



Unlock the Past Cruises

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Media release – 2017 and 2018 Unlock the Past history & genealogy cruises significant international genealogy conferences at sea

Adelaide, South Australia, 2 September 2016 – Unlock the Past Cruises announces its latest cruise schedule for the next two years.

2017 cruise (now booking) – Papua New Guinea (13th cruise)

This exciting 10 night cruise out of Brisbane to Papua New Guinea and its islands opened for bookings earlier this year. It is a completely different kind of itinerary to one of the emerging and exciting new cruise destinations. It offers a great balance of conference (during the 4 days at sea) and places to visit during the 5 days in ports and/or around islands – great sightseeing and fascinating shore excursions.

It will feature a special WWII Pacific war stream within our usual wide ranging conference program to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Pacific war coming to Australia and New Guinea in 1942. The war in this region was very much part of the greater Pacific war. American ships were sunk in Australian waters. Almost 1 million American and Canadian service personnel, including 100,000 African-Americans, passed through Australia from 1941 to 1945. The conference program will be headed by Dr Tom Lewis, one of Australia's foremost Pacific war historians and authors, supported by other recognised experts.

For details see the PNG cruise at www.unlockthepastcruises.com/cruises

2018 cruise (provisional) – Alaska (14th cruise) NEW

This provisional 7 night cruise to Alaska from Seattle is planned for later August or early September 2018 – our 14th Unlock the Past cruise. Unlock the Past cruises offer unique opportunities to learn more about discovering your family history in great company while visiting great destinations.

We have often been asked about a cruise to Alaska. Now we have provisionally committed to one in 2018. Why provisional? 2018 cruise schedules won't be released until early 2017 and we need some time to confirm there is enough interest to support a program featuring leading international speakers.

For details and to register interest see the Alaska cruise at www.unlockthepastcruises.com/cruises

A genealogy conference on the high seas? Not only do you get all the fun of a regular cruise, you have the opportunity to network with other family historians from all over the world. The best part: the lectures and educational presentations are offered by some of the leading speakers in the genealogy industry. And Unlock the Past Cruises has the best selection of destinations and speakers hands down! – *Thomas MacEntee, United States, 4th cruise presenter*

Only one thing beats a good genealogy conference, and that is a genealogy conference that offers a chance to see a bit of the world, to enjoy some top class entertainment, and above all else, meet many other people sharing a similar interest. It's also the perfect family holiday, with plenty of fun activities for your partner and kids to get up to on board whilst you're attending conference sessions! – *Chris Paton, Scotland, 2nd, 4th and 8th cruise presenter*

About Unlock the Past

Australian based Unlock the Past was established in 2009. It is the event and publishing division of Gould Genealogy & History which has served family and local historians since 1976. It is a collaborative venture involving an international team of expert speakers, writers, organisations and commercial partners to promote history and genealogy through innovative major events and a new publishing brand. It also maintains general and events directories online.

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