



Colac & District  
Family History Group Inc.

We invite you to participate in a

# COLAC

## *Weekend of Family History*

Friday 20th, Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd October 2017

### DAY 1

Friday 20th October 1pm to 6pm

Colac & District Family History Group presents

## *Writing Your Family History*

Everything you need from Researching through to Publication  
*Exhibitors, talks, demonstrations, information sessions*

### DAY 2

Saturday 21st October 10am to 4pm

## *VAFHO Family History EXPO*



For the first time in the Western District  
The Victorian Association of Family History Organisations and  
the Colac & District Family History Group present the biennial  
**VAFHO FAMILY HISTORY EXPO.**

*This is an opportunity for societies, government agencies, commercial service providers, libraries etc. to display their products and connect with a niche audience.*

Throughout the day there will be a program of four major talks as well as opportunities for short information sessions and product demonstrations and tutorials by exhibitors

### DAY 3

Sunday 22nd October

*History Walks, Cemetery Tours, Family Reunions etc.*

*Put these dates in your diary*

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### **FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> BOUTIQUE WRITERS' FESTIVAL**

12pm to 6pm at the Colac Community Library  
Queen Street Colac

- Mini Expo featuring specific organisations to assist and offer advice in every aspect of researching, writing and publishing your family history. 12pm to 6pm Incorporating Presentation of the winners of Meriba “Our Pioneer Stories” writing competition at 5pm
- Workshop: Writing a Non-Boring Family History with Hazel Edwards - tickets \$10 each 1pm to 4pm - Purchase Workshop tickets for \$10 each online at <https://www.trybooking.com/297289>

### **SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> FAMILY HISTORY EXPO IN CONJUNCTION WITH VAFHO**

10am to 4pm at COPACC – Cnr Rae & Gellibrand Streets, Colac. Opposite the Railway Station.

More than thirty stall-holders, 4 great speakers, a cultural historian dating photographs and clothing, giveaways, prizes, photographic exhibition and much, much more.

Tickets \$20 per person, all inclusive and available now at the Colac Cinema office or on-line at: <http://www.copacc.com.au/Events/Family-History-Expo>

**Family reunions** – meet up with others researching the same surnames at the specially allocated meeting points. Contact [research@colacfamilyhistory.org.au](mailto:research@colacfamilyhistory.org.au) for more information and to register the surnames you are researching.

### **SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> CEMETERY WALKS, HISTORY TOURS, FAMILY REUNIONS**

**10:00am ENTHRALLING EXPIRIES** – meet the guide at the front gate - cnr Hearn & Gravesend Streets - to hear the stories and for a tour of the resting places of some of our interesting pioneers. Tickets \$10 per person <https://www.trybooking.com/RIUG>

**1:00pm MY DONATED HEADSTONE** – meet the guide at the front gate - cnr Hearn & Gravesend Streets - for a walking tour of the graves of people whose headstones were erected by public subscription. Learn who these people were and why the community felt the need to honour them. Tickets \$10 per person <https://www.trybooking.com/RIUL>

**HISTORY TOURS:** The Colac & District Historical Society is currently organising a History Tour of important buildings of the district. More details will be available closer to October.

**FAMILY REUNIONS:** Meet up with your newly found relatives through the Family History Group Surname Register or organise a reunion of your family members who will all be in Colac for this important event. Let us know what you will be doing. Contact [research@colacfamilyhistory.org.au](mailto:research@colacfamilyhistory.org.au)