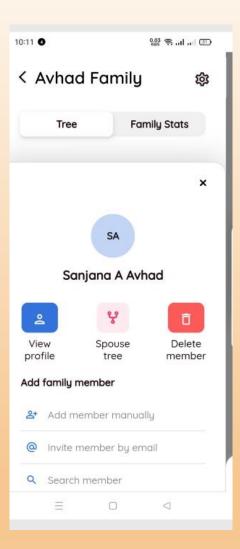
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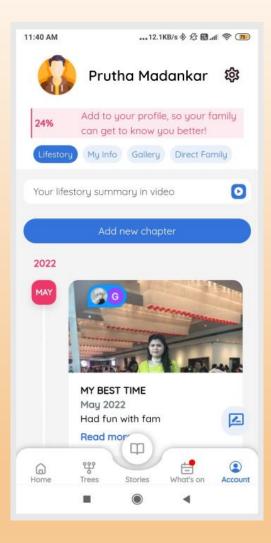
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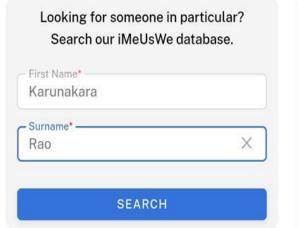


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KARUNAKARA RAO,	
44 years,	
Andhra Pradesh	
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31 years,	
Andhra Pradesh	
KARUNAKARA RAO,	
47 years,	
Andhra Pradesh	

KARUNAKARA RAO -1952 Tamil Nadu,India

Name KARUNAKARA RAO

Death Date 22-01-1952

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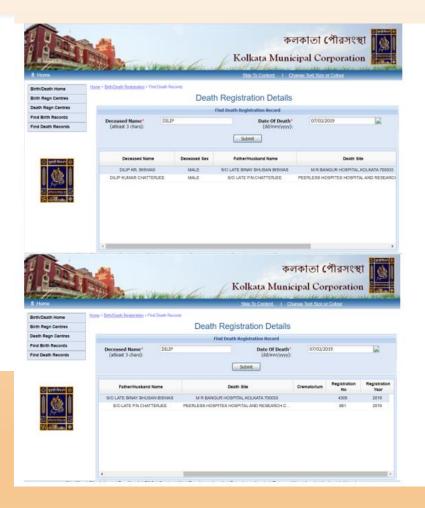
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SOUMITRA GHOSH BISWAS FATHER DEATH REGISTRATION DETAILS

FATH	ER	Additional Details Retrieved:		
Name	Dilip Kumar Biswas	Name: Dilip KR Biswas		
Birth Date (dd/mm/yyyy)	01/05/1932	נאמווהי הווה עע מאינים		
Birth Place	Chittagong Bangladesh	Father's Name: Binay Bhusan Biswas		
Marriage Date (dd/mm/yyyy)	<mark>1956</mark>	Death Site: M R Bangur Hospital, Kolkata 700033		
Marriage Place				
Death Date (if applicable)	<mark>07/03/2019</mark>	Death Regn No: 4309		
Death Place (if applicable)	Kolkatta , India	50001110 <u>6</u> 111014005		
City of Residence (if alive)				
Paternal Grand-father name	Benoy Bhushan Biswas			
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My son's great grandfather details

BISWAS SURNAME INFORMATION

From the IMEUSWE website – giving me a lot of background of where my husbands family name originated from

Biswas (pronounced in Bengali as "bish-shash") is a surname commonly used by the Bengali community. "Biswas" surname doesn't indicate the caste - it's a title, meaning "Trustworthy" bestowed by Muslim and British rulers.

The surname was an honorary title bestowed on persons who were relied upon for the work of accounts, receipts and expenditure. In Bengali, Biswas means faith or trust. Although Biswas can be Brahmin, Kayastha, Vaisya or even Scheduled Caste (Namahsudra) among Hindus.

Even few Bengali Muslims and Christians used to have this title/surname. Kayasthas have historically occupied the highest government offices, serving as ministers and advisors during early medieval Indian kingdoms and the Mughal Empire, and holding important administrative positions during the British Raj.

It is said that Namahsudras (of Biswas surname) once belong to Bengal Brahmin community who were outcasted by Bengal ruler Ballal Sen due to marriages with other lower castes and tribes in that region. And they were treated as Sudras though in a somewhat elevated position (Namah). Once outcasted, Namahsudras started new lives in cultivation and farming in and around river-borne lowlands of Bangladesh and prosper. Now, they are the most highly educated lots among Bengali Schedule Caste.

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