

Photographic Exhibition *Armenian Life in Anatolia Before 1915*

In Partnership with *Return to Anatolia*

**Monday 1 August to
Wednesday 31 August**

Gain an insight into the culture and history of a people who no longer have a presence in their ancient homeland of eastern Anatolia (currently eastern Turkey).

Medical Conditions of the Nineteenth Century

Wednesday 3 August
7.00pm–8.00pm

UK genealogy expert **Lady Teviot** will discuss the 19th Century medical conditions faced by our ancestors. Learn about the hardships, their pain and the medical technology of the time. Bookings required.

Heirloom and Antique Discovery Day

In Partnership with the 2011
Whittlesea Cultural Heritage Program

Saturday 13 August
2.00pm–3.30pm

Dawn Davis of Eaglemont Antiques will provide appraisals and advice on preserving your precious heirlooms. Bring along an antique or family heirloom for an appraisal. Places limited. Bookings required.

INDIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY

Saree Workshop

In Partnership with the *Whittlesea Cultural Heritage Program*

Sunday 14 August
2.00pm–4.00pm

Jaya Kanagabesan will demonstrate the art of wearing a saree. Be wrapped in delicate woven cloth and participate in a fashion parade.

SCIENCE WEEK

Travelling Through the Universe

Wednesday 17 August
6.30pm–7.30pm

Astronomer **Arthur Coombs** of the **Astronomical Society of Victoria** takes you on a journey where no one has gone before. Hear about galaxies that are millions of miles away.

Science Fiction Movie Night *Plan 9 From Outer Space*

Thursday 18 August
6.30pm–8.00pm

See the worst science fiction movie of all time. Bad special effects, bad acting, bad lines, bad storyline. Rated M. Refreshments provided. Bookings required.



ESL Conversational English

Every Tuesday
3.00pm–4.00pm

Is English your second language? Join us at the new time of 3.00pm to practise your English conversational skills and meet other people over afternoon tea.

Diabetes and Health

In Partnership with *Plenty Valley Community Health*

Tuesday 19 July
10.30am–11.30am

Find out how to prevent and manage diabetes with dietitian **Kate Wilkinson**. Bookings required.

FAMILY HISTORY MONTH

Workhouse Records

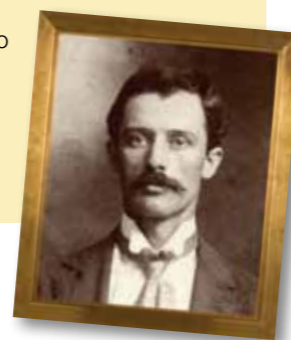
Monday 1 August
10.30am–11.30am

UK genealogy expert **Lady Teviot** will provide a history of workhouses and the records available for family history research. A workhouse was a place where those unable to support themselves were offered accommodation and employment.

Starting Your Family History

Monday 15 August
10.00am–11.00am

Join us for an introduction to researching your family history. Tip sheets provided.



Homework Help

Monday afternoons
3.30pm–5.00pm

Need help with your school work? Help is available. Qualified tutor **Jackie** can assist students from Prep to Year 12. Homework help is free of charge. Bookings required.

Bowling in the Library

Friday 1 July
3.00pm–4.00pm

Finish off the school term with a spot of ten pin bowling. Bookings required.

Italian Discussion Group

Wednesday 6 July
2.00pm–3.00pm

Come along for an afternoon of fun celebrating Italian culture. All welcome.

Seniors Moments *Brain Health*

Monday 11 July
11.00am–12.00noon

Discover the benefits of keeping your brain healthy. Come along to hear **Dr Matthew Holmes** tell you how. Bookings required.

Creative Writing Group

Monday 18 July & 15 August
11.00am–12.00noon

Join facilitator, publisher **Blaise van Hecke** as she guides you on the creative writing journey. Beginner and advanced writers welcome.

DV Craft Group

Wednesday 20 July & 17 August
2.00pm–3.00pm

Join this monthly group to share ideas. Bring your own craft and create a masterpiece. All welcome.

Get Connected *YPRL Website Demonstration*

Friday 22 July
11.00am–12.00noon

Learn how to use the new YPRL website to its full potential. A must for anyone who enjoys interacting online or who wants to access library services. Beginner and advanced users welcome. Bookings required.

Convicts Research

Wednesday 27 July
1.30pm–2.30pm

Genealogist **Bev Spinks** from the **Descendants' of Convicts Group** will give valuable tips on researching your convict ancestor in Australia.

FAMILY HISTORY MONTH

Family History for Kids *Climbing your Family Tree*

Monday 1 August
4.00pm–5.00pm

Join our family history librarian **Liz**, as she helps you discover where you came from and the history of your family. This is a special event with fun activities. Bookings required.

Friday Focus *Crafty Chat*

Friday 1 July
10.30am–11.30am

Bring in your craft and show us your handiwork, or just be inspired. Morning tea provided.



live reads

Near Death Experiences

Wednesday 13 July
7.00pm–8.30pm

Hear **Susan Shore** talk about her book *Death: Our Last Illusion*, which explores the latest science on near death experiences. In conversation with President of the Newton Institute **Peter Smith**. Supper provided. Books for sale and signing on the night. Bookings required.



Parish Chest Records

Wednesday 3 August
10.30am–11.30am

UK genealogy expert **Lady Teviot** will provide an introduction to parish chest records, which include more than just births, marriages and deaths for the researcher.

Researching Your Italian Family History

Wednesday 3 August
1.30pm–2.30pm

Paolo Baracchi from **Italian Historical Society & Museo Italiano, CoAsIt** will provide tips on researching your Italian family history. All welcome.

Seniors Moments

Safe Use of Medications

Monday 8 August
11.00am–12.00noon

Learn about safe use of medications with **Jenny Gowan** from **Northern & North Valley Divisions of General Practice**. Refreshments provided. Bookings required.

Winter Warmers

Trivial Pursuit by the Fire

Monday 25 July
6.30pm–8.30pm

Warm yourself by the fire while enjoying a game of trivial pursuit with a friendly group. Families welcome. Supper provided.

Find the Perfect Career

Thursday 28 July
7.00pm–8.00pm

Learn how to choose a career that taps into your natural skills and talents with **Cecile Riddle** from **Prime Performance**. Everyone welcome.

Dementia Insights

In Partnership with *Eltham Bookshop*

Wednesday 3 August
7.00pm–8.30pm

Hear author and aged care worker **Marian Penman** discuss her book *Losing My Marbles* with BUPA Director of Nursing **Jenny Foley**. Bookings 9439 8700.

Family History Research Day

Thursday 18 August
10.00am–3.00pm

Are you a confident, experienced family history researcher? Connect with other researchers and resources such as Ancestry and Times Digital Archives. Limited staff assistance available. Lunch provided. Places limited. Bookings required.



Nillumbik Cookbook Launch

Wednesday 31 August
7.00pm–8.30pm

Join us for a glass of wine and a chance to pick up one of these limited edition cookbooks that include recipes from local residents.

FAMILY HISTORY MONTH

Lunatic Asylum Records

Thursday 4 August
10.30am–11.30am

UK genealogy expert **Lady Teviot** will discuss lunatic asylums in the 19th century, what life was like 'inside' and records available for researchers.

Friday Focus

Baby Memories

Friday 5 August
10.30am–11.30am

Bring in a photo of yourself as a baby or other early family photos to share. Morning tea provided.

Reusable Nappy Workshop

In Partnership with *Nillumbik Council and Going Green Solutions*

Friday 12 August
10.30am–12.30pm

Modern cloth nappies are easy to use, affordable, comfortable and environmentally friendly. Learn about the latest alternative to disposables.

@ Your Library

YARRA PLENTY
REGIONAL LIBRARY

www.yprl.vic.gov.au

JULY &
AUGUST
2011

Booklovers' Festival

**Monday 18 July to
Saturday 30 July**

Do you think Australia makes good movies? Which is better, the movie or the book? Join the lively discussion at Yarra Plenty Regional Library branches during the Booklovers' Festival.

See the movies *Romulus, My Father, Tomorrow When the War Began* and *Animal Kingdom: A Crime Story* in library branches then attend discussions with fellow movie buffs and booklovers. See separate brochure or www.yprl.vic.gov.au for event details.



Get Connected in July

YPRL's computer classes and one on-one help run all year at the library branches. Try out a regular class or attend a special Get Connected event this month – Find out more about YPRL's website, discover YPRL's new mobile phone app available from iTunes and learn how to download e-books and audiobooks, and more. See inside this brochure, www.yprl.vic.gov.au or your local branch for details.

Family History Month of August

August is the perfect time to start researching your family tree, or give your genealogy research a boost. The vibrant schedule of events includes appearances by UK genealogy expert **Lady Teviot**, who is back by popular demand. See inside the brochure for all the event details.

Banyule Libraries Open Extra Days

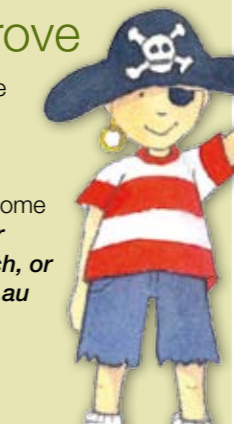
Ivanhoe, Rosanna and Watsonia libraries will all be open an extra day a week from **Tuesday 5 July**. Rosanna Library will be open on Tuesdays and Ivanhoe and Watsonia Library will be open on Wednesdays. See www.yprl.vic.gov.au for details of opening celebrations at the libraries on Tuesday 5 July and Wednesday 6 July.

Write Now! Writing Competition

Yarra Plenty Regional Library's new short story competition is open to budding and established writers of all ages across Victoria and is now accepting entries. The contest has an open theme and cash and book prizes. Judges include author of the Undine series and the *Indigo Girls Penni Russon* (Junior and young adult sections) and *The Age Book of the Year* author **Steven Amsterdam** (adult section). Winners will be published in an anthology. **Competition details and entry form available from www.yprl.vic.gov.au**

School Holiday Program Treasure Trove

Look for treasure at the library these school holidays. Join us for some adventure and you might even meet some pirates! **Pick up a flyer from any YPRL branch, or see www.yprl.vic.gov.au for details.**



Special Storytime

Wednesday 6 July
10.00am–11.00am

Come dressed as your favourite book character to this special storytime to celebrate the library opening on Wednesdays.



Homework Club

Every Thursday
4.00pm–5.00pm

Students in years 5–10 can get homework help in all subjects from a qualified tutor.

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Dementia Insights

Thursday 7 July
2.00pm–3.00pm

A former aged care worker, **Marian Penman** will discuss how she wrote her novel *Losing My Marbles* to raise awareness of Alzheimer's as a condition that destroys families and relationships.



Antique, Heirloom and Fashion Roadshow

In Partnership with Banyule City Council

Sunday 24 July
2.00pm–4.30pm

Bring along a family heirloom for a free appraisal from **Dawn Davies** of **Eaglemont Antiques**. Hear Dawn talk on antiques and preservation (2.45pm) and **Anne Dixon** from **Bygone Days** on 1920s–1980s fashion (2.15pm). Books on antiques and fashion available to browse and borrow. Devonshire tea served. Banyule Arts Space, 14 Ivanhoe Parade. Bookings required on 9490 4222.

Soup and Stories
Roberts' Rhymes

Monday 1 August
12.00noon–1.00pm

Local poet **Janet Roberts** will read from her books of comic rhymes and witty prose about life's little ironies. Enjoy a cup of soup, relax, listen and laugh.

Saturday Storytime

Saturday 2 July & 6 August
(First Saturday of the Month)
3.00pm–3.45pm

Hear librarian **Jane** read her favourite children's stories. Suitable for children of all ages.

Get Connected
Get Answers

Friday 8 July
11.30am–12.30pm

Having trouble finding out information? We can help. Come along and tell us what you want to know and we'll help you find it using the internet.

Warm Soup and NEW Books

Tuesday 12 July
12.00noon–1.00pm

Enjoy our new Tuesday opening hours with a cup of soup and a selection of new titles to browse.

Get Connected
eBay Class

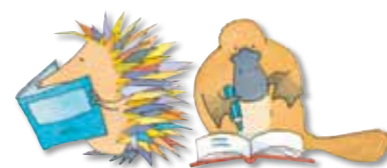
Monday 25 July
1.30pm–2.30pm

This class will focus on how to start selling on eBay. Learn some tips and shortcuts. A current credit card and an email address required. Places limited. Bookings required.

Bedtime Storytime

Fairy Tales and Nursery Rhymes
Thursday July 28
7.00pm–7.45pm

Hear an entertaining selection of traditional stories and sing old-style nursery rhymes. Dress up as a character from a fairytale or nursery rhyme. Craft supplied. Suitable for all ages.



Just4Kids NEW

Wednesday 3 August
(Last Wednesday of the Month)
4.00pm–5.00pm

A lively after-school story and craft session for primary school children.

Come along to be the first to choose from the new children's books.

LOL – Libraries Out Loud

Friday 5 August
5.00pm–7.00pm

Aged 12–20? Come along to play Wii, X Box, computers, table tennis and foosball. Hear DJ tunes or spin some yourself. Snacks provided.

Scrabble Night

Thursday 11 August
6.30pm–9.00pm

Join us for a night of family friendly fun and games. Suitable for both beginners and experts.



LIFE stories

FAMILY HISTORY MONTH

Research Morning

Tuesday 23 August
10.00am–1.00pm

Confident online researchers can connect with other family history researchers. Access resources such as Ancestry and Times Digital Archives. Limited staff assistance available. Morning tea provided. Bookings required.



Spanish Language Café

Wednesday 6 July & 3 August
7.00pm–8.00pm

Join Spanish teacher **Laura Mendoza** for an informal session of conversational Spanish. If you are learning Spanish, travelling, or want to improve your Spanish-speaking skills, this class is a must.

Chess for Fun

Monday 11 July & 8 August
6.30pm–8.00pm

Join this friendly group if you love playing chess, or want to improve your skills. The group is suitable for all ages and levels of experience. Newcomers welcome.

Dan Disney Poetry Reading

In Partnership with Poets@Watsonia

Tuesday 19 July
7.00pm–7.00pm

Hear the wonderful poetry of Australian poet **Dan Disney**, which gives insight into human nature and the human condition. Refreshments provided. Bookings required.

Writers@Watsonia
Workshopping

Thursday 28 July & 25 August
6.30pm–7.30pm

Come and join this friendly group of writers to workshop your writing, including memoir, short stories or larger works. New members welcome.

LIFE stories

FAMILY HISTORY MONTH

Tackle Genealogist's Block

Tuesday 2 August
7.00pm–8.00pm

Genealogy expert **Lady Teviot** will provide tips on how to get past the common brick walls that face many family history researchers.



Memories of Our Community

My Favourite Thing

Tuesday 9 August
10.30am–12.00noon

What is your favourite object? If you have one, bring it or a photo of it in to share with the group, along with the memories attached to it. This friendly conversation group welcomes newcomers.



Memories of Our Community

Food for All

Tuesday 12 July
10.30am–12.00noon

Food is central to our memories. What was in your pantry at home? Did takeaway food even exist? Come and enjoy a light-hearted look at the past with this friendly conversational group. All welcome.

International Tartan Day

Friday 1 July
11.00am–12.00noon

Och aye! Wear your tartan proudly today and have some shortbread with a cup of tea or coffee. Enjoy browsing through the Scottish novels, history and travel books on display.



Teen Night

Friday 1 July & 5 August
5.00pm–7.00pm

The first Friday of the month is Teen Night. Warm up this winter by playing table tennis or the Wii. We've also got a DJ and free computer access.



Diabetes Week Program

Thursday 14 July
1.00pm–2.00pm

Plenty Valley Community Health dietician **Kate Wilkinson** will deliver valuable advice about living with diabetes and how to minimise the risk of getting type 2 diabetes.

Get Connected

iPad / iPhone App Demonstration

Tuesday 19 July
2.00pm–3.00pm

Natasha will show you how to access the YPRL website with this exciting new application.

Men's Morning Cooking
Demonstration

Thursday 21 July
11.00am–1.00pm

Learn how to prepare easy meals to share with your family and friends with **Arthur**. Enjoy tasting the prepared dishes at the conclusion of the demonstration.

Bedtime Storytime

Tuesday 26 July & 30 August
7.00pm–7.30pm

It's cold and dark outside, but its warm and cosy in the library. Come snuggle up for bedtime storytime. Don't forget teddy!

FAMILY HISTORY MONTH

Researching your
Scottish Family History

Sunday 7 August
2.00pm–3.00pm

UK genealogy expert **Lady Teviot** will provide an introduction to researching your family history in Scotland, and will talk about the records available.



NEW English Language Cafe

Every Monday
2.00pm–3.00pm

Is English your second language? Come along, practise your skills and meet other people. Refreshments provided.

NEW Teen Book Club

Tuesday 5 July & 2 August
(First Tuesday of the Month)
4.00pm–5.00pm

Young people are invited to join this book club, choose the books to read and help name the group. Bookings required.



Publishing a Family History

Wednesday 17 August
6.30pm–8.00pm

Local history author **Maureen Jones** will discuss approaches to publishing a family history, including collecting, researching and collating information.

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Italian Migrant Story

Thursday 25 August
7.00pm–8.00pm

Hear the moving migration story of an Italian mother who was widowed and had to care for five children after moving to Australia, from her daughter **Daniela Zannoni**. Daniela's book *My Mother's Memories – Successes and Tragedies of an Italian Migrant Family* is available in Italian and English. Bookings required.

Lalor Toy Library

Junior Hip Hop Beat

Friday 19 August
10.00am–11.00am

Matt the Music Man joins us for a music and instrument session of hip hop for preschoolers. Instruments provided. Bookings required.

Get Connected

Basic iMac Demonstration

Tuesday 23 August
2.00pm–3.00pm

Learn how to use an iMac effectively. **Natasha** will give a demonstration of iMac applications' basic uses.

BOOK WEEK

Just4Kids
Book Week

Wednesday 24 August
3.30pm–4.30pm

Someone has muddled up all the picture book covers, and we need your help to put them back together again.



Badge Making

Friday 26 August
3.30pm–5.00pm

Do your part for Book Week and the environment, and recycle old books to make a piece of art that you can wear. All ages welcome!

A World of Stories

Friday 20 August – Friday 26 August

Come to the library during Book Week and add your voice to our World of Stories display. Write or draw something to add to our story wall.

Get Connected

Workshop No.2

Friday 29 July
10.00am–3.00pm

Learn about using technology at the library, finding your way online with Google Maps and Google Earth, and social networking with blogs, Twitter and Facebook. Refreshments provided. Bookings required.

Restoring Family Photos

In Partnership with the 2011 Whittlesea Cultural Heritage Program

Saturday 30 July
2.00pm–3.30pm

Photo expert **Carol Heath** from **Pixel to Pixel** will demonstrate how to preserve and organise family photos and documents. Participants can bring one photo for Carol's appraisal. Bookings required.