### KAPITI GROUP NEWSLETTER

# N.Z. Society of Genealogists Inc.

MEETINGS: Paraparaumu Community Centre, 7.30 p.m. First Wednesday, February - December

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### MICROFICHE & READER FOR HIRE

N Z Birth, Death & Marriage 1840 - 1920 N Z Cemetery Records I G I of Kent, Surrey & Sussex Parish Registers of Deal, Kent, England Return of Freeholders 1882 Comber Index Shipping to Port of Wellington plus passenger index 1856 - 1887 Wills held at Lands & Deeds Women in Cyclodedia, and Imperial Regiment in N Z 1856, 1862 & 1864 Roll of Honour 1840 - 1902 N Z Contingents to the South African war Marriage Notices Lyttleton Times 1851-1880 Deceased Persons Estates, Canterbury Canterbury Death Duties Register Index 1988 EDITION I G I N S W Indexes of Birth, Death & Marriage

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Dear Members, welcome to you all. 1991 has not begun peacefully in the world, let us hope that by the end of the year there will be peace. Our committee for this year is a mixture of 'old & new', we should again work well together. highlight of this year will be the visit of Mr Colin Chapman originator of the 'Chapman County Codes', in May. Please keep 22 May free for this great occasion for our Group. We plan to have a wide variety of speakers again this year. The Sexton of the Karori Cemetery has agreed to speak at our March meeting. We will be visiting the new Porirua Library who have purchased on microfiche the St Catherine's Index 1837-1877 & we will have our monthly meeting there hopefully in April, if they have arrived by then. May you enjoy your year with the Kapiti Genealogy Group. Happy Hunting to you all.

#### MICROFICHE RECORDS

Just a reminder that the 1988 I.G.I Index is available for viewing, also just to hand are the indexes for N.S.W. The Group now has a vast collection of world records on microfiche & of course the NZ records of Birth, Death & Marriage Indexes & Cemetery records. A call to Terri Manu, phone 85071 to arrange a viewing time is all that is required, for financial members of our Group.

#### FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARIES

The L.D.S. Centres reopened on 29th January in both Totara Park & Hataitai. Microfilms of Census Records & Parish Registers for the British Isles can be ordered at the cost of \$3.60 per film, taking between 2 weeks & 2 months to arrive for viewing. The census for 1891 is soon to be released in England.

### SUBSCRIPTIONS

THESE ARE NOW DUE.. The yearly Subscription is \$12.00, which includes the monthly newsletter, and of course the use & hire of microfiche & book library, and at least 10 meetings per year. Not forgetting the shared experiences of so many other Genealogists.

#### N.Z.S.G. CONFERENCE

This is to be held in May in Havelock North. The Annual Conferences are well worth attending. It is a great experience to be in the company of five or six hundred other 'Genealogy nutters'all seeking their forbears, and a lot is to be gained from the occasion. Registration forms were included in the Nov/Dec Society Magazine.

# THE GREATER LONDON INTEREST GROUP

At last years conference the above special interest sub-group was formed. For an annual subscription of \$10.00 members can receive newsletters, and be included on their membership list. A postal borrowing system of records on microfiche & printed material is being compiled. Interested— then write to Geoff Perkins, PO Box 37-640, Auckland.1.

### PETONE SETTLERS MUSEUM

With the assistance of a grant of \$21,937 from the N.Z. Lottery Grant Board - The Heritage Fund, & a \$10,000 grant from the N.Z. 1990 Commission, the Petone Settlers Museum now has a computerised public access system in operation. The current software enables members of the public to carry out surname searches for emigrants arriving in Wellington between 1839 - 1850 (at this stage), & to obtain printouts at a nominal charge. A copy of the Press Release outlining the above system & examples of printouts are on the Club notice board.

# COMPUTERS IN GENEALOGY



The next meeting of the Wellington group of Computers in Genealogy will be held on Sunday 24th February in the Guide Hall, Broderick Road Johnsonville. Hall open at 1.30 ,meeting 2 pm

#### BEGINNERS WORKSHOP

Following on the success of last years open day for beginners ( & others ) another is planned probably in April. More details later, so..... WATCH THIS SPACE.

#### OBITUARY

It was with deep sorrow that the Group learned of the death of Mr Nelson Bevan. Together with Mrs Bevan he attended our meetings, from the early days of our Group. To Mrs Bevan & family we extend our sincere sympathy.

#### HELP!

Copy & Suggestions for future newsletters needed. Share your genealogy tips & ideas with us, anecdotes, humour etc. Phone Gwenda 85466

#### THANKS

Our thanks must surely go to Terri Manu for making her home available for microfiche viewing. Terri has also offered to search her own registers of Victoria, Aust. for members. Births & Marriages to 1913, Deaths to 1940.

### POSTSCRIPT

Those who attended our end of year function last December will, I'm sure, agree wholeheartedly with me that it was a most enjoyable & entertaining evening. We were amused & delighted by the talents of Celia Harlen's group from Kapiti Players, including our very own Carol Prockter. Well done! Carol, is there no end to your talents?