



# North Shore Branch of NZSG

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## Programme for 2018

*Meetings held at Senior Citizens Hall,  
Mayfield Centre, 5 Mayfield Road,  
Glenfield*

### **Day Meetings:**

*Generally 1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month  
1:00pm to 3:00pm  
Door Sub \$5.00*

### **5<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

**Speaker:** Jan Gow

**Subject:** 24/7-365 a guide to  
what to keep looking for and  
to keep track of information

### **5<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

**Speaker:** Narelle Scollay  
from Catholic Archives

### **Evening Meetings:**

*Generally 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month  
7:30pm to 9:30pm  
Door Sub \$5.00*

### **21<sup>st</sup> February 2018**

*Questions and answers*

### **21<sup>st</sup> March 2018**

**Speaker:** Paul Ashton

**Subject:** N.S. Memorial Park

*WiFi connection will be available at the  
evening meetings so that members can  
use their own computers to follow and  
attend to any problems or use of  
alternative programmes.*

## ACCESS TO STORED NZSG NORTH SHORE BRANCH RESOURCES

Resources retained by the branch will be available to access at 11 Summit Drive, Torbay, on a "by appointment" basis.  
**Easy one level access and parking**

Please telephone Dennise Cook on 473 5351 or email her at [denjon@xtra.co.nz](mailto:denjon@xtra.co.nz) to arrange a suitable time and date.

**Alternatively a look-up service is available by either –**

- email request only with photocopies delivered to the following day / night meeting at 20c per page. Please email request/queries to [denjon@xtra.co.nz](mailto:denjon@xtra.co.nz)

**PLEASE NOTE: NO scanning facility is available.**

- mail-only request - send request/queries with sae and donation to: Dennise Cook, Research Officer North Shore branch NZSG, PO Box 89 045, Torbay, Auckland 0742.

Please refer to the North Shore branch's website [www.tinyurl.com/nsgenealogy](http://www.tinyurl.com/nsgenealogy) for comprehensive list of all resources held in storage.

## CONVENORS REPORT

I have just come in from battening down the hatches as we await a storm. What a Summer! The temperature has been really uncomfortable and my water bill has climbed with all the garden needing vast quantities of water. I have been pleased with my tomatoes and managed to net off enough of the plums to get quite a few but unfortunately this year (due to the heat I suspect) the fruit worm got into them so it was a case of cutting them open before taking a nice bite. I made one lot of plum jam then froze the rest until it cools down a bit as the double heat of sun and cooking was too much.

I hope you have all had an enjoyable holiday season and talked lots to your rellies :) As my girls are overseas I spent Christmas Day with my sister and brother-in-law and the following day with my brother and sister-in-law. I then got down to using Ancestry before my subscription ran out on Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. I mainly concentrated on my Swedish line and confirming BDMs back to 1698 except on one line where I have a brick wall. I then got down to the revision of the NZSG Research Booklet for the Auckland/North Auckland Area that I have been tasked with. It is a lot of work.

Well I got to the day Christmas meeting and I did not win the raffle! It was very interesting to hear the communications that people had brought along, some touching and others fascinating. I took along a letter my grandfather received in Dec 1905 which contained some poetry the sender had written with my grandfather's recitative skills in mind – apparently that is where I get my dramatic flair from.

I attended the January meeting of the NZSG Board last week. You should be hearing shortly about how NZSG are going to promote 'Cemetery Month' in March and hopefully as a branch we can contribute. As you will have seen in the NZSG magazine 3 of the Board had to stand down according to our new rules and as Peter and Gill had been elected in 2014 they were next in line and then Mary Shadbolt and I who were elected in 2016. As Mary is the Vice-Chair I stood down and I decided not to seek re-election. There is no shortage of candidates this election so I won't be missed.

This year is our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary and the committee will be discussing how we should celebrate it. If you have any ideas please pass them on to us. We hope to make it a memorable occasion. We are also making a concerted effort this year under the leadership of Paul Ashton of progressing the North Shore Memorial Park Photography Project to a point where we can hand it over to NZSG for inclusion in the Kiwi Collection. So many people have worked on this project that it will be great to see a result.

Looking forward to seeing you in the coming year

Raewyn

## CONGRATULATIONS

To Alison Da Prato for achieving 90 years young and still going strong. Alison was a foundation member of this Branch and is a Life Member and is still a regular attendee at our meetings.



Alison Da Prato at the NZSG 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Lunch

## REPORT ON DECEMBER 2017 MEETING

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

A total of 27 attended the final meeting for the year. Everyone brought along a communication from an ancestor and presented the facts and circumstances behind this communication.

There was a raffle with the prize being a quilt donated by Lyn Winkel. This was won by Linda Pinder. Following the "business session" we all congregated in the supper room to partake of the various goodies supplied by the attendees.

## HELP REQUIRED

As a consequence of our request for assistance in overhauling our Branch Logo and Newsletter Heading Tracey Little has offered her services.

## BRANCH RESOURCES

The CD's that were in storage at the Senior Citizens hall have now been transferred to 11 Summit Drive.

## FEBRUARY 2018 MEETING

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 1:00pm**

Do not miss this meeting as Jan Gow will be covering a guideline on what to keep looking for and keeping track of your research. This session will include the actual researching of information on line based on a number of pedigree charts prepared by our members.

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 7:30pm**

This will be a Brains Trust Question and Answers evening where you can bring up any problem areas you may have

We have asked numerous times for some feedback concerning what you would like to have presented at the evening meeting and would be of interest to other members. Any committee member will accept any suggestions you may have to make our meetings more interesting for our members.

So far there have been no suggestions and that would indicate that no one has any preference for a subject for the evening meetings.

**DO WE NEED OR WANT AN EVENING MEETING?**

## NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

We are always looking for articles and comment for addition in our newsletter. The Editor will gratefully receive these.



"You've gotta be kidding."

## AUCKLAND CENTRAL LIBRARY

Are you interested in family and local history?

The history of this country as well as the world?

Then why not attend one of the fortnightly heritage talks and hear more about both our personal and shared heritage.

These talks are given by experts in their field and can provide valuable insight into our histories.

**When:** Fortnightly on Wednesdays from February to November, 12pm – 1pm unless otherwise stated.

**Where:** Whare Wananga, Level 2, Central Auckland Library. Lorne Street, Auckland.

**Cost:** FREE

**February Meetings are:**

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Know Your Ancestors – Parade Magazine with Andrew Henry

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> - W J Napier, Sir George Grey's lawyer with David Verran

**Booking:** All Welcome but to ensure your place please contact the Central Auckland Research Centre on 09 890 2412, or complete the online booking form at: [aucklandlibraries.govt.nz/heritagetalksbooking](http://aucklandlibraries.govt.nz/heritagetalksbooking)

Visit the Auckland City website as there is usually a wealth of information for the family genealogist.

[www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz](http://www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz)

Family History Club.

<http://www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz/EN/Events/Events/Pages/familyhistoryclub2016.aspx>

## **SOME BRANCH WEB SITE LINKS:**

Wellington Branch NZSG:

[www.genealogy.org.nz/wellington\\_District\\_124.aspx](http://www.genealogy.org.nz/wellington_District_124.aspx)

Kilbirnie Branch NZSG:

[www.nzsgkilbirnie.org.nz](http://www.nzsgkilbirnie.org.nz)

Dunedin Branch NZSG:

[www.dunedingenealogy.org.nz](http://www.dunedingenealogy.org.nz)

Hutt Valley Branch NZSG:

[www.huttvalleygenealogy.org.nz](http://www.huttvalleygenealogy.org.nz)

Hibiscus Coast NZSG:

[www.genealogy.org.nz/Hibiscus\\_Coast\\_69.aspx](http://www.genealogy.org.nz/Hibiscus_Coast_69.aspx)

The Coromandel Heritage Trust

[www.thetreasury.org.nz](http://www.thetreasury.org.nz)

These web sites are well worth visiting as there is always something of interest as well as the access to their Newsletters.

Keep up with current activities, courses and special interest group meetings by visiting the National and your Branch web sites.

[www.genealogy.org.nz](http://www.genealogy.org.nz)

The NZSG national web site

[www.tinyurl.com/nsgenealogy](http://www.tinyurl.com/nsgenealogy)

Your Branch Web Site

## **OTHER WEB SITES**

[www.hookedongenealogytours.com](http://www.hookedongenealogytours.com)

[www.FamNet.org.nz](http://www.FamNet.org.nz)

Where Kiwis tell their stories

[www.RootsIreland.ie](http://www.RootsIreland.ie)

Irish Family History Foundation – R.C. Records include CLANN e-newsletter

[www.irishlivesremembered.ie](http://www.irishlivesremembered.ie)

Ireland e- Magazine Free

<http://www.surnamenavigator.org/>

Surname search

<http://www.ancestorsatrest.com/Ireland.genealogy.shtml>

Death Records for Cemetery, Church and Parish Records

<http://www.ireland-genealogy.com>

Irish Pensions

<http://www.irelandoldnews.com>

Old Irish Newspapers



"Grandma says that she has so many skeletons in her closet that she can only do her family history work at Halloween!"

## **REMINDER**

First day meeting for 2018 is **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February** at 1:00pm where Jan Gow will be covering what you should continue looking for and how to keep track of your research. This will be an interesting session as Jan will be going on line to demonstrate where and how to look for information.

The first evening meeting is on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February and will take the format of a Questions and answers evening. If anyone has something in particular that they would like covered then please contact Paul Ashton or Ian Winkel.