



From 'Our House' to Yours

Papakura Branch: New Zealand Society of Genealogists



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FOR YOUR DIARY

28 April	29	30 House open for research 10 -12	1 May Legacy Session 10-12 House open for research 7.00 – 9.00	2	3 European Interest Group Panmure 4-10	4 House open for research 1 – 4
5 Sunday	6	7 House open for research 10 -12 AGM 7pm + speaker	8 House open for research 7.00 – 9.00	9	10	11 House open for research 1 - 4
12 Computer Group 1.30pm	13	14 House open for research 10 -12	15 House open for research 7.00 – 9.00	16		18 House open for research 1 – 4
19	20	21 House open for research 10 -12	22 House open for research 7.00 – 9.00	23	24 Papakura Library help with research 11-1	25 House open for research 1 – 4
26 Irish Interest Group AGM 12.30 FRC Panmure	27 Committee Meeting 7.00	28 House open for research 10 -12	29 House open for research 7.00 – 9.00	30	31	1 Jun House open for research 1 – 4

All evening activities start at 7pm

WHAT'S ON:

- Wednesday 1 May:** **Legacy Session 10-12pm.** Help with the programme, tips and techniques, problem solving...
- Tuesday 7 May:** **AGM & speaker Heather Maloney 7pm**
- Sunday 12 May:** **Computer Group 1.30 at the house.** Programmes, websites, hints, tips and more
- Friday 24 May:** **Joint session at Sir Edmund Hilary Library 11-1** Come along and join us if you are stuck and want some help. Use of Library on-line resources and advice and guidance from Branch members and Library Staff.

2019 Branch AGM

The branch AGM will be held on Tuesday 7 May.

The formal notice of meeting was distributed on 7 April.

Nominations are open for committee members.

The branch relies on volunteers to keep things running. We need a few more people to join the committee. Please talk with any current committee members if you can help or have any questions. You do not necessarily need to be an NZSG member to stand as a committee member just be a branch member.

Documents for the AGM (such as financial report and minutes of the 2018 AGM) will be distributed at the meeting

Convenors Report:



Greetings everyone,

Hoping everyone has been safe and enjoyed nice family time over the past week or two. The weather is on the change again, time to snuggle down and keep warm!

I would like to mention how proud I am of our team of volunteers that spent many hours preparing for our recent Garage Sale. Thank you all for your commitment and hard work! Albeit the weather was not entirely on our side that day.

Recently I have not had any time to research my family history, but rather had glorious days with my living relatives and extended family 😊 Have enjoyed catching up and spending time with them all!

Kindest Regards

From the desk and thoughts of

Carmen Parris-Oswald

Newsletter – I hope I haven't left anything vital out this time. Please note as I am away next month's newsletter will be written by mystery editors. *Jane*

Committee update:

Hello everyone.

Just a short update on some of the activities the committee has been up to this month.

As most of you will be aware, we have undertaken a project to digitize our Biographical Index cards so have been speaking with various suppliers to gauge the scope and scanner pricing options. We are close to getting the best deal for a recommended scanner.

Also, we have been looking at installing internet at the house to aid with research & presentations. An application is currently being prepared to get the process underway so members and visitors will eventually be able to use various Genie sites to aid in their research. I am sure this will be a great asset to the Branch as often it is so much easier and more rewarding to be able to show people various Genie tools and sites. Take care and happy researching.

Chris Bayley on behalf of the committee.

Shirley Early has Moved North:

As most of you are aware, Shirley Early has moved to live in Northland. Shirley is a Foundation Member of the Papakura Group from its beginnings in July 1978. She has served on the Committee in various roles, including Convenor and Secretary for almost all that time. Her involvement included transcribing cemetery headstones, organizing our Annual Research Days, writing the newsletter and displays in the local shops. Shirley has also been a House Opener for several years. Her knowledge and experience helped countless members on their hunt for ancestors.

Thank you, Shirley for your time and knowledge.

We wish Shirley and husband Ernie our best wishes as they begin life in the North.



Gail, Shirley & Iris, Foundation members Papakura Branch

NZSG Annual General Meeting

AGM Sunday 30 June 12 midday – 4.00pm approx.

VENUE: [Royal Oak Bowls Club, 146 Selwyn St, Onehunga, Auckland](#) click on the link to view map

PRESENTATION: Sarah Hewitt *Getting It Right*

REGISTRATION: 11am onwards.

LUNCH: BYO Lunch.

PARKING: Onsite and good street parking available.

Last month's meetings:

We had two very interesting speakers - committee member Gloria Buddle wearing her RSA hat, talked about poppy day and how it is organised. She had an interesting display of poppies old and new and poppy memorabilia.

Vera Gleadall talked about her time in the Falkland Islands as wife of the British Representative and the experience of the highjacked Argentinian plane as well as being a nurse on the islands.



Garage Sale:

Sadly, the weather put paid to a good turn out and we will have to look at doing it again later in the year. Funds raised were well down on previous years. Thank you to everyone who donated, helped on the day and came along to support the branch.

Legacy Sessions:

Next Legacy sessions.	Wednesday	1 May 10 – 12	Held at 'Our House' \$3
	Monday	1 Jul 1-3	

Contact Jane Brooker at jane.bnz13@gmail.com or 296 0257

Computer Group: Next Meeting Sunday 12th May 1.30pm

DNA Group: Next DNA meeting Sunday 9th Jun 1.30pm

Papakura and Auckland Library news:

We are grateful to Alicia Griffen at Sir Edmund Hilary Library for bringing this to our attention.

Auckland Libraries' is also an affiliate library to FamilySearch (familysearch.org).

This means that Auckland Libraries has privileges to access the limited-access FamilySearch databases that are not accessible to the general public at all our library sites. This access is only available through our Public PC network, and our public Wi-Fi network (not through staff networks).

These extra items are actually digitised microfilms that haven't been indexed as yet.

They are available by going via "search > catalogue". You search by "place", and then click the camera icon, and browse through images online (like clicking through a microfilm).

REMEMBER as an NZSG member you can access these extra resources at Panmure too.

Coming Up:

May Meeting: AGM & speaker, Heather Maloney JP- elections general and NZSG

June Meetings: Show and tell. AM A great find, a family heirloom, what is the oldest thing in your possession

PM What of your genealogical treasures would you save if your house was on fire?

Did you know?

These people provide invaluable help to all members by the branch services they offer

Convenor	Carmen
Secretary	Fredda
Treasurer	Jane
Committee	Chris
Committee	Gloria
Newsletter	Jane
Raffles	Gloria
Library	Kay & Jane
Research officer	Iris
Computer group	Anne M & Kay
DNA	Chris
Legacy	Jane
'Hostess with the mostest'	Gloria
House openers	Anne Tonar, Anne Megget, Barbara Gallagher, Carmen Parris-Oswald, Cathy Owens, Dawn Cleary, Fredda Martin, Gloria Buddle, Iris Taylor, Jan Fuller, Jane Brooker, Jean Phillpotts, Kara Oosterman, Kay Rule.

Without them we could not do half of what we do. Thank you all.

We welcome all members to have their say on the running of the branch, as well as your contributions to 'Our House'

Why not come and join the committee?

Looking ahead to Family History Month.

The Family History Expo will take place the weekend of **10/11 August**. Looking forward to hearing about the speakers in due course. Put it in your diary

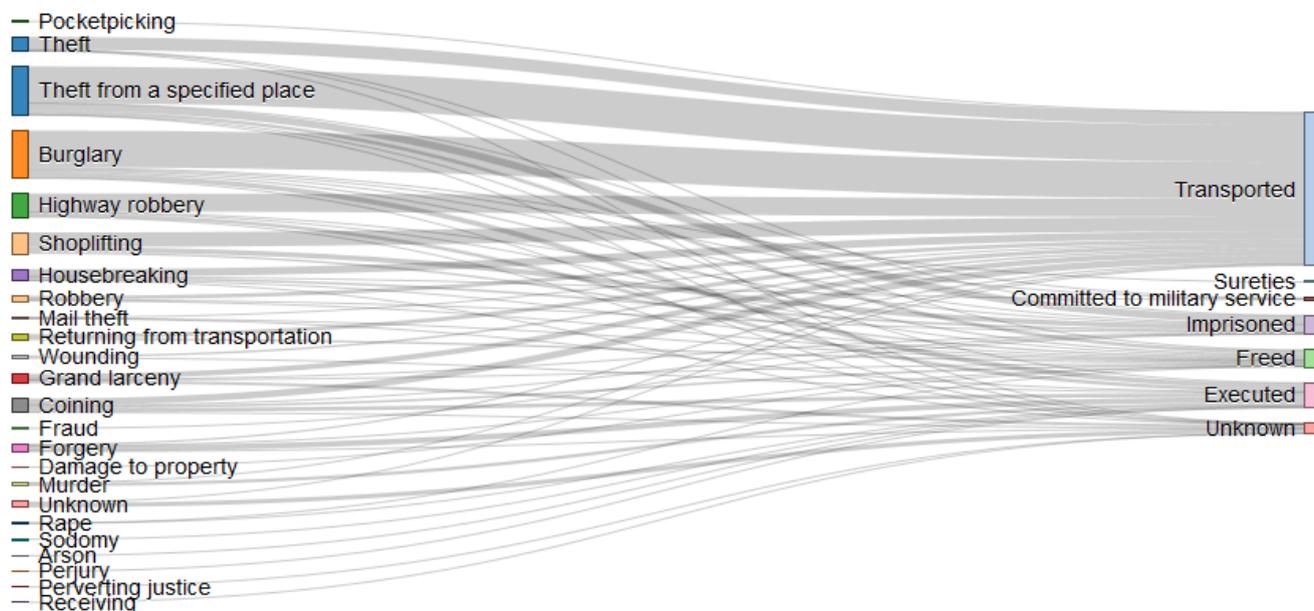
24th August Research Day at Sir Edmund Hilary Library.

From around the websites and magazines: On hold this month

Have you seen?

1) <https://www.digitalpanopticon.org/> This website allows you to search millions of records from around fifty datasets, relating to the lives of 90,000 convicts from the Old Bailey. Use the site to search individual convict life archives, explore and visualise data, and to learn more about crime and criminal justice in the past.

The following is a chart from the site giving a visualisation of what actually happened to defendants *sentenced to death* at the Old Bailey



2) If you want to tidy up a few loose ends and have ancestors who may have been buried or cremated in the cemeteries administered by the Birmingham (England) City Council this site <https://birminghamburialrecords.co.uk> , may be of help.

Name, month of burial/cremation year of burial/cremation and location of cemetery are all available to view for free. Downloading a digital copy is rather pricey at £20 per copy. I have been able to bury/cremate a few distant relatives but thought twice about buying the record. Unfortunately, they don't include second names, which can make identifying the right person more complicated. Findagrave and deceased on line are free or considerably cheaper per record, but it might at least give you a place to start looking.

The site gives information on each cemetery:- address, email, map location, office and cemetery opening hours and some general information. For example, some of my relatives are buried at the Brandwood End Cemetery and the general information tells me:-

Brandwood End cemetery opened in 1899 and is located in the Brandwood ward of Birmingham. It covers an area of around 53 acres, and has rows of Scots Pine, Cypress and Wellingtonia trees.

There isn't a staffed office at this cemetery. If you need help, there's a direct line to Kings Norton cemetery office in a telephone kiosk (open 8:30am to 4:30pm) opposite the Lodge building.

The records for Brandwood End cemetery are held at Kings Norton cemetery.

Great information if planning a trip.

Trading Table: Bring along your excess produce, jams, genealogy bits and bobs, no longer needed books etc and support the branch.

Ink Cartridges: Please bring your empty printer cartridges in to the house. **We can only use HP or Canon types of cartridges.** These will be recycled to generate some income for the branch.

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38	Colour	CL38	513	Colour	CL513
40	Black	PG40	640	Black	PG640
41	Colour	CL41	640XL	Black	PG640XL
51	Colour	CL51	641	Colour	CL641
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Only these are currently accepted.

Last Word: Don't get distracted by those Bright



If there are any errors, omissions or any comments about this newsletter please contact Jane Brooker jane.bnz13@gmail.com

Contributions, articles, topics, event dates etc. for the next edition are always welcome. Please send to jane.bnz13@gmail.com no later than **27 May 2019**.

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