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Programme for 2018

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

Day Meetings:

*Generally, 1st Monday each month
1:00pm to 3:00pm
Door Sub \$5.00*

1st October 2018

Speaker: Danielle Carter

Subject: Maritime Museum
resources

5th November 2018

Speaker: Pam Irwin

Subject: The 1918 Influenza
Epidemic

Evening Meetings:

*Generally, 3rd Wednesday each month
7:30pm to 9:30pm
Door Sub \$5.00*

17th October 2018

Speaker: P Ashton/I Winkel

Subject: Birth, Marriage and
Death indexes on the internet

21st November 2018

Xmas Function Bring a Plate

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 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

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 for comprehensive list of all resources held in storage.

CONVENORS REPORT

How lovely to see such a large turnout at our 40th Anniversary lunch. Having our founder Lucy Marshall as guest of honour and to cut the cake was a great experience. We also welcomed past-president Graeme Constable, NZSG Council Chair Mary Shadbolt, NZSG Director Julie MacDonald and a good number of our Branch Life Members. Our speaker Colleen Petricevich certainly evoked some memories for some of our members with her history of the club – thank you Colleen.

Everyone seemed to enjoy the relaxed occasion and thanks must go to Lyn Winkel for organising the event and to the committee for helping it to run smoothly. I'm sure everyone enjoyed the food and the venue – the caterers provided the paper placemats with our logo on (their idea) – and the little 'goodie bags' were Lyn's idea. Teresa McCarthy iced the cake which I made with the recipe I have used for the last 40 years for Christmas, weddings and special birthdays. (If anyone wants the recipe drop me an email).

I made sure I was at the lunch but due to illness and having to postpone my trip to USA to see my 'twiglets' by 3 weeks I missed a number of meetings. I am now well on the way to recovery but will miss next Monday's meeting as I will be in Dannevirke for my cousin's 75th birthday. Hope to see you for November's meeting which I can't miss as I am the speaker!

Raewyn

REPORT ON SEPTEMBER MEETINGS

Monday 3 September 2018

A wise person once said that there was no avoiding death and taxes. At this meeting we were fortunate to have Lea Campbell from H. Morris Funeral Directors to talk about death. Every genealogist deals with death certificates and Lea based her talk on the paper trail involved in the production of that certificate. Past conventions, the way we do it now and what the futures holds were all covered. Lea stressed the importance of family members knowing your burial wishes and family details such as father's and mother's maiden name. Problems encountered

with having these details with a lawyer and dying without a will were also touched upon. All can cause stress and expenses to the family, which at the time, is really not needed. Particularly when writing this down and providing or telling family where to find it can save a lot of heartache at the time and less trouble for us genealogists in the future. Burials, cremation, notices in the paper were all covered in a most comprehensive way. Lea's excellent talk and answering of questions on a subject that touches us all sooner or later, was very well received and most informative. I'm sure everyone learnt something. Thank you Lea.

Wednesday 19 September 2018

Browsers and search engines were the topic at tonight's meeting. Unfortunately, these meetings where you are invited to bring your laptop, do not attract a lot of members when they are such good value for genealogists. Although there is always a topic and we do focus on it, there is always the opportunity to go off track, raise questions or work through problems. All of this with the advantage of the internet, a screen and a very knowledgeable leader. Members do not know what they are missing. For example, the session on short cuts when using the search engine "Google" were worth the effort of going out at night, by themselves. If you have a search problem, are just starting out or want to improve your searching ability, then contact the editor and we can programme it into an evening meeting. We finished off the evening with a "cuppa", compliments of Dennise, and the remains of the 40th birthday cake. A most enjoyable and educational evening. Once again thank you Paul.

OCTOBER 2018 MEETINGS

Monday 1st October at 1:00pm

Danielle Carter from the Maritime Museum will speak and present a powerpoint presentation on the Museum's resources. As many if not all of our ancestors arrived by ship this will be an interesting subject for all.

There will definitely be something of interest for everyone so make the effort to attend

Wednesday 17th October at 7:30pm

We will be covering the use of various free Birth, Marriage and Death indexes available on the internet.

This session will be of interest to anyone who is doing their family genealogy.

NSMP Transcription Project - September Update

During September the weather and ground conditions have been so bad that physical activity at the cemetery has been impossible.

We have continued the work on transferring the information for Central Division, Area 6.

The information gathered a few years ago has been a fantastic base to build on.

With summer looming, we would like to see some more members join our team.

If you would like to join us, drop me an email at pgashton@gmail.com and I will add you to our Email group in the first instance.

Paul Ashton

Home Front: Experiences of the first World War in New Zealand.

Shirley Turner has advised that the Papakura Museum is currently holding a very interesting exhibition.

This exhibition looks at how the First World War changed everyday life in New Zealand and how communities pulled together. Well worth a look and is on until 21st December 2018.

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

October Meetings are:

Wednesday 10th – The People of Wai Horotiu – early settlers, and the Queen Street stream with Lisa Truttman

From the arrival of Lt Governor Hobson and his staff, the settling of the centre of Auckland City was intimately connected with the flow of Te Waihorotiu and nearby watercourses. The aspirations of many early Aucklanders both rose and fell along the course of what is now hidden. Historian Lisa Truttman will introduce you to the stories of some who lived and worked beside the stream.

Wednesday 24th – 12.00pm – 1.00pm

Screening the local with Carolyn Skelton.

In the early 20th Century, filmmakers began shooting movies in New Zealand, among them Rudall Hayward's classic Rewi's Last Stand. Subsequently, Auckland has now become a significant centre for film production. Join Carolyn Skelton as she explores the diversity of filmmaking in Auckland, and looks at those parts of the region used to represent local, national and international and fantasy locations.

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

Visit the [Auckland City website](http://www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz) as there is usually a wealth of information for the family genealogist.

www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz

Family History Club.

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

BRICK WALL TUESDAY

Hit a brick wall with your genealogy and/or family history, or just starting out? Make a free one-hour booking to see Auckland Libraries' family history librarian Seonaid Lewis.
North Auckland Research Centre
Takapuna Library

First Tuesday each month
For bookings phone 09 890 4919

SOME BRANCH WEB SITE LINKS:

Wellington Branch NZSG:
www.genealogy.org.nz/wellington_District_124.aspx

Kilbirnie Branch NZSG:
www.nzsgkilbirnie.org.nz

Dunedin Branch NZSG:
www.dunedingenealogy.org.nz

Hutt Valley Branch NZSG:
www.huttvalleygenealogy.org.nz

Hibiscus Coast NZSG:
www.genealogy.org.nz/Hibiscus_Coast_69.aspx

The Coromandel Heritage Trust
www.thetreasury.org.nz

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

www.genealogy.org.nz
The NZSG national web site

www.tinyurl.com/nsgenealogy
Your Branch Web Site

OTHER WEB SITES

www.hookedongenealogytours.com
www.FamNet.org.nz

Where Kiwis tell their stories

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

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

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

<http://www.irelandoldnews.com>
Old Irish Newspapers

IMPORTANT

Please note that as the Senior Citizens hall has had a new floor installed there is a total ban on high heels.

Special Meeting re Funeral Homes

H Morris funeral directors sometimes host "Special Meetings" for community clubs. These meetings are at their premises and they provide a tea and coffee supper. They provide a tour/show and tell on the funeral home. If we have enough members interested we will arrange for a special meeting. Please contact a committee member if you are interested in attending.

GENE TOONS by Wendell Washer



In an on-line search, some subject lines are less than informative.

40th Birthday Luncheon

To celebrate this occasion, we held a luncheon at the Birkenhead RSA on Monday the 17th September. This was attended by some 42 guests and a great time was had by all.



The Cake - Before



The Cake - Cutting by Lucy Marshall



The Cake - After the luncheon



Mary Shadbolt, Lucy Marshall, Graeme Constable



Marion Corles, Colleen Petricevich



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Our October 1st Day meeting will have a speaker from the Maritime Museum who will talk on the resources and history of the museum.

Our October 17th Evening meeting will be an interactive session covering the various Birth, Marriage and Death indexes available on the internet.