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Mission: Our aim is to encourage and assist those with Jewish ancestry to research their family histories.

Update: In 2005 activities were held on both sides of the harbour to accommodate as many members as possible resulting in most activities being well attended. Through the year we hosted some excellent speakers including Diane Armstrong, Michael Abrams-Sprod, Rosemary Block, John Goldberg and Michael Taub whose topics ranged through Researching in Europe, Sephardi and Hungarian Resources and Oral History. Attendances at the monthly workshops were popular with special topics at some of the workshops being How to Use Mormon Records and a Report on the Annual IAJGS conference. In November, our major event for 2005, Gen-Expo 2005, was organised in conjunction with the Sydney Jewish Museum and attracted over 100 people. The program included Tours of the Museum's permanent and temporary exhibitions, Special Interest Sessions, Resources and Research Advice from experienced members, Internet Research facilities available and access to the Museum Library's significant Holocaust collection.