

Preparing images for use in TMG

Presentation to the Canberra
TMG Users Group
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What is our aim?

- Store an “exhibit” as part of our genealogical records
- Prepare an image suitable for screen or printer
- Images of an appropriate size for TMG
- An image file which is future-proof!



Sources of Images

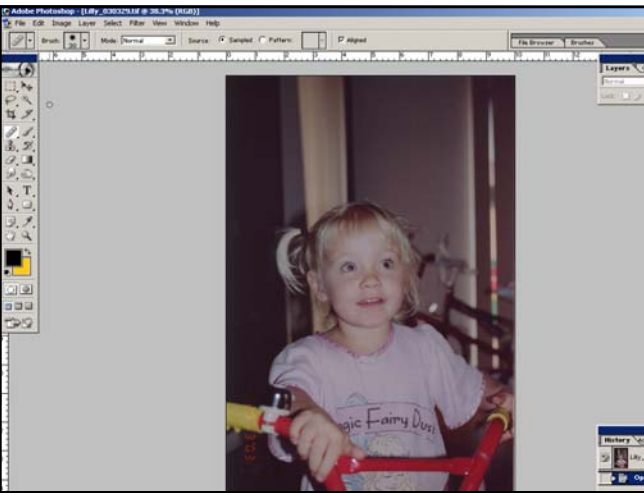
- Scanned photos
 - From within TMG
 - From other applications
- Digital camera input
- Files from the internet or other genealogist

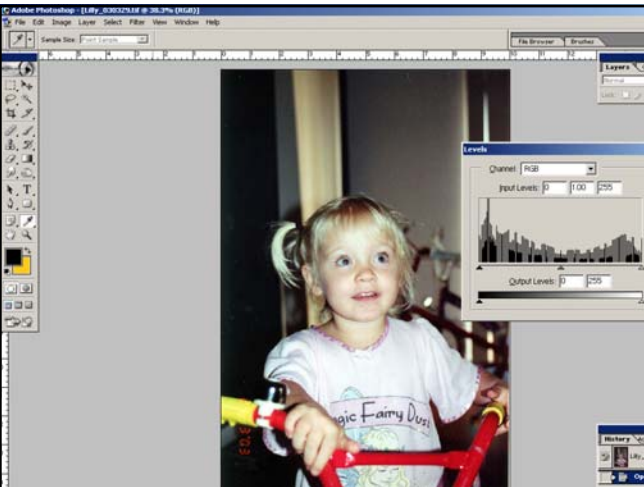


Steps in preparing an image for TMG



- Correcting colour

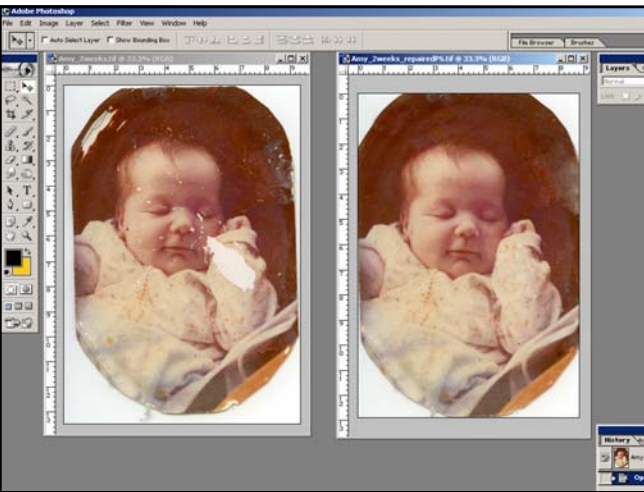




Steps in preparing an image for TMG



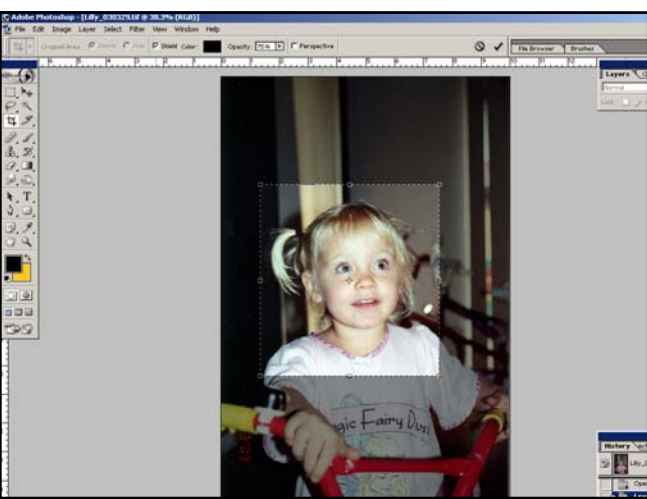
- Correcting colour
- Fixing faults in the image



Steps in preparing an image for TMG



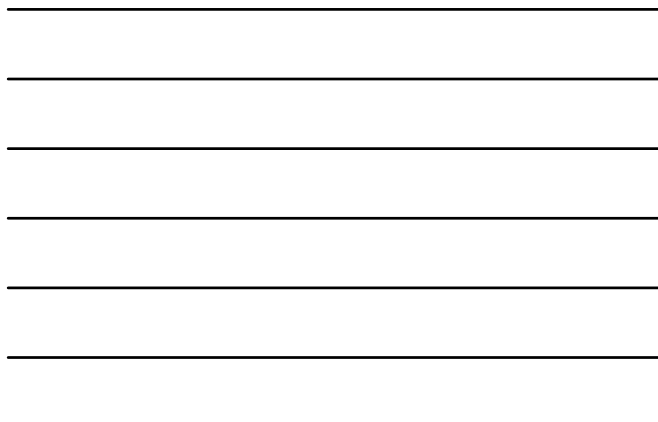
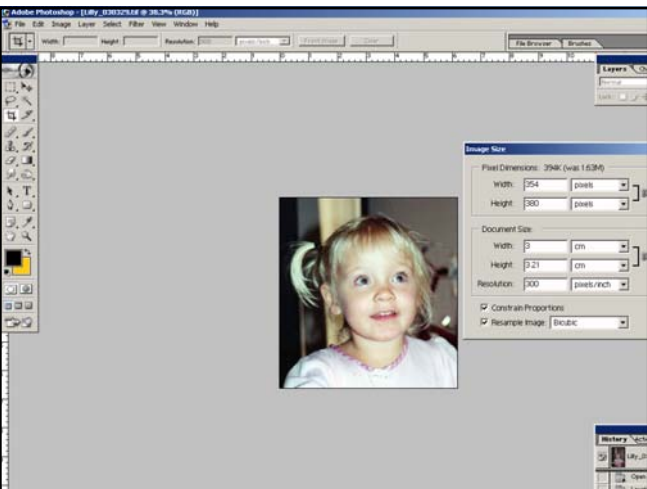
- Correcting colour
- Fixing faults in the image
- Cropping



Steps in preparing an image for TMG



- Correcting colour
- Fixing faults in the image
- Cropping
- Resizing



Decisions before putting exhibits into TMG



- Exhibits can be stored against any event
- They can be stored **internally** – takes more space, but file is stored with TMG
- They can be stored **externally** – allows sharing with other applications, but backup isn't automatic

Putting them into TMG



- Selecting a file

File Edit View Add Job Report View Tools Help

Person Family

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Reference		Reference	
Children		Children	1
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Tag Entry

Tag type Graduation

Principal 1 Shane Michael BAKER Primary name

Principal 0 Primary name

Basic Citations (1) Other witnesses (1)

Date: 02 May 2000 Place: Australian

Sort date: 02 May 2000 Address: Australian National University

Memo: Master of Management (Industry Strategy) studied at the National Institute of Education School of Management.

City: Canberra

Country: Australia

State: Australian Capital Territory

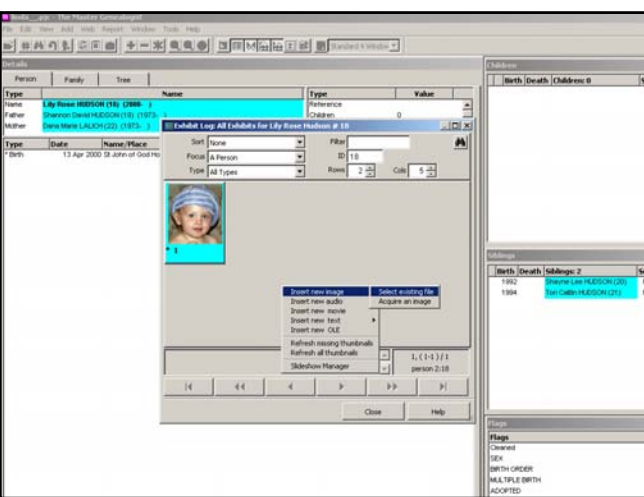
Postal: Phone:

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First citation: [4 Baker, Shane's personal knowledge [3, 3-3]]

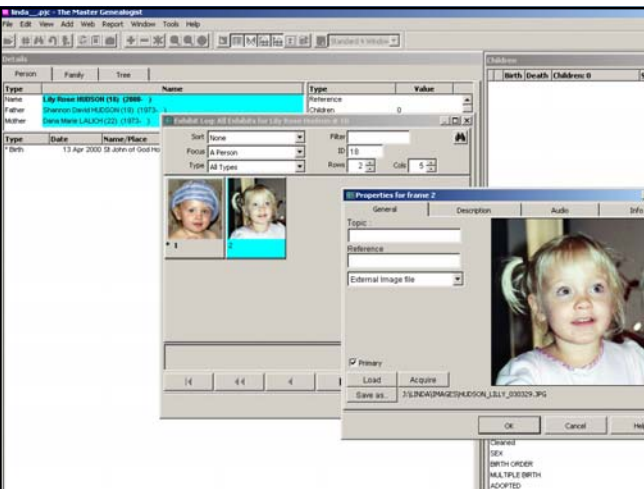
First witness: Linda PEARSON (PRL) 09 Oct 1951

Sentence: OK Cancel Help



Putting them into TMG

- Selecting a file
- Choosing the primary.



Points to remember



- Never work on an original file - always **save as** first!
- Use **standard file formats** - avoid BMP, GIF, etc.
- **Backup** files - on quality media!
- Avoid **technological obsolescence** - make new copies regularly.
- PhotoShop *isn't* the only game in town. Eg: **PhotoShop Elements, The GIMP**, etc.

Questions – Comments?