

Updated information attached Children's prices now included on booking sheet for luncheon on 16 August 2009

3 June 2009

Dear family

Well it won't be long before we are all meeting together to commemorate the arrival of our forebear, William, and his family, in Australia on 18 August 1809.

This mailing provides further information about our planned series of events, a booking form, and, for some, a request for additional information in relation to the update of the family tree. It also contains details of the arrangements we can make if you wish to take part in our oral history project.

We do suggest you read through the information carefully to ensure that we, in turn, get the facts right about the activities in which you and your family will be taking part.

Information sheets

I have enclosed a series of information sheets which provide the state of the current planning for each of the activities taking place in August. As you will appreciate, some events – *like Hunter Connection* - are still very much 'works in progress' and their ultimate form will depend upon the greater family's level of support; others, like the family picnic day at *Wivenhoe* are more or less finalised. Final pricing is provided and has been kept as low as possible to ensure as many family members can attend as possible.

Booking sheet

Please note that we would like the booking sheet to be returned no later than 30 June 2009 so that we can make the final arrangements (and in some cases adjustments) to the planned events. The booking sheet should be read in conjunction with the information sheets – and provides options, prices and indicates the way in which your payments can be made. It also contains space for the names of your family members attending.

Family charts

If a family chart is enclosed we ask that you make any corrections and add any missing names, places, dates and return it to us as soon as you can. If you have any photographs of family and would like them included in the book of charts, please scan and label them, as an A4 document and return them to us as soon as possible.

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Oral history

If you are interested in participating in an oral history project and would like to share your family reminiscences for posterity, please make an appointment with Angela Lind (02 9499 2363 or email <u>angene@tpg.com.au</u>) to arrange for an interview. We are particularly interested in early life experiences, knowledge of your branch of the family and your connections, qualifications and schooling.

Accommodation

Whilst Cowper200 will not be, formally, providing accommodation for family members, we may be able to assist with your thinking if you are planning to stay in Sydney during the celebratory period. If this is the case, and you would like to avail yourself of this service, Louise Cowper has offered to assist family members in this way. (Telephone 02 9798 0330 or email louisec@tpg.com.au)

Finally, can I say how much we have all enjoyed working to make August 2009 a memorable month in our family's collective memory, and how much we are looking forward to meeting or renewing acquaintance with family members.

Looking forward to seeing you all

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Secretary Cowper200 Committee

PS. Don't forget to we would like your booking sheet completed and returned by 30 June 2009.

Return your booking sheet to:

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By 30 June 2009