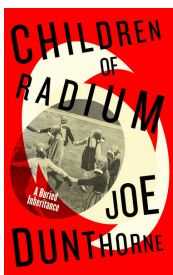
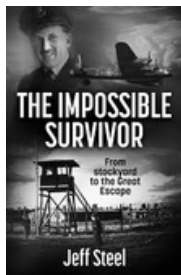
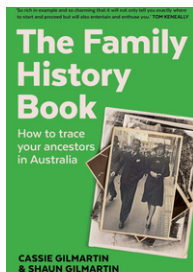
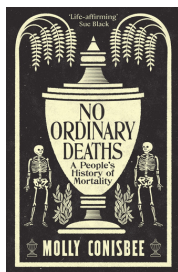
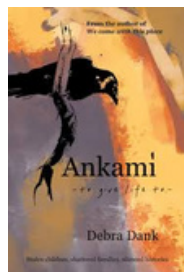


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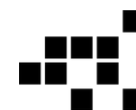


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GUEST SPEAKERS

Researching Chinese Family History

Do you have Chinese ancestors and want to learn more about them?

Join **Dr Kristy Love** from the Family History Agency who will introduce us to Chinese family history research and share useful tips for tracing your ancestors.

Wednesday 5 August, 11.00am–12.00pm

Ivanhoe Library



Introduction to FamilySearch

Did you know that YPRL is a FamilySearch affiliated library? FamilySearch is the world's largest nonprofit genealogy organisation and provides access to records from more than 170 countries. Learn about this free resource and some of the exclusive records which cannot be accessed at home.

Thursday 6 August, 11.00am–12.00pm

Diamond Valley Library



Footballers of the Past

Australian Rules Football historian and author **Francis Doherty** will showcase examples from his Australian Rules football card collection and provide advice on researching sportsmen in your family.

Saturday 8 August, 2.00pm–3.00pm

Rosanna Library

Unlocking AI for Family Historians

Genealogist **Dr Kristy Love** will explain the differences between the various AI tools.

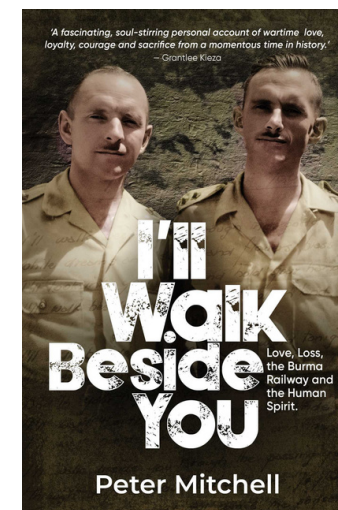
Thursday 20 August, 11.00am–12.00pm at *Eltham Library*

Behind Barbed Wire: On the Burma Railway

Peter Mitchell has written a gripping-true life account of Australian soldiers in Java and on the Burma Railway, based on personal letters, diaries, and official documents, bringing authenticity and immediacy to the war time experience in his latest book *I'll walk beside you: love, loss, the Burma Railway and the Human Spirit*.

Friday 21 August, 11.00am–12.00pm

Watsonia Library



Researching your European Family History

How to trace your European ancestors efficiently and accurately, with tips on how to avoid possible pitfalls. Presented by **Michael Rumpff** (Genealogical Society of Victoria).

Monday 24 August, 10.00am–11.00am

Thomastown Library

WORKSHOPS

Virtual Reality Travel

Imagine walking down the street of where your ancestor once lived. Why not travel back using our virtual reality goggles. Places limited.

Tuesday 11 August,

11.00am–12.00pm & 12.00pm–1.00pm

Mill Park Library

Introduction to Media Digitisation

Do you have photos, photo slides, VHS videos or cassette tapes that you've been wanting to digitise? We will demonstrate how you can access equipment in the library to do it yourself. Bookings essential.

Wednesday 26 August, 2.00pm–3.00pm

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Family History Help

Book a one-on-one session.

Every Wednesday at

- *Whittlesea Library* &
- *Diamond Valley Library*

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Fourth Sunday of the month at *Watsonia Library*

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NEW! **Third Wednesday** of the month at *Rosanna Library*



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