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Well I hope you all got a smile from “Rules for Clerical Staff” from my last issue. The workers of today get it easy don’t you think?

It has been pointed out to me that Goolwa received two mentions in the April 2007 edition of *SA Life*. One of the articles “Goolwa’s BRAVE HEART” was on the **Little Scotland** area of Goolwa with a few nice piccies of Peppertree Cottage( built c1865) and others. The other article was on Goolwa obtaining Cittislow status. Cittislow is directed at the control of fast living rather than fast food.

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Recently I hired from our Library the 2CD set ‘**Who Do You Think You Are?**’ **Series 2**. It was very interesting to watch celebrities researching their family history. It became a travelogue as well as a learning tool in research. Two of the celebrities I followed were Stephen Fry and Sheila Hancock. The program was a lesson in human nature as I watched them change from not being terribly interested to becoming emotionally involved.

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**The Adelaide Gaol Preservation Society** are pleading for the Gaol to remain open and would like people to write to their local member of Parliament requesting their help in keeping this historical building open.

The gaol was designed by George Strickland Kingston and built 1840-41.

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Graham Jaunay writes an interesting addendum to his previous article in *Proformat News* “Privacy and ID Fraud” and another on how to “Mount your Digger CD data on your Hard Drive”. You can read his interesting articles by subscribing to his free newsletter at [www.jaunay.com/newsletter.html](http://www.jaunay.com/newsletter.html)

Graham also advises that SA BDM certificates are now \$36.75 and Wills from the Probate Registry \$12.90.

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State Library SA are hosting another instruction morning on ‘**Introduction to Family Search website**’ on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September from 10.30-11.30am. To book phone 8207 7269.

*Genealogy – where you confuse the dead and irritate the living.*

This is a photograph that I took of the wharf crane at Morgan. The Goolwa Wharf Crane has been languishing in the Council yards. The Goolwa National Trust's Heritage Standing Committee has been meeting with representatives of Alexandrina Council to discuss the future of our wharf crane. Let's hope that one day we will again see our crane refurbished and on display.



Have you seen the 18month calendar prepared by Bill Cox and others? The calendar is the size of a CD with a stand to sit on your desk. It contains a collection of "Then and Now" photographs of sites all over the Council area with a short description of the history of the place in the photograph. The calendar goes through to the end of 2008, so you are getting an extra 6months. They are also very light to post overseas. Well worth the \$10 price tag and are available at the front desk of the Alexandrina Council or by post PO Box 21, Goolwa SA 5214.

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**Websites:**

State Records NSW, Colonial Secretary Guide-Main Series of Letters Received 1826-1982

[www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/contents\\_7424.asp](http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/contents_7424.asp)

UK Wills online - A Free index of wills from Middlesex online.

[www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/Corporation/wills](http://www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/Corporation/wills)

German research

[www.ortsfamilienbuecher.de/](http://www.ortsfamilienbuecher.de/)

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*Happy researching,  
Dawn*

Genealogy help is available by appointment on Thursdays, to guide you through your research. Please phone the Library on 8555-7000 to make an appointment. For comments, suggestions or to receive this newsletter – email

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