



SCOTTISH Research Group
GUIDELINES for BRICK WALL & QUESTIONS
 Tuesday 22nd August 2023 7.00-9.00pm



Outline: A Brick Wall is not a brick wall unless all available resources have been exhausted – this is the Genealogical Proof Standard.

If you have traced your ancestor to Australia, we do not need all the Australian information unless, for example, a death certificate gives an exact place of birth. This is a Scottish Research Group so seeking help with finding details in Scotland is what we are looking for.

Process:

Submit by email (diana.pec25@yahoo.com) outline of your brick wall by **Friday 11th August** in one of the formats noted below.

The brick walls will be consolidated into one doc to be discussed at our Dec meeting.

Note: If we run out of time to show your brick wall during the meeting, we will be circulating all the submissions around the attendees after the event in the hope that one of the members can pass on some advice or tips to help you with your research.

Please help a fellow SAG member and reply **directly** to that member. You are NOT being asked to do the research!

Format:

To prepare your Brick Wall or Question, please use a Word document or PowerPoint (preferred so your slide can be easily added into a presentation for the meeting). It must be no more than **ONE** page in length. Please use dot points to make it is easier for everyone to read quickly – any submission not sticking to this format may not be looked at.

Your Name	
Email address	
My Ancestor's name	
My Brick Wall Question	e.g. <i>Some time between 1835 and 1841, Jo Blogs married Sue Smith in Edinburgh. Where might I find the marriage details?</i>
What I know - Timeline	e.g. <i>I know that in the 1841 Census, they had 2 children aged 1 and 2</i> •
Where I've looked	• Scotland's People •

Suggestions:

We suggest that you undertake a DNA test (with Ancestry as they have the largest pool of testers) and then book into one of the SAG DNA Courses <https://sag.org.au/Activities> to learn more about how to 'read' the matches/results you get.

Other sources of info:

Dana Leeds <https://www.danaleeds.com/the-leeds-method/>

Blaine Bettinger <https://thegeneticgenealogist.com/>

Any questions, please contact Diana by email Diana.pec25@yahoo.com.