Kapiti Group Newsletter

NZ Society of Genealogists Inc



MEETINGS	PARAPARAUMU COMMUNIT	Y CENTRE
	7.30 pm First W	ednesday
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CHAIRMAN	BRIAN MOUNTJOY	297 0710
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PROGRAMME SEC	JENY HAXTON	297 0391
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PROJECTS	MARK SCHERF	298 2520
PROJECTS	CAROL PROCKTER	298 6826
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NOVEMBER OUTING.....The bus trip to Porirua Library was well patronised & by the reports I've heard it was a most satisfactory & entertaining night. Too bad I was not able to share in the experience, but 38 members did. They were divided into three groups for the tour of the well stocked Genealogical section, then all given turns on the microfiche readers, & generally given the run of the place. Porirua houses a vast Genealogical Research Centre available to all. There is a charge of \$3.00 per half day for non members of the library, it is necessary to purchase a Genealogy pass from the desk on arrival. It is recommended that fiche readers be booked in advance, 24 hours ahead is preferable, by phone, 04 237 1541, or by writing to PO Box 50 218, Porirua. A bright orange leaflet explaining the Genealogical Research Centre is on the notice board tonight, if you have not yet availed yourself of this facility. The general opinion is that Porirua Library Genealogical Research Centre is a 'great place to research'.

JOYOUS CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO ALL. HAY YOU BE BLESSED WITH ALL GOOD THINGS, HEALTH & HAPPINESS, LOVE & LAUGHTER IN THE NEW YEAR.



JENY HAXTON joined the Kapiti Group & NZSG in 1986. She served on the committee in 1990, then spent 1991 in England fitting in her family research around family committments. Jeny's English ancestors arrived on the first settler ship to Wellington in 1840. Other areas of her research include Scotland, Ireland & South Africa. Jeny is Programme Secretary for the 1993 year, & is working on an interesting & varied programme of events for us all.

MICHELLE WAPP is serving this year as Minute Secretary, & has been a member of Kapiti group for the past two years.

Michelle's main area of interest is in German research, & although she is not an experienced researcher as yet, she is learning rapidly through her involvement with other members.

MARK SCHERF....has been with Kapiti Group for two years. He has been researching his ancestry since 1986, & like Michelle his main area of research is Germany. Due to Mark's experience & involvement with computers he has accepted the role of Projects Co-ordinator. He is currently working on the cemetery records of Whenua Tapu Cemetery, a project for which he has written a special Program.

MICROFICHE NEWS.....As you will all be aware Brian Mountjoy is now holding the Microfiche records. He & Mark Scherf have been busy sorting & listing our holdings. A new list is promised for all in the New Year. During the checking through of the fiche it was noted that one fiche card is missing. Would everyone please check among their papers etc for Parish Maps of Scotland, I of a set of 2.

Talking of Microfiche, new rates for borrowing have been approved by the committee.

Members of Kapiti Group who are members of NZSG may now hire fiche plus reader for \$2.00 for three days.

Members of Kapiti Group who are NOT members of NZSG will pay \$5.00 for hire of fiche, plus \$1.00 for hire of a reader, for three days.

STATISTICS..... Our Treasurer reports that of 119 Kapiti Group members, only 40 are financial for the current year!!!

Let's rectify that situation promptly & get those fees paid.

Remember there has been NO increase in membership fees.

\$12.00 per single member
\$20.00 per joint membership (one newsletter).

BANNER..... A beautiful banner has been presented to us by the NZSG, embroidered with our group name. This is to be displayed whenever we meet, & for displays, open days etc. The presentation of banners to groups marks the 25th year of the New Zealand Society of Genealogists, & is a much appreciated gesture.

FEBRUARY.....To open our 1993 year on 3 February, it is planned to hold a Question & Answer session, following on the success of a similar one early in 1992. A panel of 'experts' chaired by Brian Mountjoy will be waiting eagerly for your questions, & the group will be just as eagerly awaiting the panel's answers. So jot down all those knotty problems over the holiday period, & come along armed with plenty to keep them on their toes. Mark the date as soon as you have a 1993 calendar to hand & let's get the New Year off to a lively start.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.....Your committee plan to present you with a programme of events for 1993. Guest speakers are being booked ahead now, a activities organised. We are always open to suggestions from members for any ideas they may have for gatherings. A bus trip early in the year is in the pipeline, we'll bring you up to date with that in February.

FAMILY HISTORY MONTH.....is in March 1993. Our main area of promotion will be another of our highly successful open weekends of tuition & research to be held at Cafe Boswell at Waikanae Motor Hotel. There will also be static displays in the district. Another date to pencil in, 20th & 21st March for the open weekend.

REMINDER.....From the Group Liason Letter of October 1992, a reminder for all members to keep their membership cards available. Replacements can be applied for from the Office of NZSG if lost, however new cards will be issued at the beginning of the year. FAMILY HERITAGE...this organisation is once again flooding the market, offering to supply information to help you with 'your' family tree etc.. They have stepped up their approach tactics & members are warned to beware. Much of the information that would be supplied can be obtained from a Public Library. 25 YEARS CELEBRATION... This year marks 25 years of the existance of the Society, about which our Honorary Solicitor remarked 'The New Zealand Society of Genealogists is one of, if not the largest incorporated society of it's kind in New Zealand...'

Seasons Greetings

LEVIN GENEALOGY GROUP OPEN DAY.....20 February 1993, Waitohu School, Te Manuao Road, OTAKI, Sam - 4pm. Cost \$5.00 for the day, Photocopier 20c. Tea/coffee provided, bring own lunch.

Available in Hall, IRISH, ENGLISH, SCOTTISH, AUSTRALIAN & NZ genealogy research materials.

Available in Library, Genealogy on computer, microfiche readers, 1988 IGI, NZ BDM's, NZ Society Pedigree Charts etc for sale.

Members from the Totara Park LDS Family History Centre will have microfiche available & also give advice on other research material available.

Contacts: Mrs Dorothy Wenham, 7 Regal St, Levin, Ph 06 368 9988 or Mrs Sue Green, 31 Freemans Rd, Otaki, Ph 06 364 8196

A NEW PUBLICATION..... Advice has been received that ARCHIVES NEW ZEALAND 4 is now available. This publication is a directory of archives & maunscript repositories in New Zealand & the Cook Islands, Fiji, Nuie, Tokolau, Tonga & Western Samoa, 2nd edition, Edited by Frank Rogers. Price is \$30.00 plus postage & packing, from Archives Press, 43 Gordon Road, Plimmerton, NZ. Ph. 04 233 8155. (See notice board tonight)

CAUTION.....Be wary of the names on the fiche of the NZ BDM indexes. In two cases Barbara has found recently, in Dunedin, the names have been transcribed wrongly. eg. Nelly Peake is given as Tilly Peahe & Agnes Wilson as Nilson, these were in the Marriage section.

SOME STRANGE FACTS ABOUT LANCASHIRE.....At Brindle near Blackburn the church has five fonts & two 400 year old bells....Leonard Wood was rector of Singleton near Blackpool for 68 years.....In Whally Church there is a brass with 22 figures, of Sir Ralph Catterall (who died in 1515), his wife & their 20 children.....Preston is the home of teetotalism. A reformed drunk, Dicky Turner who stuttered, promised to become a 't-t-total abstainer'.....Lancashire black puddings are expensive in Denmark where they are considered a luxury when eaten with strawberry jam....

Steynsham Master was rector of Croston near Chorley for 66 years, until his death at the age of 98 in 1864.

(from This England, Winter, 1986). Thanks to Barbara for this item.

CALLING PAF USERS.....An informal gathering of 'Paffers' will be arranged early in the year for discussion. Ralphe Biss & Greg Blackburn are to co-ordinate this...more about this at a later date.









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