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# Church Registers: St Peters Church of England, Richmond NSW

This page provides details of all available versions of the Richmond registers, with a guide to the sources actually used in BDA. Those marked "Online" are included in BDA as at: July 2018.

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## Notes re the St Peters registers:

### **Church Registers**

The entries from the St Peters church registers were used for BDA's transcriptions of baptisms, marriages and burials. The registers covering the years 1814 to 1856 (and beyond) are found in the Society of Australian Genealogists' microfilm reel 148 (held by SAG and ML). For more information, see *Index to the Microform Collection of the Society of Australian Genealogists as at 31 January 1990* (SAG, Sydney, 1990, p.97).

#### **Clergy Returns**

These are copies of the church registers sent to the government (similarly to the Bishop's Transcripts in England), and begin in 1815 for Richmond. Combined quarterly returns for Castlereagh and Richmond were prepared and have survived for the period from January 1815 to December 1825, except for the death return for April to June 1816 which is missing. These returns were documented differently to the church registers and sometimes included additional or different information. Any differences will be incorporated into BDA's transcription to generate more detailed composite entries, with the relevant source reference added.

For the period from 1826 onwards, the Clergy Returns found in the ARK volumes were identical to the Church Registers. Accordingly, the Clergy Returns were only examined if specific entries were difficult to read in the original registers.

#### **Kerrison James Index**

This index was not used as a transcription source for these BDA entries as it is merely an index extracted from the church registers and contains many errors. Sometimes, however, the Kerrison James list was examined if specific entries were

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difficult to read in the pre-1826 period.

#### **NSW Registry of Birth, Death & Marriage Indexes**

For the pre-1856 period, the online Indexes published by the NSW Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages provides index entries for baptisms, marriages and burials found in registers they hold.

For the pre-1826 period for Richmond, the BDM Indexes source entries from:

- 1. The Kerrison James Index listed above; that is Volumes 1-3 of ARK;
- 2. Their own copy of the Richmond Register, which is listed as Volume 156 in their indexes and is not published in ARK (which finishes at Volume 123).

For the period from 1826 onwards, the BDM Indexes also source entries from the Clergy Returns listed above. These are published in ARK.

\*Not used: These sources are copies of the originals and were only used if the originals proved difficult to read.

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