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Programme for 2019

*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*

4th February 2019

*Special General Meeting
To approve Rule Changes
Speaker: Pam Irwin
Subject: The 1918 Flu Epidemic*

Evening Meetings:

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

20th February 2019

Subject: Maps and genealogy

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

I hope you all had a relaxing Christmas and New Year with family and friends. I did my usual Skype Christmas with my daughters overseas, had my brother and his wife to Christmas lunch and spent New Year's Eve and Day with my sister and her husband. Otherwise it was a pretty quiet time.

I didn't get many plums as the guava moth was really bad this year so I didn't make my usual pots of jam. My courgettes started well but then got powdery mildew and the birds and I are having a battle for my tomatoes as the minute there is a bit of colour they dig in. Consequently, my window sill is full of ripening tomatoes. And I am sick of lettuce!

One of my daughters gave me a 6-month subscription to Ancestry for Christmas so I am spending time chasing up the clues my DNA tests have uncovered. I get a lot of connections through my My Heritage subscription which will run out soon. Most seem to be my Swedish line with a number of Scottish connections still to be investigated. I seem to have lots of 3rd and 4th cousins I cannot find the connection to. I am going to the NZSG DNA Users Group on Tuesday – they are holding meetings at the FRC the 1st Tuesday of each month – and hope to get some ideas from that.

Well I'm sure those who attended the day Christmas meeting had a good time – I did! Lyn is to be congratulated for her organisation. And it was nice that Pam Irwin who was laid up and couldn't come sent her money for the raffle and won it. She had to postpone her talk on the Spanish Flu Epidemic from last November because of her operation but we will get to hear it on Monday.

We are still seeking help on our committee so if you can assist, we would welcome you. We need to have backups for when some of us are away or indisposed. Just see any of the committee to ask about it.

Looking forward to an enjoyable and informative year and seeing you at our meetings and activities.

Raewyn

REPORT ON DECEMBER MEETING

Christmas Meetings 2018

Both the day and evening meetings were celebrated with a fun Christmas theme. Both meetings had generous Christmas Hamper raffles, the evening one kindly donated by Dennise Cook. Many members entered into the festive spirit by wearing Christmas inspired hats. Dave Charman at the evening meeting wowed everyone with a battery charged, all singing and all dancing one. Shona Michie created her own masterpiece and took the day meeting prize. Genealogy themed quizzes at both meetings tested our knowledge. Teresa McCarthy brought her guitar and music sheets along to the day meeting and we sang Christmas Carols. In spite of the chorus of "I can't sing" from many, we did very well, reminiscence of the old family sing-along many of us experience in our youth. By now we were all truly in the Christmas Spirit and finished our meetings with delightful and plentiful shared refreshments.

Both meetings were enhanced by the enjoyment of sharing time with long standing friends and more recently acquired ones drawn together by a common interest of genealogy.



FEBRUARY 2019 MEETINGS

Monday 4th February at 1:00pm

Our first day meeting for the 2019 year will start with a Special General Meeting to approve and adopt the changes to the National Rules that we are also registered under.

The speaker to follow will be Pam Irwin who will cover the 1918 Flu Epidemic.

Come along for an interesting session on a major event of our past.

Wednesday 20th February at 7:30pm

Our first evening meeting will investigate maps and their assistance to the genealogists.

If you have found something of interest over the holiday break such as a new genealogy web site or programme please be prepared to share the meeting. Bring your computers for an investigative evening.

NSMP Transcription Project - January Update

With Paul having now found full time employment his time has been severely curtailed. It is hoped that this will be sorted over the next few weeks and we can get this programme on track.

If you are interested in joining the project, in any capacity, please contact Paul, drop me an email at pgashton@gmail.com and I will add you to our Email group in the first instance.

Paul Ashton

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

Meetings recommence in February 2019

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 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](http://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.

REMINDER

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First Meetings for 2019

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Our February 20th Evening Meeting will investigate the use of maps in genealogy research. All welcome and bring your computer for an interactive evening. Have you found an interesting genealogy web site or programme during the holiday break and if so please be prepared to share your find with us.

