



A gift for future generations

Here is your opportunity to provide your library patrons or society members with a workshop or seminar on

Remembering, recording and writing your family story.

Noeline Kyle and Lorraine Purcell are professionals in their field.

Contact them to discuss a program that suits you.

The workshops can be run for a few hours, half a day or over one or two days, and can be tailored to suit your clientele.

Enjoy shared creative enthusiasm whilst getting started on your family story.

You have done all the research but for it to be of lasting value it must be shared. Once written, what do you do with it next? By attending our workshops you will be given strategies to rein in and shape your stories and you will take away some of the practical and easy approaches we have used in our own family story writing and publishing. You will learn about the latest technologies to support your writing, editing, printing, promotion and marketing of a family or local history. Each session will focus on simple approaches to help make these tasks achievable.

These workshops, conducted by Dr Noeline Kyle and Lorraine Purcell aim to get you writing about characters, events and places and provide practical advice on editing, dealing with photographs, and making decisions about finally getting into print.

Participants will receive a handout based on workshop topics and there will be books for sale by Noeline Kyle on writing & publishing family stories, and Lorraine Purcell who has compiled and edited family history publications relating to the NSW gold rush towns of Hill End & Tambaroora.

About the workshop presenters:

Dr Noeline Kyle has published women's history, Australian history, biography/memoir and family history. Her latest book, *How to Write & Publish Family Stories in 10 Easy Steps*, published in July 2011 is now available from New South Books (UNSW Press) at <http://www.unswpress.com.au/isbn/9781742232751.htm> Her book *Writing Family History Made Very Easy* (Allen & Unwin,) was published in 2007. Noeline has published two family histories: a biography of her great grandmother Nurse Mary Kirkpatrick *Memories and Dreams* in 2001 and *A Kyle Family History* in 2007. She published *A Greater Guilt: Constance Emilie Kent and the Road Murder* (Boolarong Press) in 2009. Noeline has been working with and supporting family historians for more than 30 years during which time she has conducted many workshops, seminars and talks. Check out her website at <http://www.writingfamilyhistory.com.au>

Lorraine Purcell commenced her library career at the State Library of NSW and has been passionate about Australian history ever since. Using 37 years experience of working in and promoting books and libraries to the reading public, she was well equipped to take on the production of a Pioneer Register in 2006 and, more recently, the editing & publishing of 3 books dealing with early pioneers of the Hill End district. Working with a very limited budget she has discovered a myriad of ways to successfully promote these books and ensure they are available for future generations. She will share her experience and skills in this area with you.

A sample Workshop Program

(Times can be adjusted to suit venue & participants)

9.45am Registration and introduction

Morning sessions: Noeline Kyle

10 am – 11am: Getting started with your writing

11am - 11.15am: Morning tea

11.15am – 12.15pm: Getting ready to print

12.15pm – 1.15pm: Lunch

Afternoon Sessions: Lorraine Purcell

1.15pm - 2.15pm: Presenting and publishing your family story.

2.15pm – 2.30pm: Short break

2.30pm – 3.30pm: Promoting and marketing your publication

Combined presenters:

3.30pm – 4pm: Questions, summary and close



Dr Noeline Kyle



Lorraine Purcell

Depending on the needs of your clients we can also tailor the sessions to include such topics as:

- Writing about women and children
- Writing about characters in family history
- What to put in and what to leave out of your final manuscript
- Editing, proofreading, readability
- Ethics, copyright, author obligations
- Indexing, references, bibliography
- The bigger picture – bringing in the interesting stories and larger historical contexts.

Fees for the seminars vary, and are negotiable, depending on number of participants, length of time allowed for seminars and travel time. Please contact us to discuss your requirements.

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