

## 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****Co-ordinator/Contact****Secretary**

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**Door/ day meetings,****New Members****Attendance Records**

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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 everyone -

I guess we may be pleased to share some cooler weather right now after such sweltering heat during summer months - but mainly to be thankful we haven't been through the recent tragedies and devastation of Christchurch & Japanese folk have had to suffer - it must be so unbelievably disturbing for them.

Our Speakers last month, Carol Redgrove & Campbell Farquhar, were very welcome. Carol her usual informative report and Campbell with his collective film on early days in NZ - bringing back memories of Early Settlers and World War times which I'm sure most of us can recall - thus holding us fixed to the screen for more than an hour.

You will find, within this Newsletter, our Branch's Annual Nomination Form used to make up our Committee - we urgently require Convenor & Secretary plus perhaps two more Committee Members and would appreciate that this be given serious thought - the only condition required is that the person nominated must be current financial Member of NZSG.

Thankyou for your presence.

Di (Secretary)

**2011 NZSG CONFERENCE and AGM DUNEDIN**

3-6 June 2011

“A Golden Opportunity” to research your Otago ancestors and to find out about the effects of the discovery of gold in Otago 150 years ago.

Queen's Birthday weekend at John McGlashan College Maori Hill.

Registration forms in the November/December issue of the NZ Genealogist and on line [www.genealogy.org.nz](http://www.genealogy.org.nz)



**4<sup>th</sup> April 2011 – Day Meeting**

Speaker – Jan Gow  
 Subject – checking the Big Five – Create Your Own  
 Checklist for UK Research

**19<sup>th</sup> April 2011 – Night Meeting**

Speaker – Trevor Doar  
 Subject – Organising a Family Reunion

**2<sup>nd</sup> May 2011 – Day Meeting**

Speaker – David Verran/Seonaid Lewis  
 Subject – The North Shore: “An Illustrated History”  
 (David’s book), and Holdings in the Research Centre  
 at Auckland Library.

**17<sup>th</sup> May – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and**

Speaker – Vivienne Parker  
 Subject – Using Parish Records

**30<sup>th</sup> May 2011 – PLEASE NOTE DATE  
 DUE TO QUEENS BIRTHDAY WEEKEND**

Speaker – Brian Shaw  
 Subject – U.K. ‘Research Tour’

**21<sup>st</sup> June 2011 - Night Meeting**

Speaker – Ivan Pivac  
 Speaker – ‘Early Dalmatian Gumdiggers’

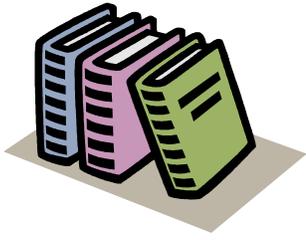
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

After more than 10 years of loyal service Di Ross will not be standing again as Branch Secretary or acting-Convenor or any committee positions although she will continue to be part of the Branch and will support the new members of the Committee in any way required.

We will therefore be requiring volunteers for the following key positions for the Branch.

- 1. Convenor**
- 2. Secretary**
- 3. 2 new members for the Committee.**

Please give this matter serious consideration before the AGM in May. Our Branch needs these new people in order to continue what has been in the past a very successful Branch of the NZSG.



## FROM THE LIBRARY

### Please remember our donation box

If you are using our research facilities a gold coin donation will be appreciated.

**NEW CD:** Kelly's Post Office Court Directory of London, 1859: Parish Records for Kensington 1539 – 1675

#### NEW BOOKS:

The Story of New Zealand – 1985

The Heart of Colonial Auckland 1865 – 1910

In Old Mt. Albert

Supplement to Soldier Settlers – The Pratts and the Wrights – by Eric Bowater

*The Index for Dunedin Family History Group newsletters for 2010 is now in the DFHG folder.*

#### FAMILY TREE MAGAZINE March 2011

Population Records – page 18  
 The Women's Voluntary Service – page 24  
 Key Websites – page 29  
 Truth Behind a Family Rumour – page 35  
 How to find missing people – page 40  
 Ancestors in the Militia – page 46  
 Ncestors & Public Health – page 52  
 A Genealogical Walk through Dublin – page 66

#### DUNEDIN FAMILY HISTORY GROUP March 2011

New in the world of genealogy – page 2  
 Things about Ireland – page 2-3  
 Blue Spur – page 4  
 To celebrate Otago Anniversary – page 5  
 Book Reviews – page 7  
 Scottish Post Office directories on the internet-  
 page 9  
 Colonial Books – page 11

FAMILY TREE MAGAZINE April 2011  
 Journey Online – the Home Counties – page 13  
 Ancestors at Work – page 24  
 Checking up on your medics – page 30  
 Searching at Kew – page 38  
 The Titanic Relief Fund – page 42  
 Occupations – page 45  
 Tips and Tactics – page 50  
 Epidemic at Sea – page 60  
 Royal Weddings – page 70  
 Clothing in the 17<sup>th</sup> century – page 74

#### LATEST NEWSLETTERS IN THE LIBRARY

NZSG Dunedin Branch March/April  
 Wellington Branch – March  
 Hutt Valley News & Views – March  
 Dunedin Family History Group – March  
 Family Tree Magazine March & April

From Pam Hamlyn



### 1911 Scottish Census

The 1911 Scottish census will be on the Scotland's People website from 5th April. This is a pay-per-view site. I will bring my computer to the resource room every Wednesday for the next 4 weeks and I'll be happy to do searches for anyone who's interested. Any images which we print out will have to be paid for. The society is currently charging \$4.00 for certificates or census images.

This year people in Scotland will be asked in the census if they can speak, read or write Scots. You can listen to the various accents from around Scotland at -

<http://www.ayecan.com/>

See how many you can understand. (Sent in by Pam Hamlyn)

### MORE CENSUS SEARCH TIPS

#### Tip 12 – Try pay-per-view

The core search interfaces on [www.thegenealogist.co.uk](http://www.thegenealogist.co.uk), [www.ancestry.co.uk](http://www.ancestry.co.uk) and [www.findmypast.com](http://www.findmypast.com) each vary. Ancestry.co.uk has an advanced and a basic search window; Findmypast.com has a person search with advanced option and an address search; and TheGenealogist.co.uk has a keyword master search, a classic master name search, a home and street search, and a family forename search.

As a consequence of the differences in the search interfaces, the transcription and indexing projects and the search engines, each census database can return difference search results. Whilst it would be expensive to take out a full subscription to several sites, if you are tracking a particularly elusive ancestor, it could be worth buying vouchers, to allow you to search each site using pay-per-view credits.

#### Tip 13 – Family forename search

Search using the family forename search online at [www.thegenealogist.co.uk](http://www.thegenealogist.co.uk). This feature allows you to search for several family members simultaneously, using just their forenames. This both helps you to narrow down the search results for households that share that forename combination and to avoid difficulties with uncertain surnames, eg variants.

#### Tip 14 – Try using the keyword box only

You can search using the keyword master search on [www.thegenealogist.co.uk](http://www.thegenealogist.co.uk) or just using the keyword field on [www.ancestry.co.uk](http://www.ancestry.co.uk).

The advantage of a keyword search is that it will show you an overview of all the results for a census year, and can be used to search by occupation, name, date, place – all useful alternative means of looking for an ancestor – enhanced by the full transcriptions on [www.thegenealogist.co.uk](http://www.thegenealogist.co.uk) and [www.findmypast.com](http://www.findmypast.com) rather than just the indexes.

**Submissions from Members for the newsletter will be gratefully received**

NORTH SHORE BRANCH  
New Zealand Society of Genealogists Inc.

NOMINATION FORM

I hereby Nominate.....for the  
Position of Committee member/Convenor/Secretary/Treasurer (delete those not required)

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Proposed: #NZSG Seconded: #NZSG

Consent of  
member .....#NZSG.....

Date:

**Any person being nominated for the committee must be a current financial NZSG member.**

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We also need people to help with the following duties on our meeting days:

NAME.....

PHONE NUMBER.....

- Door duties
- Selling raffle tickets
- Setting out the chairs and tables before the meeting
- Help with afternoon tea and/or supper
- Taking care of the library if the librarian is away
- Tidying the hall after the meeting