

**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



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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

Hello Members

Well into the 9<sup>th</sup> month of the year – where on earth the 1<sup>st</sup> eight went I do not know. We have had some really good meetings with a lot of people coming out of the woodwork – the meetings have been great and although I missed several through illness I heard they were really good and the 1<sup>st</sup> one I went to was on Legacy I learned a lot but the brain is hopeless so Boyd, you will have to come back

I would like to welcome all new members and any visitors to our branch and hope to see a lot more of you all. We need volunteers for Schnapper Rock Cemetery which our branch is transcribing and other work too like the NZ Herald Paste Up group.

I found this on the NZSG List and thought there may be some people interested in it.

Has anyone joined this site <http://beta.ancestry24.com/> for South African research?. There was a notice about it in the latest FFHS e-zine. Looks to have quite extensive indexes which I think are in the normally 'hard to find' basket, and there were enough family names found in the free search to make me want to see more. Trouble is, the information could be just what I have already. It is pay to view with sub about NZ\$40 for 12 months so it is not a large amount. Would like to hear about any experiences, has anyone found those long lost South African relatives after searching for years?

Time and time again I hear of people having difficulty searching in South Africa so is this maybe an answer to our prayers. 'Lois Francis' Have a read of KIT, there is an article about Richard Stedman and the Otago Daily Times, KIT is on the notice board.

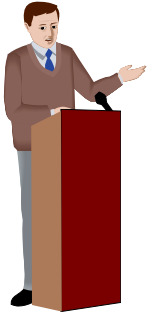
“Absence of evidence is not evidence of absence” Anonymous

*Leone*

*Convenor*

**PLEASE NOTE: Starting times for meetings – Day meetings 1pm and night meetings 7-30pm. Please arrive with time to check in before the meeting starts.**

## SPEAKERS CALENDER



### 7<sup>th</sup> September 2009 – Day Meeting

Speaker – North Shore Historical Society  
Subject – “.....Then Came the Bridge”

### 15<sup>th</sup> September 2009 – Night Meeting

Brick Walls? Block Walls?  
Can we help you break them down? Bring along your queries

### 5<sup>th</sup> October 2009 – Day Meeting

Speaker – Kate de Courcy  
Subject – Manuscript Collections at Auckland City Library

### 20<sup>th</sup> October 2009 – Night Meeting

**RESEARCH EVENING.....**  
North Shore Branch Resources and some from Panmure



## FROM THE LIBRARY

### DUNEDIN FAMILY HISTORY GROUP August 2009

News from around the world – page 2  
Hyde – lots of names school rolls etc. – page 8  
Hyde cemetery – more names – page 10  
Albert town; pictures & names from school  
roll – page 12  
St John Branigan & Otago Police Gazettes –  
page 12

### FAMILY TREE MAGAZINE September 2009

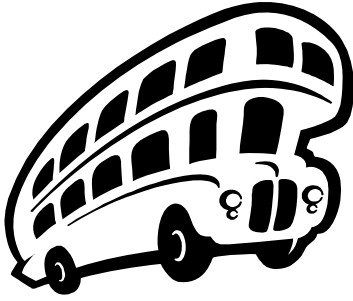
Evacuees – page 14  
Ordinary Lives on Home Front – page 24  
Jewish Children – page 36  
War Graves – page 40  
Leicestershire Links – page 48  
Carmarthenshire – page 50  
Boughton-under-Blean – page 52

### PRACTICAL FAMILY HISTORY August 2009

Didn't we have a lovely time – page 12  
The Parish and the Law – page 18  
Web resources for RAF ancestors – page 24  
How to trace Fractured Families – page 32  
Discover the Iron Age – page 36  
Trace your forebears in Hampshire – page 42  
Advanced sources - Dade Registers – page 46  
Chronicles of crime – page 56

### HUTT VALLEY NEWS & VIEWS August 2009

How to borrow from NZSG library – page 2  
What do I do with all this stuff? Postcards –  
page 3  
Postcards & Family history – page 5  
Leaving Education in Britain – page 6  
On the Internet – page 6



### **TRIP TO PANMURE**

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2009  
Meet at Marlborough Hall 9am

Admission Members \$3

Non-members \$15

Write your name on notice board or contact  
Di Ross 09-428-3998 or [diross@xtra.co.nz](mailto:diross@xtra.co.nz)

<http://maps.familysearch.org/#search>

Great new facility on the LDS website (from Pam Hamlyn)

- Enter a place to search, you get a map of England and a clickable link that tells you which County it is in.
- Click on the link and you get information about the place and a blown up map showing surrounding parishes
- Click on the jurisdictions tab for information on parish, county, civil registration district, probate court, diocese and rural deanery
- The options tab lists contiguous parishes, shows a radius search, gives the option of searching the family history library catalog and other material
- There are other layers to search

### **HARD LABOUR AT MT. EDEN JAIL**

Some of the earliest parts of Mt Eden's Prison's history came to light recently providing an archaeological snapshot of the site dating back to the 1850's.

Investigations carried out by archaeologists have revealed evidence of the 1858 wing of the original stockade, which occupied the site before the prison was built. Evidence uncovered included stone piles that were the bearers for the wooden floor of the two-storeyed building, as well as an unusual basalt block structure with curved corners surrounding the building and incorporating an entrance along the northern wall.

The investigation is taking place in preparation for the Mt Eden-ACRP Prison Development by the Department of Corrections. The main prison building is registered Category 1 by the NZHPT and much of it will be preserved and kept in use as an administration centre.

“Evidence of the stockade emerged after the gymnasium building was demolished. We found a very distinctive layer of fill under the floor including a white plaster mixed with wood fragments, a large

number of nails and an assortment of artifacts,” says archeologist Rod Clough of Clough and Associates.

“These appear to relate to the early stockade and its demolition. The stockade originally housed the worst of Auckland’s offenders from 1856, and then the rest of Auckland’s prison population from the Queen Street Jail when it closed in 1866.”

Artefacts recovered at time of writing include a bone toothbrush with a ‘government issue’ arrow scratched into the handle, a bullet and a clay pipe manufactured by Balme in London.

“The owner must have placed considerable value on his pipe, as the stem appears to have been smoked down to the last 2 centimetres,” he says.

The excavation also revealed a dense layer of basalt flakes – probably relating to the construction of the later prison wing during the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century.

“The different layers effectively illustrate the story of the site, from the stockade days through to the construction of the actual Mt Eden Prison building over a century ago,” says Rod.

Investigations have so far included photographic and architectural recording of some of the small buildings – including the gymnasium and ‘bag shop’. Future work will be targeted towards identifying the original fence line around the stockade and other parts of the stockade that may have survived the building of the later prison.

(From NZ Historic Places Trust Auckland Branch Newsletter 2008)

## **THE ANGLICAN CHURCH ARCHIVES**

The Anglican Church Archives are held at the Kinder Library. This collection contains papers relating to the life of the Anglican Church.

The Anglican Church Archivist is the Librarian of The College of Saint John the Evangelist, Mrs Judith Bright. People wanting to have access to the Archives for research purposes should contact the Archivist.

### **COLLECTIONS HELD IN THE ANGLICAN ARCHIVES**

The following are some of the collections held in the Anglican Archives at St John’s College.

The General Synod/Te Hinota Whanui	Bi-cultural Education Commission
Standing Committee	Commission on the Charismatic Movement
Prayer Book Commission	Communications
Commission on Church Union	Bishops’ meetings
Theological training	Ecumenism
The ministry of women	Association of Anglican Women
Maori Ministry	New Zealand Mission Trust Board
Maori ministry	General Secretary’s records
Te Pihopatanga o Aotearoa	