



2021 Virtual Conference - February 2021 Bulletin

Welcome to 2021 – after the wild and crazy year that 2020 was, we hope you have had an enjoyable holiday period and are looking forward to a healthier, happier, calmer 2021.

Although we would love to be hosting a live in-person event, because of the changing Covid-19 restrictions we felt that a Virtual event guarantees that there will be a NSW & ACT Family History Societies Conference this year, because, let's face it, we family historians are continually looking for new information to help with all aspects of our research.

We know that one of the great things about attending a conference in person, is catching up with like-minded people and renewing friendships. While that's not quite so easy with a Virtual Conference, we have plans to involve your societies in some activities. More on that later.

We do want the Virtual Conference to be as smooth and as glitch-free as possible, so we are employing an experienced technician to oversee the production from go to whoa. Our studio will be a room at Westport Club which, and while the presentations will be pre-recorded, we will have two "live" MC's to welcome you, introduce the speakers, draw raffles (yes, of course there will be raffles!) and generally manage the activities on the day.

We have some very interesting **speakers** in the pipeline, and we will certainly tell you about them and their subjects as soon as they are confirmed. We are also seeking their permission to provide you with access to their presentations for a period of 48 hours afterwards.

We would like to acknowledge the generosity of Ancestry who have confirmed that, once again, they are supporting us as our Principal Sponsor with dollars and with 2 x 12-month World Subs and 2 DNA kits to be raffled. Thank you Ancestry – you have come through with conviction and beyond reasonable doubt!

Our website is up and running at 2021conference@pmdfhs.org.au and will be updated as the conference planning proceeds, so keep coming back to check because we'll have lots more announcements coming soon.

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