

The FAMILY STORY

THIS HISTORY FOCUSES ON THE BLENDED FAMILY OF LORENZO CAPELIN, CATTERINA CESCONE AND MARIA TOME (NEE LUCON).

THEIR STORY IS OF TWO FAMILIES WHO LEFT ITALY IN SEARCH OF A NEW LIFE AND WHO COMBINED TO RAISE TEN CHILDREN AT NEW ITALY, PERIN/CAPELIN

PERIN is the ancestral name, CAPELIN is a nickname (soprannome). It was quite common in Italy to give a nickname to a family to distinguish them within a larger family. CAPELIN is the Venetian spelling and means little hat or cap (capello in Italian). It was used as early as 1796. Interestingly, Catterina, Lorenzo's first wife, is buried in Noumea as Catterina Cappellini. Antonio Perin of San Vendemiano, Veneto, has produced an impressive book tracking the Perin family world-wide. He has traced the PERIN ancestral name back to the 16th century with Cordignano in Veneto, Italy, as signifying for the Capelin arm of the Perin family.



MYSTERY WOMAN

At the marriage of Lorenzo and Maria one of the witnesses was Luigia Capeline (sic) - same family name but no mention of Luigia in family records. Was she Lorenzo's sister? Cousin? They were born in the same or sequential years (1837/38). She was married to Giuseppe Martinuzzi, one of the leaders of the expedition. The families were close because Luigia's daughter, Teresa Ciardelli (nee Martinuzzi), was witness to the marriage of Lorenzo's daughter Marietta four years later (1885). Luigia died in Sydney in 1927. Her death certificate gives her maiden name as Capelin.



Giuseppe Martinuzzi and Luigia Capeline

SYDNEY

Lorenzo and Maria and the family were assigned to the service of William Moseley at Thornleigh (Pennant Hills - north Sydney) for a period of twelve months. Their service was valued at £26 per annum. They may also have worked in the Thornleigh orchards of the Duffy family. Theresa (Tome) later married Michael Duffy. Two boys (Natale, Lorenzo) were born here though no birth records exist. In 1885 Lorenzo's eldest daughter, Marietta, married Giovanni Spinaze at nearby Parramatta.



Marietta/Maria & Giovanni Spinaze circa 1897 (6 of 11 children)

L to R back: Lucia, Giovanni, Catterina, Marietta
L to R front: Antonio, Lawrence, Giovanni (Jack), baby Lodovico (Victor)

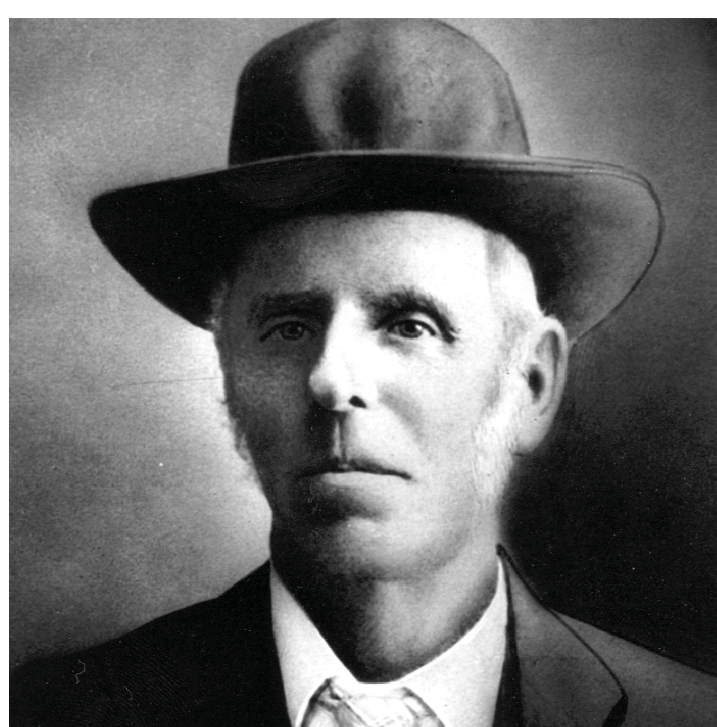
THE BLENDED FAMILY

Kate, the youngest child, lived with her parents on a small holding at the time of Lorenzo's death (1915), and recalls that they were very poor and the older family members helped Lorenzo and Maria manage. As the youngest daughter, Kate was expected to care for her parents. At the time she was resentful about this, as she missed work and the adventures the others had. However, she spoke with great affection of all her siblings and emphasized that, even though they were what we now call a blended family, they were all one family and no difference was made between them.

LIFE AT NEW ITALY

On settling in Australia, Lorenzo and Maria adapted well to the Australian bush. In New Italy Maria had a pet joey. The mother roo was killed by hunting dogs. Maria rescued the baby, nursed it with a bottle, and cared for it in a pouch round her waist. It followed Maria everywhere, even inside where it skidded on her polished floors.

Maria planted her garden at New Italy using ancient moon phase planting and harvesting systems and always had a wonderful garden. She always shared produce with the sick and elderly of the village. Maria also shared food with the local indigenous people when they travelled through. This was usually a nice Italian loaf that they ate with fresh snake like a sausage.



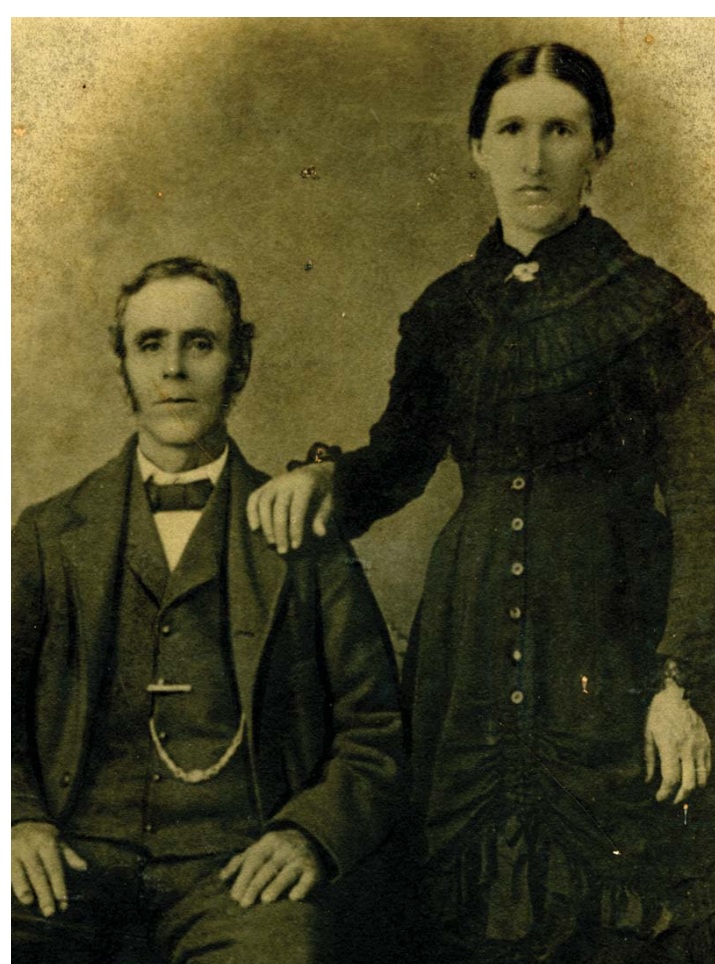
Lorenzo Perin/Capelin (1837-1915)



Maria Tome (nee Lucon) (1847-1945)

THE CAPELIN NAME

Lorenzo used two surnames during his lifetime. Since 1881 all of his descendants have lived under the family name of CAPELIN. In 2002, a wedding certificate emerged which showed that Lorenzo had married Maria in Sydney as Lorenzo PERIN. He was listed as Lorenzo Capelin when he boarded the "James Paterson" in Noumea and again on disembarking in Sydney. However he is listed as Lorenzo Perin in the report of the Italian Immigrants Inquiry Board, Sydney 1881. He was naturalised in 1902 as Lorenzo Capelin.



Lorenzo and Maria circa 1885

LORENZO AND MARIA'S MARRIAGES

LORENZO'S FIRST MARRIAGE

Lorenzo (Perin) was born in 1837 in Brugnera. He married Catterina Cescon and had five children, only two of whom, Marietta and Domenico, survived to become part of the ill-fated Marquis de Rays' expedition to Nouvelle France. Catterina died in childbirth in Noumea.

MARIA'S FIRST MARRIAGE

Maria married Giovanni Tome in Orsago in 1869. Giovanni died on the expedition between Port Breton and Noumea. Maria had three children (Giacomo, Teresa, Annetta) who survived the voyage.



Giovanni Tome (1836-1881) circa 1870

LORENZO AND MARIA'S MARRIAGE

Lorenzo and Maria, now both widowed, married in Sydney on 21 April 1881, 33 days after the death of Catterina. The next day Sir Henry Parkes, Premier of NSW, dispersed the Italian families throughout the state. Maria's three children, Giacomo, Teresa and Annetta all kept their family name of Tome. Maria (age 32) and Lorenzo (age 42) had an instant family of five. They went on to have five more children.



The Capelins at New Italy circa 1896

L to R: Mary, John, Lorenzo, Lawrence, Maria and Kate (in front)

NEW ITALY

By 1886 the family had joined other Italian migrants in the New Italy area where they took up ninety-five acres at Swan Bay on the nearby Richmond River. Lorenzo later purchased forty-four acres in the New Italy settlement. His two eldest sons, step-brothers Dominic and John, later (1896) also purchased a shared holding at New Italy. Three further children Maria/Mary, Giovanni/John, Catterina/Kate were born in this district. Maria's daughter Theresa (Tome) married Michael Duffy in Maclean in 1888.

Lorenzo died in 1915 aged 77 and is buried at Woodburn.

Maria died in her 99th year in 1945 and is buried at Lismore.

DESCENDANTS

Lorenzo and Maria raised 10 children who produced 69 grandchildren and over 150 great grandchildren. These and subsequent generations are scattered across the country in every state and overseas.

The display contains a family tree of only the first two generations of descendants in Australia. The photos and stories represent a cross section of the family but are by no means comprehensive.

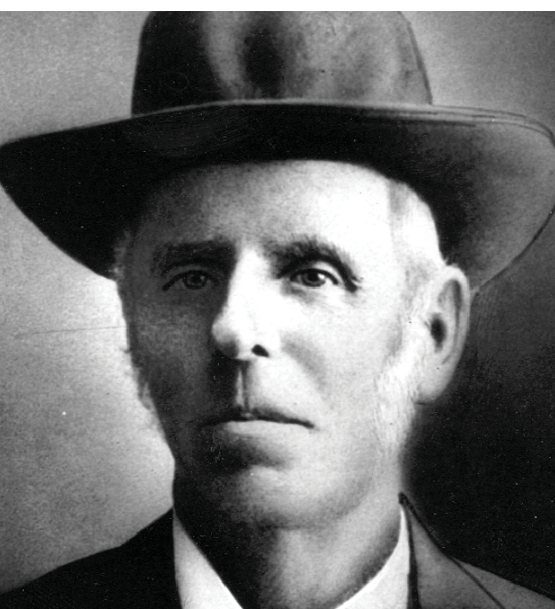
Last Survivor 98, Still Well

The toughness of the first colonists at New Italy is illustrated by the fact that the oldest living settler, Mrs. L. Capelin, who was born in March, 1847, still retains her faculties. Although she will be 98 soon, Mrs. Capelin can still see well and walk without assistance. Mrs. Capelin lives in Orion Street, Lismore.

Maria Capelin (nee Lucon/Tome)



The FAMILY TREE



LORENZO **PERIN**/CAPELIN

BORN 1837, BRUGNERA, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1915, SOUTH WOODBURN, NSW

...1863...

FONTANELLE, ITALY

CATTERINA CESCON

BORN 1842, FONTANELLE, VENETO
DIED 1881, NOUMEA, NEW CALEDONIA



MARIA LUCIA (MARIETTA)
PERIN/CAPELIN

BORN 1867, GHIRANO, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1954, COOROI, QLD

...1885...

PARRAMATTA, NSW

GIOVANNI SPINAZE

BORN 1851, CODOGNE, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1932, POMONA, QLD

Catterina (Spinaze) Hamilton 1886-1966
Lucia (Spinaze) Hamilton 1888-1950
Lawrence Spinaze 1890-1952

Giovanni (Jack) Spinaze 1892-1955
Antonio Spinaze 1894-1974
Lodovico (Victor) Spinaze 1896-1960

Giuseppe (Joe) Spinaze 1899-1976
Dominic Spinaze 1901-1971
Theresa (Spinaze) Bull 1903-1991

Angelo Spinaze 1906-1967
George Edward Spinaze 1911-1979



DOMENICO PERIN/CAPELIN

BORN 1872, GHIRANO, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1946, LISMORE, NSW

...1897...

CORAKI, NSW

MARIA IOANNA PEZZUTTI

BORN 1877, ORSAGO, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1958, LISMORE, NSW

Stephen Antonio Capelin 1898-1969
Angelina (Capelin) Spratt 1899-1977
Mark Capelin 1900-1901

Kate (Capelin) Piper 1903-2002
Ernest Peter Capelin 1905-1968
Victor Capelin 1906-1906

Edmond Frederick Capelin 1907-
Mary Capelin 1910-1910
Marjorie Isabella (Capelin) Maguire
1912-1979

Irene Magdalen (Capelin) Locke 1916-
Marie Helen (Capelin) Moodie 1919-
Lawrence Capelin 1921-1972

GIOVANNI PERIN/CAPELIN

BORN 1870, BRUGNERA, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1870, BRUGNERA, VENETO, ITALY

TERESA PERIN/CAPELIN

BORN 1872, BRUGNERA, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1872, BRUGNERA, VENETO, ITALY

ANNA PERIN/CAPELIN

BORN 1874, BRUGNERA, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1874, BRUGNERA, VENETO, ITALY



GIOVANNI **TOME**

BORN 1836, ORSAGO, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1881, NEW CALEDONIA

...1869...

ORSAGO, ITALY

MARIA LUCON

BORN 1847, CIMETTA, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1945, LISMORE, NSW



GIACOMO (JOHN) TOME

BORN 1870, ORSAGO, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1946, BARRABA, NSW

...1895...

CASINO, NSW

GIUDITTA (JULIA) MELLARE

BORN 1877, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1935, INVERELL, NSW

John Frank Tome 1896-1960
Alfred Leslie Tome 1898-1970
Mary Giovanna (Tome) Bird 1899-1974

Bridget (Tome) Henderson 1901-1971
Lawrence Nathaniel (Nat) Tome
1902-1983

Frank Tome 1904-1944
Albert Tome 1906-
Emma (Tome) Burgess 1909-

Mark James Mallare Tome 1910-1944
James Martin Tome 1912-1985
Martin Carl Tome 1914-1996



TERESA TOME

BORN 1872, ORSAGO, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1938, PARRAMATTA, NSW

...1888...

MACLEAN, NSW

MICHAEL DUFFY

BORN 1864, PARRAMATTA, NSW
DIED 1934, RICHMOND, NSW

Mary T. C. Duffy 1889-1899
Arnold J. M. Duffy 1890-1890
Veronica (Vera) C. A. (Duffy) Ward 1892-
Donald J. B. Duffy 1894-1913

Michael Cyril J. Duffy 1896-1963
Annetta J. T. Duffy 1899 -
Louis Bernard Duffy 1902-1958
Theresa (Tess) (Duffy) Nobbs 1904 -

Mark Anthony Duffy 1906-1981
Marie Constance (Duffy) James 1908-1982
Lilian (Lil) Elizabeth (Duffy) Dawson
1909-1982

Stanley Philip Gavan Duffy 1911-1968
Ernest Allan Duffy 1913-1992
Ronald Victor Duffy 1914-1984



ANNETTA (NETTA) TOME

BORN 1874, ORSAGO, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1968, SUTHERLAND, NSW

...1896...

CASINO, NSW

MARTIN TOME

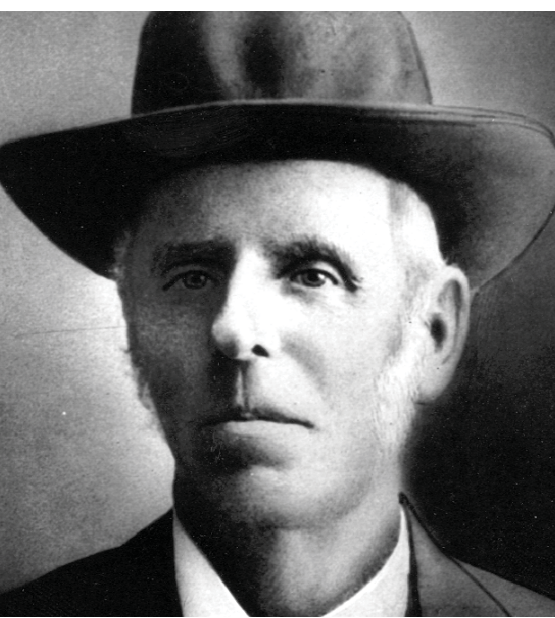
BORN 1869, ORSAGO, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1909, ANNANDALE, NSW

Giralomo (Gerald) Tome 1898-1993

Victor Sydney Tome 1900-1953

Marie Luigia (Gina) (Tome) Mulligan
1903-1995

Marguerita (Rita) Elizabeth (Tome) Gow
1908-2005



LORENZO PERIN/CAPELIN

BORN 1837, BRUGNERA, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1915, SOUTH WOODBURN, NSW

...1881...

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL
SYDNEY, NSW

MARIA (LUCON) TOME

BORN 1847, CIMETTA, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1945, LISMORE, NSW



NATALE (NAT) CAPELIN

BORN 1883,
THORNLEIGH, SYDNEY,
DIED 1950, SYDNEY, NSW

...1909...

LEICHHARDT, NSW

MARY ANNE KILCOYNE

BORN 1882, LEICHHARDT, NSW
DIED 1968, SYDNEY, NSW



LORENZO (LAWRENCE)
CAPELIN

BORN 1884, THORNLEIGH, SYDNEY
DIED 1964, BRISBANE, QLD

...1913...

LEICHHARDT, NSW

ELLEN KILCOYNE

BORN 1886, LEICHHARDT, NSW
DIED 1951, LISMORE, NSW

Esma Marie (Capelin) Gahan 1914-1997
Lawrence Thomas Capelin 1918-1985

Nathaniel Joseph Capelin 1920-1999
Kevin John Capelin 1921-2007

Cyril Keith Capelin 1926-2012

Rita (Capelin) Powell 1928-2012



MARIA (MARY) CAPELIN

BORN 1886, NEW ITALY, NSW
DIED 1979, LISMORE, NSW

...1907...

NEW ITALY, NSW

GIUSEPPE (JOE) SPINAZE

BORN 1880, CODOGNE, VENETO, ITALY
DIED 1971, LISMORE, NSW

Lauria May (Spinaze) Barnes 1908-1994

Vera Adeline (Spinaze) Sommerlad
1910-2007

Ray Spinaze 1914-2006

Spencer Spinaze 1924-



GIOVANNI (JOHN) CAPELIN

BORN 1889, NEW ITALY, NSW
DIED 1963, SYDNEY, NSW

...1919...

WOODBURN, NSW

IDA MCKENZIE

BORN 1896, BELLAMA, VIC
DIED 1925, MOSS VALE, NSW

Kenneth Capelin 1920-2012

Donald Capelin 1923-



CATTERINA (KATE) CAPELIN

BORN 1890, NEW ITALY, NSW
DIED 1986, SYDNEY, NSW

...1916...

CASINO, NSW

ARTHUR JAMES
HANKINSON

BORN 1886, GRAFTON, NSW
DIED 1954, BALLINA, NSW

Mavis Emma (Hankinson) Raphael
1917-2009

John Frederick Hankinson 1918-1997
Laurie Thomas Hankinson 1920-1989

Keith James Hankinson 1928-2010

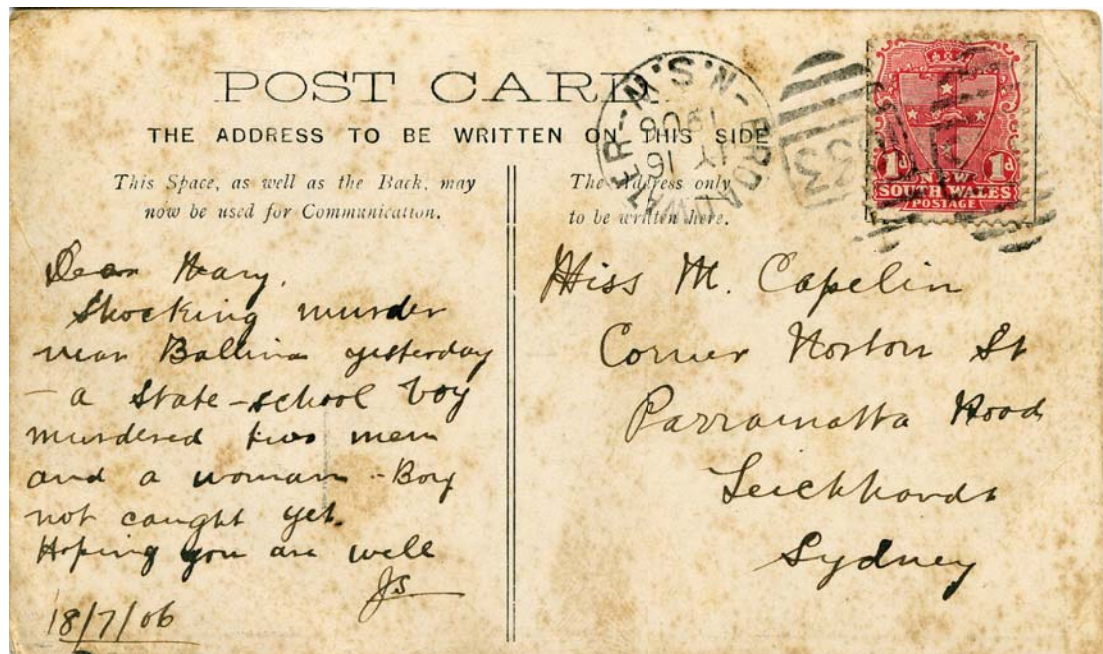
Allan David Hankinson 1931-



DESCENDANT STORIES

NAMES

As is common with migrant families the given names of children quickly became anglicized. Often their original names have only emerged in recent years. Thus Juditta became Julia but was originally Giuditta; Nathaniel became Nat but was born Natale; Spelling also changed, often being misspelt – eg Giuseppe to Guiseppe, Giuditta to Guiditta. Family names were spelt phonetically and often spelt differently in Italy and Australia eg Capelin/Cappellin; Spinaze/Spinazze/Spinace.



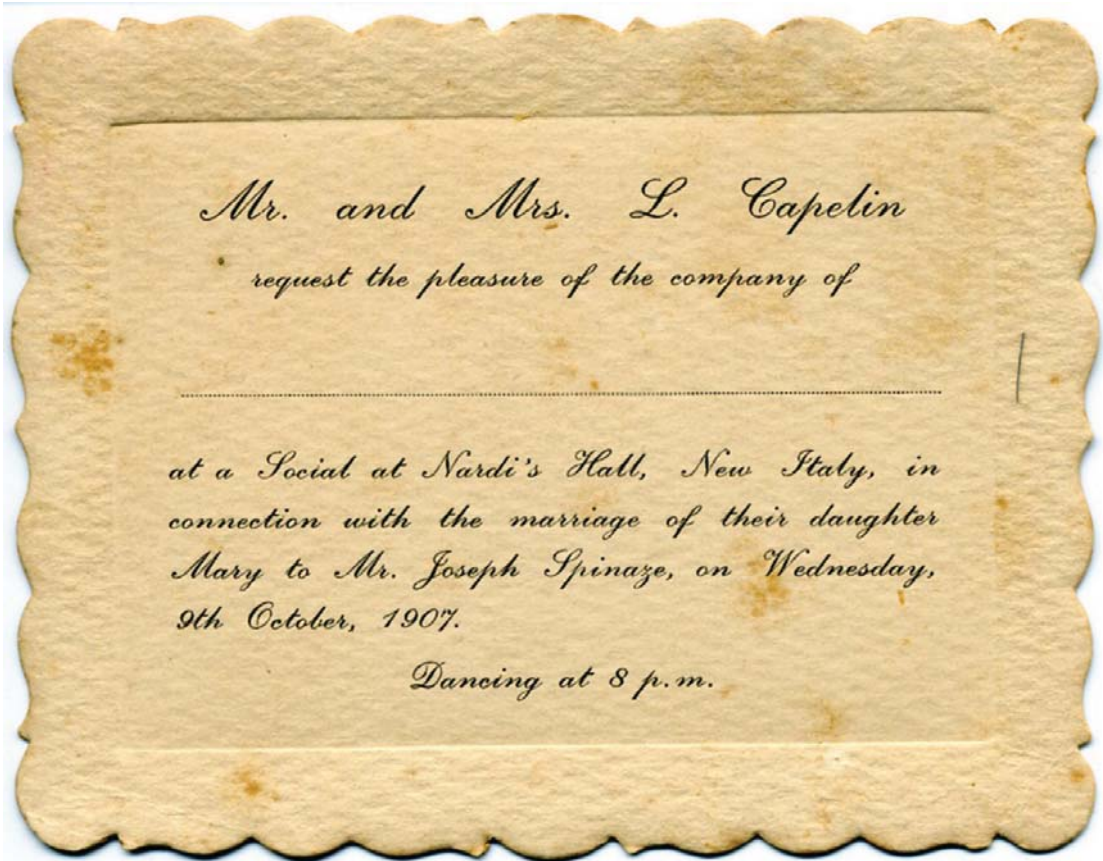
Postcard from Joe Spinaze to Mary Capelin 1906

DOUBLE MARRIAGES

Half sisters Marietta (Maria) Capelin and Maria (Mary) Capelin married Giovanni and Giuseppe (Joseph) Spinaze respectively. Giovanni was uncle to Giuseppe.

Catterina and Lucia Spinaze (daughters of Marietta Capelin) married brothers James and Gordon Hamilton.

Brothers Nat and Lawrence Capelin married Irish sisters Mary and Ellen Kilcoyne.



Invitation to the wedding of Joe Spinaze to Mary Capelin

LAWRENCE AND NAT CAPELIN

By the early 1900s, Lawrence and his older brother Nat headed for Sydney. They were naturals in the fruit and vegetable business and soon had a thriving shop in Norton Street, Leichhardt. Their sisters, Mary and Kate, joined them at Norton Street in 1906. Studio photos of the time show this as a time of bounty for the young siblings. The two brothers married two local Irish sisters in the same church, St Fiacre's, four years apart.



Capelin Siblings in Sydney circa 1906

L to R: Lawrence, Mary and Nat

PETER CAPELIN - QC

(DOMINIC CAPELIN LINE)

Peter Capelin was born in 1938. Educated at St Joseph's College, Hunters Hill, and at the University of Sydney, he was admitted as a solicitor in 1962. He was a Council Member of the New South Wales Bar Association from 1967/68 to 1977/78 and made a Queen's Counsel for New South Wales in 1979. He was an Acting Judge of the Supreme Court of New South Wales 1989/90.

Peter was active in horse racing circles and was Chairman of the Australian Jockey Club 2000/01 and Board Member of the New South Wales TAB 1984-1997.

SPENCER SPINAZE - MBE

(MARY CAPELIN LINE)

Joseph Spencer Spinaze is the youngest child of Joe Spinaze and Mary Spinaze (nee Capelin). Spencer was born in 1924 and lived on the family farm at South Gundurimba until he was 12 when the family moved to Lismore Heights.

In the late 1970s Spencer chaired a committee which planned a 100 year anniversary of the Marquis de Rays' expedition. Following the 1980 Lismore Showground event, Spencer overcame many obstacles to purchase land and build a museum to tell the story of the New Italy settlers. He became the founding President of the New Italy Museum and under his guidance the mud brick buildings which now form part of the complex, were constructed.

In 1982 Spencer was awarded an MBE for Services to the Community and, in 1983, received a Knighthood in the Order of Merit of the Italian Republic for his services to the Italian community.

RAY SPINAZE - SOLICITOR/ENVIRONMENTALIST

(MARY CAPELIN LINE)

Ray was the 2nd child of Mary Capelin and Joe Spinaze. He was dux of Lismore High in 1932. He trained as a solicitor, and practised in Dorrigo 1940-1977. His considerable community service included work for the Dorrigo and then Bellingen Councils. From the 1950s to the 1970s Ray was a member and Chair of the Dorrigo National Park Trust which saved the escarpment from further logging in 1967. This enabled it to be later incorporated into the Gondwana Rainforests World Heritage Area.



Joe Spinaze and his two sons

L to R: Spencer, Joe and Ray Spinaze

REPEATED NAMES

Dominic's line had a fascination with first born names. Dominic's first born was named Stephen Antonio. His son was christened John Stephen and then the next first born was named Stephen John. Lorenzo and Maria had two daughters each named Maria, both of whom, confusingly, became known as Mary. After Lorenzo there are eight boys named Lawrence in the following two generations.

Annetta (Netta) Tome married her cousin Martin Tome and their daughter Marie Louise had a son, Martin, who in turn had a son he named Martin.



Mary Spinaze (nee Capelin) and grandchildren circa 1943

L to R: Raymond Allan (Spinaze), Len (Barnes) and Stewart (Sommerlad)



Marietta Spinaze (nee Perin) and adult children circa 1915

L to R back: Dominic, Angelo and Giuseppe L to R front: Marietta, Lodovico, Theresa and George Edward (George Edward was named to commemorate Empire Day and Queen Victoria's birthday, 1911)

THE SPINAZE/CAPELIN CONNECTION

Marietta (Maria) Capelin (b 1867 Italy) and her half sister Maria (Mary) (b 1886 New Italy) both married Spinazes from different Spinaze families. Marietta married 32 year old widower Giovanni Spinaze in 1885 at the age of 17 at Parramatta, NSW. The family moved to Qld in 1911, had 11 children and resided in Pomona. Maria (Mary) Capelin married Giuseppe (Joe) Spinaze in 1906, had 4 children and died at age 92 years in Lismore.



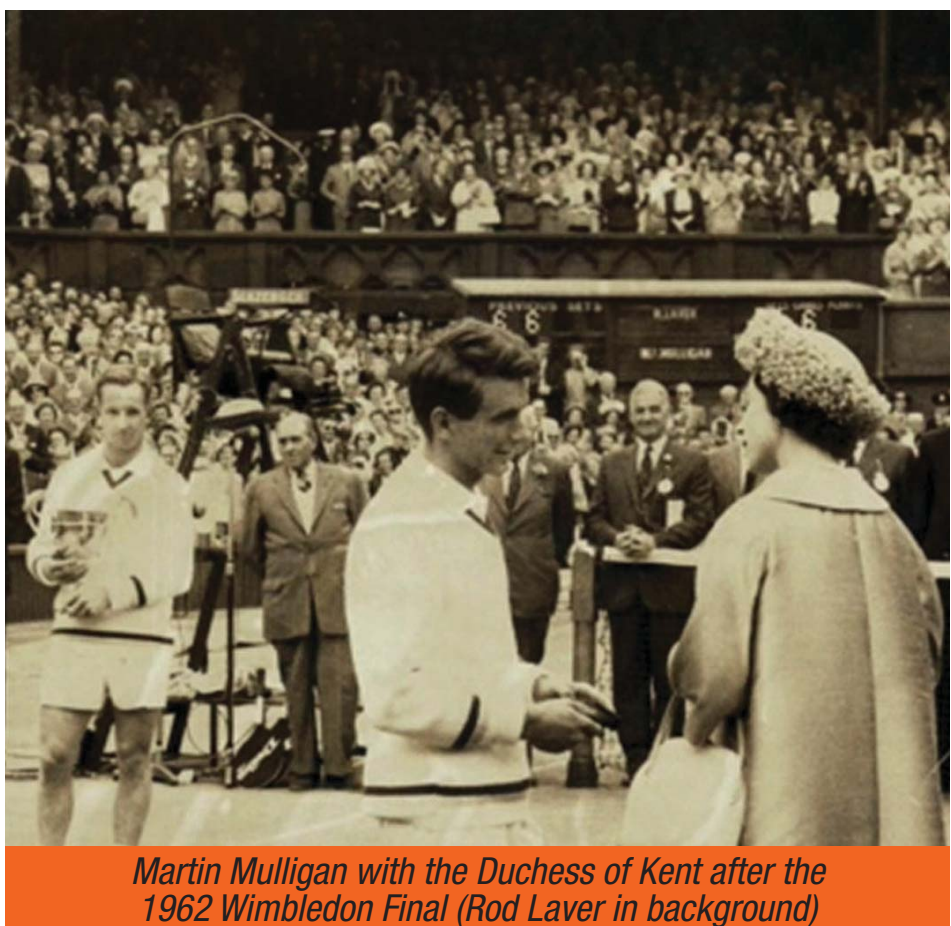
L to R: Mary and Kate

Capelin sisters in Sydney circa 1906

MARTIN MULLIGAN - TENNIS PLAYER

(GREAT GRANDSON - ANNETTA TOME LINE)

Martin was ranked in the world's top 10 in 1962, '63, '65, and '67. At his best he was ranked World No. 3. He spent many years in Italy and coached the Italian Davis Cup Team for ten years. In 1962 he was runner-up to Rod Laver at Wimbledon. "I played Rod Laver many times but in the 1962 Wimbledon singles final he played one of his finest matches. A few weeks earlier in the French Open I had match point on Rod and with one shot could have destroyed his 1962 Grand Slam achievement. However it was not to be" (Martin Mulligan)



Martin Mulligan with the Duchess of Kent after the 1962 Wimbledon Final (Rod Laver in background)

TOME BROS REAL ESTATE

(ANNETTA TOME LINE)

Brothers Gerald and Victor Tome, sons of Annetta (Netta) Tome, established themselves as real estate agents in Rockdale in the southern suburbs of Sydney. The business thrived and traded as Tome (Bros) Real Estate at 93 Railway Street for more than 80 unbroken years from 1928 to 2013. Gerald was still on staff into his 90th year.



Children of Netta and Martin Tome

L to R: Victor, Marguerita, Marie and Gerald

VERN HAMILTON - MOTOR SPORT

(MARIETTA CAPELIN LINE)

Vernon Hamilton (b1941) fell in love with motor racing in his teens and continued to compete into his 70s. His greatest claim to fame was when he was runner-up in the 1972 Australian Formula 2 championship driving an Adelaide built Elfin 600B. He could have won but the final round was in Adelaide and Vern, based in Brisbane and a teacher, was unable to get there. He had led the series for most of the year. He and his wife Elaine would drive through the night each weekend to get to the southern race venues. But for that final race, Adelaide was just too far.



Vernon Hamilton in his CENTAUR CLUBMAN 1967 - 1969

LORENZO'S DECEASED ESTATE

(EXECUTOR - NATALE (NAT) CAPELIN)

Statutory Declaration extract: "..... my said father possessed the sum of sixty pounds in cash at the time of his death and also an old horse and sulky, the total value of which would not be more than twenty pounds..... the total value of his farm assets (for cultivating grapes) was not more than ten pounds. His furniture was not worth more than five pounds."

The value of his land - comprising 95 acres 1 rood in the Parish of Doubleduke, County of Richmond AND 44 acres in the Parish of Donaldson was assessed at 75 pounds. Total assets: 160 pounds. (\$12,000 in 2014 based on CPI Index increases)



The FAMILY ALBUM

PERIN/CAPELIN - LORENZO & CATTERINA

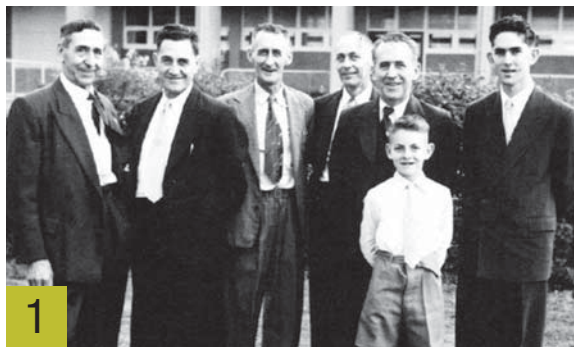
Siblings Marietta (Maria) and Domenico (Dominic) married fellow Italian expeditioners. Between them they had 23 children, none of whom married Italians. They had 57 grandchildren. Both families settled initially in the New Italy district.

Dominic and his family moved to Clunes in 1913 and later to nearby Lismore where he died in 1946. Marietta later moved to Pomona, Qld, with her husband and family. Marietta is buried at Pomona, Qld, as Mary Spinaze.



MARIA LUCIA (MARIETTA)
PERIN/CAPELIN

1. **Spinaze generations circa 1955**
L to R: Tony, Joe, Dominic, George Edward, Angelo, John (front) and Murray
2. **The family of Catterina Hamilton (nee Capelin) circa 1940s**
L to R back: Clarence, Eileen, John, Mabel and Stanley
L to R front: Ethel, James Hamilton, Catterina (Catherine) Hamilton (nee Spinaze) and Catherine
3. **L to R: Leo and William Bull, Angelo Spinaze and Giovanni Spinaze circa 1928**
4. **Maria's descendants, Woodburn 2005**



DOMENICO (DOMINIC) PERIN/CAPELIN

1. **Dominic Capelin's children circa 1935**
L to R: Marjorie McGuire (nee Capelin), Arthur McGuire, Irene, Marie, Angelina and Stephen
2. **Blended generations circa 1923**
L to R back: Step brothers Dominic Capelin (crouching) and John Tome
L to R front: Dominic's children Ernest, Angelina, and Stephen (white coat)
3. **Dominic's descendants, Woodburn 2005**



TOME - GIOVANNI & MARIA

All three Tome children were born in Italy. Around 1906, John Tome moved west to Inverell, NSW. His family continues to have strong ties there. Annetta Tome and her family became Sydney based. They produced 29 children and many grandchildren.

Theresa (Tome) Duffy's family spent 15 years in Sydney at Thornleigh, then moved to Kurrajong in the Windsor District, north-west of Sydney. Duffy descendants still reside there.



GIACOMO (JOHN) TOME

1. **John and Giuditta (Julia) Tome (nee Mellare)**
2. **Sons Frank and Mark Tome who died as WWII POWs**
3. **Daughters Mary, Bridget and Emma Tome circa 1916**
4. **John (far right) and Giuditta (Julia) Tome (nee Mellare) (left) with descendants**



TERESA TOME

1. **Four generations of the Tome Family circa 1943**
L to R back: Theresa Duffy (nee Tome), Lil Dawson (nee Duffy)
L to R front: Maria Capelin (nee Lucon/Tome), Margaret Dawson



ANNETTA (NETTA) TOME

1. **Martin and Netta Tome with sons Gerald (left) and Victor (right) circa 1901**
2. **Gerald (left), and Victor (right), with their Uncle Peter (centre)**
3. **Tome Bros. Fruiterers, Annandale, NSW. Martin Tome (far right)**
4. **Tome family gathering**
L to R: Marion Cameron (nee Tome), siblings Gerald, Rita and Gina Tome, Charlotte Tome (nee Marshall), Alan Cameron, Donald Cameron (child), John Bryant and Geraldine Bryant (nee Tome)



CAPELIN - LORENZO & MARIA

Four of the five Australian born children married outside the Italian community. Mary married Joe Spinaze, an expeditioner who travelled to Australia as an infant.

These five families initially had strong ties with the Richmond River area; some have continuing ties. Between the five they produced 17 children and 34 grandchildren.



NATALE (NAT) CAPELIN

1. **Capelin Siblings in Sydney circa 1906**
L to R: Lawrence, Mary and Nat
2. **Nat and Mary on their wedding day 1909**



LORENZO (LAWRENCE)
CAPELIN

1. **Lawrence and Ellen's children**
L to R: Esma, Cyril, Rita, Lawrence and Kevin circa 1980
2. **Lawrence Capelin and family circa 1943**
L to R back: Nat, Cyril and Lawrence Capelin
L to R front: Esma Gahan (nee Capelin), Rita Capelin, Ellen Capelin (nee Kilcoyne) with Gahan children Vincent, Norman, Robert and Stephen
3. **Lawrence's descendants, Woodburn 2005**



MARIA (MARY) CAPELIN

1. **Joe and Mary with children**
L to R: Spencer, Laurie May (Laurie), Vera Adeline and Ray
2. **Joe and Mary**
3. **Mary Spinaze (nee Capelin) and grandchildren circa 1943**
L to R: Raymond Allan (Spinaze), Len (Barnes) and Stewart (Sommerlad)
4. **Mary and Kate Capelin circa 1906**
5. **Mary's descendants, Woodburn 2005**



GIOVANNI (JOHN) CAPELIN

1. **Lorenzo, Maria and John circa 1901**
2. **John and Ida Capelin (nee McKenzie) 1919**
3. **John's descendants, Woodburn 2005** Kenneth Capelin and wife Doreen Chant



CATTERINA (KATE) CAPELIN

1. **Kate's wedding 1916** Back centre: John Capelin
L to R front: Ida McKenzie, Arthur Hankinson, Kate Capelin, Angelina Capelin
2. **Kate and Arthur Hankinson and Family circa 1947**
L to R: Keith (James) Hankinson, Arthur Hankinson, Lawrence Hankinson, Mavis Hankinson Raphael, Allan Hankinson, Kate Hankinson (nee Capelin), Jack Hankinson
3. **Three Girls in white** L to R: Elsie, Kate Capelin and Ida McKenzie circa 1916
4. **Kate's descendants, Woodburn 2005** L to R: Allan Raphael (son of Mavis Hankinson), Renee Raphael, Enid Hankinson and Allan Hankinson, unknown

