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## Guide to Finding Your Pensioner Guard

Next Meeting is on Saturday

**26 February 2011**

starting at 10:00 am WAGS Unit 4



46th<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot

## *Our Current Project*

### **Ship / Guard Project**

(Ed. Comment) – *To date response from our members has been disappointing to see.*

But we have had a few responses:

Margaret Hickey has agreed to be in charge of the project. Thank you Margaret.

Just because someone has already become the nominated leader of a ship – That is they are compiling the information from all and sundry and you will be recognised as having given the information regarding your Pensioner if you wish to contribute.

Any member with a person or family on a ship will be asked to provide (if they can) information on their own or connected Pensioner Guard. We are aware many of you don't have much - but are you prepared help us with even your personal family tree for our files.

Interestingly enough, several of our members did not know they go back to the same ancestor ie a common ancestor and thus have enhanced their own family history. Each ship group nominal leader will then move on, with you included as a team, to cover the rest on board that ship. (No there are no special meetings involved.) Email or phone is fine or just sending the information to the Nominal Leader for each ship - or to Margaret Hickey as the overall Project Leader. Any of the following people can be sent a letter c/o WAGS Pensioner Guard Group.

A member of the public has given us a copy of the Crew List of the Scindian the first ship to bring not only convicts but Pensioner Guards to WA – what a wonderful thing.

Those who have become the (Captain) nominal leaders of a ship are:

Scindian 6.1850 – Glen Fullerton (VIC, AUS) willing to give information on Throssell

Hashemy 10.1850 – Gillian O'Mara (Captain)

Mermaid 5.1851 – Jeanette Lee (Captain)

Minden 10.1851 – information received from Mervyn Reger

Robert Small 8.1853 – Ian Barnes (Captain)

Phoebe Dunbar 8.1853 – assistance from Nona Oliver

Edwin Fox 11.1858 – Tom Joynes (Captain) with assistance from Phillipa Ward

Merchantman(1) 2.1863 – Jeanette Lee (Captain)

Hougomont 1.1868 – Margaret Hickey (Captain)

As you can see there are not many people involved to date.

### **– Are you willing to Help!**

Our Editor has made up a list for the next meeting for you to sign on as willing to give your information or willing to compile the information for that ship – as the Nominal Leader just a contributor.

You don't have to be in Perth, WA Australia you can be anywhere in the world.

**Please Let Us Know !!**



## *From Our Convenor,*

*Tom Joynes*

*Enrolled Pensioner Guard  
Special Interest Group.*

### **Enrolled Pensioner Guard SIG**

As another year begins may I wish you all a happy and safe 2011, and look forward to your participation in our upcoming meetings. N.B. Meetings will commence at 10am.

It is vital that we take an active part in our projects, which definitely need your support and involvement.

### **Butler's Swamp Project.**

Together with several committee members we recently visited the site of this project and had a look over what has been carried out. We discussed a number of ideas and suggestions on how to further the progress of Butler Swamp Project. Your input and assistance would be invaluable with this task.

Anyone out there who has an EPG connection with Butler Swamp would you please make contact!!

### **Shake Your Family Tree**

National Archives Australia(WA) will conduct a genealogy open day at the NAA centre in Berwick Street, Victoria Park on Friday 25 February 2011 between 9am and 3pm. Enter the date in your diary now to make sure you don't miss this great day. WAGS update.

### **Unusual Tales**

Do you have any stories locked away that relate to your EPG man or his family, or perhaps there is research you have done that would interest us? Tell us!!

### **Ship/Guard Project.**

Several members have made contact regarding their EPG man and expressed interest in taking part in research for this project.

As has been indicated before, this is a long term/joint effort. Therefore, hands on support and any contributions will be a help and benefit us all. Consider these points and bring suggestions to our next meeting.

**Just a reminder:---**Visitors to WAGS Library is \$12 dollars per day

**A continuing discussion on "Guide to finding your Pensioner Guard" will be part of our next general meeting which is set down for:**

**10.00 am  
Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2011  
at Unit 4 WAGS,  
May Street, Bayswater**

*Tom Joynes. (11406)*



Butler's Swamp Information Board and Plaque  
Photos Courtesy Jeanette Lee



# *The Hashemy Men*

## *Part Two*

In Part One (Ed note: last newsletter Oct 2010) we set the scene preparatory to providing a full list of the EPF members who arrived on the *Hashemy* (1).

Prior to the departure of the ship, a long report of July 11, 1850 outlined conditions of service on the vessel, duties to be done, payments, provisions, reporting lines, food, discipline, etc. Very usefully, the report ends by naming those soldiers who were serving only as Temporary Pensioners. Conditions of service for them were discussed in an earlier edition of the *EPG Gazette* (2).

One soldier recruited for the *Hashemy* voyage did not make it. J Matthews, formerly of the 11<sup>th</sup> Foot, was struck off the list because of sickness in his family: "*you did quite right in not sending Matthews*" responded the War Secretary's Department (3).

Surgeon Bowler of the *Hashemy* prepared copious sick list and health care reports during the voyage and maintained a brief and matter-of-fact journal. He also drafted expansive 'general remarks' summarising the situation and sometimes commenting on ways of improving conditions. Many EPF men appear in his informative medical reports, along with family members and convicts. The subject matter of Bowler's writings is not always pleasant, but things had been much worse in a previous *Hashemy* voyage to New South Wales (4). In 1849 Surgeon Browning dealt with the horrors of an outbreak of cholera on the ship.

The *Hashemy* arrived in WA on October 24, 1850; Captain John Bruce reported the event to the Colonial Secretary one day later and provided a brief return of EPF men and their families. Sadly, all was not well. Bruce believed the senior NCO on the *Hashemy*, Sergeant Thomas Brown, to be 'deficient' and not up to the job, so he arranged for him to be

replaced on November 11 by the stalwart Sergeant John Kirwan (a former *Scindian* man) while the newly arrived contingent was in Fremantle (5).

Sergeant Brown had given meritorious service in two regiments for many years, but prolonged periods in the tropics and recent alcohol abuse had taken a toll. The sergeant recognised the problem and sent in a supporting letter himself, agreeing with Bruce's suggestion that he move into retirement from the EPF. However, Captain Bruce made sure the old soldier continued to receive a military pension and Brown maintained his links with the EPF for many years (6).

One obvious trend emerges from the listings below. About half the *Hashemy* pensioner guards later found employment with the Convict Establishment or the Police Force, or with both in turn. That comes as no surprise. As mentioned in Part One, the earlier EPF contingents of the 1850s in particular were good sources for recruits in difficult times.

In the lists that follow, the *Bicentennial Dictionary of Western Australian* is cited as *BD*. D.J.Barker, *Warders and Gaolers*, WA Genealogical Society (2000) is cited as *Barker*. F.H.Broomhall, *The Veterans*, Hesperian Press (1989) is cited as *Broomhall*.

### **Enrolled Pensioner Force Men**

Edward Anderson – no unit details given, Broomhall B7 (*BD Vol 1, A-C, p40*)

Thomas Bandy – 98<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall B16 (*BD Vol 1, A-C, p119*)

John Baskerville – East India Company, Broomhall B19 (*employed by the Convict Establishment 1851-1852, Barker, p12. BD Vol 1, A-C, p156*)

Patrick Brennan – 6<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall B28  
(BD Vol 1, A-C, p302)

Patrick Britt – 90<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall B28  
(employed by the Convict Establishment  
1851-1859, Barker, pp23-24. BD Vol 1, A-C,  
p313)

Thomas Brown – 17<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall B30-  
31 (Employed by the Convict Establishment  
1851-1852, Barker, p26. BD Vol 1, A-C,  
p358)

James Byrne – 14<sup>th</sup> Dragoons, Broomhall  
B39 (police constable 1852-1853:WA Police  
Record of Service. BD Vol 1, A-C, p432)

George Campbell – 79<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall B44  
(variously a police constable and gaoler,  
1852-1876:WA Police Record of Service and  
Barker, p31. BD Vol 1, A-C, p453)

William Caple – 56<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall B46  
(constable and police lockup keeper 1866-  
1873:WA Police Record of Service. BD Vol 1,  
A-C, p463)

Patrick Carroll – East India Company,  
Broomhall B47 (BD Vol 1, A-C, p482)

James Connors – East India Company,  
Broomhall B58 (BD Vol 1, A-C, p625)

John Costelloe – 40<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall B62  
(BD Vol 1, A-C, p674)

T.(Thomas?) Evans – no service details given  
and not in Broomhall (identifiable as an  
employee of the Convict Establishment 1853,  
Barker, p67. He cannot be Thomas Evans,  
B88, who did not join the EPF until the 1860s)

James Hayden – 10<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall B129  
(Employed by the Convict Establishment  
1851-1859, Barker, pp99-100. Not to be  
confused with his police officer son of the  
same name. BD Vol 2, D-J, p140)

John Kearney – 63<sup>rd</sup> Foot, Broomhall B153  
(police constable 1853:WA Police Record of  
service. BD Vol 3, K-Q, p1687)

Patrick Lee – 47<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall B166 (BD  
Vol 3, K-Q, p1821)

Roderick McKenzie – 41<sup>st</sup> Foot, Broomhall  
B194 (BD Vol 3, K-Q, p2006)

John McKernan – 99<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall B195  
(BD Vol 3, K-Q, p2008)

Matthew Mitchell – 63<sup>rd</sup> Foot, not in Broomhall

Arthur Mortimer – 2<sup>nd</sup> Royal Artillery, not in  
Broomhall (an overseer in the Convict  
Establishment in 1851, Barker, p156)

John Pratt – 24<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall 228-229  
(BD Vol 3, p2527. Wrongly identified, due to a  
newspaper spelling error, with a man who  
died in a riding accident in August 1866. The  
deceased man was actually police constable  
Francis Rowland Spratt)

James Quirk – 54<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall B232  
(police constable 1851-1852:WA Police  
Record of Service. BD Vol 3, K-Q, p2560)

George Ruddock – 2<sup>nd</sup> Foot Guards,  
Broomhall B247 (BD Vol 4, R-Z, p2696)

Richard Trayhorne – 96<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall  
B280-281 (Employed by the Convict  
Establishment 1851, Barker, p204. Then a  
police constable 1851-1852:WA Police record  
of Service. BD Vol 4, R-Z, p3096)

William White – 99<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall B295  
(BD Vol 4, R-Z, p3290. He has been  
confused with William White of the 10<sup>th</sup>  
Regiment, who was not on the 'Hashemy'.  
White of the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment arrived in WA on  
the 'Adelaide' in 1855.

The 'Hashemy' man is identifiable with the  
pensioner guard Corporal White who worked  
briefly for the Convict Establishment in early  
1851. See Broomhall under B294, who  
mentions the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment soldier, and  
Barker, p215. A sick list report of Surgeon  
Bowler of the 'Hashemy' helps clarify the  
issue – during the voyage he was described  
as Corporal William White. Elevation to  
sergeant for this former member of the 99<sup>th</sup>  
Regiment came after his arrival in WA)

John Wild – 18<sup>th</sup> Foot, Broomhall B297 (BD  
Vol 4, R-Z, p3307)

## **Temporary Pensioners** (They are not listed in Broomhall)

Richard Brown – 6<sup>th</sup> Dragoons

Thomas Clark – 26<sup>th</sup> Foot (possibly a police constable listed in 1852, with spelling Clarke:WA Police Record of Service)

Charles Fitzcharles – 74<sup>th</sup> Foot

Christopher Markey – 44<sup>th</sup> Foot (police constable 1853: WA Police Record of Service.

*Markey was discussed in 'The Hashemy men, Part one', EPG Gazette, Vol.11, no.4, October 2010, pp4-5. BD Vol 3, K-G, p2074)*

William H.Shore – 2<sup>nd</sup> Dragoons

John Wright – 42<sup>th</sup> Foot (employed in the Convict Establishment during 1851, Barker p223. A police constable at Bunbury from late 1851:WA Police Record of Service. BD Vol 4, R-Z, p3398)

### **End Notes**

(1) List in the Perth Gazette, November 1, 1850 and nominal list of guards on the Hashemy provided by Jeanette Lee, June 28, 2010.

(2) AJCP, Reel 1300, WO.4/280, July 11, 1850; Jeannette Lee, 'Return of Pensioners in 1868', EPG Gazette, Vol.11, no.2, April 2010, p6.

(3) AJCP, Reel 1300, WO.4/280, July 16, 1850

(4) AJCP, Reel 3197, ADM 101, 32/6, Journal of Surgeon Bowler, July-November 1850

(5) SRO CSO Acc 36/207, Bruce to Colonial Secretary, October 25 and November 5, 1850; Broomhall B161-162

(6) SRO CSO Acc 36/207, Colonel Irwin to Colonial Secretary; Captain Bruce to Colonel Irwin; Sergeant Brown to Captain Bruce, all November 12, 1850.

**Jean McDonald (8967)**  
**Peter Conole (11790)**

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## **Reminiscences of Our Group But Food for Thought**

**By Jeanette Lee**

When I read the article Pensioner Guard Village 1851-1874 in the October EPG Gazette, page 11, was faintly amused that back in 1999 when the article was written in good faith anyone would make the highly erroneous statement that British soldiers and sailors were retired on half pay when today any one with the slightest interest in the British Army would know that the term "On Half Pay" referred exclusively to officers of both the British Army & Royal Navy [but not the Royal Marines, the Royal Engineers, Royal Artillery, or the Honourable East India Company's Armies]. On further reflection it bought home to me that vigilance must be maintained in any article printed in our Gazette, or indeed in any publication, and the need to reference primary material is paramount. We saw the fall out of this lack of surveillance when the entry for the Historical Encyclopedia was written.

I went back to May 2000 Volume 1, No 1 edition of the EPG Gazette to refresh my memory of the original aims of the Enrolled Pensioner Guard Special Interest Group as they may have become clouded by time.

- ❖ To conduct meetings for members of the Western Australian Genealogical Society Inc. who have a special interest in members of the Enrolled Pensioner Force/Guard.
- ❖ To develop a Register.
- ❖ To encourage and enable those with common research interests to share information.
- ❖ To build a resource file as an aid for members' research.
- ❖ To provide opportunities for persons with the same research interests to share their research.
- ❖ To find speakers relevant to our research.
- ❖ To provide opportunities for social interaction.



- ❖ To add to the information in Broomhall's book and create a file of guards' profiles for perpetuity.
- ❖ To provide a quarterly newsletter which addresses members' interests.

We have fulfilled all of these aims to a high degree and we are now embarking on an ambitious project to enlarge on and adding to the information in 'The Veterans' with the Ship/Guard project announced on page 2 of the October issue of the EPG Gazette and in this issue.

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## ***Ship Project***

As you'll all be aware from the Editor's article in this Newsletter, we are underway with the Enrolled Pensioner Guard Ship's Project. The Special Interest Group has decided that information now available on the Enrolled Pensioner's released since the last publications by Frank Broomhall and Rica Erickson needs to be used as a basis to update and include extra information available and published to add to the information about this special group of men. The form this publication will take will be decided on by the committee when we get further along with the project.

As advised by the Editor each ship will have a team researching all the guards to arrive on a particular ship. The person overseeing the ship will be known as the "Captain" of the Ship. This person will collate the information gathered and offer guidelines to other members of the group.

As "Captain" of the Hougoumont I have commenced stage 1 of the project which entails gathering information about the Guard himself. This information will be gathered mainly from their discharge documents (WO97) for army men. This will include date/place of birth, date of enlistment/discharge, Regiment, areas where Guard served, where gone to pension, grant of medals and other information as we progress (we have a checklist to guide you). Stage 2 will include the gathering of information about parent, wife and children.

Stage 3 will be decided upon at a later date.

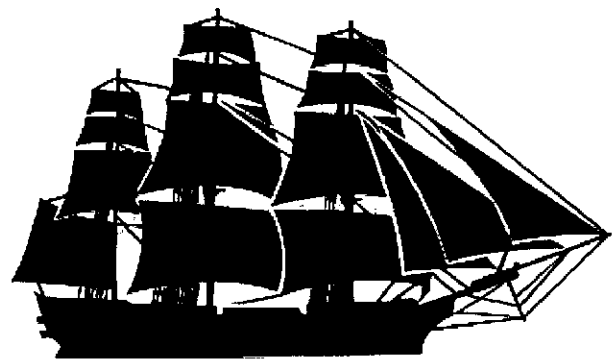
Each ship will work at its own speed and when enough information is gathered will be passed to the "Admiral of the Fleet" who will work with the committee and the Western Australian Genealogy Society to decide the form of publication. The Admiral will also keep details of who is researching the individual ships. (I have also been asked to act as AOF)

The subject will be one of the items discussed at the next meeting Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2011, so we ask all members to think about taking on either the roll of Captain or conducting some of the research required.

Please remember this is a collaborative long term project

***Margaret Hickey***  
***Admiral of the Fleet***

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19<sup>th</sup> Century Ship – Free Images

# Ireland Online:



## Sites for searching Birth, Marriage & Death Records

By Jeanette Lee

It is hardly surprising that many of our Enrolled Pensioner Guards are recorded on their WO 97s as being born in the various counties of Ireland when we consider that in 1830 the British Army comprised of 42.2 per cent Irish born soldiers. The ratio had fallen to 27.9 per cent in 1870 and 15.6 in 1880.<sup>1</sup> We must also keep in mind that this was for all Ireland well before the creation of the Irish Free State.

For many years we were fobbed off with the excuse that Irish BMDs were no longer in existence having been one of the casualties of the 1922 Civil War when they were used for barricades in the Dublin Four Courts uprising, when in actual fact many churches were so suspicious of bureaucracy they had never sent the records to the Public Record Office in the first place. Fortunately for us an increasing amount of sites are now appearing online, of course most of them are at a cost but it is minimal when compared to hiring a researcher or contemplating a visit to Dublin.

Registration for Church of Ireland Marriage records started in 1845 and 1864 for Births and Death records; for the Catholic Church registration started in 1864 for all Births, Marriages and Deaths. Prior to this they were recorded by the Parish Priest or Minister.

Familysearch has long been a source of BMDs for many areas but it was not until it established its Pilot & Beta websites that it has covered Ireland in any depth. As both sites are evolving it takes patience but both sites look promising.

The Irish Family History Foundation site is found at:

[www.rootsireland.ie](http://www.rootsireland.ie)

It covers most of Ireland with the exception of the counties of Carlow, Clare, Cork (South), Kerry, Monaghan, Waterford, Wexford and a part of Dublin but all of these will be covered in time. It is free to search but you do need to register and log on, it costs 5 euros for a record which when considering the cost of a certificate from our own Register Office is quite reasonable also much quicker being generated online.

All is not lost for those with interests in Kerry and Carlow as the Search Church Records site at: [www.irishgenealogy.ie](http://www.irishgenealogy.ie) covers both County Carlow and Kerry for both the Roman Catholic and Church of Ireland dioceses, it has also parts of Dublin City for both and the Catholic records for Cork & Ross. There are some Presbyterian records for Lucan, County Fingal. This site has great promise as it is a work in progress and as an added bonus the records are free.

Another place that I have had results is the GRO Regimental Indices and Chaplains Returns that are now available on many sites such as Findmypast and Ancestry but you still have to order these online through the GRO.

I am sure there are many more sites online for BMD records and if anyone has a favourite perhaps they could share it with us but if all this fails there is always a visit to contemplate.

<sup>1</sup> Holmes Richard, Redcoat, Harper Perennial, London, Pages 55-56



**29<sup>th</sup> February Meeting  
Unit 4 WAGS  
May St, Bayswater  
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(i.e, 1850 to 1870)**

**Speaker Les Green**

Next Meeting is on Saturday

**16<sup>th</sup> April 2011**

starting at 10:00 am WAGS Unit 4



**99<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot**

# *Our Current Project*

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Just because someone has already become the nominated leader of a ship – That is they are compiling the information from all and sundry and you will be recognised as having given the information regarding your Pensioner if you wish to contribute.

Email to Margaret Hickey or an email or phone call to our Convenor or Editor is fine or just sending the information to the Nominal Leader for each ship c/o WAGS - or to Margaret Hickey as the overall Project Leader or just to the Pensioner Guard Group c/o WAGS.

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Minden 10.1851

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William Jardine 8.1852

Dudbrook 2.1853

Pyrenees(2) 4.1853

Robert Small 8.1853

- Ian Barnes (Captain)

Phoebe Dunbar 8.1853

- assistance from Nona Oliver

Sea Park 4.1854

Ramillies 1854

- Vern is willing to assist

Stag 4.1855

Adelaide 7.1855

William Hammond 3.1856

- Jean McDonald

Runnymede 9.1856

Clara(1) 7.1857

Nile 1.1858 (27 RSM's)

Lord Raglan 6.1858

Edwin Fox 11.1858

- Tom Joynes (Captain)

- with assistance from Phillipa Ward

Sultana 8.1859

Palmerston 2.1861

Lincelles 1.1862

Norwood(1) 6.1962

York 12.1862

Merchantman (1) 2.1863

- Jeanette Lee (Captain)

Lord Dalhousie 12.1863

Clara(2) 4.1864

Merchantman(2) 9.1864

Clyde 5.1865

Racehorse 8.1865

Vimiera 12.1865

Belgravia 7.1866

Corona 12.1866

Norwood(2) 6.1867

Hougomont 1.1868

- Margaret Hickey (Captain)

Naval Brigade 1874

Strathmore 1871

As you can see there are not many people involved to date.

### **– Are you willing to Help!**

Unfortunately our editor was unable to get to the last meeting so we didn't have the list available. She will be at the April Meeting.

**Please Let Us Know if you can contribute.**

*(Editor Note: Several people have notified us and said they are willing to assist – we need your names and contact details – either email, postal or telephone contacts please.)* [www.wags.org.au/groups/sigepg.html](http://www.wags.org.au/groups/sigepg.html)



## *From Our Convenor,*

### *Enrolled Pensioner Guard Special Interest Group.*

#### **Newsletter Subscriptions**

Forms for 2011/2012 are enclosed, subs are due---please enter your details and payment and mail to the address shown. If you have email, two items we would like to have up to date are (1)—your email address, even if there is no change, and show clearly! (2)—give consideration to your newsletter being sent by email. Your cooperation would be appreciated and help us to keep an updated set of records.

#### **Butler Swamp Project**

At our February General meeting Jeanette gave members an insight to the project and also stressed the need for our participation, therefore, we could put together a list of those who are willing to be part of this work when called upon.

For this to happen we want to hear from you, the members!

One of those present at this meeting indicated he had an EPG connection with this area, how many more out there have a similar connection?

#### **The Round House**

The Round House in Fremantle is 180 years old, activities have been put in place to mark this occasion as part of Heritage Week 2011. Details of places and times are shown in this newsletter. Please read and put in your diary or on your calendar that which interests you, go along, wear your EPG badge and support the work carried out, as EPG members it may be of interest.

#### **Ship/Guard Project**

We still need the name of your EPG man — contact us with the information you have, perhaps it can be of assistance to and

possibly shed some light on a particular area of this project.

The committee will want help with this project. Even though you may not have any history of your ancestor please call, write or email us that you are prepared to help in some way.

#### **Guest Speaker**

Our guest speaker at the next general meeting, EPG member Les Green, is going to talk to us on the topic "What the Enrolled Pensioner Guards faced in the early years in Fremantle (i.e., 1850 to 1870).

This meeting is set down for

**10am Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011**

**at WAGS, unit 4. May Street Bayswater**

Tom. Joynes. (11406) ***Convenor.***

#### **Query from Kardinya:**

Is anyone related to these people — this query is for a special project in the Kardinya area for a publication: please contact your editor Gillian with any information.

Lots allocated and to whom:

Lot 173 **Thomas Butler** 1881  
Lot 174 **Lawrence Bryne** 1885  
Lot 175 **Fredrick Beswick** 1884  
Lot 227 **Joseph Jarvis** 1884  
Lot 219 **Henry Chambers** 1878  
Lot 228 **John Vance** 1885  
Lot 229 **Benjamin Shemels** 1884  
Lot 230 **Edward Vagg** 1885  
Lot 231 **Michael Ahern** 1884  
Lot 232 **John Hurley** 1885  
Lot 233 **William Gilbertson** 1885  
Lot 234 **Michael Redmond** 1885  
Lot 235 **Thomas Bree** 1889

*(Ed note: I believe these lots were previously called Willagee Swamp)*

# *Sergeant James Graham*

James Graham, the son of a farmer named Andrew Graham and his wife Agnes, was born in the north of Ireland in early 1829, at Drumgarth near Rathfriland in County Down. The Grahams were an Ulster Scottish family, staunch Congregational Church defenders of the protestant ascendancy (1). Young James worked as a weaver before choosing a more adventurous calling. He enlisted in the 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot of the British Army at Newry, County Armagh, on December 30, 1846. His regimental number was 2191 (2).

The 7<sup>th</sup> was an old regiment, raised by Lord Dartmouth in 1685. Called the 'Ordnance Regiment' at first, it received a number in the Royal Warrant of 1751 and was called either the 7<sup>th</sup> or 'Ye Royal Fusiliers' or both. The name Royal Fusiliers triumphed when numbers were abolished as a consequence of the army reforms of 1881. The 7<sup>th</sup> compiled a mightily impressive record of service in several wars, not least in the Crimea during the conflict of 1854-1856, where it acquired the additional battle honours of Alma, Inkerman and Sebastopol (3).

Young soldier Graham was on the thick of it from the time he landed in the Crimea on September 14, 1854. He had already been promoted to corporal and experienced war at its most deadly at the Alma, during which battle the 7<sup>th</sup> shot to pieces the Russian Kazan Regiment in a prolonged slogging match fought at 50-yards range. Later he did well enough to gain sergeant's rank in June 1855. In the brave attempt to storm the Redan at Sebastopol on September 8, 1855 the regiment performed further wonders, but to no avail. Sergeant James Graham was very badly wounded - shot in the face in such a way that the missile penetrated both cheeks (4).

James returned to England in November 1855, spent time at Chelsea Hospital and

was then discharged because of his wounds in February 1856. He was made a military pensioner and returned to his home town, Rathfriland, until the opportunity came to join the Enrolled Pensioner Force in 1862. He arrived in Western Australia on the 'Norwood' in June of that year. As Broomhall reveals, he had acquired a good conduct badge and received fine character references from a clergyman and an army staff officer.

Within a few years of arrival James Graham began to look for public employment opportunities outside the ranks of the EPF. The colonial Police Force was an obvious choice, partly because of strong reform measures in progress under Superintendent William Hogan. A former soldier himself, Hogan had a 'low tolerance' approach towards breaches of discipline and lapses from acceptable police standards of conduct. After taking charge in 1861 he removed or demoted quite a few sergeants and constables over the following five years (5).

Superintendent Hogan needed replacements and he recruited some through an informal probationary system, as shown in the following letter to the Governor dated January 23, 1865: *"I have the honour to recommend...the following men be appointed constables (on trial for two months) – Adam Bently, Michael Clark, John McKay, Spencer Hayman, Joseph Campbell and James Graham"*. Crimean veteran James Graham was not the only soldier listed – John McKay is also identifiable as an EPF man, a former corporal in the 96<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot who arrived in the colony during 1863 (6).

Officer Graham was stationed at Guildford and completed his trial period successfully in March. The end of his brief law enforcement career came quickly. A month later Graham had a confrontation with a violent drunkard, arrested him and used his 'staff' (truncheon) to flatten the man in the process. That was a

direct breach of a Circular Order issued by Hogan in 1861, which emphasised the need for restraint and care in using force.

Hogan felt obliged to take action, though the business made him unhappy, and he wrote thus to the Governor on April 29, 1865: "*I have the honour to recommend that Constable Graham of Guildford be allowed to resign his situation for using a greater degree of violence with his staff in the arrest than I think was absolutely necessary*"(7).

James Graham had been treated kindly, under the circumstances, and probably learned from his experience. More importantly he had not been disgraced and other doors remained open. In December 1866 he became an Assistant Warder in the Convict Establishment and during the next few years served in various locations, sometimes supervising working parties well away from Perth or Fremantle. His record was quite a good one in comparison to many, although Barker's book on Convict Establishment personnel does list a few offences which cost James money by way of various fines. He obtained a permanent transfer to Fremantle Prison in March 1875.

There were signs all was not well: Graham's war wounds were starting to give him major problems. In the 1870s we read of facial infections and swelling on three occasions and just once there is a hint he had taken to the drink. All the same, officialdom held this veteran in some regard and accorded him due respect – he was chosen for temporary duty in the Governor's office in March 1879, probably as an orderly. As a staunch Ulsterman, Graham also became a member of the Loyal Orange Order. In 1883 he received a land grant of one acre in North Fremantle.

James Graham reached the position of Warder before medical issues - most likely involving chronic pain and discomfort - compelled him to retire on September 1, 1889. He died at Jarrahdale in August 1894 and was buried in Fremantle cemetery (8)

#### Notes

(1) WA Marriage Certificate of James Graham and Eliza Cole (nee Manning),

No.5908/1884. He was a widower, she a widow – they married in the Congregational Church in Fremantle on the last day of 1884. Combined with data in Broomhall and the *Bicentennial Dictionary*, the certificate completes this EPF man's family details.

(2) Broomhall, F.H. *The Veterans* (Hesperian Press, WA, 1989), B116-117. The entry on James Graham in Broomhall is quite copious on his life and services. Only additional, supplementary references will be cited hence.

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(4) See Fletcher, I and Ishchenko, N. *The Crimean War* (Spellmount, Staplehurst, 2004), pp89 and 485-486 for some key exploits of the regiment. On Sergeant Graham, note also Oldman, D. *Crimean Veterans in Western Australia -Military Details* (2008), p3

(5) Conole, P. *Protect and Serve: a history of policing in Western Australia* (Western Australia Police Service, 2003), pp46-48

(6) Police General Duties Book, 1862-1895: memo of 23/1/1865 and Broomhall, B193 for Corporal McKay

(7) *Ibid*, memo of 29/4/1865 and WA Police Record of Service: Constable James Graham

(8) Barker, J. *Warders and Gaolers* (Western Australian Genealogical Society Inc, 2000), p86 and Erickson, R. *Bicentennial Dictionary of Western Australians* (University of Western Australia Press, 1987), Vol.2, D-J, p1242

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4<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot



# The Round House 180 years old

## **Heritage Week 2011**

Your Hosts the Fremantle Volunteer Heritage  
Guides  
For Tales of the Round House

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May**  
12.45

The Police Commissioner will fire the Cannon  
on the Gun Deck at the Round House.

1.15-2.15

Tales will be told inside the Round House  
regarding Gaolers and the First Policemen

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June**  
1.15-2.15

A talk inside the Round House  
The Building of the Round House

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June**  
10.30 — 12.30

A walk and talk covering the areas on  
Arthur's Head used by the early settlers.  
Meet at the tunnel entrance next to the  
railway line for an easy walk covering the  
early history of the first settlers ending back  
at the Round House.

The walk is conducted by the *Fremantle  
Volunteer Guides*.

A booking is necessary for this tour.  
Please contact Les Green on 9337 6525

Entry to the Round House is by gold coin  
Donation.

There is a new display inside the Round  
House: a young boy and a lady as prisoners  
in the 1840's period

Please contact :

**Les Green on 9337 6525**

## *Calling our Country Subscribers*

We have decided it would be a good idea to design a new guide taking the form of a pamphlet listing the places that are relevant to the lives of our Pensioner Guards and to any signage denoting the areas where they were. Although we have a reasonable idea of sites and signage around the Metropolitan area we are not so knowledgeable about country areas. In order that we cover all the country towns where Pensioners were employed or Pensioner Villages established we would like to hear from our subscribers who live in those towns to get in touch with anything we can include as places of interest.

If you are able to help please email me at:

[jeanettelee@bigpond.com](mailto:jeanettelee@bigpond.com)

## Can You Help?

Ron Tapper an Architectural Illustrator is looking for old photographs, family snapshots, sketches, drawings etc. taken at the back of the Pensioner Barracks building, Perth, before 1900 (that is before Public Works Department times).

Photos, or equivalent, suitable for research purposes, will be those which include in the background or foreground, any part of a building, structure or paving in and around the Barracks.

Ron only needs to view these to confirm which out-buildings, originally drawn up for this historic site, if they were actually built.

Please contact Ron on 9246 1374.

## Letters to the Editor

Now is the time to put pen to paper, or an email to the editor.

Why don't you write and ask for information on a certain area, event, ship, or perhaps you would like to know more about your person. Another type of query could be along the lines of how to find out, or where to look for your elusive man.

Perhaps how to find his military record, or where he was living

after he was put on pension. Why did he apply to come to Western

Australia? Or perhaps just where he may be buried.

If you are using the post – please address the letter to the Editor of the Enrolled Pensioner Group at the WAGS address.

If emailing please email to:

[gomara@inet.net.au](mailto:gomara@inet.net.au)

Just a sample of what can be found:

*Western Mail*, Saturday 14 Dec 1907 p15

**OBITUARY.**

**MR. H. BLINCO.**

An old Western Australian pioneer passed away in the person of Harry Blinco, last week, at Swansbourne-street, Fremantle, at the age of 75. The deceased, who had served in Her Majesty's 96th Regiment, arrived here with his wife in the ship *Merchantman*, in 1864. It was his intention to join his brother in Queensland, and take up farming, but owing to the poor passenger service in those days between the colonies, he decided to remain in Western Australia. For a number of years he was engaged as one of the principal officers in the gail, and retired on a pension in 1898. During the time he was in the army he formed part of a contingent sent to North India to take part in a threatening engagement, but after marching 1,400 miles, the trouble was found to have been settled. The late Mr. Blinco was twice married, his first wife predeceasing him some 33 years ago. He leaves five sons and one daughter, besides several grandsons and his widow to mourn their loss. The funeral took place on Friday, Dec. 6, at the Fremantle Cemetery, the remains being interred in the Church of England portion. The chief mourners were Mrs. Blinco (widow), Messrs. Thomas, Edward, and John Blinco (sons), Miss Blinco (daughter), and Messrs. Thomas, Frank, and Ivan Blinco (grandchildren). The pall-bearers were Messrs. W. Dawson, J. Hosack, W. Boyle, and Howson. Numerous wreaths and floral tributes were sent. The Rev. F. G. O'Halloran conducted the service at the graveside, after which, in a short address, he said that Mr. Blinco belonged to that sturdy band of pioneers who had made Australia what it was to-day. He was a man who had a stern sense of the responsibilities of life. He was unlike many of the younger generation in that his mind was always fixed on the realities and difficulties of life rather than its pleasures and amusements.

# Butler's Swamp

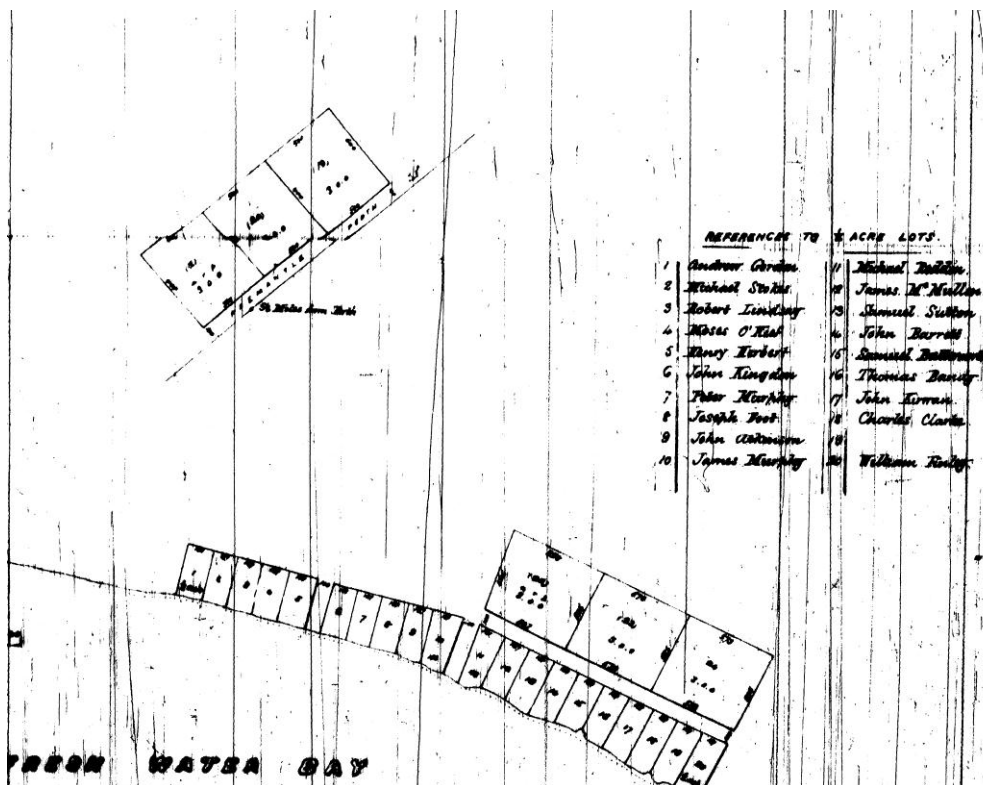
By Jeanette Lee

The Enrolled Pensioner Guard Special Interest Group's project to update the signage at Butler's Swamp (Lake Claremont) was somewhat at a disadvantage as although we were aware of there being signage guidelines until we knew what they were we could not form any specific ideas. Beth & I met Laura Kendall, the Community Services Coordinator and the Heritage Officer Sofia Baranga for the Town of Claremont on 16<sup>th</sup> March and were given the '*Guidelines for Installing Interpretive Signage in the Town of Claremont*' together with '*Presentation of Main Interpretive Signage Designs for Heritage Trails*', both of which will be available for the members to examine at the next general meeting.

However, the next day Laura rang me to tell me she had been in touch with the department that deals with infrastructure who have been working on a plan to replace or update all the signage in the area including interpretive panels for the area around Lake Claremont and including the Pensioner Guards which may fulfil our requirements and in this event perhaps we should look at providing a second panel in the area where the half acre lots are located. The Plan should be ready in about two months.

We are still looking for input from members especially those whose ancestor was one of those settled in the area, remember it is too late once the sign has been erected.

**Area fronting Freshwater Bay where the half acre lots were located to the first Pensioners settled in this area**



**OUR FIRST 'ARMY.'**



## EARLY MILITARY HISTORY.

*Address by Colonel Collett.*

Addressing the Press sub-branch of the Returned Soldiers' League yesterday, the president of the League (Col. Collett) gave some interesting facts about the early military affairs of Western Australia. He said:— "The first regular troops to appear in Western Australia landed at King George's Sound on Christmas Day, 1826, and formed part of an expedition, despatched from Sydney, to found a settlement. The detachment belonged to the 39th Foot (now the 1st Battalion of the Dorset Regiment) and was commanded by Major Lockyer, of the 57th Regiment (now the 1st Battalion of the Middlesex Regiment). Major Lockyer's descendants included Sir Nicholas Lockyer, who did such good work for soldiers during and after the war. During 1828 a further expedition to form a settlement at the Swan River was organised by the British Government. A request was made to the War Office to furnish troops not exceeding 100 in number. This was agreed to and the details were announced as follow: — A captain lieutenant, 2 ensigns, an assistant surgeon, 3 sergeants, 3 corporals, a bugler, 56 privates and 32 women and children. These were drawn from the No. 2 or Light Company of the 63rd Regiment of Foot — afterwards called the West Suffolk Regiment and now known as the 1st Battalion Manchester Regiment. The numbers that actually embarked revealed a shortage of two privates and an excess of one woman or child. The War Office also notified that the officers had no families with the exception of the assistant surgeon, who would require accommodation for five ladies. The doctor was drowned in Table Bay during the voyage. The troops embarked on H.M.S. Sulphur, which arrived in Cockburn Sound on June 8, 1829. They disembarked on June 17 and remained in the colony for four years. Of the officers it is interesting to note that 18 years later Captain Irwin became Governor of the colony: The Irwin River and Irwin Street, are named after him. The life of the troops in the new country may be easily imagined. While a large proportion of them were in, the

possession of a knowledge of some trade, they were mostly employed on public works fatigues, and there is something familiar in the, civil engineer's complaint to the Governor that he could not get satisfactory work out of them. His Excellency, was pleased to direct the O.C. Troops to take immediate action by detailing a non-commissioned officer to superintend each fatigue.

### **'Soldiers' Rations.'**

In the way of rations I have been able to gather that they were allowed, daily, 1 1/2lb. of bread or 1 lb of biscuit. 1lb of fresh meat, and, one pint of wine or a third of a pint of spirits. But on arrival here Captain Irwin recommended an addition of cocoa or coffee, rice, curry stuff — in all sufficient to give a breakfast and supper. Women were allowed half rations and children under twelve quarter rations - except that extra bread was to be issued in lieu of wine or spirits. From evidences I am a little dubious about the fresh meat: because, later, Captain Irwin asked that the Assistant Surgeon be given authority, on account of an out-break of scurvy, to issue, or authorise to be issued, fresh or preserved meat to those who he thought needed it. There was also a complaint in regard to the difficulty in securing green vegetables, and I cannot conceive that the wine and spirit issue stood the strain for long. The pay of the troops was as follows: — The captain, 11/7 a day, less certain minor stoppages for provisions supplied; a lieutenant 6/6; an ensign, 5/3: a sergeant, 1/10; a corporal, 11d.; a bugler; 7 3/4d: a private, after 14 years' service, 8d. from 7 to 14 years service, 7d., under 7 years service, 6d. In 1833 the (company of the 63rd Regiment was relieved by two companies of the 21st (Royal Scots Fusiliers), which, in turn, were replaced in 1840 by a similar force of the 51st Regiment (King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry). Later reliefs consisted of one company only, and were supplied firstly by the 99th Regiment (Duke of Edinburgh's Lankashire Regiment, disbanded during the, penultimate decade of the 19th century), and secondly and lastly by the 12th Regiment (Suffolk Regiment). Royal Engineer officers and detachments of the Royal. Sappers and

Miners arrived at various dates, the total of the latter corps at one time exceeding 100 rank and file. These artificers were principally engaged in directing and superintending the work of the convict gangs on the public works of the colony. The whole of the regular troops while stationed in Western Australia formed portion of the garrison of the Australian colonies, the headquarters being at various times situated in Sydney, Melbourne, and New Zealand.

### **Military Pensioners.**

The last of the Queen's troops left Fremantle for Hobart on March 8, 1863. But Western Australia was not left defenceless. As a part of its emigration policy the Home Government in 1850 commenced to send out parties of military pensioners. Those were of the type of, which we are strong advocates at the present day. These pensioners, who brought their wives and families with them, made the voyage on convict ships, of which they formed the guards. On arrival they either took up land or entered into the service of the settlers. This policy was continued for many years and by 1864 something over 2,000 persons had thus been added to the population. Representations made by the Governor as to the weak state of the garrison of the colony; elicited a reply (1854) from the Duke of Newcastle that in view of the disturbed state of politics in, Europe, the Government was not prepared to increase the number of troops, but suggesting that advantage should be taken of the influx of military pensioners to enrol them as an auxiliary force to the regulars. Action was accordingly taken, and Captain John Bruce, who had arrived in the colony with the first detachment, was appointed staff-officer to the enrolled pensioner force. This unit, which at one time showed a strength of over 600, assisted the line companies in the various garrison; duties, and finally assumed all responsibilities. At one time about 300 rank and file were thus continuously employed. Captain Finnerty succeeded Captain Bruce. In November, 1880; the Enrolled Pensioner Force was abolished and a new unit, the Enrolled Guard was formed from amongst its members. March 31, 1887, witnessed the last parade of this body of old soldiers. To

accommodate the troops small guard houses were built wherever detachments were permanently stationed. Barracks were erected in Perth in 1832 and were situated between the present Town Hall and the Treasury buildings. Hence the name of that street. Barracks for the Enrolled Pensioner Force were commenced in South-terrace. Fremantle, in 1852, and still stand. In 1863 the building which marks the western end of St. George's terrace. Perth, was begun. It was designed to accommodate the increased pensioner force necessitated by the withdrawal of the regular troops. It contained 120 rooms, hospital, magazine, and other annexes. A rifle range was opened on Mt. Eliza in 1863. The remains of the stop-butt are still there, and the 1,000 yards firing point was somewhere near where the Observatory now stands. I fired my recruits course over it. It was closed about the end of 1895.

### **The Volunteer Movement.**

But the Enrolled Pensioner Force in its task of defending the colony was not without supports. The volunteer movement revived in Great Britain in 1859, spread to these shores and was taken up by the inhabitants with considerable energy. Naturally Perth was the centre of activity, and it is in connection with the formation of our premier regiment and its period of adolescence that I want to relate one or two interesting facts. The proceedings of a meeting held in Strickland's Hotel (now the United Service) September 11, 1861, the Hon. Lieut.-Colonel Bruce presiding, gave birth to the following resolutions: — Proposed by T. N. Yule, and seconded by F. Griskin: — 'That it is desirable that a volunteer rifle corps should be formed in Perth, to be styled the Metropolitan Volunteer Rifles.' — Carried unanimously. Proposed by C. King, and seconded by A. O'G. Lefroy: — 'That a deputation, consisting of the chairman, Messrs. Dyett, G. Shenton. W. J. Clifton, J. G. Carr, be requested to wait upon his Excellency to solicit his approval and co-operation. — Carried unanimously. Proposed by Mr. Carr, and seconded by Mr. Farmaner: — 'That this meeting be adjourned until Friday, the 13th instant, at the same place and hour, when the committee will report his Excellency's decision ' —

Carried unanimously. Proposed by the Attorney-General, and second- ed by A. Shenton: — 'That the thanks of this meeting be given to R. Sholl, for his exertions in settling up this movement.' — Carried unanimously. Proposed by Mr. Lefroy and seconded by Mr W. J. Clifton:— 'That Mr. Mark Dyett be appointed honorary secretary to the corps.' — Carried unanimously. Proposed by Mr. Dyett and seconded by Mr. Ba? — 'That the thanks of this meeting be given to Colonel Bruce, for the kind and willing manner in which he has come forward to promote the object of the meeting and for his able conduct in the chair. — Carried unanimously. After the above resolutions were passed, it was announced that the names of persons willing to join the proposed corps should be received, and in short time sixty-four names were put down. The meeting having given three cheers for the Colonel, and one for the volunteer movement, adjourned. Within a few days the Governor gave his sanction to the formation of the corps, which, seven days later, had increased its strength to 94. Colonel Bruce acted as chief instructor, Lieutenant Thorold, R.E., performed the duties of adjutant; and N.C.O.'s of the 12th Regiment were the drill instructors. For a while drills commenced at 5.30 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily and no fault could be found with an, average attendance of 80. The 'Perth Gazette' of October 11, 1861, says: — We have little, local intelligence this week other than as relating to the Volunteers and the display of yesterday. Drill has lately taken, the place of our usual avocations but such a success as the field day, on Wednesday will make up to the public for shortcomings in either journalising or other business. Regulations were approved and these provided for the election of officers and N.C.O.'s by a general meeting of the company. The first officers were Captain L. S. Leake, Lieutenants M. Dyett and W. J Clifton, and Ensign J.B. Roe. All went well, until 1872. Captain Leake appears to have been popular and also to have possessed political, ambitions. It is suggested that, by these means he came into conflict with the Governor and his Executive. In any event, when he was informed that no money for volunteers would be provided in the forthcoming estimates, he promptly resigned

his commission. Ensign Roe was offered he vacant command, but he declined it, and Captain Burke, an Imperial officer, was appointed to control. When these proceedings came to the ears of the volunteers a general meeting was convened and much indignation was expressed at the action of the Governor in withholding funds and in foisting Captain Burke upon them without first consulting their wishes. Private Loftie? took the floor and enlarged upon the law and constitutional methods that; his Excellency appeared to be ignorant of. He was eloquently supported by Sergeant Hillman, who wound up his oration by moving, amidst immense cheering, that the corps be disbanded. This was carried and disbanded it was by a decision of the Executive Council hurriedly called together for that purpose. A few months later the unit was reformed by a forgiving Governor, but none of the former officers was reappointed and some trouble was experienced by Mr, Hillman in securing the acceptance of his offer to again serve in the ranks. Eventually; this gentleman, as a major, commanded the Metropolitan Rifle Volunteers and two of his sons served with distinction in the recent war.

With this short account of rather dubious incident in the history of the famous 11th Battalion; I conclude my talk with you to-day. Colonel Collett, on the motion of the president of the sub-branch, was accorded a hearty vote of thanks.

*(Note: Found by Gillian O'Mara on the **Trove Newspaper** internet site while looking for another item). The item is nearly indecipherable in parts and I have used a ? when unsure of the spelling of names etc. This item can also be viewed by any interested person at State Library of Western Australia [Battye Library] 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Alexander Building microfilm room – The West Australian Thursday, 20 December 1928, page 24) E&OE transcription.*



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### Next Meeting

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July**  
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In the Library area.

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Don't forget to bring your WAGS  
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8<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot



# *Ship Project*

This project is slowly gathering momentum and we now have nine Captains covering eleven ships of the thirty-five arrivals.

Each "Gazette" will have a report indicating the type of research that has been carried out since the last report. This will enable those acting as Captain's of ships to have some idea of where I have been looking for information and will give other members of the group some idea where they may find information about "their Man".

Since the last report I have spent a great deal of time on the website [www.findmypast.com](http://www.findmypast.com) looking for discharge documents (WO97) for both British Army and Royal Artillery. British Army Regiments appear straight forward as long as the documents have been filed under the correct name (if you find any errors please notify [findmypast.com](http://findmypast.com) and hopefully they will correct the information).

Royal Artillery is sometimes a little more difficult as they seem to have Battalions and Battery's of their own.

Royal Marines have their own system of records and at present can be accessed through [www.nationalarchives.gov.uk](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk) website.

Those men who served in the East India Company Armies have their records again in a different location. Some of the EIC information can be obtained through the website [www.new.fibis.org](http://www.new.fibis.org).

Any serviceman who served in India may have some information on the FIBIS website. Some databases on this website are open to the general public, however, you do need to be a member to access all databases. I'm currently looking at the full membership to ascertain if it is worth having a membership.

Because a lot of the research being carried out at present refers to the service of EPG I'm currently trying to teach myself about the British Military system, this includes

information about the Regiment, medals that may have been granted for war service and other information that may assist in researching these records.

Another avenue of research now being carried out is at the State Records of Western Australia. Visits to their office and accessing their AEON catalogue online at their website [www.sro.wa.gov.au](http://www.sro.wa.gov.au) has proved worthwhile for some individuals being researched.

We still require members to assist in the research of this project. If you would like to take a ship and act as the Captain please let me know. If you don't feel that you have the time or the expertise we will gladly accept any individual research you may wish to add to the project

Our next meeting will be held in Units 5 & 6 to enable members to conduct their own research. However, we will hold a meeting for any/all Captains during this period to give assistance if required.

Please remember this is a collaborative long term project.

**Margaret Hickey**  
Admiral of the Fleet



## ***Hougoumont***

All images in this issue from *Wikipedia for ships and british military uniforms*

## *From Our Convenor,*

### *Enrolled Pensioner Guard Special Interest Group.*

There are very interesting and informative times ahead for our group, even more so if we could only get a bigger response from our members and associates! Your input is vital. We have received information from members and non-members recently, in relation to their EPG descendant(s). This has been passed on to the Ship/Guard coordinator for inclusion in our records. It will also add to the history of those particular ships and where these guards and family may have lived etc. We are delighted to hear from Georgia B Thompson, regarding two family members who were Pensioner Guards:-John Watkins, 94<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot, arrived on the Scindian, and John Joseph Bonner, 69<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot possibly on the Clara or Clyde.

Georgia, thank you for making contact with the group, your research will be viewed with much interest.

From Sue White (wags member 449), on Thomas Bandy, ship Hashemy, 24-10-1850, 98<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot. Thank you for the profile on Thomas Bandy, this will become part of our EPG records. It will also assist our convenor and ship captain for the Hashemy. From Debbie Stirk(member 11616), thank you for information on John Gallagher an EPG who arrived on the Dudbrook in 1853, also your thanks on articles in the magazine. I will pass on to the coordinator your submission, where it too will be part of our ongoing project.

### **Butler Swamp Project**

Meetings between our Project coordinators, the Community Services Coordinator and the Heritage Officer for the Town of Claremont, have resulted in good liaison with the Council. Our group's plan to upgrade signage at Butler Swamp has made good progress. Further advice reveals that an infrastructure department plan to update or replace all signage in the area, including interpretive

panels for the area around Lake Claremont and including Pensioner Guards, may fulfil our requirements.

### **Newsletter Subscriptions:**

There has been a good response from members, just a reminder, if you have not yet sent in your subs, please do so, thanking you in anticipation.

### **Guest Speaker at last meeting:**

EPG member Les Green, spoke on the EPG's early life and conditions in Fremantle. In thanking Les on behalf of the group, I presented him with a certificate of appreciation and replica EPG tunic button.

### **Annual General Meeting**

Our AGM held on April 16<sup>th</sup> had 24 members and new and intending members present, this number is down one third on last year's attendance.

### **Election of Office Bearers for 2011-2012**

Convenor: Tom Joynes;  
Deputy Convenor: Ian Barnes;  
Treasurer: Beth Smith;  
Editor: Gillian O'Mara;  
Committee:  
Val Casey;  
Richard O'Callaghan;  
Carol Perriam.

The positions of **Secretary and Minute Secretary** did not attract nominations, and were declared vacant.

Ian Barnes pointed out that the position of minute secretary is not an onerous task, we would like to hear from members who can help in this regard, you are most welcome and we really need your help.

### **EPG Places of Interest:**

The EPG group will have two new leaflets available in the near future. A question raised at committee recently was to the effect that a

summary of known EPG sites did not seem to be available.

The committee decided that a summary of sites should be made available for members and non-members.

Jeanette Lee, with her knowledge and expertise, has put together an informative presentation of these leaflets

One for:

***“Places of interest, Metropolitan Area”***

and another

***“Places of Interest Country Area”.***

This “project” has taken a lot of her time, in obtaining photos, and putting together the information on each site. The summary seems to me to be of enough content that should encourage us to seek, discover what we can, and at the same time place the EPG up front - in particular those areas mentioned.

Well done, we are indeed appreciative of this work, congratulations, Jeanette.

Tom Joynes (11406) Convenor

**Newsletter subscription forms have been sent out. If you have not already done so, please fill in your membership details, even if they have not changed. Also, it's important you fill in your email address, clearly, so our records are as correct as possible. Many thanks.**



Drummer  
in the 40<sup>th</sup> Regiment

## Item of Interest for our members

forwarded to Jeanette Lee from Robyn Hukin  
WAGS member

The Friends of the National Archives have completed the cataloguing of more than 20,000 soldiers' records held at the Kilmainham Hospital in Dublin from 1783-1822. The files can now be found in The National Archives Catalogue and could provide the key for many people trying to discover their family history.

Kilmainham Hospital administered some pensions until 1822, when Chelsea Hospital took on the administration of out-pensioners from both establishments. The task of cataloguing the pensioners' discharge documents (certificates of service) in series WO 119 took a team of 14 volunteers just over three years. These records are now in the process of being digitised by [findmypast.co.uk](http://findmypast.co.uk), in association with The National Archives and in partnership with *FamilySearch*. The equivalent records from Chelsea Hospital (series WO 97) have already been digitised by [findmypast.co.uk](http://findmypast.co.uk) and have been catalogued, up to 1854, by the Friends.



1<sup>st</sup> Royal Dragoons



# John Kenny

## Of the 19<sup>th</sup> Regiment

This soldier was born in about 1815 and served as a private in the 19<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot. Sorting out his various career moves in WA has at time been problematic. There are some indications of confusion between his life details and those of two other soldiers of the same name - both active in the colony from the 1850s onwards - which this piece will hopefully clarify.

One of the other men was an older John Kenny (1808-1883), a former sergeant in the 63<sup>rd</sup> Regiment of Foot who is described as a military pensioner but had no known direct connection with the Enrolled Pensioner Force. He joined the Police Force of the day and worked as a foot constable in Perth from 1853 to 1864 (1). The other was John Kenny (1821-1874) of the Royal Sappers and Miners, who worked for many years as a warder in the Convict Establishment (2).

John Kenny of the 19<sup>th</sup> arrived in the colony as a member of the EPF in 1850 or 1851. He may have been born in Ireland; his wife's name was Margaret Corbett. Kenny was on duty in Fremantle when he attracted the attention of Superintendent George Clifton, the first officer-in-charge of the Imperial Water Police. Clifton needed '*steady and able*' recruits for the Water Police and Kenny the Enrolled Pensioner made the grade according to his assessment: '*accustomed to boating and bears the very highest character*' (3).

John Kenny only served in the Water Police from January 9 until May 19, 1851. He then moved sideways to work as a night warder in the Convict Establishment. He became a gatekeeper on May 20, 1851 and continued in the position until resigning on February 2, 1852 (4).

He had conducted himself well and seems to have remained on the EPF strength in Fremantle for several years. Kenny was among the members sent north to settle at Greenough Flats in April 1858. He died at Greenough on August, 17 1864 and his John received the former soldier's land allotment of 33 acres in his place when grants were made in 1868 (5).

John Kenny the Younger (1852-1875), the first son of John the soldier and his wife Margaret Corbett, became a school teacher at Greenough, but died at a young age, as did several other male members of this particular Kenny family. The second son, Henry Edward Kenny, became a highly successful colonist, although one early career move proved to be a regrettable false start. Henry was born in Fremantle in March, 1853 and joined the Police Force as a probationary constable in March, 1874. He remained one for a full year before finally being sworn in as a fully fledged constable in Perth in March, 1875. This delay may be an indication of disciplinary problems, which ended in his dismissal from the police on June 18, 1875 (6).

Henry Kenny fell on his feet and moved north closer to Greenough – he worked as a warder at Geraldton Gaol from 1875 until 1877, then for the firm of Gale and Son. Additional reports show that he worked as a store assistant and draper and later as a stock and station agent.

He became a man of influence in the community and was an early joint proprietor of the 'Geraldton Express' newspaper. Henry Kenny finally entered politics and served as the Member of the Legislative Assembly for North Murchison from May 1897 until his death on August 25, 1899. Henry's son by his wife Albinia Tregoning died young, at the age of nine (7).

### Notes

(1) *Bicentennial Dictionary of Western Australians*, Vol.3, K-Z, p1726 – with incomplete dates; WA Police Record of Service of John Kenny (1808-1883). He is not in Broomhall, F.H. *The Veterans* (Hesperian Press, WA, 1989)

- (2) Bicentennial Dictionary, *ibid*; Barker, D.J. *Warders and Gaolers* (Western Australian Genealogical Society, Inc, 2000), pp118-119  
 (3) SROWA, CSO Acc 221, Clifton to Colonial Secretary, 27/1/1851  
 (4) McKeough, M. *Rescues, Rogues and Rough Seas* (Western Australia Water Police and the Police Historical Society, 2001), p222  
 (5) Broomhall (1989), pp97 and B158  
 (6) WA Police Record of Service of Henry Edward Kenny  
 (7) The Bicentennial Dictionary, Vol.3, K-Z, p1726 has the key data on both the Kenny brothers

**Peter Conole, Police Historian**  
**Jean McDonald, Enrolled Pensioner Force**  
**Special Interest**

## Vale

### Brenda Bell

(15 Sep 1913 – 4 March 2011)



Brenda Bell, nee Minorgan, was born in Cottesloe on 15 September 1913 as second child and only daughter of Robert and Wilhelmina Minorgan.

Brenda had very fond memories of her childhood and of being the only girl among four brothers. Brenda's father passed away when she was only 13, her mother was left to struggle for her five young children alone.

Brenda left school aged 14 to attend business college. She soon entered the work force and much of her income of 17 shilling and 6d went toward supporting the family. With the Second World War upon Australia, Brenda joined the Women's Auxiliary Australia Air Force in Perth as one of the first women. Towards the end of the war, Brenda met career air force officer Flight Lieutenant John Bell whom she married in 1951.

John and Brenda had many postings and finally settled in Canberra. When John retired in 1970, Brenda felt it was time for them to return to Perth. In 1974 John finally gave in to his wife and moved with her back to WA. They settled in Roleystone at 12 Robin Road. Their neighbour met John and Brenda when they moved in next door to them in 1997.

John had earlier suffered a stroke and was almost confined to a wheelchair. But Brenda was ever so active looking after Saxon, their Clumber Spaniel, maintaining their beautiful garden and looking after the local birds and her fish. She used to say "One is nearer God's heart in a garden than anywhere else on earth". When John passed away in 2001, she was devastated, but would still keep her head up. Her saying was "Never give up and never give in". And what ever trouble life threw at her, this was her motive.

Family was everything to her and she was a true Australian, proud of her country, raising the Australian flag every morning and taking it down around four in the afternoon. I learnt from her that "you do not allow the sun to set on your flag".

In Brenda her neighbour felt she met the most remarkable woman ever and was an absolute inspiration to her. She admired her immensely and she was the best neighbour anybody can wish for.

Her family can take comfort in knowing that Brenda had a wonderful, fulfilled and long life. Vale forwarded courtesy of her son-law Jeffrey Oates. Written for a local newspaper by her neighbour.

# National Family History Week (NFHW)

**31 July to 7 August**

WAGS will be having a Family History Open Day on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2011.

Publicity will start soon, keep this day free to attend any of the functions set down for the day.



**Types of old military uniforms 1750-1835**

## Our Newsletter

Because our gazette editor is a working lady, the closing dates for submissions to the gazette will be one week prior to the committee meeting dates. This will allow a longer lead time for printing,

Newsletter processing dates will remain as is. Please notify the editor if you are receiving the newsletter by both mail and email. We would like to be able to do one or the other not both to the same people. Those receiving the email version have a coloured copy.

## **June**

Closing date has passed  
Mailout of Gazette 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011 Thursday

**July 16** – General Meeting in the Library  
This meeting will be held in the Library Units 5 & 6 – therefore unless you are a WAGS member a visitor charge of \$12 would apply.

Have you thought of writing up a story on your Pensioner Guard ?

Our editor is willing to edit and or correct English if you feel you can't do that. All contributions are most welcome.

## **Genie Chatter at WAGS**

On June 13th the Genie Chatter for that day was hosted by the EPG, with the introduction from Jeanette Lee, which brought forward interesting and varied questions and comments from the participants on the day.

Thanks to Jeannette for her time and experience, and to those who participated, and we trust received some assistance.

Thanks also to WAGS President Liana Fitzpatrick for chairing the gathering.

## **Upcoming Event - Bassendean Formerly called West Guildford**

12<sup>th</sup> July 6.30pm – Tuesday

Weapons show at the Community Hall  
48 Old Perth Rd – courtesy of the Perth Muzzle Loading Club .

(Ed note: a descendant of a PGd is one of their members and wears a copy of his ancestors uniform).

Food & Drink from 7pm in the Hall  
Lecture at 7.30 by Paul Bridges on the subject of the Pensioner Guard Cottage (at 1 Surrey St) and its Significance and on the Archaeological Dig on the surrounds of the cottage.

Please contact 9279 2966 to assist with catering and seating.





### **Perth Pensioner Guard Barracks Gates now in Fremantle**

For many years the iron gates at Fremantle Arts Centre guarded the entrance to the Pensioner Barracks complex in St. Georges Terrace, Perth. When the Barracks were demolished in 1966 they were put into storage until the Fremantle Museum and Arts Centre was opened in the 1970's and they were installed in the gateway fronting Finnerty Street. A plaque regarding their provenance was erected on the inside of the encircling limestone wall on the right side of the gates.

Some years ago while visiting the centre Jean McDonald and I photographed the plaque, it is the only acknowledgement in Fremantle of the contribution the Pensioners made to the state.

Last year when visiting the centre Jean and I were distressed to find the plaque was nowhere to be seen and on inquiring at the office no one seemed to have any idea of what we were talking about let alone where it was. Never one to be beaten, Jean contacted Pete Stone the General Manager of the

Fremantle Arts Centre who recognised the significance of the plaque and promised to look into its disappearance. True to his word, although Pete was not able to find the original plaque that had been removed during renovation he had a replica made and reinstalled.

When he notified us that it was back in place Jean and I visited it again and took new photos.

Our thanks go to Pete Stone,  
General Manager,  
Fremantle Arts Centre,  
City of Fremantle,  
for his interest and involvement in the  
replacement of the original lost sign.

By Jeanette Lee

*(Ed note: Well done as well both you ladies  
for looking after our history.)*

### **Butlers Swamp, Claremont**



*Claremont Museum formerly the school house*

As we are unable to progress any further with this project until the Claremont Council contacts us, Beth Smith and I decided to take a look at the area in Victoria Avenue (formerly Pensioners Terrace) and try to work out the exact location of the half acre grants.

We stopped off at the Claremont Museum and were lucky enough to find Lindy Wallace, the Museum Officer available. She showed us the files they have on some of the Pensioner Guards, mainly Thomas McMullen,

John Atkinson, Samuel Sutton and Samuel Efford together with several photos of men in uniforms which we thought may be of volunteers as they seemed more ornamental than Enrolled Force uniforms. There were also photographs of the pensioners (not in uniform) and their families that have been donated by the descendants of the pensioners.

The Claremont Museum building was purpose built in 1862 to house the school that had formerly been conducted in the living area of Mrs Herbert's cottage at P 245 as this cottage was slightly bigger than the other pensioner cottages and Mrs Herbert was the school mistress. After it was no longer used as a school house it was used for a variety of purposes including a police station and a boarding house.

Lindy advised us the location where Henry Herbert's cottage was is now, and has been for many years, the site of "The Mansions", a series of units painted a bright pink.

We walked along Victoria Avenue but, as we had not reckoned on the fact that there were 20 half acre blocks each with a frontage of 110 feet (33.53 metres) or as stated on the title deeds 1chain 67 links, we decided to take the car. Eventually we came to them and the photo shows a glimpse of Freshwater Bay at the rear of the property, a really stunning location.



*The Mansions on the site of Henry Herbert's cottage,  
Claremont*

It is quite astounding to realise that the 20 blocks covered 10 acres of river foreshore and to add to that the 20 lots of 9 ½ acres plus another 18 of around 10 acres each making a total of around 370 acres or 149.733 hectares at Butlers Swamp enclosing the area from Alfred, Davies and Shenton Roads, Servitus and Mitford Streets.

Needless to say Beth and I drove around the perimeter, there are many old houses still there but whether or not part of them was a pensioner cottage we were unable to say, it would take a very detailed examination to establish the veracity of such a claim.

*by Jeanette Lee*

## Kojonup Historical Society

We received an approach to provide a letter of support to the Kojonup Historical Society, who were applying for a grant to carry out research on the Kojonup Cemetery.

A recent follow up brought good news. They obtained LotteryWest funding in March. Two of the three cemeteries have been photographed and recorded. The third (Kojonup), where several EPG's are buried, should be completed by August, with full completion by March 2012.

They have asked the following of us:-----

"And if anyone has ancestors buried in any of the three cemeteries, we would be delighted to receive more information on these people. Copies of obituaries of such people would be most welcome."

"If anyone would like further information, please contact me, Terri Neuzerling, Community Development Projects Officer, Shire of Kojonup or Barbara Hobbs of Kojonup Historical Society."

Our congratulations to all concerned with your project and we look forward to a successful completion in the near future.

# The EPG Shipping Project

## Pensioner Guards on the Convict Transport *Robert Small 1853*

The Robert Small arrived on 19 Aug 1953 with 29 Guards. The following are possibly those who arrived as those EPG's. Please contact Captain Ian ( details below ) if you have any details on any of these men:-

ARMSTRONG Alexander  
ARTHUR/S Joseph  
BAILEY Job  
BATEMAN Edward  
BRINDAL / BRINDEL / BRINDLE  
    @ DAVIS James  
CALLAGHAN Edward ?  
CALLAGHAN Cornelius  
CALLENAN John  
CONROY John  
DAVIS James  
DAVIS William  
DONNELLAN William  
    (DOONECAN / DONEGAN)  
FAY Henry  
FLYNN ?  
GRIFFIN Thomas  
GIBSON George  
HACKETT Owen ( Onifred )  
JOYCE John  
KNOX James  
LOTON Robert  
McBRIDE Peter  
McCAUGHRAN William  
McKELLAR Duncan  
McQUADE Peter  
OWENS Patrick  
RICKEY Walter  
ROWE William  
SCULL James  
WARD John

Please contact me on :

[epg.robert.small@gmail.com](mailto:epg.robert.small@gmail.com)

**Captain Ian Barnes**

## Pensioner Guards on the Convict Transport *Mermaid 1851*

The twenty nine Pensioners of the guard for the convict transport *Mermaid* were embarked at Woolwich on the 20th December 1850 as were 51 of the convicts. The wives and children of the guards were embarked at Gravesend on the 21st December. The ship proceeded to Spithead (Portsmouth) on Christmas Day where two children showed signs of having measles and on 26th December the ship proceeded to Cowes (Isle of Wight).

On 27th December two children were sent to Haslar Naval Hospital (near Gosport). The remainder of the convicts (159) were embarked on 28th December. On 6th & 7th January 1851 another five children were sent to hospital, in all seven children and their parents were sent ashore. It was decided that no further sick children were to be sent ashore and after receiving replacements for the guards sent ashore the ship sailed on January 9th, however, due to inclement weather it had to put into Torbay (Torquay) on the 12<sup>th</sup> until the 18<sup>th</sup> when it sailed again only to have to put into Falmouth on the 19th December again due to the weather. Finally the *Mermaid* sailed for the Swan River on 1st February arriving on the 21st May 1851.

Of the 29 Pensioners comprising the guard 19 were Irish, 7 English and 3 were Scots.

James Austin	Royal Marine
Patrick Burke	Royal Artillery
Andrew Burns	63 <sup>rd</sup> Regiment of Foot
John Burtonshaw	54 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Owen Connors	99 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
William Deadman	2 <sup>nd</sup> Regiment of Foot
Arthur Eggar	Royal Horse and Field Artillery
George Gaffney	13 <sup>th</sup> Light Dragoons
William Gilmore	96 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Edward Graham	98 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Patrick Griffen	41 <sup>st</sup> Regiment of Foot
George Hatfield	Royal Marine
Patrick Hart	51 <sup>st</sup> Regiment of Foot



John Harris	5 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Robert Hulme	9 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Edward Keaughran	Royal Artillery
Francis Kirk	Royal Artillery
Garrett McCann	98 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Martin McCormick	99 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
John McGall	Royal Artillery
William McIntosh	Royal Artillery
Daniel McIntyre	13 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Samuel Miller	5 <sup>th</sup> Royal Artillery
Michael Moran	12 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
William Nicholson	31 <sup>st</sup> Regiment of Foot
James Stanford	96 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Frederick Stone	46 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Patrick Tansey	73 <sup>rd</sup> Regiment of Foot
Richard Tuite	East India Company

If you have one of these men please contact the Captain of the Mermaid – Jeanette Lee – [JeanetteLee@bigpond.com](mailto:JeanetteLee@bigpond.com)

## Pensioner Guards on the Convict Transport *Hashemy 1850*

The 2<sup>nd</sup> transport to WA the *Hashemy* arrived in WA in October of 1850. Many of these guards brought their wives and families with them.

Edward Anderson	
Thomas Bandy	98 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
John Baskerville	East India Company
Patrick Brennan	6 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Patrick Britt	90 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Thomas Brown	17 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
James Byrne	14 <sup>th</sup> Dragoons
George Campbell	79 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
William Caple	56 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Patrick J Carroll	East India Company
Thomas Clark	26 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
James Connor(s)	East India Company
John Costello	40 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Charles Fitzcharles	74 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
T Evans	
James Hayden	10 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
John Kearney	63 <sup>rd</sup> Regiment of Foot
Patrick Lee	41 <sup>st</sup> & 47 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Christopher Markey	44 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
J Mathews	Not arrived – struck off

Roderick McKenzie	41 <sup>st</sup> Regiment of Foot
John McKernan	51 <sup>st</sup> Regiment of Foot
John McKeenan	99 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
Matthew Michel/ Mitchell	63 <sup>rd</sup> & 65 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
A Mortimer	2 <sup>nd</sup> Royal Artillery
James O'Byrne	51 <sup>st</sup> Regiment of Foot
John Pratt	98 <sup>th</sup> , 99 <sup>th</sup> 21 <sup>st</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
James Quirk	54 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
George Rudduck/ Ruddock	2 <sup>nd</sup> Regiment Guards
William H Shore	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dragoon Guards
Richard B Trayhorn/ Trayhorne	96 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
William White	99 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
John Wild	18 <sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot
John Wright	42 <sup>nd</sup> Regiment of Foot

If you believe you have one of these men please contact Captain of the Hashemy – Gillian O'Mara – [gomara@iinet.net.au](mailto:gomara@iinet.net.au)

**(Editor note: We hope to put a few ships up at a time – so if your man is listed please contact the Captain of that ship).**

As you will realise not all these people are listed in “The Veterans: A History of the Enrolled Pensioner Force in Western Australia, 1850-1880” by F H Broomhall. It is due to the research of private individuals and members of the Enrolled Pensioner Guard Group that the extra names have been found and proved. Thank you to those members who have contributed over many years.

## *Can You Help Column*

This has had no response from any of our members – we will persevere with this and publish any queries that arrive and give any responses when they become available.

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Thanks to Mr Cauldwell for forwarding information on his Pensioner Guard to the Group and this has been filed for safe keeping until we get a captain of the “Vimiera”.







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### Next Meeting

**Saturday  
15<sup>th</sup> October 2011**

10am to 12:30pm  
Unit 4 / 48 May St, Bayswater

*Guest Speaker*  
**Anthea Harris**

**'John Bruce, Staff Officer, his family,  
and Enrolled Pensioner Guards'**

*Local Studies Librarian  
City of Nedlands Library*

Anthea has received into the Local Studies Section of this Library a collection of Bruce Family documentation.

Captain Bruce arrived on the *Hashemy* in 1850 in charge of the Pensioners.

Nedlands was named after Captain Bruce's son Ned.



## *Ship Project*

### **SHIP'S DLARY.**

To keep members up to date with the progress of the Ship's Project now underway. There are currently 10 members researching 12 ships. We are always looking for additional members to connect with their research into other ships.

The following are some of the ships currently without Captain's *Phoebe Dunbar, Sea Park, Ramillies, Stag, Adelaide, and William Hammond*. If your enrolled pensioner guard arrived on one of these then you might like to ensure further research is conducted and printed for future researchers. Help will be given to new Captain's to get them started.

Currently research is being carried out on the following ships. *Scindian, Hasemy, Mermaid, Robert Small, Edwin Fox, York, Merchantman (1), Clyde, Clara (2), Racehorse, Vimiera and Hougoumont*.

A meeting of Captain's was held Saturday 3rd September 2011 in which ideas and information was exchanged between the six of the Captain's presently in Western Australia. Everyone present including me gained a lot from this meeting. Looking at the research these members have already completed I am sure great results will be available for publication in the near future. Captains will continue to meet several times a year to exchange information.

Prior to each general meeting of the EPG Special Interest Group I will be available one hour before to meet with Captains or members of the group about the Project.

What *Hougoumont* research have I been conducting since our last newsletter? I'm still currently looking at information the State Record Office of Western Australia holds. This includes land grant documents, probate information and any other information that

results from searching their catalogue AEON. I'm still endeavoring to teach myself about the British military system for the period that our "men" served. WO 97 (discharge documents) for about five are proving elusive, but I'll continue to search [www.findmypast.co.uk](http://www.findmypast.co.uk) every few months in the hope that they suddenly appear. While this may sound very strange I have over the past six months found documents misfiled and have emailed [findmypast](http://findmypast) who have corrected the filing.

Currently I'm searching the FIBIS website for information on any man who served in India either in the British Army or HEIC. As a member I'm now able to search additional databases. As the Captain I have searched the WABI files held in Unit 4 at the Library to see what was available on the *Hougoumont* arrivals. Please remember this resource for while there was nothing on the *Hougoumont* arrivals and did notice some information where the individual was described as an EPG.

Considerable time has been spent on David Barker's book "Warders and Gaoler's", looking at those members he believes to be Enrolled Pensioner Guards. This is an ongoing project and will continue for some time.

What research to do between now and the end of the year. Look at the wives and children of the Guards. Try and work out an easier system of locating information about our Irish born guards to obtain information about wives, children, fathers and mothers.

Margaret Hickey  
*Admiral of the Fleet*

***Margaret will be available from 9am at WAGS on 15<sup>th</sup> October prior to the meeting if any of the Ships Captains want assistance or help with where to find items of interest for their Ship and the Pensioner Guards involved.***

*(Editorial Note: If you wish to contribute and become a Ships Captain please take advantage of this offer by Margaret and come along early to volunteer. There is no pressure on how long you take to find information. Even just your own information regarding what you hold on your personal man is of assistance to the group.)*



## *From Our Convenor, Enrolled Pensioner Guard Special Interest Group.*

### **Bassendean Historical Lecture 2011**

Several of our members were at the Town of Bassendean Historical Lecture delivered by Paul Bridges, President of the Bassendean Historical Society. Paul spoke on the EPG and Pensioner Guard Cottage. We, and everyone there enjoyed his presentation, asked questions and looked at the display of relevant artifacts and photos etc.

Members of the Perth Muzzle Loading Club were on hand, in uniform, to show some of the weaponry of the 1800's. Their display and explanations certainly contributed to the night's presentation.

### **Guest Speaker for October Meeting**

We are delighted to have as our guest speaker Anthea Harris, Local Studies Librarian, Nedlands Library, who will speak on "**Meet Ned's Family**". A talk on this theme was delivered at Nedlands Library on August 18<sup>th</sup> - covering Captain John Bruce, his son Ned, and stories of those times, their family etc.

### **Butler Swamp**

We are still looking for any information that you can provide on this area. Our Project would be pleased to hear from anyone with something to contribute to the overall picture.

### **National Family History Week this year was held from 31 July –7 August.**

Sunday 7 August WAGS held their Family History Open Day, our Special Interest Group was there and was represented by a number of members supported by their families. To the volunteers who gave of their time and expertise during the day, be it setting up, meet and /or greet, or helping with research matters, many thanks for a job well done!

The EPG has gained several new members who signed up on the day, also there were some who took their forms with them. We trust that these will be forthcoming. Subscription forms have been sent to those who left their details at the EPG table.

We welcome our new members and look forward to meeting up with them at their "first meeting".

### **EMAIL ADDRESSES**

- Has yours changed ?

We have had quite a few emails come back as not being correct, could those of you who have the newsletter sent by email if you have not received your copy please contact the editor or convenor.

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If you wish to contact any of our committee please use the Convenor's address as above and he will pass the message to those not listed above – otherwise use the email addresses listed above.

### **Toodyay's 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of European Settlement in Toodyay Valley. (1836-2011)**

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October there is a parade, to begin at 10am, and to progress along the main street and conclude at the Sports Oval — a 2 kilometre walk which forms part of the celebration.

Dress in period costume will no doubt add to the day though not an essential prerequisite. For a successful day it is due to the culmination of much hard work and effort by those concerned.



# *William Stuart (Stewart) Jones*

**Of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion  
Rifle Brigade**

**per "Belgravia" 1866**

**by Beryl Dancer 2011**

William S Jones was the son of William George and Mary Ann Jones of King's County, Ireland. He was born c1818. At 34 years of age, he married Mary Jane Young, daughter of building contractor William and Mary Young of Belfast. Where they were married differs on both their death certificates. His shows King's County (Offaly) while hers shows Belfast. William was a soldier being a veteran of the Crimea (1854-1856)

6 Oct 1869 purchased Fremantle Town Lot 700 for £6.0s.0d.

2 Sep 1883 Granted North Fremantle Locations P43 and P44 of 2.2.27 acres.<sup>1</sup>

On 25 June 1897 William was entertained at a banquet for EPF survivors, held in St George's Hall, Perth, as part of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations where he was shown as being a holder of Crimea and Turkish Crimea medals.

William Stewart Jones and his wife Mary Jane raised a family eventually consisting of five daughters and three sons. At the conclusion of William's military service, the family was involved in a Wood Merchants business on the corner of Hampton Road and South Street, and a Laundry business in South Street, with property in South Street and Attfield Street in Fremantle. The family attended St Paul's Church of England in Hampton Road, Beaconsfield, with their



**1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Rifle Brigade**

Depiction of soldiers uniform in 1815

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:UK-Nap-95th.jpg>

children's schooling at a building in Baker Street.

From the Fremantle City Library Local Studies Collection the Rate Books of 1887 show that an undeveloped lot in South Street was owned by W Jones. Whereas the Rate Books of 1888-1890 describes the property as "Cottage of 4 rooms in South Street owned by William Jones – Pensioner."

By 1897 the Rate Books show that William owned three properties, a 3 room and a 4 room cottage in Attfield Street and South Street. Those records then show that in 1898 the South Street cottage now has 7 rooms.

William Stewart Jones passed away on 1<sup>st</sup> January 1899 at his home in Attfield Street, South Fremantle, aged 80 years. He was buried in the Church of England Cemetery at Skinner Street, Fremantle on the 2<sup>nd</sup> January 1899 and these records were substantiated by the Parish Burial records of St John's Anglican Church, Fremantle.<sup>2</sup>

The John Curtin High School now stands on this site. The headstones from here were transferred to the current Fremantle

<sup>1</sup> Battye Library BL342 – old reference from the 1980-1990's. These records now held in the SROWA.

<sup>2</sup> Parish Burial records of St John's Anglican Church, Fremantle – officiating minister was D Glynn Watkins.



Cemetery on the corner of High Street and Carrington Street, Fremantle.

Mary Jane Jones passed away on the 14<sup>th</sup> May 1925, at her sons home called The Oval Cottage, aged 91 years, just 6 weeks short of her 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday. Mary was buried in the Church of England Section of Fremantle Cemetery in Plot A3.495.

On a visit to the cemetery we could not locate the Skinner Street headstone in the special section set aside for them. Mary's gravesite carries a headstone, inscribed:

"Our dear father W S Jones  
Crimean Veteran  
Died Jan 1899, Aged 81  
Also our dear mother,  
Mary Jones  
Died May 14, 1935, Aged 92"

The issue of William and Mary were:

Elizabeth  
Sarah Ann who married  
George Sharpe  
Mary Jane who married  
1. Samuel Goddard  
2. Herbert Bolton  
Emily Ellen who married  
John Henry Schwennesen  
Martha Catherine who married  
Hasson Dicton  
William Frederick  
George Charles  
Stewart James.

In other records there is also reported:

2 deceased  
Clara died aged 10yrs in 1888  
(the other possibly being Christiana registered in 1869 aged 9mths).

Editorial Note: *(Beryl Dancer has kindly shared her many years of research into her family history with us from an unpublished manuscript that she has done for her family who said that all her information will all be lost if she didn't put pen to paper. – How right is that.*

*Beryl actually remembers living in the cottage inside the gates of Fremantle Oval because*

*her father was the caretaker. The Oval was muted by the Fremantle Football Club and the Cricket Club in 1893. They were said to want the "Barracks Field" for a public recreation area. This used to be the parade ground for the Enrolled Pensioners who were in the nearby Barracks. The grounds then became the parade grounds for Volunteer Defence Corps under the auspices of C A Manning. This idea was objected to by Sir John Forrest but by June 1894 the councillors were granted this land. The first football game was played there in May of 1894.*

*(A Special Thank You to **Beryl** for sharing this with us and what wonderful information she has told us.)*

**Submissions for the next newsletter need to be with the Editor by January 19<sup>th</sup> 2012 for the February Newsletter.**

Please note dates for the 2012 meetings will be in the February 2012 Newsletter.



**Campaign service medal British Forces for Crimean War**

**Silver disk, 36mm diameter – awarded to those who served in:**

**Alma  
Inkerman  
Axoff  
Balaklava  
Sebastopol**

Source:  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/British\\_Crimean\\_War\\_Medal](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/British_Crimean_War_Medal)

# **James & Cornelius Callaghan or O'Callaghan – Are they Brothers??**

As part of my general family history research I was pleased to find my Great Great Grandfather was an Enrolled Pensioner Guard. He, with his wife, daughter & son arrived in the Swan River Colony on the "Merchantman 1" in Feb 1863. He is listed in the Passenger List as James Callaghan aka John O'Callaghan and all subsequent references to him and his descendants in the Colony are as O'Callaghans.

While I had discovered a significant amount of information about them in the Colony I had little success tracing their roots in Ireland. Everything pointed to Cork but little else was known. It was clear that I had to locate a copy of James Attestation Papers which would contain his place of birth etc..

Initially I lived in Dianella and used the WAGS and SLWA Resources. Upon moving to Madeley in 2005 I switched to the Warwick Family History Centre where I was fortunate to meet up with Gillian O'Mara, a volunteer at the Centre and an enthusiastic and knowledgeable EPG researcher. With her assistance I continued to look for the Attestation Papers. 18 Microfilm Reels, WO 97, 120, 118 & 11 AJPC Reels later, by the beginning of this year I still had not located the Papers, however, we had found a likely candidate in the Kilmainham Hospital Pensioners Admissions in James Callaghan born in St Nicholas Parish Cork, c1823.

Then there began an interesting series of coincidences.

Gillian had drawn to my attention that Attestation Papers were now available on-line via "findmypast.com" and that access was freely available at Warwick FHC. By a time consuming process of elimination of Callaghan/O'Callaghans records, I eventually

found my James, who neatly cross referenced with the Kilmainham record

In July 2010 Leslie Singleton, a descendant of EPG Cornelius Callaghan, followed up on a request in a 2009 Newsletter to provide EPG stories. She provided all the information she had collected on Cornelius. He was born in St Peters Parish Cork in 1820, only a short distance from St Nicholas. He arrived in the Colony in 1853 as an EPG aboard the "Robert Small" with his wife. Leslie's notes came to the notice of Gillian via Beth Smith and she recognised a possible connection with my James. At our next EPG meeting she showed me Leslie's results.

Shortly after this meeting I visited in Hospital my dying Aunt aged 90, the last of my Fathers O'Callaghan generation. Her 3 children, normally scattered throughout the State, were at her bedside and our conversation turned to family history. One of my cousins said Auntie had on several occasions said that our EPG had a brother here in the Colony. This was the first I had heard of him.

On returning home I sent Leslie an email, which she received just as she was leaving Bussellton to visit her sister in Madeley. When she arrived at her sisters she mentioned my email, to which her sister replied "there's a Richard O'Callaghan living in this Village". I was only a stones throw away. She immediately rang me but we didn't physically catch-up as in a few days we were off overseas and she back to Busselton.

We now both have our Attestation Papers but are not yet much further in confirming a family connection. There's a cluster of Parishes in central Cork City. As well as St Nicholas & St Peter there are Holy Trinity, St Paul, St Anne Shandon & St Michael. The Griffith Valuation of 1853 show all of these Parishes to be full of Callaghans & O'Callaghans, so we still have the job ahead of us to prove the connection. Having two members of the same family to work with will hopefully assist in locating the rest of their family, Parents etc

Richard O'Callaghan  
WAGS #9107



## **Toodyay Pictures - 175 Years**

**Free Exhibition  
Historical Images of Toodyay,  
1836-2011**

*Photographs and Film  
School History Display  
Shire of Toodyay Art Collection*

Where: Toodyay Memorial Hall, Stirling  
Terrace, Toodyay  
When: Monday, 26 September 2011 to  
Sunday, 2 October 2011  
Open: 10.00am to 4.00pm daily  
Presented by Toodyay Historical Society Inc.

Sponsored by the Shire of Toodyay  
175th Anniversary Committee,  
Toodyay & Districts Community Bank  
Branch of the Bendigo Bank and the  
Toodyay Op Shop

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- gives us this information on

### **The Enrolled Guard (Disbanded March 31<sup>st</sup> 1887):**

*(Your editor has listed the people mentioned  
alphabetically – this is not how they how they  
appear in the article and this is not  
necessarily their original Regiment but  
perhaps the last one they served in.)*

Attwood, Edwin, Cpl 68<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Barrett, Richard; Pvt EIC  
Bishop, Thomas; Lance Cpl RC Rifles  
Brown, Michael; Pvt 22<sup>nd</sup> Foot  
Byrne, Lawrence; Pvt 12<sup>th</sup> Foot

Cadden, John; Pvt 27<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Callaghan, James; 30<sup>th</sup> Foot

Calvert, John; Cpl 83<sup>rd</sup> Foot  
Carty, Daniel; Pvt 21<sup>st</sup> Foot  
Connelly, John; Sgt 29<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Cook, Henry; Pvt 35<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Daley, Michael; Lance Cpl 10<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Delaney, Edward; 97<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Doyle, John; Pvt 55<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Dunn, George; Pvt 13<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Farrell, Patrick; Pvt 88<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Fennell, Michael; Pvt 59<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Finnigan, Thomas; Lance Sgt, AHC  
Goodbody, Matthew; Sgt 29<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Green, Edward; Pvt 18<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Herrick, Patrick; Pvt 81<sup>st</sup> Foot  
Jarvis, Joseph; Pvt 5<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Kean, William; Pvt 88<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Kennedy, Timothy; 54<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Kenney, Michael; Pvt 24<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Litton, John; Sgt 38<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Mansbridge, William H; Sgt 14<sup>th</sup> Foot  
McCarthy, Timothy; Sgt Mjr 18<sup>th</sup> Foot  
McGrath, Bernard; Pvt 106<sup>th</sup> Foot  
McKenzie, Donald; Pvt R Brigade  
Meeklum, Alexander; Pvt 77<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Meer, Patrick; Pvt 89<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Mellows, Joseph; Pvt 64<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Murphy, John; Pvt 95<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Naylor, Henry D; Cpl 13<sup>th</sup> Dragoon Gds  
O'Hanlon, Hugh; Pvt 57<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Ritchie, Matthew; Pvt 41<sup>st</sup> Foot  
Rutley, George; Pvt RAR 14  
Ryan, Stephen; Pvt 2<sup>nd</sup> Foot  
Ryan, William; Pvt 61<sup>st</sup> Foot  
Seery, John; Lance Cpl 43<sup>rd</sup> Foot  
Shemels, Benjamin; Cpl 73<sup>rd</sup> Foot  
Stewart, Thomas; Pvt 87<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Sullivan, Patrick; Pvt 95<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Sweeney, Alexander; Pvt Royal Artillery  
Teapler, James; Pvt 37<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Thacker, James; Pvt 1<sup>st</sup> Foot  
Walsh, Michael; Pvt 10<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Walsh, Nicholas; Pvt 10<sup>th</sup> Foot  
Watson, Thomas; Pvt 61<sup>st</sup> Foot

*This item was kindly submitted by*

**Marilyn McCutcheon** (11759)  
Ships Captains of the Clyde ship  
adding to the ship projects.



Shortened Transcription of the Article at:  
*"The Inquirer & Commercial News (Perth, WA: 1855-1901), Wednesday 6 April 1887, page 5.*

## THE ENROLLED GUARD. (Disbanded March 31, 1887.)

The following is a list of the members of the Enrolled Guard, at the date of their disbandment, together with their age, services and some other particulars : -

Sergeant-Major **Timothy McCarthy**, 18<sup>th</sup> Foot, 62yrs of age; pension, 2s 6d a day; Army Service 14 yrs ? months; joined Enrolled Guard 18<sup>th</sup> Nov 1880; received one medal for services in the Crimea, one medal for services in the Crimean-Turkish War, and a clasp for services at Sebastopol.

Sergeant **John Litton**, 38<sup>th</sup> foot, 54 yrs of age; pension, 1s 5<sup>th</sup>d a day; Army Service 10yrs 7 mths; joined Enrolled Guard 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 1880; received medals for the Crimean, Turkish, and Indian Mutiny wars, and clasps for service at Alma, Balaclava, Sebastopol and Lucknow.

Sergeant **Matthew Goodbody**, 29<sup>th</sup> Foot, 67yrs of age; pension 2s 1d a day; Army Service, 15 yrs 6mths; joined Enrolled Guard 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 1882; received medals at Punjaub and Sutlej; and clasps at Chillianwallah and Goojerat.

Sergeant **William H Mansbridge**, 14<sup>th</sup> Foot, 51 yrs 7 mths of age; pension 2s 3d a day; Army Service 27yrs 7mths; joined Enrolled Guard 24<sup>th</sup> Jul 1885; received medals for services in the Indian Mutiny, New Zealand war and Afghan war, and a clasp for war in Central India.

Lance-sergt, **Thomas Finnigan**, AHC, 64yrs of age; pension 2s 6d per day; Army Service; 21 yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 1880; received a medal for services in Indian Mutiny and one for conduct, and a clasp for services at Lucknow.

Corporal **Benjamin Shemels**, 73<sup>rd</sup> Foot, 54yrs of age; pension 1s 3d per day; Army Services 21 yrs 3mths; joined Enrolled Guard 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 1880; received a medal during the Indian Mutiny.

Corporal **Henry D Naylor**, 13<sup>th</sup> Dragoon Guards, 51yrs of age; pension, 1s 6d per day; Army Service, 2yrs and 3mths; joined Enrolled Guard 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 1880; received medals in Crimean and Crimean-Turkish wars, and clasps at Alma, Balaclava, and Sebastopol.

Corporal **John Calvert**, 83<sup>rd</sup> Foot, aged 59yrs; pension, 1s 4d per day; Army Service, 21yrs; joined Enrolled Guard December 6, 1880; received 1 medal at Indian Mutiny and 1 clasp at Cental India.

Lance Corporal **Michael Daley**, 10<sup>th</sup> Foot, age 65yrs; pension, 1s 6d per day; Army Service, 21yrs 2 mths; joined Enrolled Guard, 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 1880; received medals

for services in Indian Mutiny and India war, and clasps at Goojerat and Mooltan.

Lance-Corporal **John Seery**, 43<sup>rd</sup> Foot, age, 57 yrs; pension, 1s 1/2d per day; Army Service, 22 yrs; joined Enrolled Guard, Nov 11, 1880; received medals for service in Indian Mutiny, New Zealand and Cape.

Lance-Corporal **Thomas Bishop**, RC Rifles; age 66yrs; pension, 2s 5 1/2d per day; Army Service, 25 yrs; joined Enrolled Guard July 16, 1885.

Private **Donald McKenzie**, R Brigade; age 50 yrs; pension, 1s 1/4d per day; Army Service, 19 yrs 7mths; joined Enrolled Guard, Nov 11, 1890; received medals for service at Crimean War, Crimean-Turkish war and Indian Mutiny, and clasps at Sebastopol and Central India.

Private **George Dunn**, 13<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 65yrs 5mths; pension, 1s 2d per day; Army Service, 23yrs 5mths; joined Enrolled Guard Nov 11, 1880; received medals for service at Crimean and Crimean-Turkish wars, and clasps at Alma, Inkermann, and Sebastopol.

Private **Edward Green**, 18<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 53yrs; pension 1s 2d per day; Army Service 11mths; joined Enrolled Guard Nov 11, 1880; received medals for service at Crimean and Crimean-Turkish wars and 1 clasp at Sebastopol.

Private **Richard Barrett**, EIC; age 50yrs; Pension 1s 3d per day; Army Service, 2yrs; joined Enrolled Guard Nov 11, 1880; received 1 medal at the Indian Mutiny and 1 clasp at Delhi.

Private **Patrick Farrell**, 88<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 57yrs 10mths; pension 1s 3 1/2d per day; Army Service 10yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 11 Nov 1880; received medals for service at the Crimean and Crimean-Turkish wars, and clasps at Alma and Sebastopol.

Private **John Doyle**, 55<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 53yrs; pension 1s 3d per day; joined Enrolled Guard 11 Nov 1880; received medals for service at the Crimean and Crimean-Turkish wars and clasps at Alma, Inkermann and Sebastopol.

Private **John Cadden**, 27<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 55yrs 7mths; pension 1s 7 1/2d per day; Army Service 6yrs 3mths; joined Enrolled Guard 11 Nov 1890; received 1 medal for service at the Indian Mutiny.

Private **John Connolly**, 29<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 57yrs; pension 1s 3 1/2d per day; Army Service 21yrs 3 moths; joined Enrolled Guard, 11 Nov 1880; received a medal for service in Indian Mutiny and good conduct or long service.

Private **George Rutley**, RAB 14; age 57yrs 8mths; pension 1s 8 1/2d per day; Army Service 24yrs 3mths; joined Enrolled Guard 11 Nov 1880; received one

medal for service in China and one clasp at Taku Forts.

Private **Patrick Meer**, 89<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 68yrs; pension 1s 1 1/2d per day; Army Service 22yrs 9mths; joined Enrolled Guard 11 Nov 1880; received medals for service at the Crimean and Crimean-Turkish wars and 1 clasp at Sebastopol.

Private **Stephen Ryan**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Foot; age 57yrs; pension 1s 3 1/2d per day; Army Service 21yrs 9mths; joined Enrolled Guard 11 Nov 1880; received 1 medal for service at South Africa and one for good conduct or long service.

Private **Joseph Jarvis**, 5<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 56yrs; pension 1s 3 1/2d per day; Army Service 21yrs; joined Enrolled Guard, 14 Apr 1881; received 1 medal for good conduct or long service.

Private **Thomas Stewart**, 87<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 60yrs; pension 1s 7d per day; Army Service, 21yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 1 May 1881; received medals for service at Punjaub, Suttlej, North-West Frontier and Indian Mutiny and clasps at Sobraom, Goojerat, Delhi and Relief of Lucknow.

Private **Bernard McGrath**, 106<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 57yrs 6mths; pension 1s 1 1/2d per day; Army Service 16yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 24 Sep 1881; received the medal for service at Persia and one clasp at Persia.

Private **Matthew Ritchie**, 41<sup>st</sup> Foot, age 53yrs 10mths; pension 10d per day; Army Service 8 yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 1881; received medals for service at the Crimean and Crimean Turkish wars and clasps at Alma, Inkermann and Sebastopol.

Private **James Thacker**, 1<sup>st</sup> Foot; age 69yrs? 4 mths; pension 1s 6d per day; Army Service 21yrs 11mths; joined Enrolled Guard 10 Jan 1882; received 1 medal for good conduct or long service.

Private **Michael Kenney**, 24<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 63yrs; pension 1s 7d per day; Army Service 21yrs 1mth; joined Enrolled Guard 6<sup>th</sup> Mar 1882; received 1 medal for service at Suttlej and 1 for good conduct or long service and clasps at Chillianwallah and Goojerat.

Private **James Teapler**, 37<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 59yrs; pension 1s 3d per day; Army Service 21yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 24<sup>th</sup> Apr 1884; received 1 medal for service at the Indian Mutiny.

Private **Alexander Meeklum**, 77<sup>th</sup> Foot, age 32yrs; pension 1s 2d per day; Army Service 2yrs 7mths; joined Enrolled Guard 3<sup>rd</sup> Sep 1884; received medals at the Crimean and Crimean-Turkish wars and clasps at Alma, Inkermann and Sebastopol.

Private **Michael Walsh**, 10<sup>th</sup> Foot, age 64yrs; pension 1s 4d per day; Army Service 21yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 1<sup>st</sup> May 1886; received medals at Punjaub, Suttlej and North-west Frontier and clasps at Goojerat and Mooltan.

Private **Patrick Herrick**, 81<sup>st</sup> Foot, age 56yrs 9mths; pension 1s 3 1/2d per day; Army Service 21yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 18 Sep 1886; received medals at South Africa, Indian Mutiny and one for good conduct or long service.

Private **Timothy Kennedy**, 54<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 65yrs; pension 1s 6 1/2d per day; Army Service 22yrs 3mths; joined Enrolled Guard 7<sup>th</sup> Oct 1886.

Private **Edward Delaney**, 97<sup>th</sup> Foot, age 62yrs; pension 1s 1d per day; Army Service 22yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 11<sup>th</sup> Oct 1886; received medals for service at the Crimean and Indian Mutiny.

Private **Alexander Sweeney**, R Artillery; age 68yrs; pension 1s per day; Army Service 21yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 10 Jan 1887; received medals for service at the Crimean and Crimean-Turkish wars and 1 clasp at Sebastopol.

Private **William Ryan**, 61<sup>st</sup> Foot, age 53yrs; pension 1s 8d per day; Army Service 21 years 2 mths; joined Enrolled Guard 11 Nov 1880; received 1 medal for service at the Indian Mutiny and 1 for good conduct or long service and 1 clasp at Delhi.

Private **Henry Cook**, 35<sup>th</sup> Foot, age 72yrs 9mths; pension 5 1/2d per day; Army Service 14yrs 11mths; joined enrolled Guard 16 Mar 1885.

Private **William Kean**, 88<sup>th</sup> Foot, age 65yrs; pension 1s per day; Army Service 17yrs 5mths; joined Enrolled Guard 24<sup>th</sup> Sep 1885; received medals for service at the Crimean and Crimean-Turkish wars and clasps at Alma, Inkermann and Sebastopol.

Private **Daniel Carty**, 21<sup>st</sup> Foot, age 53yrs; pension 1s 3 1/2d per day Army Service 21yrs 2mths; joined Enrolled Guard 11 Nov 1880; received medals for service in Crimean and Crimean-Turkish wars and 1 for good conduct and clasps at Alma, Inkermann, Balaclava and Sebastopol.

Private **Michael Brown**, 22<sup>nd</sup> Foot, age 56yrs; pension 1s 2 1/2d per day; Army Service 22yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 11th Nov 1880; received 1 medal for service in India and 1 for good conduct and 1 clasp at NW Frontier.

Private **James Callaghan**, 30<sup>th</sup> Foot, age 62yrs; pension 1s 2d per day; Army Service 1yr 11mths; joined Enrolled Guard 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 1880; received medals for service at the Crimean and Crimean-Turkish wars and 1 clasp at Sebastopol.

Private **John Murphy**, 95<sup>th</sup> Foot, age 56yrs; pension 1s 3 1/2d per day; Army Service 21yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 1880; received 1 medal at the Indian Mutiny and 1 for good conduct and 1 clasp at Central India.

Private **Patrick Sullivan**, 95<sup>th</sup> Foot, age 57yrs; pension 1s 2d per day; Army Service 8yrs 6mths; joined

Enrolled Guard 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 1880; received medals for service at the Crimean and Crimean-Turkish wars and clasps at Alma, Inkermann and Sebastopol.

Private **Joseph Mellows**, 64<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 60yrs; pension 1s 6d per day; Army Service 21yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 1<sup>st</sup> an 1881; received 1 medal for good conduct.

Private **Hugh O'Hanlon**, 57<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 61yrs; pension 1s 6 1/2d per day; Army Service 22yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 1<sup>st</sup> Oct 1881; received medals for service at the Crimean and Crimean-Turkish wars and clasps at Alma, Inkermann and Sebastopol.

Private **Michael Fennell**, 59<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 54yrs; pension 1s 5d per day. Army Service 21yrs 3mths; joined Enrolled Guard 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 1883; received 1 medal for service at the Cape and 1 for good conduct.

Private **Lawrence Byrne**, 12<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 59yrs? Pension 1s 5d per day; Army Service 21yrs 3mths; joined Enrolled Guard 1<sup>st</sup> an 1883; received 1 medal for service at the Cape and 1 for good conduct.

Private **Thomas Watson**, 61<sup>st</sup> Foot; age 68yrs; pension 1s 6d per day; Army Service 21yrs; joined Enrolled Guard 7<sup>th</sup> Jun 1884; received medals for service at Indian Mutiny, India and China, clasps at Chillianwallah and Goojerat.

Private **Nicholas Walsh**, 10<sup>th</sup> Foot; age 56yrs; pension 11 1/2d per day; Army Service 11yrs 5mths; joined Enrolled Guard 27<sup>th</sup> May 1886; received medals for service at the Indian Mutiny and India and 1 clasp at Goojerat.

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**Campaign medal – Indian Mutiny 1857-1858**  
Silver disk, 36mm diameter  
For service in and given to British & Indian Forces:

Delhi  
Defence of Lucknow  
Lucknow  
Central India



Medal with Luck

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Source: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Indian\\_Mutiny\\_Medal](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Indian_Mutiny_Medal)

## *Our help column*

doesn't seem to have had any response from members

– **so a new suggestion from your Editor –**

### **For New Members to the Group**

- in particular
- **old members** are also encouraged to advertise here with the information for publication.

Many times I have seen how a members interest in a family name coincides with someone else in our Group or with another WAGS member – in Perth or in WA Country areas or even abroad - and as our newsletter does go interstate and overseas it's a chance for you to find the connections or information you want:

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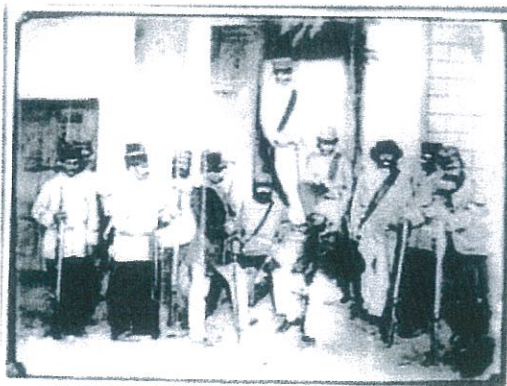
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### European NCOs and Private Soldiers

These pages provide guidance to family historians on how to use sources from the India Office Records such as occupational descriptions or types of documents (wills, pensions or ecclesiastical records for example).

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The services of European soldiers after 1859 can be traced year by year through the **Unattached Lists**:

Bengal Army 1859-1907, L/MIL/10/201-252  
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Indian Army 1908-1944, L/MIL/14/144-175.

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### Recruitment records

**Embarkation Lists** 1753-1861, L/MIL/9/85-106. Apart from the names of the NCOs and private soldiers, some of the Embarkation Lists also supply details of place of origin, and names of the few wives and children who accompanied recruits to India.

**Registers of Recruits** give details of a recruit's place of birth, age, and former employment, together with a physical description.

#### Depot Registers:

Infantry recruits 1801-1860, L/MIL/9/37-46  
Artillery recruits 1811-1860, L/MIL/9/29-34  
Cavalry recruits 1857-1860, L/MIL/9/35-36

Registers arranged chronologically by recruiting district 1817-1860  
L/MIL/9/1-28.

**Annual Unattached Lists** provide details of recruitment and present posting. Before 1906, they generally give details of age and place of birth.

Bengal Army 1859-1907, L/MIL/10/201-252  
Madras Army 1863-1907, L/MIL/11/186-231  
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### Service records

**Muster Rolls and Casualty Returns** usually give details of the battalion or troop to which each soldier was attached. They also include casualty lists and lists of invalids, pensioners and NCOs on the Town Majors' Lists /

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