



# Family Links 2

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## Welcome to Newsletter #2

This newsletter covers events in the Feb-May 06 period (with some catch-ups).  
The on-line version is in pdf format - this allows for **links** to the web and the database.  
Its web address is via <http://royroyes.net/genealogy/newsletters/newsletters.php>

### People events

*[The name in italics and square brackets at the end of an item refers to the branch line/s.]*

#### Life Begun

2 Jul 05: **Alexander Aidan Charles Logan** was born in New Zealand - the first time in at least five generations that there has been more than one male Logan *[Logan]*

6 Oct 05: **Adelena Joan Royes** born to Bevan and Carmel in Townsville, QLD, Australia *[Royes]*

9 Jan: **Aisling Clancy**, to Sinead (née Phelan) and Stephen of Tramore, Co Waterford, Ireland *[Hogan]*

3 Feb: **Jayden Cheree Hilton Royes** to Clancy and Carla in Mt Isa, Queensland *[Royes]*

2 Mar: **Jolee Lorraine Gallagher** to Ashley and Shannon in Townsville, Queensland *[Royes]*

30 Mar: **Olivia Constance Rose Young** born to Philip and Sarah - granddaughter for our intrepid Hougham researcher Robin Young *[Hougham]*

#### Life Complete



9 Feb: **Jacqueline "Jacquie" Ivy (Murphy) Roy**, husband of Gus, died in Brisbane, QLD, Australia, aged 81. There is still no result from the autopsy and so her cause of death is still unknown - the family wait anxiously for the result - which could take 6 months. *[Roy]*

#### Lives United

1 Apr: **Laura Hogan married Oisín (pronounced Osheen) Mc Manus** (from Templeogue, Dublin) in Galway *[Hogan]*

15 Apr: Robin Young's daughter **Jessamie (Young) Cook married James Bell** at Upnor Castle *[Hougham]*

### Catching Up



**Father Tom Hogan** has left Kenya after 31 years and is back permanently in Ireland. He now works with Spirasi [<http://www.spirasi.ie>], an NGO devoted mainly to migrants, asylum seekers and even torture victims. *[Hogan]*



*Jasmin, Brendan and Michaela Hogan off to school in Brussels on St Patrick's Day 2006*

Elaine (Moman) Smith's great grandaunt was **Lillian Marie Poulton who married Bathurst Hougham Royes** in 1922. Her web site is at <http://www.easmith.bigpondhosting.com/index.html>. She has photographed and catalogued something like 20 cemeteries in SE Queensland and put them out on CDs. There is a link on her site worth checking out.

**Alissa Baxter** has two of her books put up as ebooks on a special site. Alissa's chicklit book *Send and Receive*

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## Catching up *continued*

received very good reviews. Her web site is at <http://www.alissabaxter.net/> [Russell]

**Tessa (Russell) Baxter** continues to enter cycle races and has improved radically, she assures us. She and her hubby recently completed South Africa's Cape Argus Cycle Classic, where one cycles around the Cape Peninsula. *see* <http://www.cycletour.co.za> Tessa writes: "I get a warm feeling pedalling into Fish Hoek, where I was born, through Simonstown where my dad Desmond Russell was born (1918). I think of many happy days spent on the beach there with my Cooper cousins." [Russell]

**Jennie Hogan** has a few things happening at the moment: first baby is due this month (partner Jonathan Lightbourne); she has, by the time you read this, completed her final pharmacy exams; and she starts work at **Hereford county hospital** in September. How many pharmacists are there in the Hogan clan?? [Hogan]

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*Thanks for contributions: Jack Hogan, Anne Phelan, Nola Gallagher, Joy Logan, Robin Young, Tony Roy, Tessa Baxter, Jennie Hogan, Joan Smith*

Two new sections have been added to the web site:

*Articles* is a section designed to overcome the fact that items in Histories are only visible if they are linked to a person or family. This section contains articles of general interest.

*Health* looks at issues of health and genetics. A register of known genetic conditions in the family tree has been started.

## The Web Site

### Sex and other changes

I was puzzled to see that every time I imported the family tree data file from my computer to the web site, hundreds of records claimed to have been changed when I had not done a thing to them. It turned out there were 1600 such records..

I discovered that many of the records on my computer recorded the last changed date as "Imported". And when they



were uploaded to the web site, my web site settings couldn't handle that and gave them the date of the current upload. So they were "new"

everytime I uploaded.

When investigating these imported records, I also found that, in files imported from my brother George, many females were classified male, and *all* single male records appeared on the "female side" of the page layout.

So if you find you have changed sex, or were wondering what had been changed in supposedly changed files, my apologies for the confusion. I have worked through my computer's data to weed out all these problems - so now there are 1600 records last updated in early February 2006 whose only change was to change the last-changed date or the sex of the person.

**The What's New section and the RSS feed should now be more accurate.** ■

### New look



I introduced a new look to the site on 1 May. The main advantage of this layout is the more extensive menu in the left hand margin. ■

### Privacy

The settings for visitors (not registered and not logged in) have been changed so that they can see only *initials* and surname of living people. I have also begun a process whereby **photos of living people will not appear** unless you are logged in. There is an article on Privacy in the Support section. However, please note that "living" people are people with a birth date after 1901 and no death date. This means that if there is no birth date the person is not (technically) classified as living! ■



### Charts

Charts (in Overview) have been changed so that their formats, where possible, read across the page. This should make it easier to follow than the cascading style I have been using - which was narrow but could be very long, making it more difficult to see siblings.

If you cannot remember your R~RFL log-in details, you can ask the system to send them to you (use the log-in window) by typing in your registered email address. If you cannot remember which email address you used, I can help you. And with your user name. However, I cannot tell you what your password is. You do have privacy!



⏪ This is the wedding of **Bert Royes and Mary Moody** in Mareeba, Queensland, in 1906. Can you suggest who any of the other people in the photo might be?

▶ And to the right are four of their daughters. I cannot quite reconcile who I think they are with their apparent ages. Can you help? [Click on the photo for a larger view]



⏪ The photo on the left is labelled "RON2" in a folder on George Roy's computer ROYES/THOMASMORDAUNT/ Which Ron is he?



Email me at [admin@royroyes.net](mailto:admin@royroyes.net) if you can help with any of the above.

## From CD to web site

It is now almost twelve months since I moved the family tree project from CD to web site.

One thing about a web site is that everyone can see at any time what information is in it. Especially if they are registered!

When R~RFL was a CD, I would cajole people about keeping the information up to date, but their only reference point in regard to what I already knew was a CD that could be months out of date! It was easy to assume that I had a certain item of information.

I have found with the web site that people tend to respond as soon as



they notice errors and omissions. The web program actually allows for that with the "Suggest" or "Edit" buttons.

And it certainly takes the pressure off that annual deadline for having the CD ready! It's also cheaper.

And this regular newsletter looks as if it will not only summarise recent family events but it will also have the desired effect of stimulating people three times a year to review their family and branch information and advise me accordingly.

No wonder the web and email have revolutionised genealogy! ■

## Do we really go back to the 2nd century?

We really need to distinguish the fun part of genealogy from the hard slog.

The article on the **reliability of our data** in the Histories section identifies several points in the Roy and Royes pedigrees where we are not sure of, or are confused by, the data.

But let's be clear about one thing - nobody is clear about the data for the first six centuries or so in the Royes-

Hougham pedigree. You will find several versions of this part of the tree on the web and they all disagree about dates. Even in our own data you will see that the notes in some entries are at

odds with the dates offered in the database.

In the Overview charts, I have started removing the dark pedigree line from these earlier charts to make it clear that the links are just too doubtful - though the fact of some sort of Scandinavian heritage is probably not in doubt. See - even here I can't help saying "probably".

As I understand the hard data our earliest Royes-Hougham ancestors are probably Rollo, first duke of

Normandy (early 10th century) and Wymund (11th century).

So when I am asked how far back does the family tree go, I usually say "the tenth century and, with a dash of something, the second." ■



*Roy~Royes Family Links has its origins in the marriage of Maurie **Roy** and May **Royes** in Cairns, Queensland, in 1940. It has grown to over 8000 people including those from parallel branches such as the **Russells, Hogans, Logans, Girvans and Wileys** on the Roy side, and the **Houghams** (or **Huffams** and several other variants), **Youngs** and **Theoffs** on the Royes side. It is not possible to list all branches here but you can check on all surnames at <http://royroyes.net/genealogy/surnames.php>*

*The scope of the data is based on several guidelines.*

- 1. The first is to concentrate on the Roy and Royes pedigrees.*
- 2. The second is to focus on those branches of the families that emigrated to Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.*
- 3. The third is to include several areas of interest: the Houghams, especially in the USA; Normandy dukes; English royalty.*

*If you are interested in the Houghams, you should be aware that Robin Young's site will give you a much wider coverage: <http://mysite.wanadoo-members.co.uk/houghamfamily>*

## George's Web Site

George Roy's data is now at <http://kgr.royroyes.net/>

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