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Earliest Australian Royes

The earliest Australian Royes were two brothers and two sisters, children of London goldsmith Solomon Royes (1774-1842).

The earliest was **Samuel Tyssen Royes** (1804-?). He arrived expecting to make his fortune, according to two references he tendered to the Sydney Court of Petty Sessions in Oct 1831. He was charged and found guilty of stealing from his employer, and received three months in jail.

We can infer from the references mentioned above that he arrived perhaps sometime in **1829**. We know nothing about him after his jail term - did he stay in Australia, did he move on elsewhere in hope of making his fortune, did he go home to London?

Edward Hougham Royes (1818-1878) arrived in Sydney on the "Surrey" on 17 Aug **1834** as ships boy. Four years later, in **1838**, he met up with his two older sisters Maria and Emily on their arrival in Melbourne. He may have gone back to England and accompanied them on the journey out. We will return to Edward.

Emily (1817-?) married Hutchinson Bell (1794-1847) in February 1838 in Sydney - the year she arrived. This suggests that the marriage was pre-arranged or maybe we have to check our dates. Hutchinson was in Sydney from at least 1835 and this would make it a long courtship from afar!

The Bells had six children, the last born in 1847 - also the year that Hutchinson died. The family apparently returned to England soon after this, for we know that Mark Sever Bell (written up in our last newsletter) was an "infant" when he moved back to England - he was 4 when his father died.

Maria married winemaker Frederick Christian Luther in Aug 1842 in Sydney and had at least two children. In the 1850s Luther established his own

vineyard ("Hermitage") at The Oaks, south-west of Sydney. Frederick and Maria are buried at The Oaks and the Luther family is still found in the area through to Oberon. We will have a look at the Luthers in a future newsletter.

As early as 1820 English newspapers singled out NSW as a place to which men of capital might emigrate. Immigration increased from 3,074 in 1831-35 to 24,627 in 1836-40. When the Royes siblings landed in 1838 there would have been about 100,000 non-aboriginal people on the entire east coast of mainland Australia. By 1856 Sydney had 70,000 people.

Melbourne was established by free settlers from Tasmania in 1835, as was Williamstown in 1836.

Crocodile Creek in central Queensland was the centre of a gold rush in 1865 but this had collapsed by 1876, two years before Edward Hougham Royes died in nearby Rockhampton.

Back to Edward. He married Mary Elliott (or Boyle?) in 1840. He is recorded as a waterman of Williamstown, Melbourne, at the baptism of son Edward Hougham Royes in St James Melbourne on 28 Jan 1844. This same baptism is recorded in St Lawrence's church Sydney in the same year, suggesting they had moved to Sydney, though why the two baptism records is not clear unless it was a "transfer" from one parish to another.

In 1848 he is declared bankrupt, listed as a gardener of Botany (Sydney area). By 1873 he is recorded as a miner of Crocodile Creek near Mt Morgan in central Queensland. He died in 1878 of asthma.

It is Edward who is the ancestor of most Royes living in Australia today - notably in Queensland north of Rockhampton. We will see what we can find out about his children for future newsletters.

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People events

✦ Life Begun

30 Nov: **Alexander Ryan Charles Smith** to Carl and Helena in Perth, WA, first grandchild for Charles and Joan Walsh-Smith. [Hogan]

23 Jan: **Caleise Poppy Mai Eaton** born to Wayne and Sharee in Rockhampton QLD [Royes]

✦ Lives United

9 Sep: **Adam James Royes married Nicole Templeton** in Brisbane, QLD [Royes]

21 Oct: **Douglas William Malcolm married Casey Grey** in Mareeba, QLD. [Royes]

2 Dec: **Raymond Malcolm and Padideh Zareha** in Brisbane, QLD [Royes]

† Life Complete

24 Oct: **Robert Francis Royes** funeral service in Brisbane, QLD. Formerly or Bardon, Brisbane. [Royes]

27 Oct: **Edward Smith**, born 21st May 1947, Atherton, QLD, died in Brisbane, QLD, aged 59. His father was Alfred Charles Smith, mother, Olga Mary West. [Royes-Weatherburn]

6 Jan: **Beryl (Moody) Smith**, widow of Albert Edward Smith and niece of Mary (Moody) Royes, died in Mareeba QLD. [Royes]

12 Jan: **Bill Hargraves**, husband of Ann (Diery), in Innisfail QLD. Ann is a cousin (once removed) to May Royes. [Moody]

[NOTE: The three Smiths listed above are not related!]

"People events" appear on the R~RFL Home page (news column on the right) as they are notified and remain there for approximately 6 months (depending on the number of entries)

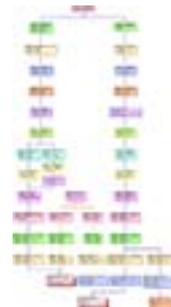
Clements-Hougham

Liz (Davis) Welman emailed last November to say how excited she was to discover her Davis-Girvan-Clement heritage in our family tree site. Less than three hours later I got an even more excited email when she discovered the Houghams in our web site - her husband's mother was a Hougham and in fact was in the family tree on the web site.

So let's get this straight! When Maurie Roy and May Royes were married in 1940 they brought together the Roy-Logan-Clements line and the Royes-Hougham line. When Liz Davis married Gavin Welman in 1973, they brought together the Davis-Girvan-Clements line and the Welman-Hougham line! Gavin is therefore 12th cousin to May Royes and Liz is 3rd cousin to Maurie Roy.

And Gavin's mother's line is the same line that produces our Hougham researcher in Kent, Robin Young. Gavin is Robin's 2nd cousin.

There is a [chart showing the two Clements-Hougham connections](#) via a link on the Overview charts front page (just below the diagram).



[Did you know that you can work out your relationship with any other person in the family tree? Go to your page, click the "relationship" button, link to the second person via the box provided and then click on "Calculate".]

Thanks for contributions: Liz Welman, Arlene Faulkner, Jeanette Dower, Glenda Pollard, Bill Grumley, Joyce Trimble, Mandie Bloomfield, Marion McNeill, Jack Hogan, George Royes, Joan Walsh-Smith - and the many who sent in adjustments to the web-site data.

Royes-Nuss

Jean Clare Royes (1900-1989) was a daughter of Thomas Mordaunt Royes - of Ravenswood, Normanton, Mareeba and Charters Towers in North Queensland. She married a Frederick Nuss. Last October I was contacted by four members of that branch of the tree who had found themselves in our web site and their data has been updated. It is always good to match up names in the family tree with a contact!

Tom Moody



Bill Grumley of Malanda, Queensland, wrote about what he had heard from family

members about the Moody's. Mary Moody Royes was the mother of Bill's late wife, Edna, and seven other siblings, including May Royes:

"The grandfather [**Thomas Stewart Moody**] travelled up through Ravenswood... to Mareeba and set up his headquarters. He packed supplies into the miners in the Mulgrave Valley and probably a lot more mining camps. He was the founder of the Atherton Ambulance and I understand one of the patients - he was killed when he was racing one of his his sons back to the Carrington settlement [between Atherton and Herberton] - this was one of the main early settlements on the Tablelands."

City Slickers



Mandie (Roy) Bloomfield

had a chuckle when she picked up grandchildren Caitlin and Ben from Laidley [SE Queensland] and ferried them to nearby Rosewood Golf Club. I didn't realise just how much they were 'city kids', she writes.

Between Grandchester and Rosewood there is a lot of country. Caitlin, 4 on 17th Dec, asked: 'What's with all the rainforest?' When I asked her to repeat her query she wanted to know why there were so many trees.

We took in the cows and horses and then we passed a large group of bee-hives which I pointed out to them and explained that that

 was where honey came from. Caitlin: 'I've got honey at home and it doesn't come from any bees.'

I explained that it did - from hive, to bottle and bucket, to shop.... and went on to explain the similar process that gives us milk.

Ben (aged 6) had been very quiet, taking all this in, but then from behind me comes the query,

'Grandma, where does water come from?' and I explained that it came from the sky, ably assisted by Caitlin who agreed and said that God sent it down.

A relieved Ben then said, 'So water doesn't come from any animals, does it, Grandma?'

A crow's foot span longer



Marion McNeill [Wiley branch] is from Larne, Northern Ireland, and

tells us that in the northern hemisphere the days are "getting a crow's foot span longer" as her grandfather, Hugh Wiley, would have said. (I cannot find that in any dictionary!) She tells us that Uncle Billy Wiley and his nephew Billy Wiley are lay preachers. Uncle Billy has spent some years, with his wife, working with drug addicts in England and then in Hong Kong.

The new year has some unknowns for her family as her husband George has Alzheimers dementia and at the time of writing (early January) it was "beginning to get quite bad".

Dublin presentation



Jack Hogan made a Presentation on 20th January of the Hogan/Russell/O'Donohoe

Family Tree in the hallowed halls of Trinity College, Dublin.



According to a somewhat biased participant (his son Stephane) "it was not just a success, it was a GREAT SUCCESS".

Jack reports that "we had a surprisingly large audience of no less than 31 family members as well as three friends who were interested. We also had a cameraman present who made a video of the event. People travelled for the presentation from Brussels, London and Paris.

"My nephew by marriage, Dr **Mark Lawler**, Associate Professor of Molecular Medicine at Trinity, spoke on the history of the Genetic Department, the descendants of **Niall of the Nine Hostages** (5th century AD) and the historic link with Sir William Wilde (Oscar's father). The Institute of Genetics is built on the site where Sir William founded an Eye and Throat Hospital and was By Appointment Eye Surgeon to Queen Victoria. The aforementioned Niall of the Nine Hostages is the Irish answer to Genghis Khan.

"We retired afterwards to Cooper's Restaurant on Leeson Street where dinner ended at 2.30 AM. According to (unfounded) rumours, many went clubbing until dawn (the sun rises late at this time of year in the Northern Hemisphere). The Irish love a party.



"So far I've discovered I was in a litter of eight and my mother's name was Fluffy!"

More on authors

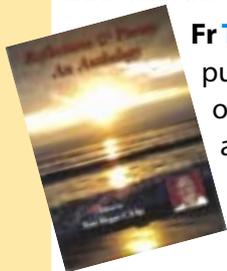
More on authors in the family tree (see page 3 of Newsletter # 3 - Oct 2006):

Add to the list **Joy**

Logan - who produced a history for a school in the Isle of Wight for its centenary celebrations - she had taught there. She also taught at Knox College in Jamaica for three years, so she wonders if and when any of the Jamaican Royes attended there. Joy celebrated her 80th birthday last November - which, as is her style, she turned into a fundraiser for Christian Aid!



Fr Tom Hogan has published a collection of various poems and writings that he has used during his life as a priest and



teacher. It is entitled *Reflections & Poems: An Anthology*. Tom, now back in Ireland, worked for over 30 years in Kenya running a child survival program. He set up "Educating Lucy" for sending children to secondary school. He now supports refugees and asylum seekers in Ireland.

And **Gillian Royes** has another publication: with co-author Jeffrey Halter, *Selling to Men, Selling to Women*.



It describes gender differences in buying patterns, and is intended for salespeople (particularly men). Jeff is a diversity trainer at Coca Cola in Atlanta.

Any more authors/editors out there??



*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 6000 people including those from parallel branches such as the **Russells, Hogans, Logans, Givans 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, South Africa and Jamaica.*
- 3. The third is to include several areas of interest: the 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://hougham.royroyes.net/>

Web site

Search for married names

Married name search: Did you know that you can search for a woman using her husband's last name? Sometimes this is the only name by which people know her.

Use the **Advanced Search** feature (on the home page, or use "Search" in the Find drop down menu on other pages). Put in her first name/s, then follow down the list

You must be logged in!

It is not enough to register with the web site. You need to log in for each session. Guests (those not logged in) see only the surname and initials of "living" people.

of options until you find Gender (choose Female) and "Spouse's Last Name".

Coppermine gallery

The Gallery has been changed to a new format using **Coppermine Photo Gallery**. It is still being fine-tuned. The advantage from my point of view is that the photos are managed on-line, avoiding the need to upload large numbers of html files. Coppermine allows you to comment on and rate photos, and to upload your own photos - making it all a bit more community oriented. [You need to register (separate from R~RFL) to upload photos.]

If you cannot remember your R~RFL log-in details, you can ask the system to send them to you. Click login on the family tree home page. The log in window gives you the option of asking for your log in name and password by typing in your registered email address. If you cannot remember which email address you used, I can help you with that. And with your user name. However, I am unable to tell you what your password is.

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