

# Fahey Family Tree in Australia

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## Newsletter 1

Hi to all people interested in the history of the Fahey Family in Australia.

The Fahey Family in Australia goes back to the arrival of the six brothers in Australia - Thomas Fahey (26 years of age) and his wife Catherine (21), departed from Liverpool in the ship "United Kingdom", under the control of Captain Eshelby, on the 25 May 1841, with his five brothers, William (24), Peter (22), Edward (21), Timothy (17) and James (15).

### Introduction

The purpose of this first Newsletter is to share a few thoughts on the Fahey Family Tree. In turn, it may give others cause to make suggestions with a view to maximising the Tree's usefulness.

### Website

The Fahey Family Tree website (<https://faheytreeinaustralia.weebly.com>) has been created to help communicate the details of the different branches.

Initially, the website focussed on the Fahey paternal "branch" line:

- John Fahey (1790-1841);
- William Fahey (1817-1880);
- John Fahey (1849-1918); and
- Augustine James Fahey (1904-1981).

However, following a number of communications with family members from other parts of the Fahey Family Tree the website has been expanded to include the "branches" for each of the six brothers.

There's a pattern of information for each person in the tree:

- a "Summary" section;
- a "Story" section;
- a "Main Picture"; and
- provision for "Another Picture".

Importantly, provision has been made for most of the known persons at this time. So ... the infrastructure has been the main priority.

Of course, another priority has been accuracy. So ... if you see an inaccuracy then let someone know so that it can be corrected. It's also important to rely on accurate source documents such as a Birth Certificate and so on.

There's also the issue of how far down the tree do we explore and research. A numbering system has been used – as can be seen on the “Documents” TAB. But, so far I've only gone to the fourth generation in Australia. The following table shows an example:

First Generation	Second Generation	Third Generation	Fourth Generation
2 William Fahey	2.4 John Fahey	2.4.5 John Dale Fahey	2.4.5.1 John Aubrey Fahey

### Further Information needed

As mentioned above, provision has been made for information in several sections. Any information that “fills in the gaps” would be appreciated. You will see “fillers” such as:

- (XXXX-XXXX); and
- DD MTH YYYY.

Please advise of any missing data or if the person is still alive!

### Sydney Morning Herald

One way of gaining further interest in and information for the website is to advertise the existence of the Fahey Family Tree in national publications such as the Sydney Morning Herald. In “Spectrum” in the Saturday Herald, for instance, is a regular section called “RSVP” where calls are made for information on “family matters”. This would be a good way for us to elicit further information or advertise a proposed Fahey Family Tree Reunion.

### Fahey Family Reunion

Once the Fahey Family Tree is developed to a “reasonable extent” there's a suggestion that there be a Fahey Family Meeting. Another suggestion is that it be held at or near Appin, NSW where the six brothers settled.

It would be very interesting to have a photograph of all in attendance arranged in the groups relative to the six brothers.

### Meetings

In order to properly plan our Fahey Family Tree and associated activities it would be good to regularly meet as needed.

### In Conclusion

This is an exciting project the recipients of which will be future generations of those who have descended on the Fahey Family Tree!