

## NEW ZEALAND SOCIETY OF GENEALOGISTS

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**MEETINGS** are held at Marlborough Park Hall, Chartwell Ave. Glenfield.**Day Meetings:** 1pm – 3-30pm: First Monday of the month, February to December**Night Meetings:** 7-30pm– 9.30pm: Third Tuesday of the month February to November**COMMITTEE****Convenor****Secretary**

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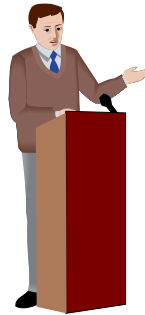
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**North Shore Branch Resource Room** at

Marlborough Park Hall is open on

Wednesday and Friday from 1pm – 3pm.

**On Monday meeting days** it will open at 12-30pm:**On Tuesday meeting nights** it will open at 6-45pm**SPEAKERS CALENDAR****1<sup>st</sup> August 2011 – Day Meeting**

Speaker – Michael Higgins

Subject – “Family Search Now and Into the Future”

**16<sup>th</sup> August – Night Meeting**

Speaker – John Elsbury

Subject – “A Brief Overview of Edwardian Postcards”

**5<sup>th</sup> September 2011 – Day Meeting**

Speaker – Christina McTaggart

Subject – “Tale of War-time Horror”

**20<sup>th</sup> September 2011 – Night Meeting**

Speaker – Kelly Lowe

Subject – “Birkenhead Glenfield Cemetery Project”

**3<sup>rd</sup> October 2011 – Day Meeting**

Speaker – Members

Subject – “Questions &amp; Answers; Tips and suggestions”

**18<sup>th</sup> October 2011**

RESEARCH EVENING

With a Scottish Flavour

Further Speaker information page 2.

**Monday, 1 August:**

Mike Higgins is the Area Family History Support Manager, Family History Department – Family Search. He will be reviewing the website, talking about the vault in Utah, Salt Lake City (where all the master copies of the microfilm and digital images are stored), and talking about some future considerations.

**Tuesday, 16 August:**

John Elsbury: "A brief overview of Edwardian Postcards" - the history of postcards; types of postcards and related ephemera; what we can learn from them; sources; and major UK and NZ postcard publishers.

**Monday, 5 September:**

Christina McTaggart: "Tale of War-Time Horror".

Christina, originally from Singapore, was born in a Japanese prisoner-of-war camp and will share her story of being the first baby to survive in Fuji-go, a resettlement camp in what was then Malaya in 1943 by the Japanese military authorities.

**Tuesday, 20 September:**

Kelly Lowe: "Birkenhead Glenfield Cemetery Project"

Kelly is a volunteer for the Birkenhead Northcote Glenfield Community Facilities Trust who is undertaking the restoration project. She will talk about the background to some of the people in the cemetery, and how the restoration work is being carried out.

**Monday, 3 October:**

"Questions and Answers; Tips and Suggestions"

Bring along your "brick walls" and ways and means to pull them down.

**Tuesday, 18 October:**

Research Evening with a Scottish flavour.

Resources from our own collection plus Pam Hamlyn will be there to answer queries on your Scottish research.

**FROM THE LIBRARY****.NEW CD**

1861 Census Flegg, Norfolk area.

Kelly's Directory of Suffolk 1937, towns & people

Parish Records for Stock Harvard, Essex

View Battle, Sussex area 1891 Census

Explore White's Directory of Hampshire 1878 traders & professionals.

**NEW BOOK**

A Golden Opportunity – Conference Proceedings Dunedin 2011

**Auckland City Library Family History Lunchtime Series.**

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 12noon – 1pm

Speaker is our Branch member Colleen Petricivich

Subject – Finding your Croatian Roots.

To book please phone 09-307-7771

**DUNEDIN FAMILY HISTORY GROUP  
July 2011**

Notes from June meeting – page 2  
It's all in a name – page 6  
Some Genealogical notes – page 7  
Kaikorai School ex-pupils – page 9  
Copyright – what does it mean – page 10

At our last day meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> July somebody left a box of magazines in the hallway. If these belong to you would you be kind enough to collect them as soon as possible, the amount of storage space we have in the library is very limited.

**FAMILY TREE MAGAZINE  
August 2011**

Finding your way back to Ireland – page 12  
Ancestors at work – the Firemen – page 18  
Working wives – page 22  
Discover textile ancestors- Clothing times – page 24  
Journey online into the garden of England – page 28  
Catastrophe & Conflict – The gift of life – page 38  
Trace British roots on Family Search – page 46  
Turnpikes and toll collectors – page 50  
Whys & wherefores of illegitimacy – page 58  
19<sup>th</sup> Century sources – page 72  
Wartime 'census' The UK National Register – page 78



The past-up group has two new people in the group, Gillian Wadham and Jill Williams – welcome to them both. They join Janice Morris, Jacki Walles and Gwen Wells who have almost finished pasting the 2010 “Herald” death notices; the births are complete and the index is about to be printed. Now that Sally Going has “mastered” the new photocopy machine, copying of 2010 is almost half finished. Thanks to this very dedicated team.

**FAMILY HISTORY MONTH IN AUGUST** – see Library Website

**FAMILY HISTORY FAIR 26/27 August** Claudlands Event Centre  
Hamilton [www.familyhistoryfair.org.nz](http://www.familyhistoryfair.org.nz)

For more information see Notice Board

**OTHER BRANCH NEWSLETTERS**

**Kilbirnie Branch** newsletter for July has an interesting article from 2 of their members from Salt Lake City. Also practical advice about taking care of family material.

**Hutt Valley News & Views**

Accounts of the 1848 and 1855 Earthquakes in Wellington



Progress Report: Monumental Transcription Project  
North Shore Memorial Park, Schnapper Rock Road Cemetery.

A small team of volunteers have been working on this NZSG project at Schnapper Rock Road Cemetery. The work involves recording the exact location of each headstone or plaque, recording the surname[s] and initials of those buried and taking a clear digital photo of it. The list of names are matched with the appropriate photographs, then using the photograph, all the information from the monumental inscription is entered on computer. This information will then be submitted to the NZSG Project Manager to be indexed and eventually made available for researchers.

A few of us meet at Schnapper Rock Cemetery each Tuesday morning for a couple of hours, weather permitting! We have found that cleaning headstones/plaques if necessary, holding back shrubbery to get a good clear photo/ recording names and location is more enjoyable and rewarding when working in small groups of 2 or 3 people. Also allocating a specific time slot each week, means we have been able to make steady progress through the various sections of the cemetery. Other volunteers prefer to work, usually in pairs, at variable times that better suit themselves. In these instances, they arrange to work in specific sections of the cemetery so that there is no accidental overlap or duplication.

To date, we have been working in the Central Division enclosed within the larger ring road surrounding the crematorium and chapel office, and in Block 6 which is adjacent to Schnapper Rock Road and to the right of the main entrance. We estimate this represents about half of the cemetery currently in use. We have yet to make any significant start on recording the monumental inscriptions of those who have been cremated and have had plaques placed on each brick of the curved walls beside the chapel. There are probably as many individual plaques here as there are burial plots in the whole cemetery. At least this area is paved [i.e.. dry] under foot and sheltered from the wind.

Of course, each week there are additional burials and cremations. Ideally we hope to finish this project as soon as possible and present it as 'complete'.... as at a certain date.

If there are others within our NZSG group who are able to volunteer some time, either at the cemetery or doing computer entry work at home....we would greatly appreciate your help. This could mean volunteering on a regular basis or for short specific periods at a time that suits you. You can join an existing group or make your own arrangements.

If you can help us speed up the completion of this project, please contact Sheryl Pawson. [sapawson@hotmail.com](mailto:sapawson@hotmail.com) or 4795351

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**NIGHT CLASSES FOR BEGINNERS**

We have had an expression of interest regarding beginner classes in the evening. If this would interest you please phone – Peter Cross phone 483-7232.