



From 'Our House' to Yours

Papakura Branch: New Zealand Society of Genealogists



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FOR YOUR DIARY

(Please note we are trialling (by request) week commencing on a Monday)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1 Legacy Session 1pm-3pm	2 House open for research 10am – Noon Meeting 7pm	3 No evening research until August	4	5	6 House open for research 1-4 pm	7
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22	23 House open for research 10am – Noon	24 No evening research until August	25	26 Papakura Library help with research 11am-1pm	27 House open for research 1-4 pm	28
29 Committee Meeting 7pm	30 House open for research 10am – Noon	31 No evening research until August				

WHAT'S ON:

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.

Monday 1 July **1pm-3pm – Legacy Session with Jane**

Tuesday 2 July: **Monthly Meeting - 7pm**
What old Post Cards have you been gifted with?

12 – 14 July **A Weekend with Kerry Farmer**
Please refer to advertisement further down in the newsletter

Sunday 14 July **1.30pm – Computer Group – at the House**

Tuesday 23 July **10.00am – 2.00pm – The Totara Hospice Event – “Living Every Moment”**
Our branch has accepted an invitation to operate a genealogy information table at this event. We would love to have some extra volunteers to help man the table so please give it some thought and let us know closer to the time. Please email papakura@genealogy.org.nz if you would like to offer to assist with this event

Friday 26 July **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.

Monday 29 July **7.00pm – Committee Meeting**

Convenors Report:



Greetings everyone,

Ok yep, agreeing we finally found our Winter! Albeit blessed we are for the previous warmer weather. I do adore the beautiful sunny crisp refreshing mornings.... hmm ok a bit OTT? Just trying to keep the positive vibe going 😊

Well this is the second edition from the two new 'junior editors', looks as though we are still the Papakura newsletter girlies! Hoping we can entertain you and keep you informed!

So, what has been happening? Hmm, not much news about Our House at this time.

Oh yes there is some news, look out for our Committee Report from Chris!

We have work in progress regarding our brochure, looking forward to the updated launch sometime soon.

Very excited for purchasing the scanner for our digitising project. The team will then document 'how' the cards will be scanned and recorded. Then our keen volunteers are welcome to embark on this journey with us!

Hoping you are all keeping warm and safe.

Please enjoy our newsletters and look forward to our next editions 😊

Kindest Regards

From the Editor's desk and thought's of

Carmen Parris-Oswald & Gloria Buddle

Wi-Fi and Internet Usage at Our House (Opaheke Road)

Information regarding the usage of Wi-Fi and internet connectivity at our house. At the 2018 AGM, a motion was passed to charge \$2.00 for use of Wi-Fi/internet which is additional to the standard entry charge.

The \$2.00 fee is applicable to all who use branch computers and/or their own devices for connecting to the house Wi-Fi for internet usage. House openers on duty who utilise the house Wi-Fi are obliged to pay only the \$2.00 fee.

If a meeting/session invites members/guests to use internet access, the \$2.00 charge is applicable to all who connect to the house wi-fi. However, if only the speaker is using the Wi-Fi/internet the \$2.00 fee does not apply.

Please feel free to contact a Committee member if you have any further questions.

Committee Report:

Internet at Our House:

The internet is now fully operational at the House and accessible using either the upgraded desktop computer or alternatively bring your own laptop / tablet and use Wi-Fi through the 2degrees network logon.

Review of the June DNA session:

We had a good turnout with 14 people attending the session. With the internet now available it was a good chance to try a hands-on approach to understanding DNA results. The session started with a 30-minute YouTube video by Blaine Bettinger on clustering your shared matches. Blaine demonstrated a quick method of organising your matches using Ancestry's new coloured dots to potentially show ancestral lines.

For those people who missed it here is the link to view, it's well worth a second or third look.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ApidzEyA_k

More information on this DNA colour clustering can also be found at this site: <https://www.danaleeds.com/>

Following the video there was an open question and answer session where we all got a chance to discuss our DNA matches, mostly using Ancestry.

Most people had brought their own laptops and were able to view and demonstrate items using their own logon. It was great to see everyone sharing ideas.

For the latter part of the session we briefly looked at both My Heritage and FTDNA to view their shared matches display options.

If you have any ideas for the next DNA meeting please let the committee know.

Coming Up:



A Weekend with Kerry Farmer

Hosted by the NZSG Scottish Interest Group
at the Family Research Centre
159 Queens Road, Panmure



The Programme

Friday 12 July 4.00pm-6.00pm (with cake and coffee) \$10.00

■ **I've done my DNA test, what's next**

After a brief overview of the different types of DNA testing available, this talk shows how to take advantage of the information available, some clues about how to identify the new relatives discovered by DNA and one case study showing how DNA was used to discover an unknown ancestor.

Saturday 13 July \$30.00 for the day

■ **Scottish births, marriages and deaths (10.30am-12 noon)**

This talk covers Scottish births, marriages and deaths records from the ScotlandsPeople website, other sources of parish registers and newspaper announcements, as well as Scottish wills and cemetery records.

Lunch 12 noon-1.00pm ~ Bring your lunch - tea and coffee provided

■ **Records by place (1.00pm-2.30pm)**

In this session we examine some of the records which are sorted by place (although some can be searched by name as well). Collections include censuses and valuation rolls, local history and gazetteers as well as tax records, maps, directories and land records.

Sunday 14 July \$30.00 for the day

■ **Scottish Poor (10.30am-12 noon)**

This session explores Scotland's poor and destitute and the records that can provide a wealth of genealogical information. Other topics considered in this session are records of paternity cases, mental health and bankruptcy.

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■ **Other Online Scottish Resources (1.00pm-2.30pm)**

This session considers some of the other sources of online information not covered in other sessions this weekend, including records of the courts and prisons, newspapers, emigration, Scottish peerage, mining, and the military.

Reserve your place for each day - limited to 50 seats each day

All bookings are online at the NZSG website look for events
www.genealogy.org.nz

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Te Rangapū Kaihikohiko o Aotearoa

Family history - Preserving our past for the future



Family History Expo

Friday 9 August to Sunday 11 August 2019 – Fickling Convention Centre, Three Kings

<https://www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz/pages/family-history-expo.aspx>

Combined Family History Research Day

Saturday 24 August 2019 – 10am-2pm

Sir Edmund Hillary Library – Papakura

Further details to be confirmed. There will be other sessions planned for the Family History Month at the library.

Auckland Regional Meeting – Papakura Branch to host

Saturday 19 October 2019 - Where: FRC 159 Queens Road, Panmure, Auckland

More details will be advised when available

Our House Garage Sale

Date to be confirmed, possibly *November*

Did you know?

www.rsa.org.nz

Check out the above website regarding anything Military or Defence Matters

You can also read the RSA Review copy sitting at Our House

Check out this little gem found in the Winter edition – Volume Number 95

'Lost Trails' may be able to help – it's worth trying

Looking for somebody or something with a services/military connection of any sort? You could be searching for information on a person, people or military unit, or service-related information, or about how to return or acquire medals and memorabilia, or a long-lost service mate, or something entirely different. All you have to do is send

us the information and we'll run it in the next available RSA Review (the Review is published in March, June, September and December).

Send details of your quest by: email – dion@waterfordpress.co.nz; post – RSA Review, P.O.Box 19-593, Christchurch 8421; phone – 03 9835505.

It's who you know and teamwork!

A recent query from one of our members to the Lower Hutt Branch Genealogy group resulted in an answer from a member of the Papatoetoe Genealogy group. No question is a silly question, you never know who can help you and provide answers!

Read your note in a recent NZSG Hutt Valley newsletter and wondered if you had seen this site on Facebook



From around the websites and magazines:

Who Do You Think You Are? – Australia

New Series starting – Sunday 30 June – 8.30 pm - UKTV

Found this interesting little article:

Finding the documentation to support a change of name by Deed Poll

After some initial enquiries on a Facebook genealogy page I asked if documentation would be kept for anyone who changed their name it was suggested that I try Archives NZ, An unexpected trip to Dunedin and some time to spare I visited the Dunedin office.

I enquired of the receptionist and she ordered the Miscellaneous Case Files Register. I knew the approximate time frame so three very large, heavy index books were brought to me covering the 1923 – 1945 period. I looked through all three books which fortunately had in index of names in the front of each one. Unfortunately I did not find the name I



was looking for, however when returning the books I commented that **the person had lived in Northern Southland. This info was vital and I was presented with another set of three books, this time from the Invercargill.**

After finding the name in the index, further reference information was found in the book. Off the staff go to the stack again and this time I'm presented with a single page, prepared by a lawyer for the person wanting to change their name.

This outlined the reasons for asking for the change of name and declaring that he wanted to take the new name officially, not only for himself but for his heirs and issues. The document was filed in the Supreme Court in Invercargill.

This information filtered through the system and now if I check on the NZ BDM website and enter the birth surname, it comes up with the new surname and the correct Christian names of his parents but no reference to the birth surname.

On the microfiche both names are entered and both have the same Folio numbers

Sincere thanks to member Margaret Sutherland

Trading Table:

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

Ink Cartridges:

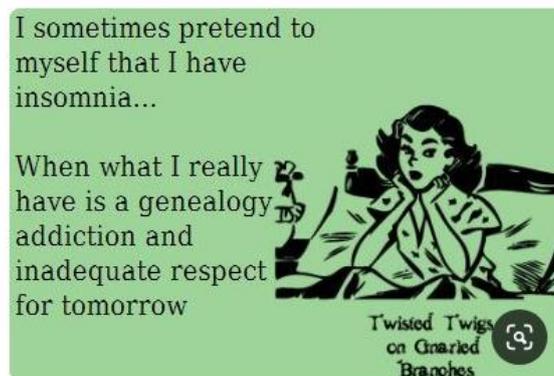
Only Canon and HP are accepted.

Sharing:

A problem shared is a problem halved. Hit a brick wall? Come and have a chat at one of our meetings and see if others have any suggestions or come to one of our research sessions and have one on one help.

Please share if you have found resources to 'colour in' your family so they can be passed on to others.

Last Word:



If there are any errors, omissions or any comments about this newsletter please contact Carmen Parris-Oswald or Gloria Buddle via email to papakura@genealogy.org.nz Please insert "Newsletter" into the subject line.

Contributions, articles, topics, event dates etc. for the next edition are always welcome. Please send to papakura@genealogy.org.nz no later than **25 July 2019**. Please insert "Newsletter" into the subject line.

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