

Toomey Family Reunion Newsletter

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Australia Day

It is hoped that everybody had a happy and safe Australia day and enjoyed the celebration of 'our' day. We would also like to remind you that the countdown clock is now really ticking with just three months to go until the reunion.



More Photographs Please

We are still looking for more photographs to share with other family members via our Toomey reunion newsletter.

The picture at left was sent in by Marilyn Drummond (the daughter of John Toomey). It was taken around 1964 and shows three of the four sons of Francis Toomey and Minnie (nee Baumann). The eldest son William 'Bill' (1911-1956) had passed away by this time (1911-1956). From left to right is John (1925-1980), Francis 'Frank' (1919-1986) and Walter 'Wally' (1921-1974).

Of special interest would be photographs of wedding groups of any of the children of Frank Toomey and Minnie (nee Baumann).

Also, if anyone has a photograph of Annie (Wacker), Mary (Black) or Olive (Bauer) please let us know. If you would like to share your treasured photographs with other family members, please send a copy to Rex Toomey (postal address PO Box 9206, Lighthouse Beach NSW 2444) as either a normal printed photograph or an email attachment to ezitree@tsn.cc (high resolution preferred).

Reunion Advertising

Since deciding on the date and venue last year, a lot of time and effort has been spent making sure as many people as possible are aware of our Toomey reunion. As well as personal contacts with other family members via telephone, correspondence and emails, the following organisations/business have been requested to advertise the reunion:

- Quirindi & District Historical Society Inc (where John and Ellen Toomey lived)
- Goulburn District Family History Society Inc (where Jeremiah's son John lived)
- Australian Family Tree Connection (a monthly Australian family history magazine)
- Society of Australian Genealogists (published in their December 2009 journal *Descent*)
- Sydney Morning Herald (for publication in the RSVP section)
- Gatton, Lockyer and Brisbane Valley Star (for Letters to the editor)

We need a count of those coming to the Reunion!

A big thank you to everybody who has already indicated their attendance at the reunion but now we would like to know exact numbers.



In newsletter No 1 (still available on our Toomey Reunion web site), it was mentioned the local Lions Club will be catering for us at a small cost of \$12.50 per adult, \$8.00 per child between 5 and 12, and free for children under 5 years of age. This will cover the cost of both morning tea and lunch.

It would be a great help if everyone could send a quick email to Rex Toomey at ezitree@tsn.cc

with the full names of those attending so that name tags can be prepared and please indicate 'adult', 'child' or 'free' so that a count can be given to the Gatton Lions Club for food preparation purposes. Also, if you are planning to stay in the one and only Gatton Motel (07-5462-1333) several people have already indicated they have made a booking so don't leave it too late!

There will only be two more newsletters before the reunion!

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