



All those related by birth and marriage to the original Atkinsons from Newcastle upon Tyne who immigrated to WA from 1910 onwards are invited to join in centenary celebrations of the arrival of the family in Western Australia. Thomas Atkinson and his brother Len first settled in Ajana. They were joined in Ajana by

their sisters Edith (Cornell) and Nellie (Rochester), and their brother Sydney. Their brother George and his family settled in Mundaring.

There will be a day of reunion and celebration in Ajana on **Saturday 2 October 2010** commencing at 9.30 am with morning tea. Buses will take all attending to the places where each family set up their homes. The few remaining family members who lived there during those early years will be available to explain the areas and places of interest. Back at the Ajana Hall there will be displays of photos, the family tree and other memorabilia and time to meet and mix. Lunch will be provided, after which there will be some speeches from family members. Friends are welcome to join the family in this celebration. A charge of approximately \$20 per adult/\$10 per child to cover catering and other costs will be collected on the day. This will be a BYO drinks event.

For those descendants and friends who cannot get to Ajana or who would just like another chance to get together, there will be an informal BYO picnic lunch on the Esplanade at Fremantle on **Monday 27 September at 11.30 am**. There will be an opportunity to see the plaque commemorating Tom and Len's arrival on the Welcome Walls at the Maritime Museum.

For more information, and to **RSVP before 18 September** for both gatherings, please contact any one of :

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