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Meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of each
month (February to November) at 7.30 pm,
in the Dr Gertrude Atmore Supper Room
of the Otaki Public Library,
corner Aotaki and Main Streets, Otaki.

**Please Note: When the Branch has a guest
speaker we have a gold coin collection.**

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OUR NEXT MEETING
Thursday 22nd April 2021

*“Mapping your family
and their neighbourhood”
(Len Nicholls and Nancy Carr)*

Committee news:

Branch meetings:

- May 27th: AGM and speaker: Rowan Carroll, Director New Zealand Police Museum



New Zealand Society of Genealogists Inc.
Otaki Branch

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Subject to Requirements for Covid 19

This meeting will be held at 7:30pm on Thursday 27 May 2021

in the

Dr Gertrude Atmore Supper Room, Otaki.

- **Subscriptions:** subs for the new financial year are now due. A sub form is attached to this email. It would be much appreciated if you could pay online – the bank account details are on the form. Just make sure you put your name as a reference.

Our bank will no longer accept cheques very soon, so we are setting up our accounts to have everything done online.

- **NZSG Kiwi Index:**
In the latest NZ Genealogist magazine, news of the imminent release of the latest Kiwi Index was announced. This will only be available to NZSG members through their website (it was previously available on a USB stick). On the website it will be possible for it to be continuously updated. It comes as an extra cost – either a month's or a year's subscription.

Library Duty

Gail Hall	28 April	Carol Moore	12 May
Anne Williams	5 May	Frances Milne	19 May

(the dates shown now cover the period between newsletters)

And: Anne McLellan Saturday 8 May

If you cannot do a duty day, please contact one of these members listed below to swap:

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Research items of interest



- [FindmyPast](#): **Ireland, Northern Ireland Deaths 1998-2020**
They've created a distinct record set for recent Northern Ireland deaths and expanded the resource with over 5,000 new records. The entire collection now stands at over 92,000 records. In it, you can discover your relatives' names, birth and death years and where they lived.
- [cavantownlands.com](#): This is a renewed site "*your gateway to the history of each of Cavan's 2,000 townlands*". The main data sources are briefly listed below and most come with supporting articles which provide further background and tips on searching. As time allows, we plan to upload more unique records and articles, so please do return on a regular basis

A search by townland will produce the following results in one location:

- Location map and basic townland information along with specific articles relevant to the townland where available.

- 1609 Bodley plantation map analysis for the townlands of the parishes of Kildallan, Killashandra and Scrabby/Gowna. 137 townlands have been identified and classified. Find out what your townland was called in 1609 and who the land was granted to under the Plantation of Ulster. The name of the newly created estate, or proportion, can be found here and the original maps can be viewed.
- 1652 Commonwealth survey data and maps for all parishes. After the quashing of the 1641 rebellion, the lands were regranted by Cromwell and the new Proprietor name for each townland is provided here along with estate maps.
- 1830 Tithe Applotment records for 35 of the 36 civil parishes. Re-indexed, corrected and presented in searchable tabulated form for ease of access. Tenant names are provided in this record of church tax applied to the tenant farmers.
- 1836 Name Book records for the townlands of 9 parishes first published in The Heart of Breifne 1979-1987. The nine parishes covered are: Bailieborough, Castlerahan, Crosserlough, Denn, Killinkere, Knockbride, Lavey, Munterconnaught and Sheroock.
- 1841 Census of Killashandra. Cross checked, corrected and fully searchable data set. This a unique record of all inhabitants, their name, age, occupation, educational and marriage status and more.
- 1865 Griffith's valuation records. Covers the entire of County Cavan. Tenant names are provided.

All included townland records have been referenced to their official Logainm identifier. Logainm.ie is the official database of Irish placenames.

We have also included an extensive library of maps and books which are specific to County Cavan and this reference set is being enlarged on an on-going basis. The full version of a number of books and articles can be read here.

Thanks to Jenny Martin



GREAT BRITAIN

➤ **[Findmypast:England & Wales Deaths 2007-2020](#)**

Search over 353,000 new modern death records that are now available to search in their own standalone collection.

When combined with [England & Wales Deaths 1837-2007](#), this set sees Findmypast's death record coverage for the two countries span an impressive 183 years.

➤ **[Ancestry: About Glamorganshire, Wales, Glamorgan County Asylum Records, 1845-1920](#)**

This collection contains asylum registers for Cardiff, Wales from 1845 to 1958. Included within this database are admission and discharge registers, burial records, and indexes to case notes. The details can be a great stepping stone to tracing your ancestors and learning more about them.

The details come from an online database which includes the following items:

- Name
- Date
- Age
- Asylum

Asylum registers often contain a wealth of useful information. Admission and discharge registers may have extra details including what was recorded about the patient's symptoms and diagnosis, who admitted them, their occupation, and more



NEW ZEALAND

- The Goldrush Online website <https://kaelewis.com> has been updated and provides information and indexes of information on New Zealand goldmining.
- Archives NZ (archives.govt.nz) is continually digitising more files, so check in and see if there's anything new for your research.



GERMANY

- [Familysearch](#): Germany, Prussia, Pomerania, Catholic and Lutheran Church Records, 1544-1966 Catholic and Lutheran church records from Germany, Prussia, Pomerania. Baptism, marriage and burial records included.

OTHER:

- A very useful link for anyone with a relative taken prisoner during the First World War.



ICRC

GRANDEGUERRE.ICRC.ORG

Prisoners of the First World War | International Committee of the Red Cross - Index

Archives 1914-1918: during the First World War, 10 million people, servicemen and civilians, were captured and sent to prisoner-of-war and Internment camps. The Belligerent Countries sent lists of prisoners of various nationalities to the ICRC. The ICRC set up alphabetical indexes.

Thanks to Donna Bridgeman

Ancestral Mathematics

In order to be born, you needed:

- 2 parents
- 4 grandparents
- 8 great-grandparents
- 16 second great-grandparents
- 32 third great-grandparents
- 64 fourth great-grandparents
- 128 fifth great-grandparents
- 256 sixth great-grandparents
- 512 seventh great-grandparents
- 1,024 eighth great-grandparents
- 2,048 ninth great-grandparents

For you to be born today from 12 previous generations, you needed a total of 4,094 ancestors over the last 400 years.

Think for a moment – How many struggles? How many battles? How many difficulties? How much sadness? How much happiness? How many love stories? How many expressions of hope for the future? – did your ancestors have to undergo for you to exist in this present moment...

Thanks to Arthur Marychurch