



Gold Coast Family History Society Inc.

2024 SEMINARS



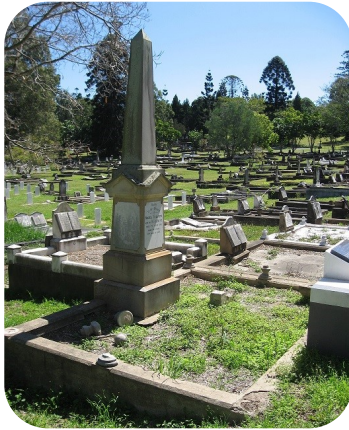
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A Special Event with Guest Speaker Hilda Maclean

Decoding the Stone - Headstones & More



'DECODING THE STONE - HEADSTONES & MORE'

Not all ancestors have a permanent memorial on their grave. If a family has the capacity to erect a headstone for a loved-one, much can be learnt about them from the style they select. The headstone reflects the aspirations and hopes of the family.

Other messages are conveyed by headstone symbols such as arches and gates, angels, a bird or a book and many others. Materials have varied over the centuries and include marble, granite and bronze. Epitaphs also tell stories and they were particularly used before cemetery standardisation. As well as the obvious date of birth and death inscriptions can reflect the emotions of those left behind.

Dr Hilda Maclean is a professional historian, genealogist and archival researcher who has been investigating cemeteries for over 40 years. In 2007, she received a Churchill Fellowship to study visitor education programs in heritage cemeteries in England, Scotland and Paris. Hilda's research projects have included German cast iron grave markers in Southeast Queensland and the amplification of Scottish identity on headstones. She is the author of the blog cemetrees.wordpress.com Hilda has presented at international conferences on death and mortality-related topics.

Seminar Details

DAY: Saturday
DATE: 9 March 2024
TIME: 1.15 pm to 4.00 pm
LOCATION: Upstairs Room 3
Bicentennial Building
833 Nerang-Southport Road
Nerang Qld 4211
SEMINAR PRICE:
GCFHS Members \$15.00
Non-Members \$20.00

PAYMENT DETAILS (This is a Pre-Paid Event, payment must be received by 7 March 2024)

BANKING DEPOSIT:
Account Name: Gold Coast Family History Society Inc.
BSB: 638 070 Account No: 1145 0614
Please use your Surname as the reference or your membership no.

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P O Box 2763 Southport BC Qld 4215

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Room 3, Bicentennial Building , 833 Southport-Nerang Road, Nerang Qld 4211

GCFHS OPENING HOURS:
Tue: 9.30am - 2.00pm Wed: 9.30am - 2.00pm | Thurs: 11.00am - 8.30pm | Sat: 10.00am - 4.30pm

GCFHS Event Registration Form

Hilda Maclean

Date: / /

Name:

Contact Phone No:.....

Email Address:.....

GCFHS Membership No. if applicable.....

- GCFHS Members \$15.00
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Payment

- Cash at GCFHS before 7 March
- Cheque by Mail
- Bank Deposit / Transfer

Please: Payment in Full at the time of Booking