



**New Zealand Society of
Genealogists
NELSON BRANCH
OCTOBER 2016 newsletter**



Early Settlers - Port
Nelson

Our monthly meetings are at Smith's Hall, corner Waimea & Quarantine Roads Annesbrook on the **4th Monday** of the month **February to November** at 7.30pm. except for **June, July and August** which will be on **Sundays** at 2pm.

Door charge **GOLD COIN DONATION**.

Our postal address is NZSG Nelson Branch, P O Box 1879, NELSON 7140

Our e-mail address is Nelson@genealogy.org.nz Please note this has changed.

Our Branch Library **Ancestors Attic** is at 67 Trafalgar Street.

**Next Meeting: Monday 24 October at 7.30pm at Smith's Hall Annesbrook
Publishing Family Stories - Dave McManus from Copy Press
NB we are back to Monday evening meetings**

The 2015/2016 NZSG Nelson Branch committee is:
Please contact any of the committee for questions & suggestions

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Hi everybody
Just reminding you that Branch subscriptions for the next year are due by the end of this month. As Treasurer I have been very pleased by the number of subs we have received to date i.e. about 60%. It is also great to note the proportion that have been paid through Internet banking which makes my job a lot easier and also saves you the postage. You can hand your sub in at the Attic as well.
Regards
Barbara

Programme for 2016

Date	Speaker and Topic details
Monday October 24	Publishing Family Stories - Dave McManus from Copy Press
Sunday November 27	Mystery Walking tour starting at Miller's Acre. Coffee to follow at the Attic

Ancestors Attic, Duty Roster

Sunday	2 - 4 pm			Mondays 1pm - 4pm
Oct 16	Gordon McIndoe	TBA 13	Kevin Ryan?	Cheryl Carnahan
Oct 23	Sandra Marris	Nov 20	Sandra Marris?	Thursday 10am - 4pm
Oct 30	Bob McFadden	Nov 27	Closed	Cynthia Stratford's Team
Nov 6	Judith Fitchett	Dec 4	Barbara Wells	

NB Attic Closures

The Attic will be closed on Monday 24th October which is Labour day and on Sunday November 27 which is the Branch's Christmas 'party'.

Christmas Holidays - The Attic will be closed from 19 Dec 2016 to 11 Jan 2017.
Reopening Thursday Jan 12, 10-4pm.

Sales Table

Please remember the Sales Table at Branch meetings and bring some spare cash just in case there is something on it that you may wish to purchase.

Books for Sale

The branch is selling the following books

100 years on the Hill 1912-2012 St Mary's Catholic Church and School Kaikorai

Soft Cover. Book Condition: Very Good. First Edition. 288p with illustrations and short biographies, the records and personal reminiscences of this parish in Dunedin and its school. Book as new.

\$30.00

People of the Bay Genealogy Conference Hastings 17-19 May 1991. \$2.00.

History of the Akaroa Parish 1851-1951 The First Hundred Years \$10.00.

The Medical Directory 1955 . Two vols A-L and M-Z. Covers England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland and Universities, Colleges, Medical Schools, Hospitals and miscellaneous information. Large books.

\$10.00

Cheryl is happy to post anywhere in NZ and anyone can buy them. . See Cheryl Carnahan who is selling on behalf of the Nelson Branch. Ph. 5447684 or email carnahan@kinect.co.nz

Library - Ancestors Attic

The Library is open

Sundays 2 - 4

Mondays 1 - 4

Thursdays 10 - 4

Recent Acquisitions

WORLD WAR I COMMEMORATIVE PROJECT Soldiers of Nelson

Tasman all in bookcase 07, reference.

HAMMOND G J 6/247, HARKNESS CD 8/4063, HARKNESS D E 37707,

HARKNESS NS 8/4063, HARKNESS N P 2/2838, JENNINGS A C 6/1887 all reference, all Bookcase 07.

The Hall – Puramahoi 1912 and the people who built it by Pat Timings. Bookcase 02. Loan, donated by Cheryl Carnahan, Main families Page, Ives, Marshall, McPherson, Holwood, Timings, Ward-Holmes, Soper, James, Roil, Walker, Richardson, Flowers. Classification **NZ.TAS.LH.COLL**

Anglican Parish Registers CD ask for look up.

Motueka Bapt 1978-1988, Blenheim burials 1985, Blenheim Confirmations 1962-1982, Richmond Burials 1956-2008

The New Zealand Genealogist August 2016 Bookcase 01 loan.

John Charles HAWKES and Edith Mildred MYTTON about the Kawkes and Mytton families, Loan, Donated by Jack Hawkes, Bookcase 04, Classification **NZ.FH.HAWKES**

Hawkes Family Letters, Dovedale Area, Loan, Donated by Jack Hawkes, Bookcase 04, Classification **NZ.FH.HAWKES**

Funeral Sheets item 21, 22, 23. Reference Bookcase 04.

Norfolk Ancestor journal 2014-2016, Loan, Donated Lois Moreland. Bookcase 12.

Kent Family History Journal 2014-2016, Loan, Donated Lois Moreland. Bookcase 12.

Those Were the Days 1940's and Those Were the Days 1950's, Loan Bookcase 02.

The Nelson Girls Collegian Magazine Vol 29, reference, Donated by Jenny Crooks, Napier, Bookcase 11.

Family Tree magazine June and July 2016 Bookcase 01 loan.

Huddersfield & District Family History Society Jan 2013 and June 2016. Loan Bookcase 12, donated by Cheryl Carnahan.



Onward Project



Fair Dinkum Publications are specialists in New Zealand Military History. The Onward Project seeks to locate and publish a photograph of every member of the New Zealand Expeditionary Force who served overseas during the First World War 1914 - 18. These photographs are collated into volumes, with each volume containing around 4100 images. Each image is captioned with the name and service number of the individual, plus a reference to the source of the photo.

Work on Volume Four of Onward continues apace. They have now indexed almost 27,000 photographs, published 12,000 and have processed the next 1500 for inclusion in the next volume. Still a way to go, so please spread the word!

They have written a short blog entry on the subject of numbers who served overseas in the New Zealand Expeditionary Force. Click the link below for details.

<http://www.fairdinkumbooks.com/blog>

PAPERS PAST A helpful hint thanks to the New Plymouth newsletter.

Don't forget before you copy the article to turn off the highlighting (the little yellow button in the top right of the article), this makes for a better view of the article. Also you may find it easier to view the whole page and then take your copy from there. After reading the copyright terms, it appears there is nothing that applies to the use of most of the newspaper items covered by Papers Past in that it refers to newspapers of the 19th and early 20th century being out of copyright.

Taking your tree back to the early 1700s Tips by the Federation Of Family History Societies

Last month I e-mailed this article out to members. One of our members, Jean Coulthard, has sent in a comment on this. Thank you Jean it is always good to get input from members.

I was very pleased to see the article sent by the Federation of Family History Societies about accessing earlier records to "grow your tree back into the 1700s" and earlier. The list of sources to try is excellent but I feel the difficulties are rather glossed over.

I have had some experience of using early Parish Records, old wills and Manorial Records. But for all these a bit of Latin is needed and both the words and the writing can be difficult. However, if people are going to the UK the County Record Offices staff are generally very helpful and should be able to decipher it for you. Anyway it is well worth giving it a go! - Jean Coulthard

ScotlandsPeople Website

ScotlandsPeople has launched its new look website. As part of the most extensive upgrade to the service since 2010, users will be able to search statutory record indexes including birth, death and marriage certificates for free for the first time. Users will now only be charged if they wish to view or download a record image. The new site also features an improved web design which allows customers to access ScotlandsPeople across digital devices, and an enhanced search function which allows them to locate and view records with greater ease.

You can search the indexes free of charge and use pay-per-view to view and download digital images of the records you find. The indexes cover birth, death and marriage registers, census returns, church registers, valuation rolls and legal records (like wills and testaments and coats of arms).

Credits cost £0.25 each and are available in batches of 30 (£7.50) or 40 (£10) from the [buy credits page](#). The number of credits and costs of digital images for the different record types are as follows:

- Statutory registers of births (older than 100 years), marriages (older than 75 years) and deaths (older than 50 years) cost 6 credits (£1.50)
- Census returns and church registers of births and baptisms, marriages, deaths and burials and other events cost 6 credits (£1.50)
- Valuation rolls cost 2 credits (£0.50)
- Wills and testaments (including soldiers' and airmen's wills) cost 10 credits (£2.50) - this is the cost of the entire document, which is usually two or three pages, but can be more than 100 pages long
- Military Service Appeals Tribunal records cost 20 credits (£5.00) - this is the cost of the entire document which is usually about three or four pages long but can be much longer.
- Coats of Arms (entries from the Public Register of All Arms and Bearings in Scotland) costs 40 credits .

All credits are valid for two years and will expire at the end of two years unless further credits are purchased in that time.

Website Updates

FindMyPast

- British Army Casualty Lists 1939-1945
- British Army, Worldwide Index 1851
- The Shipwrecked Passenger Book: Sailing Westbound from Europe for the Americas 1817-1875
- City Of London, Gunmakers' Company Freedoms and Admissions, 1656-1936
- London Post Office Directories 1842, 1851 and 1861
- Westminster, Poor Law and Parish Administration
- Ireland, Catholic Qualification & Convert Rolls 1701-1845
- Ireland Merchant Navy Crew Lists 1863-1921
- Ireland, Original Will Registers 1858-1920
- Valuation Office Books, 1848-1860
- United States, Early American Families
- United States, Early American Vital Records
- United States, Transatlantic Migration
- United States, Connecticut Town Vitals, The Barbour Collection

Ancestry UK and Ireland

- A List of Emigrants from England to America, 1682-1692, 1718-1759
- Newcastle upon Tyne, Electoral Registers, 1741-1974
- Oxfordshire Parish Registers
- Glasgow Electoral Registers, 1857-1962
- France, Paris & Vicinity, France, Select Electoral Rolls, 1900-1932
- Palermo, Italy, Termini Imerese Civil Registration (Tribunale), 1862-1910
- Netherlands, Limburg Province, Certificates of Nationality, 1860-1913
- Friesland Province, Netherlands, Civil Registration, 1811-1950
- Puerto Rico, Records of Foreign Residents, 1815-1845
- South Africa, Church of the Province of South Africa, Parish Registers, 1801-2004
- USA, Pennsylvania, Prison, Reformatory, and Workhouse Records, 1829-1971

www.familysearch.org

- Germany, Schleswig-Holstein, Kreis Schleswig, Civil Registration, 1874-1983
- Denmark Census, 1911

www.thegenealogist.com

- Nuneaton & North Warwickshire parish registers
- The Year Book of The Church of England in the Dominion of Canada 1926 & 1935
- New Zealand Methodist Union Index 1913
- Catholic Directory 1867 & 1877
- Biographical Dictionary of English Catholics 1534 to 1885
- Shropshire Roman Catholic Registers 1763-1837
- The Roman Catholics in the County of York 1604
- Various Catholic Record Society volumes
- Jewish Year Books 1896-99, 1901-8, 1910-11, 1918-21, 1925, and 1928-39
- Jewish Synagogue Seatholders in London for 1920, 1922, 1925, 1927, 1929, 1931, 1933, 1937
- The Clergyman's Almanack 1821 & 1822 - These Almanacks list archbishops, bishops, dignitaries, MPs and Peers.
- Register of Missionaries 1796-1923 - A register of the missionaries and deputations of the London Society of Missionaries.
- Durham Diocesan Calendar 1931

MyHeritage

Finland Church Census and Pre-confirmation Rolls, 1657-1915

Duchas.ie

- Folklore and local history material from Counties Cork and Offaly

genealogy.nationalarchives.ie.

- Prerogative and diocesan copies of some wills and indexes to others, 1596 - 1858
- Diocesan and Prerogative Marriage Licence Bonds Indexes, 1623 - 1866

- Catholic qualification & convert rolls, 1700 - 1845
- Valuation Office house, field, tenure and quarto books 1824 - 1856
- Shipping agreements and crew lists, 1863 - 1921
- Will Registers 1858 - 1900

Suggestions for 2017 Branch meetings

It has been suggested that we hold some “How to” talks at Branch meetings during 2017. One suggestion was ‘How to find overseas wills and probates’ particularly in the UK. The committee would like members to think about things they have found or are interested in and would like to share with the rest of the Branch. We would also like suggestions on topics and speakers that would be of interest. If you have any ideas on this, please get in touch with Judith Fitchett either by e-mail at fitchett@ts.co.nz or by telephone 03 5488819.

Old Cemetery Epitaphs (thanks to Gail Collingwood for these)

*A truly Happy Person is one who can enjoy the scenery on a detour;
And, one who can enjoy browsing old cemeteries...
Some fascinating things on old tombstones!*

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*On a tombstone in Boothill Cemetery, Tombstone, Arizona:
Here lies Lester Moore
Four slugs from a 44
No Les, No more*

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*Harry Edsel Smith of Albany, New York:
Born 1903--Died 1942.
Looked up the elevator shaft to see if the car was on the way down.
It was.*

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*In a Thurmont, Maryland, cemetery:
Here lies an Atheist, all dressed up
and no place to go.*

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*On the grave of Ezekial Aikle in
East Dalhousie Cemetery, Nova Scotia:
Here lies Ezekial Aikle, Age 102.
Only the good die young.*

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*In a London, England cemetery:
Here lies Ann Mann, who lived an old maid but died an old Mann.
Dec. 8, 1767*

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*In a Ribbesford, England, cemetery:
Anna Wallace
The children of Israel wanted bread,
And the Lord sent them manna.
Clark Wallace wanted a wife,
And the Devil sent him Anna.*

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*In a Ruidoso, New Mexico, cemetery:
Here lies Johnny Yeast.
Pardon him for not rising.*

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*In a Uniontown, Pennsylvania, cemetery:
Here lies the body of Jonathan Blake,
Stepped on the gas instead of the brake.*

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*In a Silver City, Nevada, cemetery:
Here lays The Kid,
We planted him raw.
He was quick on the trigger,
But slow on the draw.*

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*A lawyer's epitaph in England:
Sir John Strange.
Here lies an honest lawyer,
and that is Strange.*

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*John Penny's epitaph in the Wimborne, England, cemetery:
Reader, if cash thou art in want of any,
Dig 6 feet deep and thou wilt find a Penny.*

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*In a cemetery in Hartscombe, England:
On the 22nd of June, Jonathan Fiddle went out of tune.*

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*Anna Hopewell's grave in Enosburg Falls, Vermont:
Here lies the body of our Anna,
Done to death by a banana.
It wasn't the fruit that laid her low,
But the skin of the thing that made her go.*

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*On a grave from the 1880s in Nantucket, Massachusetts:
Under the sod and under the trees,
Lies the body of Jonathan Pease.
He is not here, there's only the pod,
Pease shelled out and went to God.*

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THIS ONE IS EXTREMELY WELL WRITTEN:-
*In a cemetery in England:
Remember man, as you walk by,
As you are now, so once was I.
As I am now, so shall you be,
Remember this and follow me.
To which someone replied by writing on the tombstone:
To follow you I'll not consent,
until I know which way you went.*