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NORTH SHORE BRANCH



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MEETINGS are held at Marlborough Park Hall, Chartwell Ave. Glenfield.

Day Meetings: 1pm – 3pm: First Monday of the month,

February to December

Night Meetings: 7-30pm– 9.30pm: Third Tuesday of the month

North Shore Branch Resource Room at Marlborough Park Hall

open on Wednesday from 1pm – 3pm (16th September last day)

On Monday Meeting Days it will open at 12-30 pm

On Tuesday Meeting Nights it will open at 6.45 pm

Convenor's September Report

August was Family History Month and although our branch did not do anything specific I know some of you attended the programmes put on at the NZSG and the Auckland Public Library. I attended the opening of the Family History Expo and heard an interesting and moving talk by the man who is the writer/producer behind the TV programmes 'Missing Pieces', 'Family Secrets' and 'Lost and Found'. On the Saturday I acted as receptionist for the European Interest Group. It was a very interesting Expo that did very well considering the limited space. As a first time event it did not attract crowds but I think next year it will do better.

As you will know we are holding a special meeting before our advertised meeting on Tuesday 15 September. This is so the branch may formally agree with the method of transferring resources that we are unable to store in future. We need 15 NZSG members to make a quorum so we would ask you to make an effort to attend. If you require transport please phone anyone on the committee and we will try to arrange it. You have also been supplied with proxy forms.

We are storing the Birth and Death Registers, microfiche and CDs. The library will hold its last open session the following day Wednesday 16th from 1-3pm. I suggest you have a good look at what is there because after we have offered first pick to the NZSG Library and 2nd pick to Auckland Libraries we will accept requests from members for any items (including microfiche machines and furniture) before considering requests from other Branches. If you have anything on loan or that you donated and wish us to return to you please contact us immediately.

In October we will move meetings to the Glenfield Senior Citizens Rooms, Mayfield Road (off Glenfield Road near Chivalry Road) where there is good parking. It is also next to Senior Net which may

be an organisation we can talk to about computing sessions.

We urgently require someone to put our newsletter together. It is a compilation of sections supplied by different people into a set format. Pam Ogier has continued till now but is unable to do it any further due to health issues. Our newsletter is our way of communicating with you and is an important function of our branch. Please consider helping it to continue.

Raewyn

MEETINGS CALENDAR

Monday 7th September 2015 at 1 p.m.

Early Days of the Branch

Various members will tell of our history.

Tuesday 15th September 2015 at 7.30 p.m.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

(re Disposal of contents of Resource Room)

PLUS

Picture Your Past

Bring a photo of where your ancestor lived

Monday 5th October 2015 at 1 p.m.

First Meeting at new venue – Senior Citizens Hall, 5 Mayfield Road, Glenfield

Boyd Miller and Alastair Fletcher will give a presentation about the Devonport Museum
– its collections, database and photos, and genealogy database.

Tuesday 20th October 2015 at 7.30 p.m.

Share what your ancestors brought with them when coming to New Zealand

AUCKLAND BRANCH NZSG

Monthly meeting 10.30 am Tuesday 22 September 2015,

At

Whare Wananga, Level 2, Central Library, Lorne St.

Speaker: Jan Gow

Subject “Let’s look at Family Search – REALLY look!!!”

Free entry – All Welcome

Newsletters received from other Branches.

If you wish to read any of the items mentioned contact our Branch Secretary who will forward the appropriate Newsletter to you.

Kilbirnie Branch NZSG August 2015

Book Review – Tracing your Ancestors through Death Records by Celia Heritage.
 Book Review – The Dominion Post: 150 years of News by Elenio.
 New Zealanders in Greece WW2
 V.J. Day Celebrated 15th Aug 2015 - 70th Anniversary.

Hutt Valley Branch NZSG August 2015

List of useful websites also online resources for dating photographs.
 Account of 1917 explosion in TNT factory at Silverton, East End, London.

Hibiscus Coast Branch NZSG August 2015

News of upcoming events.

Dunedin Family History Group August 2015

Report of our July meeting - Fact Sheets and GPS for recording genealogy
 Sad grave in the Old Oamaru Cemetery
 Hannah Letheridge - 1st white woman born in New Zealand
 Tukurau - its history and war memorial
 Everyday things we take for granted
 800th anniversary of the signing of the Magna Carta
 Grandma's Washday
 Hillend and Stony Creek - its history and war memorial
 Soldiers Wills at Scotlandspeople
 Quarry Hills - its history and war memorial
 Finding New Zealand Records on familysearch

Wellington Branch NZSG August 2015

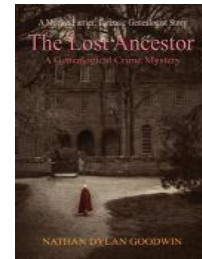
Disposal process of Branch Library
 Ancestry.com.au have added digital images of 5 NZ School Registers searchable by name.
 Church of the High Seas
 A light hearted look at genealogists research habits.

Kilbirnie Branch NZSG September 2015

Map showing Human Migration by DNA
 My DNA project by Brian McGlinchy

Dunedin Family History Group Sept 2015

Victorian phrases no longer in use
 A stroll in the Green Island Cemetery
 Greenfield, Southland – history and war memorial
 1939 English War Register
 Tuatapere, Southland – history and war memorial
 10 top Irish databases on-line



The Lost Ancestor

From acclaimed author, Nathan Dylan Goodwin comes this exciting new genealogical crime mystery, featuring the redoubtable forensic genealogist, Morton Farrier. When Morton is called upon by Ray Mercer to investigate the 1911 disappearance of his great aunt, a housemaid working in a large Edwardian country house, he has no idea of the perilous journey into the past that he is about to make. Morton must use his not inconsiderable genealogical skills to solve the mystery of Mary Mercer's disappearance, in the face of the dangers posed by those others who are determined to end his investigation at any cost. This is the second book in the Morton Farrier genealogical crime mystery series, although it can be enjoyed as a stand-alone story. *Available East Coast Bays and other North Shore Libraries. Also available for Kobo and Kindle eReaders.*

REMINDER

AUCKLAND GENEALOGICAL COMPUTING GROUP NZSG

The next meeting of the above Group will be held **Saturday 19th September 1.30 pm.** at the Fickling Centre, (below Mt Roskill Library, corner of Mt Albert and Mt Eden Roads)

The Speakers will be **Lynda and Howard Bennett from the Family History Centre in Salt Lake City.** They will be talking about the Family Search website.

All Welcome. Door Charge \$4

(This meeting was originally scheduled for August)

Auckland Central Library Family history lunchtime series

When: Generally fortnightly on Wednesdays from February to November, 12pm - 1pm unless otherwise stated

Where: [Central City Library, Whare Wānanga](#),

[Level 2](#)

Cost: Free

Booking: To secure your place, please contact the [Central Auckland Research Centre](#) on 09 307 7771, or complete our [online booking form](#)

September

Auckland Community Newspapers in 1960s with Joanne Graves

Wednesday 16th September 12 noon to 1pm

The sixties are synonymous with the counterculture, Vietnam, mini-skirts and civil rights. But how much of that was relevant to everyday life in suburban Auckland?

The memories of angels: New Zealand's peace churches with Bruce Ringer

Wednesday 30th September 12 noon to 1pm

For much of its history, New Zealand has been an ostensibly Christian nation. After the First World War, a number of 'peace memorial' churches were built, dedicated to the glory of God and the memory of the fallen.

Most churches also have mementoes of war: cenotaphs, lych gates, memorial trees, doors, bells, windows, lecterns, altars, reredoses, tablets, plaques, shields and lamps. This talk will not only explore the changing symbolism, iconography and language of these, using case studies from New Zealand wars, but will look at changing attitudes to the artefacts and note how many of them are threatened by neglect, cultural misunderstanding, or just plain indifference.

October

Lost from sight – two of Auckland's missing iconic buildings with Lisa Truttman

Wednesday 7th October 12 noon to 1pm

Come along and learn the history and demise of two of Auckland's still-missed structures - Partington's Mill at Symonds Street and His Majesty's Theatre in Queen Street. The effects of their demolition on the awareness of Auckland's heritage under threat will also be discussed.

Well-known local historian and author Lisa Truttman is the current President of the New Zealand History Federation. She is also well-known for her informative research blog, [Timespanner](#).

Free to a Good Home

I have back copies of the Genealogist to give away as we are downsizing. The only other option is to put them out for the paper collect which seems a waste.

Jan/Feb 2000

July/Aug to Nov/Dec 2003 + Index

Jan/Feb 2004 to Nov/Dec 2008 + all Indexes

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CHURCH OF THE HIGH SEAS.

Every child born on board a British ship at sea is registered in the Parish of Stepney, and all baptisms performed at sea are entered in the registers of that parish, which date back to 1568, in the same way, every couple married at sea in a British ship are regarded as having been married in St Dunstan's Stepney, and the certificate made out by the ship's chaplain or master is sent to that church.

From Wellington Branch Newsletter.

Florida's Under-water Cemetery

Located in the Atlantic Ocean, 3.25 miles east of Key Biscayne, Florida, the Neptune Memorial Reef was created in 2007 by cremation-services provider the Neptune Society. The reef is designed to attract fish and to promote the growth of coral and marine organisms. The goal is to "create life... after life." *From Dick Eastman's Newsletter*

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