

South Waikato Genealogy

A Branch of the New Zealand Society of Genealogists

Newsletter

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COMING EVENTS

Sat 4 November . Our Branch hosts the **Regional meeting** at the hospital conference room. We need a good number of plates for morning tea and helpers for the kitchen - **We start serving morning tea at 9.30 am.** Contact Denise Fargher PH 886 9381. You are all welcome to attend .

PLEASE HELP !!

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**Wed 15th Nov- S Gardiner ;
Photography Tokoroa TCOSS rooms 7.30
pm**

SEARCHING - BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU ACCEPT

- Weigh accuracy of records*
- Seek original records*
- Compare clues from varying sources*
- File what found and what you have researched. This will save time and effort later!*
- Talk to older relatives*
- Try many on-line sources*
- Be wary of On-line trees - check accuracy.*

DECEMBER 1 1917

Hotels in NZ are forced to close at 6 pm for the first time. The “temporary” war time measure was to last for 50 years.

From Judith

GRO launches new pilot PDF birth and death records

<http://www.whodoyouthinkyouaremagazine.com/news/gro-launches-new-pilot-pdf-birth-and-death-records>

NEW ZEALAND WOMANS WEEKLY has turned 85.

It has given us many memories over the years. We have learnt more about fashion, cooking, handcrafts, gardening, health issues, lives of the famous and much more. The magazine has enriched the lives of many people over the years and had a great effect on NZ life.

A section called “Over the Teacups” has had us chortling. This one has tickled my fancy after the last winter.

“Sept 15th 1986; THE GREAT FLOODER

After recent rain, our farm was flooded. The water was deep in the paddocks and drains had overflowed. Five year old granddaughter was overwhelmed by it all. “God had better make a rainbow to say he’s sorry” she said.” *Thanks Women’s Weekly.*

The NZ Labour Party was formed in 1916. Harry HOLLAND is elected to Parliament in 1918 for the Grey

electorate .Within a few months he is joined by Peter FRASER and Robert SEMPLE.

ONE NAME STUDY

This is a collection of all people of a common surname world wide. It does help if it is a less common surname, but it could be done by following eg, all the Smiths originating in a village and their dispersal world wide. Usually these are kept on a data base with headings such as; Surname; First names; Record Type; Place; Date. The Guild of One name studies is one group that specialises in this type of genealogy research.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

The Auckland star 5 Jan 1926 has an article headed as above. The visitors to South Waikato were to be Sir Douglas MAWSON who was an Antarctic explorer and Sir Herbert MATTHEWS secretary of the Council of Agriculture in Britain. They were accompanied by Mr Landon SMITH and D S WYLLIE. They were coming to the Putaruru to see the first commercial afforestation in this area, planted by NZ Perpetual forests. There is a wonderful photo album in the NZ Timber Museum in Putaruru that records this visit. Smith & Wyllie were directors of the company.

ACTIVITY TO DO WITH YOUR GRANDCHILDREN

In Tokoroa the NZFP streets were named by David Henry after places ha remembered from Scotland. Either on line or in a good atlas see if you can find the places. On Facebook recently there was a question”How did Glenkill Park get its name? “ That was easily found.

Many of streets in Putaruru are named after original or early settlers. I am writing about many of them in my second book - when I can get around to it. Selling the first one is a territory that is new to me and taking time!

The Family History Researcher Academy is Now Offering a FREE English & Welsh Family History Mini-Course

[Dick Eastman](#) · [October 24, 2017](#) T

The following announcement was written by Nick Thorne:

Nick Thorne, from The Family History Researcher Academy has just added a FREE video mini-course for those searching for English or Welsh ancestors to his site at FamilyHistoryResearcher.com

The short video tutorials deal with some of the mistakes that researchers sometimes make when they are looking for their English or Welsh ancestors in census and birth records. The mini-course also sets out some of the places that you could research for your elusive ancestors in and also sets out how to best begin the search of these British records. While the videos encourage viewers to go on to the more detailed written course, the mini-course stands alone in offering some very useful information.

These concise videos and the more in-depth downloadable pdf Family History Researcher Academy English/Welsh family history course were compiled by Nick Thorne from his experience of researching ancestors for private clients and working with one of the leading British genealogical research websites for whom he writes case study articles for publication in several of the U.K. family history magazines. He is also the author. These FREE videos are available now

at: www.familyhistoryresearcher.com/free-video-course

Abbreviations

a	(1) about (2) abstract (3) acre(s) (4) administration (5) adultery (6) against (7) age (8) analysis (9) annual (10) <i>annus</i> (age[d]) (11) ante (before) (12) archives (13) aunt (14) sealing conversion
a.	after
AAC	<i>Anno Ante Christum</i> (in the year before Christ)
a.a.O	at the place quoted
ab	(1) abbey (2) about (3) abridgement (4) abstract (5) administrator's bond (6) appeal against bastardy
aban	abandoned
ABC	Advisement by Computer
abd	(1) abdicated (2) abroad
ab init	<i>ab initio</i> (from the beginning)
ab nepos	Great-great-grandson
ab nepitis	Great-great-granddaughter
ac	(1) acres (2) adopted child (3) <i>anni currentis</i> , current year (4) archives case (5) attested copy
AC	(1) Air Corps (USA) (2) Alsace Lorraine (3) ancestor chart (4) <i>Ante Christum</i> (before Christ) (5) appellate court (6) Assumption College
acc	(1) accommodation (2) accompanied (3) according (to) (4) account (5) accusative
accu	accurate
achd	adopted child
ad	(1) administrated (2) administrator (3) administration docket (4) adopted (5) adopted daughter (6) adulterer, adultery (7) <i>ante diem</i> (before the day) (8) Archdeacon (9) archdeaconry

AD	(1) adopted daughter (2) <i>anno Domini</i> (in the year of the Lord) (3) Archdeaconry/ies
Ad inf	<i>ad infinitum</i> (to infinity)
Ad init	<i>ad initium</i> (at the beginning)
Ad int	<i>ad interim</i> (in the meantime)
Ad lib	<i>ad libitum</i> (at will)
Ad loc	<i>ad locum</i> (at the place)
adm	(1) administrator (2) Admiral (3) Admiralty (England) (4) admission (5) admitted (e.g. to church) (6) letters of administration
Ad M	adopted mother
Admon	(1) administration (2) letter(s) of administration
Ad patres	gathered to his father's, dead
ads	(1) <i>adversus</i> (the opposite of versus) (2) advowson (3) autograph document signed
AdS	adopted son
Ae /aet/aetat/ aetatis	
AEF	
Aeltester/aelteste	
aetatula	
a.f.	
afds	
AFN	

Convenor's corner

I hope you are all well after the winter bugs and full of enthusiasm for the spring. Done your share in ensuring the continuation of democracy in New Zealand, spring cleaned, gardened, and thought about the Christmas shopping? I've done the first, but one day after work the rest could happen.

Is everyone having a great time researching? If you have reached a brick-wall, then ask a committee member. We may already have an answer, be able to advise you if we don't, or if it's a universal topic we might be able to get a talk organised.

Coming up we will be starting on School Projects. By this we mean transcribing school admission roll books into Excel spreadsheets. These are then sent to NZSG in Auckland to be included in the Kiwi Index USB stick. This is our way of helping future genealogists.

Our next local event is hosting the Regional Council Meeting on Saturday, 4 November. We will need help with morning tea on the day, so don't be surprised when you.

Judith

Dates coming up

4th Nov Regional

15th Nov in Tokoroa

Probably Sat 17th Feb visit to Waikato Uni Library