

FAMILY HISTORY AWARDS

(1983-1999 notes prepared by Colleen Read, 28 December 2000)

BRIEF HISTORY (1983-2000)

An informal meeting chaired by Theo Sharples was called on 23 March 1983 to discuss the possible introduction of Family History Awards. Also present were Marjorie Jacklyn and Roger McLennan. After a further two meetings a Report was forwarded to the AGM held 4 June 1983 recommending entries be called for the inaugural Award to close on 30 Sep 1983. A further Report was submitted to the Executive Meeting held on 15th October 1983 recommending that the award be named the Genealogical Society of Tasmania Family History Award, to be judged in two sections: (1) a book published in hard cover, (2) a manuscript. It was also recommended that the award be biennial. However in 1985 entries were called for one category only (book), an award for the other category (manuscript) being held the following year. In 1988, to celebrate the Bicentennial Year, entries were again invited for both sections. At the State Executive Meeting on 21 November 1992, three categories were introduced, the competition to be held over a three year period on a rotational basis, viz – Manuscript (handwritten or typed not reproduced for sale etc); Home produced (typed or computer printout, then photocopied); Commercially produced book (typeset, printed, bound etc).

In 1996 the award was renamed the "Lilian Watson Family History Award" to honour the memory and the contributions to genealogy and family history of founding member Mrs Lilian Watson who was elected inaugural Fellow in 1995, and passed away March 1996. It was also resolved that the judging panel should consist of a genealogist plus two others chosen from: a qualified librarian; a writer or literary critic of note; and an historian or compiler of historical or archival material.

In the following list, the branch to which the work was donated is shown in brackets.

1983-84 Awards (* = winner) closing date 30 September 1983

Book section

George Henry Saward : his Ancestors and Descendants c1600 to 1982, Delma Carne, (Hobart Branch)

The Dwellers at the Farm in the Valley, Bernard Denholm, (Hobart Branch)

The irrepressible Mr Dooley, Bernard Denholm

Tracing my Giblin Ancestors, Lloyd Giblin

The Claytons of Wickford, H B Holmes, (Hobart Branch)

**From Chains to Freedom vol 1 : The Garth-Bellett family*, Thais Mason, (Hobart Branch)

So soon forgotten, Donald Norman, (Hobart Branch)

The Lyne Family History, Lois Nyman, (Hobart Branch)

Manuscript section

* *Henry Pearce (1813-1901) and his Descendants*, Annette Macquarie, (Hobart Branch)

A Pride of Engineers : a History of the Wilkins family 1840-1980, John K Wilkins, (Hobart Branch)

Judges: Ross Gates, Journalist, *The Mercury*; Shirley King, Archivist, University of Tasmania; Geoffrey Stilwell, Librarian, Special Collections, State Library of Tasmania. Convenor: Theo Sharples.

Awards presented at Hobart Branch General Meeting 17 Jul 1984.

1985-86 Award closing date 25 August 1985

Book section (* = winner)

Our Ancestors Tyson and Shearer, Muriel F & Betty L Bissett, (Hobart Branch)

Scotland 1733 to Scottsdale 27th January 1985, Muriel F & Betty L Bissett, (Hobart Branch)

The Horton Family of Marawah, Tasmania, Irma Boughton, (Hobart Branch)

Kettlebroth for Tea, Trevor Byard, (Hobart Branch)

The Colonial Campbells : a Family History, Colin Campbell, (Hobart Branch)

Keeping up with the Joneses, June Gee, (Hobart Branch)

The Grooms of Harefield, Francis F Groom

The Pearn Chronicle, Anne M Heazlewood, (Hobart Branch) , (Hobart Branch)

Chain of Ponds : a Narrative of a Victorian Pioneer, Joseph J Mack, (Hobart Branch)

The Abel Family Part 1, Peter C Sims, (Hobart Branch)

**Winton Merino Stud 1835-1985*, Vera C Taylor, (Hobart Branch)

Judges: Professor S Warren Carey; G Farmer; and Ian Pearce, Senior Archivist, Archives Office of Tasmania. Convenor: Maureen G Bellette, assisted by Stacey Bellette. Award presented AGM, Campbell Town, 21 Jun 1986.

1986-87 Award closing date 29 August 1986

Manuscript (* = winner)

Lilydale : a German legacy – an examination of C19th German immigration to Northern Tasmania,
Marita Elaine Bardenhagan, (Hobart Branch)
Norfolk Broads, England to VDL (Vince family), Thelma McKay, & Barbara Fuller, (Hobart Branch)
Macquarie Family History, Annette Macquarie, (Hobart Branch)
**Stewart & Ellen Smillie*, Maree Ring, (Hobart Branch)
From convicts to Settlers, Irene Schaffer, (Hobart Branch)

Judges: Ian Pearce, Senior Archivist, Archives Office of Tasmania; Don R Gregg; G Farmer.
Convenor: Maureen G Bellette, assisted by Stacey Bellette

1988-89 Awards closing date 1 October 1988

(Entries were invited for both sections to celebrate the Bi-Centennial Year)

Book section (* = winner)

The Carins Family : 100 years in Tasmania, Glen Carins & Alison Andrews
Kettle on the Hob : a Family in VDL 1828-1885, Frances Cotton, (Hobart Branch)
Elphinstones : Pioneer Farmers in Tasmania, Pat Coy & others, (Hobart Branch)
The Brave Old Pioneers 1788-1988 : a History of the Hodgetts Family, Richard J Hodgetts
Nathaniel and Olivia : the Lucas Family, Rhonda Kroenhert & Betty Taber
And so they came : the Burrows and Griffiths to New Norfolk, Mangalore, Thoona and other Places,
Lorraine Lister, (Hobart Branch)
*Sullivan Bay & Beyond : a Short History of Two Port Phillip Bay First Fleeters and some of their
Descendants*, Winsome E Matenson, (Hobart Branch)
The Irish in us : a Story of Cornelius McCarthy c1814-1863, Margaret McCarthy
Garth to Garth : 20,000 miles apart, J A Moyle, (Hobart Branch)
The Waterhouse/Padman Story, ed. by M J Olsson, (Hobart Branch)
Bartley of "Kerry Lodge" : a Portrait of a Pioneer in VDL, Yvonne A Phillips
Caprice of Jersey : the Rainy Family in Jersey, England and Australia, Graeme A Reynolds, (Hobart
Branch)
**The Norfolk Settlers of Norfolk Island and VDL*, Peter Sims, (Hobart Branch)
Pioneers at Piermont : Robert Webber and Family, Frances Dorothy Travers, (Hobart Branch)

Manuscript (* = winner)

Between Eternities : a Genealogical Study, Rick Ferguson
The Omond Family History 1469-1988, D J Omond, (Hobart Branch)
Aaron Price and Descendants, Meg Morrison, (Hobart Branch)
Sutton Family in Australia from 1851, Ann Moyle and Ann Wilkie
**The Blackall-Biggins-Smith Story*, Noreen Stubbs, (Hobart Branch)
Snare : not a Common Name, Christine Woods, (Hobart Branch)

Judges: Beth McLeod, Harry Dodson, Glenn Pullen. Convenor: Adele de Bomford.
Awards presented at AGM, Burnie, 24 Jun 1989.

1990-91 Awards (* = winner) – closing date 30 October 1990

Book section (* = winner)

John Dyer and his Descendants, Alan F Dyer
**Go ... be Fruitful and Multiply*, Elizabeth J Parkes & Maurice V French, (Hobart Branch)
The Ark that Binds, Peggy Hull, (Hobart Branch)
Windows in the Tree, Jeames H Kemsley
The Bellett Linkage plus the Kidner Family 1788-1988, Thais Mason
A Story of the Potaskie/McDonald Family 1802-1987, Mary E Purcell
Profiles of Norfolk Islanders to VDL HMS "Porpoise" 1807-1808 vol 2 Part 2, Irene Schaffer & Thelma
McKay

1990-91 cont ...

Manuscript section (* = winner)

The Vincents of North West Creek, Reginald A Ball
**The Whiting Family of the Sheoak Hills*, Rosamonde C Combes
The Family of James and Eliza Dare, Dorren A Dare, (Hobart Branch)
Overell Odyssey, Marie J Hart, (Hobart Branch)
Two Families in Tasmania : the Families of John Kerr and Henry Dixon, Lois E Humphreys, (Hobart
Branch)
Kibble Building through History in Australia 1833-1988, by Rae E Kibble, (Hobart Branch)

Story without Ending, Judith A Ormond
Hoddy/Williams, Richard James Rowe, (Hobart Branch)
Watson, by Richard James Rowe, (Hobart Branch)

Judges: Sue McDonald, Annette Ebdon, Frank F Ellis. Convenor: Dawn Collins.
Awards presented at the Australasian Congress, Launceston, on 9 May 1991.

1992 Award closing date 30 June 1992

Manuscript (* = winner)

A Boon to Tasmania, David A Boon
The Hudson family – Tasmanian Pioneers, Norma J Hudson
The Genetic Heritage of James Murfitt, Bill Murfet
No Bequests, no Beg Pardons, Bette C Nicholson, (Hobart Branch)
Recipes and Relations – a Story of a Tasmanian Irish Family, Mary O'Byrne
**Private George Smith of His Majesty's Royal Marines*, Irene Schaffer
Letters from Scotland – the Lockhart Story, Audrey S Trebilco
Chilcott Family Tree, Valerie C Trickett
A Veteran in VDL : the Story of William & Ann Lee and their Family, Gwenda M Webb
Henry Cox & Elizabeth Waddell and their Family – the first three generations, Gwenda M Webb

Judges: Noreen Stubbs, Christ Binks, Peter Richardson. ?Convenor: Christine Morris (President
Devonport Branch). Award presented at AGM, Huon Branch Library, 19 Jun 1993.

1993 Award closing date 31 March 1993

Commercially Published Book (* = winner)

Castle Day-dreams, Maureen Martin & Linda Ablitt
The Archers of Van Diemen's Land, Neil Chick, (Hobart Branch)
A Hand on the Helm, G W Cox
Memories of my Father E A Elliott, David M Elliott, (Hobart Branch)
Johnston – 200 years of Family History, Max Johnston, (Hobart Branch)
**Linked by Chains and Lineage*, Tony Satchell
J C Tolman & Sons, Judith Tolman, (Hobart Branch)

Judges: Peter G Webb, Historian; Dorothy Rosemann, Librarian, Local History section, Launceston
Library; Mr Noel Shaw, Journalist, *The Examiner*. Convenors: Jenny Gill/Pat Harris?
Award presented at AGM, Huon Branch Library, 19 Jun 1993.[sic]

1994 Award closing date 31 December 1993

Home produced book (* = winner)

Ames and O'Neal, R Ames, (Hobart Branch)
Morley Muster, Cheryl Bailey
Wood to Woods, J M Cooper
**The Greys of Circular Head*, John Davies
Some Descendants of William and Anna Maria Harvey, Colin Harvey
The Lady of the House, Colin Harvey
James Hanks – Convict and Gentleman, Keith W Hodgson
The Austin Story, Francis A Martin, (Hobart Branch)
The Two Journeys of Benjamin Hanslow, Peggy E Morgan, (Hobart Branch)
Descendants of William and Margaret Brown, Roy A Peck
England to Tasmania – Brain family 1844-1991, Bev Perkins
Looking back with Jill, Jill Potter
The Jacksons of Hamilton, Brian Rieusset, (Hobart Branch)
The Roberts-Thompson Family Chronicle, P J Roberts-Thompson
The John Martin story, I J Scouller
Wexford to Van Diemen's Land, Margaret R Siegmann, (Hobart Branch)

?Judges: Peter G Webb, Historian; Dorothy Rosemann, Librarian, Local History section, Launceston
Library; Mr Bruce Proverbs? Barbara Rose?. Convenors: Jenny Gill.
Award announced at AGM, Launceston, 25 Jun 1994

1995 Award closing date 31 December 1994

Manuscript (* = winner)

John Tattersall and Sarah Waters, Leonie Carpenter

**William Lindsay : from Convict to Entrepreneur*, Claudia M Dean

A Bonney Affair, Colin Harvey

The Launceston Lyons, Terry Lyons

A Letter to Rebecca, W T Southerwood

The Young Family, Edna Townsend.

?Judges: Peter G Webb, Historian; Dorothy Rosemann, Librarian, Local History section, Launceston Library; Mr Bruce Proverbs? Barbara Rose?. Convenors: Jenny Gill.

Award announced at AGM, Hobart, 18 Jun 1995.

1996 Award closing date 31 December 1995

Commercially produced book (* = winner)

Mariners, Merchants ... then Pioneers, Thelma N Birrell

300 years Down the Dales of Time (2 vols), F K Dale

**Of Yesteryear and Nowadays*, Paul B Edwards

A Convict from Canterbury, Rev Bevin G Fist

The Whitesides of Birrallee, Joan Graney, (Hobart Branch)

The Jordans of the Three Isles, Alma Ranson

The Deegans, and Irish Medley, Noreen Stubbs

Letters from Scotland, Audrey Trebilco

Judges: Josephine Keen, Barbara Valentine, Peter Richardson. Convenor: Jenny Gill.

Award presented/announced? AGM, Burnie, 15 Jun 1996.

1997 Award closing date 31 December 1996

Home produced book (* = winner)

To See the Morning, Colleen Arulappu, (Hobart Branch)

The Land of our Adoption, Leanne Baker

The Family of Henry Hyland, Annette Marree Banks

The Forster-Jones Family Pedigree, Edward Arthur Jones, (Hobart Branch)

A Baker's Dozen, by Dian Elizabeth Mainey & Gail Dodd, (Hobart Branch)

Eliza Beames and Robert Hunt 1831-1853, Marjorie Maude Porter

From Soldier to Convict, Jayne Reed (submitted by Pauline Lycett)

The Plain People, Cheryl Timbury

**From Shere to Eternity : a History of the Moddy family of Van Diemen's Land*, Tony Meehan

Judges: Patron, Professor Emeritus Michael Roe, Tony Marshall, Senior Librarian Heritage Collections, State Library of Tasmania); Audrey Hudspeth, Historian, Author & Genealogist.

Convenor: Don Gregg. Award presented at AGM, Latrobe (Devonport Branch), 21 Jun 1997.

Noted that on 1 July 1996, the Secretary asked Mr N Watson for permission to change the FHA to Lilian Watson Family History Award

1998 Award closing date 31 December 1997

Manuscript (* = winner)

**The Story of John and Elizabeth Carey*, Allison Carins (Launceston Branch)

My Mother's Branch and her Tasmanian Roots, Nola A Day (Launceston Branch)

The Ellis Family History, E A Jones (Hobart Branch)

Strongest Hand Uppermost, Kath Lonergan (Hobart Branch)

Small Trading Ships serving Early Settlements 1839-1857, Betty van der Werff (Hobart Branch)

Clan Hunter/Ralston, George M W Hunter (Hobart Branch). This entry did not satisfy the criteria for a "manuscript". Mr Hunter agreed to donate his entry to the Hobart Branch

Judges: Patron, Professor Emeritus Michael Roe, Tony Marshall, Senior Librarian Heritage Collections, State Library of Tasmania); Audrey Hudspeth, Historian, Author & Genealogist.

Convenor: Don Gregg. Award presented at AGM, Launceston, 27 Jun 1998

1999 Award closing date 31 December 1998

Commercially published book (* = winner)

The Chamber Letters : a Family's Letters from the Victorian Goldfields, South Australia's Pioneers and Tasmania's Early Mining Days, Janet Marion Epps, (Hobart Branch)

Built to last the Story of the Shipwrights of Port Cygnet, Tasmania and their Boats 1863-1997, Alex Graeme-Evans and Peter Wilson

**Cattle King of Van Diemen's Land, William Field (1774-1837)*, Claudia M Dean, (Hobart Branch)

Home and a Range, the Hean Family of Tasmania, Leonard Wilfred Dimmick

The Wheel Rolls On and On 1770-1999, Arnold William Claude Reardon, (Hobart Branch)

The Dunkley's : a History of a Family, Elvie Bowring, (Hobart Branch)

Judges: Patron, Professor Emeritus Michael Roe, Bryce Ward, Genealogist; Margaret Cairnduff, Senior Librarian, Rosny Public Library

Award presented (AGM held at Hobart) at Hobart Branch General Meeting, 18 Jul 1999.

1999 (labelled 2000) Award closing date 31 December 1999

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Built to Last, the Story of the Shipwrights of Port Cygnet, Tasmania, and their Boats 1863-1997, Alex Graeme-Evans and Peter Wilson (Huon Branch Library)

The Wheel Rolls On and On, 1780-1999, Arnold William Claude Reardon (Hobart Branch)

Judges: Patron, Professor Emeritus Michael Roe, Bryce Ward, Genealogist; Margaret Cairnduff, Senior Librarian, Rosny Public Library. Convenor: Don Gregg

Award presented at the Hobart Branch meeting, 18 July 2000 (AGM, held at Burnie, June 2000)

2000 Award closing date 31 December 2000

Commercially produced book (* = winner)

**Buttons, Bodices, Braces & Britches*, Alan F Dyer (gifted to Devonport Branch)

A Family Portfolio, Elizabeth Rennick. (Hobart Branch)

John Youl – The Forgotten Chaplain, The Rev Dr Philip C Blake (Launceston Branch)

Ten Years ... and we were Home, Mrs May Minck (Hobart Branch)

Leatherwood Honey for Gall – a convict marries an immigrant girl, Ms Mary Reddrop (Launceston Branch)

According to the Grapevine ..., Mrs Margaret Anne Clarke (Hobart Branch)

Judges:

Convenor: Jenny Gill

Presented at: AGM, Campbell Town, 23 June 2001

2001 Award closing date 31 December 2001

Commercially produced book (* = winner)

Winspear – History and Recollections, by Susan Barter (Devonport Branch)

The Book of Tilley, Shirley Foster (Hobart Branch)

The Johnsons of Castle Hill, Edith Clavert (dec'd) & Lois Calvert (Launceston Branch)

**James Fenton of Forth*, Paul Fenton (Launceston Branch)

The Clarke Family of Tasmania, Kim O'Brien (Devonport Branch)

Strongest Hand Uppermost, Kath Lonergan (Hobart Branch)

The Merchant of Van Diemen's Land, James Bruce Merchant (Huon Branch)

When Camp Creek Flowed Free, Cyril G Dixon (Burnie Branch)

Born in the Great Depression, G A Abel (Branch not stated)

Brennen Family History, Joan Brennan Dixon (Huon Branch)

Anecdotes and Family Trees, Marjorie Porter (Launceston Branch)

A Salute to Their Courage, Margaret May Muir (Devonport Branch)

Judges: Dr Jan Critchett, Mr Peter Richardson, Mrs Barbara Valentine

Convenor: Anita Swan

Presented at: AGM, Devonport, 22 June 2002

2002 Award closing date 31 December 2002

Commercially produced book (* = winner)

**Early Launceston : The Marsden Story*, Kathleen Lewis (Launceston Branch)
When Childish Eyes were Smiling, Lorna Marion Lunn (Launceston Branch)
David Howie – Devil or Saint, Pauline Yvette Buckby (Burnie Branch)
The Families of James Vanham and Edna May Clarke, Peter Clarke (Hobart Branch)

Judges:

Convenor: Judith De Jong

Presented at: AGM, Launceston Branch (Quercus Park) 21 June 2003

2003 Award closing date 19 December 2003

Commercially produced book (* = winner)

**Holycross, The Story Of The O'Mara Family*, Judith Borrick (Hobart Branch)
A Most Dangerous Girl, Barbara Glover (Launceston Branch)
Hammersleys of Beaconsfield, Lorraine L Rogers & Evelyn M Metcalf (Launceston Branch)
My Passage in Time – Benjamm Smith, Jennifer Anne Chapman (Launceston Branch)
The Kearley Family : a story of the founding of Tasmania, John Horton & Jayne Balmer (Hobart Branch)
'Tis Good to Be Alive, Rosalie Hine. Submitted by Mrs Yvonne Jackson (Burnie Branch)
Shooting The Franklin, Johnson F Dean (Launceston Branch)
Pros & Cons And Cops & Robbers : Common Men and Women for an uncommon country. A study through my ancestry. Mr Robin F Flannery (Hobart Branch)
Dying To Be Healthy, Alan F Dyer (Devonport Branch)
The Sandberg Saga, Shirley J Winspear (Devonport Branch)
The Ward Book : our Tasmanian Heritage, Margaret Brassington (Launceston Branch)
From East To West You Gather People : being Catholic in Australia through eight generations from the convict era to the new millennium, Rev Dr Russell H Hardiman (Hobart Branch)
From Leith to Hobart Town 1853-2003 : a history of the Gourlay family, Dr Michael R Gourlay (Hobart Branch)
Frederick Matthias Alexander : a family history, Jacqueline A Evans, (Launceston Branch)
Heritage 1 & Heritage 2, Kevin Richardson, (Launceston Branch)
The Wiggins Of Wiggins Town Van Diemens Land, Mrs Kath Lonergan (Hobart Branch)

Judges:

Convenor: Judith De Jong

Presented at: AGM, Ross Town Hall, 19 June 2004

2004 Award closing date 1 December 2004

Books (* = winner)

**Madge's People in the island of Tasmania*, J M Edwards (dec) & Rosemary Brown (Launceston Branch)
Down the Sledge Track, Jenny Bicanic (Launceston Branch)
The Clarks of Elledanle, Shayne Clark, J Tucker and A Bromfield, Hobart Branch
Grieve French Newton Shipton Connection, Betty J Grieve, (Burnie Branch)
In Search of the Six Hundred A History of the Thorne Family, David Thorne (Burnie Branch)
The Life & Times of William Roadknight 1792-1862, J L A Cameron, (Hobart Branch)
Spirit of Independence (The Morris Family), Ann Daniel (Hobart Branch)
Ocean's Child : The Tasmanian Ancestry of Rosemary, Christine, Peter & Jeffrey O'Neal, Rosemary Luyendyk, (Hobart Branch)
An Early Tasmanian Story with the Oakdens, Cowies, Paramores, Tullochs and Hoggs, Ann and Robin Bailey (Launceston Branch)

Manuscript (no winner)

Henry Briner Hurburgh (1811-1877), Margaret E B Rhee (Huon Branch)
Michael Fitzgerald, Deborah M Rainbow (Launceston Branch)

Judges: Peter Richardson, Barbara Valentine, Jill Cassidy

Convenor: Judith De Jong

Presented at: AGM, Huon Branch, at Ranelagh, 18 June 2005

2005 Award closing date 1 December 2005

Books (* = winner)

**The Bidecove Story*, Irene Schaffer, (Hobart Branch)

Tasmania Bound : Weymouth, Hubbard, Harris & McPhail Family Stories, Margaret Szalay, (Hobart Branch)

"Pickett Lines" – descendants of Samuel Piggot/Piggett and Mary Thompson, Penelope Ferguson, (Hobart Branch)

James Forbes Young, Margaret E B Rhee

As Far As I can Tell, Graeme Allan Wood

Bruny Island's Quarantine Station in War and Peace, Kathleen Duncombe

Cleanliness is Next to Godliness, John Willoughby Miller

Blades Family History, Brenda Hunt

The Millar Story, John Alexander Millar

Manuscript (no prize awarded)

My Great, Great Grandfather, Lt Edward Lord, Jessie Wagner

Judges: Peter Richardson, Barbara Valentine, Jai Paterson

Convenor:

Presented at: AGM, Ross Town Hall, 17 June 2006

2006 Award closing date 1 December 2006

Books (* = winner)

**She lived in Launceston : Isobel Horner of Waratah House 1858-1955*, Sally Dammery (Launceston Branch)

I Wood Send You My Hart if I Could, Colleen Arulappu, (Hobart Branch)

The Allison Story, Robert R Boniwell (Launceston Branch)

Crossing the Seas to Build a Future, Sharon Brennan (Burnie Branch)

Ellenor & Joseph & Robert Rowe : Brooks Bay, Mrs Dorothy Crocker (Huon Branch)

Fishes and Men, L W Dimmick (Launceston Branch)

Home And A Range, L W Dimmick (Launceston Branch)

The Life of William Lachlan Jordan, John T Goold (Burnie Branch)

Boat People of the Empire, Donald Grey-Smith (Burnie Branch)

Convict Chains : A Family History of Convict and Free Ancestors, D J W Michael (Hobart Branch)

William Pitt of Longford House, Mary Reschke (Launceston Branch)

Unravelling our Past, Pat Rogerson (Launceston Branch)

Built by Seabrook. Hobart Buildings Constructed by the Seabrook Family since the 1830s, Malcolm Ward (Hobart Branch)

The Mansson Family A case History of Immigration and Settlement in Tasmania, Michael G Watt (Hobart Branch)

Anastasia – Woman of Eureka : A Tribute to Anastasia Withers, Vivienne R Worthington (Hobart Branch)

Judges: Peter Richardson, Marion Sargent, Jai Paterson

Convenor: Anita Swan

Presented at: AGM, Burnie Branch 16 June 2007

2007 Award closing date 1 December 2007

Books (* = winner)

**Sergeant Samuel Thorne. A Royal Marine in the Napoleonic Wars and a first settler of Port Phillip and Hobart Town*, Malcolm Ward (Launceston Branch)

Our Schools and Pioneer Families : A History of Stowport, Natone, Camena and Upper Natone, Aitken, Leanne (Burnie Branch)

Spirit of Independence : John Munday—First Fleet Marine, Daniel, Ann (Hobart Branch)

Land of Hope and Gladys, Delbridge, Noel (Launceston Branch)

Maids, Masters and Magistrates : Twenty Women of the Convict Ship "New Grove" Hyland, Jeanette E (Launceston Branch)

William Borrodale Wilson and His Family, Euphemia Grant Lipp (Launceston Branch)

Millers, Maltsters & More – 7 Generations of Shelverton Family History, Elizabeth Nickols (Hobart Branch)
From Flattop to Rhyndaston : A history of the Rhyndaston—Tiberias area and its pioneers, Osbourne, Helen J & Gould, Richard J (Devonport Branch)

Judges: Peter Richardson, Marion Sargent and Jai Paterson
Convenor: Anita Swan
Presented at: Ross, June 2008

2008 Award closing date 1 December 2008

Books (* = winner)

**Thomas Diprose and Elizabeth Children Diprose of Kent and Van Diemen's Land Strangers* (Volume 1 book & Volume 2, CD), Elizabeth Parkes & Jean Doggett
The Kirby Riots, Malcolm Batty (Hobart Branch)
Echoes on the Mountain, Marilyn Quirk (Burnie Branch)
Aaron Price The Unsung - a factual convict story of cruelty, rebellion, anxiety, slavery & freedom, Meg Morrison (Hobart Branch)

Judges: Peter Richardson, Marion Sargent and Jai Paterson
Convenor: Anita Swan
Presented at: Hobart Branch, June 2009

2009 Award closing date 1 December 2009

Books (* = winner)

**That's the Way it Was : Stories from the Bradmore Family Past*, Donald James Bradmore (Launceston Branch)
The Descendants Of Charles & Mary Tomlin, Ellendale, Tasmania : written by Diane Dooley, Great, Great, Granddaughter – a labour of love (Hobart Branch)
Prospecting the Pieman : George Campbell Meredith's logbook November 1876 to March 1877, Alice Meredith Hodgson (Burnie Branch)
Naming the Women, Maureen Jones (Hobart Branch)
Soldier Sailor Convict Jailor : A Story of the McGuinness, McIvor, Murphy and Hickey families, Barbara Moore (Hobart Branch)
From Hell to Paradise : A Family History, Poole, Robert Wayne (Hobart Branch)
Cider Gums and Currawongs, Gwen Hardstaff (Devonport Branch)
A History of the McEacharn family of Islay, Diana Evelyn Hill & Edmée Helen Cudmore, (Launceston Branch)

Judges: Marion Sargent, Peter Richardson and Jai Paterson
Convenor: Anita Swan
Presented at: Ross, June 2010

2010 Award closing date 1 December 2010

Books (* = winner)

* *Making their own way : The Dunbabins on Maria Island, 1869-1876*, Tom Dunbabin (Hobart Branch)
Forgotten Tasmanians, Mary McKinlay (Hobart Branch)
The Wedding Journey : The Story of Johnstone and Wilmot, Angela Prosser-Green (Launceston Branch)
George Breadmore : A Convict in Van Diemen's Land, Donald George Bradmore (Launceston Branch)
The Watt Family : from Bounty Immigrants to Mining Entrepreneurs, Michael G Watt (Hobart Branch)
Michael Fitzgerald : His Life and Family, Barbara Gibson – Deb. Rainbow (Launceston Branch)

Judges: Marion Sargent, Peter Richardson and Jai Paterson
Convenor: Anita Swan
Presented at: Latrobe , 18 June 2011

2011 Award closing date 1 December 2011

Books (* - = winner)

* *Barnard born & bred : Tasmanian branches and Norfolk roots*, Jacquie Drohan (Launceston Branch)
Henry Hinsby : A Distinguished Apothecary of Hobart Town, Terese Binns (Hobart Branch)
Viv & Hilda : meeting the Robeys of Maria Island, Kathy Gatenby (Launceston Branch)
Boat People of the Empire—(revised edition), Donald Grey-Smith (Hobart Branch)
For Many Years a Boat Builder : The Life and Life's Work of Jacob Bayly Chandler, Nicole Mays (Hobart Branch)
The Bells of Old Bailey : from the cobbled streets of Victorian London to the dusty streets of Hobart Town, Lynne Christison Rhodes (Launceston Branch)
The Sea Shall Not Have Them : Narrative Stephen and Margaret White, who were shipwrecked near Tristan da Cunha on the *Blenden Hall* in 1821, and their arrival in Van Diemen's Land 1832, Irene Schaffer (Hobart Branch)

Judges: Marion Sargent, Peter Richardson and Eleanor Cave.

Convenor: Lucille Gee

Presented at Ross, 16 June 2012

2012 Award closing date 1 December 2012

Books (* - = winner)

Dodgers' Diary, Geraldine Boxhall (Launceston Branch)
Dr Edward Foord Bromley, RN (1776-1836): Surgeon, Civil Servant, Magistrate, Van Diemen's Land, D J Bradmore (Launceston Branch)
Grains, Groceries & Gourmet Meals (The History of Sheffield's Oldest Shop), Alan F Dyer (Launceston Branch)
Six months in wonderland, Gail Foster (Burnie Branch)
Tasmania over 5 generations: return to Van Diemen's Land?, John Biggs (Hobart Branch)
The family of John and Eleanor Johns, Raymond Hyland (Hobart Branch)
The J S Lee Story, Mary Kay (Hobart Branch)
**Win & Clyde: side by side in Tasmania's far South West*, Janet Fenton (Huon Branch)

Judges: Marion Sargent, Peter Richardson and Eleanor Cave.

Convenor: Lucille Gee

Presented at Hadspen, 15 June 2013

2013 Award closing date 1 December 2013

Books (* - = winner)

A Convict and his Four Daughters, Beverley Smith (Launceston Branch)
A History of the Quinns, Hanlons, Nimmos, McDevitts and Palmers in Tasmania, Dorothy Jones and Wendy Friedrich (Hobart Branch)
Andrew Ballantyne's journey and other family stories, Avon Ballantyne (Burnie Branch)
**Pioneers, Ploughmen and Pull-shots: a family's experience in Tasmania from 1808*, Cecily Dougan (Hobart Branch)
The Watt family: from Bounty Immigrants to Mining Entrepreneurs, 2nd Edition, Michael G Watt (Hobart Branch)
Wherever you may go, Susan Phillis (Launceston Branch)

Judges: Marion Sargent, Cindy Bissett and Sue McClarron.

Convenor: Lucille Gee

Presented at Ross, 14 June 2014

2014 Award closing date 1 December 2013

Books (* - = winner)

A Reid and Shakespeare family history, Malcolm Ward (Launceston Branch)
**Building on firm foundations. The Cooper family in Tasmania: stonemasons, builders and architects*, Lorraine Dooley (Hobart Branch)
Clogs, courage and community. Stories of the Dutch settlers in Penguin, Tasmania. Elizabeth Nickols (Mersey Branch)
Comfortable & happy. Alexander Thomas Bisset Blair, pioneer shipwright of Launceston. Including accounts of the Hedington, Couch, Dell, Sleeman & Greene families. Patricia J Fearnley (Launceston Branch)

James Ginn, robbery to respectability. Transported to Tasmania in 1835 'for the term of his natural life'.
Jennifer Clark (née Ginn) (Launceston Branch)
*The remarkable Edward Myers. Convict, artist, musician, linguist, soldier-of-fortune, doctor of medicine
and newspaper publisher.* Don Bradmore and Elizabeth Carter (Launceston Branch)
Tree of Hazel Wood. A family chronicle. Vere Heazlewood. Revised edition by Ruth Hodges & Miriam
Heazlewood-Peck with Ivan Heazlewood AM (Launceston Branch)
We are because ... Cynthia Brock (Launceston Branch)

Judges: Alison Alexander, Lucy Frost, Dianne Snowden.
Convenor: Leonie Mickleborough
Presented at Swansea, 20 June 2015

2015 Award closing date 1 December 2014

Books (No award for 2015)

Nature in its Wildest Form, Irene Schaffer (Hobart Branch)
The Blessington McCormacks, Dr. Tony McCormack (Launceston Branch)

Judges: Alison Alexander, Lucy Frost, Dianne Snowden.
Convenor: Leonie Mickleborough

2016 Award closing date 1 December 2015

Books (* - = winner)

*Cries from the Past The tragic story of a Circular Head family's confrontation with generations of war
time deaths, poverty, scandal, bigamy, suicide, murder and desertion A Family history.. the
chronocles of Kate Finnerty and George Evans, their ancestors and their descendants.* Les Shearer
(Burnie Branch)

Convict to Merchant of Salamanca Henry Pearce 1810 – 1901 His Life, Times and Family. Graham
Henry Pearce (Hobart Branch)

*In Morse Mode Tracing the Family Histiry of James, Charles & Edwin Morse who migrated to Van
Dieman's Land between 1842 & 1855.* Alan F Dyer (Mersey Branch)

Legacy of Andrew Goodwin & Lydia Munro. Patricia Kenndy (Hobart Branch)

Of Smoke and Chains The Story of Joseph Duckworth -Convict 1824 - 1887. Debra Jane
Duckworth (Launceston Branch)

*Reaching Out From TRAFALGAR The Stories of Farmers and Their Farms Around Evandale
Volume 1.* Tony McCormack (Launceston Branch)

**Sarah Bromley Success, Sorrow and Scandal in Van Dieman's Land.*

Don Bradmore and Judith Carter (Launceston Branch)

*The Royal Marine and the Convict Samuel Thome, James Ward and their Heritage at Pitt Water
and the Lower Ferry.* Malcolm Ward (Launceston Branch)

Judges: Alison Alexander, Lucy Frost, Dianne Snowden.
Convenor: Leonie Mickleborough
Presented at Penguin, 17 June 2017