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I enjoyed Dr Jo Appleby who spoke about identifying Richard 111, whose bones were found in a car park in Leceister. They were able to trace a living descendant through Richard's sister Anne of York who was known to have progeny. The match was found in America, but word is out that there is a New Zealand match as well.

No, it's not me!

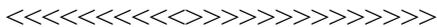
This DNA is known as Mitochondrial DNA and is carried through the female line. There was a special deal going for \$129. I didn't try it myself but stood and watched while other women were being tested. They were asked to bite on the inside of their cheek for a minute to loosen the cells before sweeping a flat toothbrush around to gather those cells. Results will show the migration of your maternal line and what nationality they were.

I also attended the Y Strand DNA talk by Gail Riddell. Y DNA is inherited intact from father to son. In 2000 a company was started called FamilytreeDNA which deals with genetic genealogy. Results will show proof of originating area 2000 years ago. Anyone here traced their family tree back 2000 years?

The reading shows evidence at certain markers. Once the most popular was a 36 marker reading but then the 67 became available and now you can have a Y111 reading. This can be updated at a reduced cost for up to 25 years.

What these markers show are haplogroups. The most common being R1b which originated in Africa with a male called Adam. His progeny spread through Spain, Ireland and the North of Scotland.

This is genealogy of the future and who knows what further surprises DNA holds.



NZ Birth death marriage Historical Site

Once you have the year of the event keep cutting down the from/to dates. e.g search 1 Jan -30 June, if it appears then try 1 Jan- 30 April and so forth. You will eventually narrow it down to the exact date. Remember the year given is the year the event was registered. If the event occurred near the end of the year it could have been registered in the next year.?



Websites

U.S. GenWeb - (<http://www.usgenweb.com/>) Many U.S. genealogy records are maintained at the local (county) level, and here is where U.S. GenWeb really shines. This free, all-volunteer project hosts free data and research for virtually every U.S. county.

http://genealogy.about.com/od/france/a/french_ancestry.htm

Beginner's Guide to French Genealogy

<http://www.whitcoulls.co.nz/history>—the history of Whitcoulls (Whitcomb & Tombs—booksellers) 130 years old

www.albookrestorer.com—book repairs, restoration

www.trove.nla.gov.au-Australian resources, books, images, newspapers, maps etc

www.familytreeassociation.org/

This is the website of the English Family Tree Association.

Has an abbreviation list and a list of old occupations
x Stratford Branch

Trade Me Community Genealogy

<http://paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/cgi-bin/paperspast>

.King Country Chronicle (1906-1920)

.Mount Ida Chronicle (1869-1926)

.Oamaru Mail (1876-1920)

.Timaru Herald (1901-1920)

researchservice@genealogy.org.nz NZSG Research

Services – amazing service given by Elaine Bell & team

www.yorkshire-opc.org.uk Online Parish clerk

Ancestry.com Outard passenger list 1890 – 1960 leaving UK ports for destinations outside Europe.

Pallotts marriage index for England 1780 – 1837

Survey maps of England, Scotland, Wales, first published 1896 - 1904 Updated West Yorkshire Non Conformist list 1646- 1837



Rhonda Wilson

Family History Fair, 2---4 August Manukau, Auckland.

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Three members of NZDF (NZ Defence Force) attended the Fair, arriving on the Friday morning to set up and be ready for 9.00am when the schools came through. Presentations were made to the students with some wonderful tips being given at the one presentation I listened to. What was suggested that when you have a shipping list, this can lead you further by looking through the list and seeing if there is a ship's diary for someone listed?

Look at this, as it could give you a greater picture of what the journey was like. On a military file a unit is listed, then research the unit to find out more about the conditions and you may even find out more about your relative.

Find a Soldiers Will

Search a soldier's will.

Search for the will of a soldier who died while serving in the British armed forces between 1850 1986

1. First World War soldiers' undelivered letters home come to light at last.
2. Letters judged unsuitable to give to families were stored with dead soldiers' wills and have now been made available online.
3. Soldiers about to go off to war were asked to write their wills and a letter to next of kin. Some letters innocently betrayed too many details, eg date when a regiment due to be moved to the front, or displayed faltering morale, so were censored and stored with their wills, and not posted to loved ones/ next of kin.
4. The wills rarely specify more than "all my possessions" but the letters fill out the picture. Thousands of these letters judged equally unsuitable can now be read for the first time by descendants of the soldiers.
5. The last letters have resurfaced among 278,000 First World War English and Welsh soldiers' wills – those of

officers and Scottish and Irish Soldiers are archived separately – at Iron Mountain, a high-security storage centre on the outskirts of Birmingham. Search the index online at: <https://www.probaterearch.service.gov.uk/> and then pay a statutory £6 fee for a copy of any will (and associated letters, official envelopes recording Date and cause of death stored with it).

You will need (minimum) the Soldier's Last Name and Year of Death. The advanced search allows optional entry of First Name, Month of Death, Day of Death, and Regimental number. There is a write up about this new service in the Guardian (online) article (29 Aug 2013): <http://www.theguardian.com/world/2013/aug/29/first-world-war-soldiers-letters>

Kiwi Soldiers' Diaries to go online

Archives New Zealand and the National Library will soon make World War I memorabilia available to view online. The diaries, photographs and records of thousands of New Zealand soldiers are being placed online to mark the centenary of World War I. [Projects to commemorate the 100-year anniversary of World War I include:](#)

- Archives New Zealand publishing online the regimental diaries and personnel files of every person who served in the First World War.
- The Alexander Turnbull Library making about 28,000 pages from soldiers' diaries and private letters available online.
- Seventy hours of oral history from World War I Veterans available online at the Alexander Turnbull Library. Wartime editions of newspapers are being added to the Papers Past website.
- War era photographs from the Turnbull collection are being made available online.
- Digitization of World War I era sheet music from the Turnbull collection. Dominion Post 29 Aug (abridged)
Thanks to Hutt Valley Branch

Internal Affairs Minister Chris Tremain announced today that priceless World War One collections at Archives New Zealand and the National Library are being made available online to all New Zealanders.

<https://nz.news.yahoo.com/a/-/technology/18700855/world-war-one-experience-at-the-touch-of-a-button/>