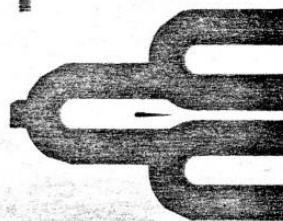


KAPITI BRANCH

New Zealand Society of Genealogists
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JULY 1994

Meetings at Paraparaumu Community Centre.
7.30 pm first Wednesday February to December.
Library open 6.45pm meeting nights.



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- ADDITIONS TO OUR LIBRARY
- FAMILY HISTORY RESEARCH IN HAMILTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
- DATES AND CALENDARS FOR THE GENEALOGIST by CLIFF WEBB
- TRACING YOUR ANCESTORS by D M FIELD
- ORAL HISTORY HUGO MANSON
- THE ONSLOW HISTORIAN, ONSLOW HISTORICAL SOCIETY
- THE GERMAN CONNECTION IN NEW ZEALAND JAMES BADE
- 1994 GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH DIRECTORY
- SOMETHING OF INTEREST, 1994 NZSG CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

TO OUR NEWER MEMBERS, a very warm welcome, remember once your membership fee is paid you are welcome to borrow from our book library. Books taken out at one meeting are due for return at the following meeting. Microfiche records may be taken home for three days at a time with a microfiche reader, for a small charge. A for a list of our microfiche records holdings. Always phone Brian our microfiche officer (ph. 297 0710) to arrange a time to pick up or return microfiche. Please always use a marker when removing fiche for viewing, and take care to refile correctly!

**** FOR SALE * MICROFICHE READERS * SEE BRIAN MOUNTJOY TONIGHT OR PHONE HIM ****

OPEN WEEKEND This was a great success judging by the turnout & exclamations of delight as people made their discoveries. "I'm so excited I can't write" was heard above all the buzz of activity.

"Oh no! My great grandmother was declared bankrupt" was another surprised cry. All in all a very successful day. Lots of new enthusiasts, caught the Genealogy bug on the Saturday, and came back for a second dose on Sunday. What better way to spend a wet Sunday? A cosy log fire, tea and coffee on tap and such an enthusiastic gathering made for a most successful weekend. Everyone had a great time of good cheer and the enthusiasm was infectious. The committee excelled themselves with their ability to set people on the right tracks. After all we all were beginners once and we are all more than willing to help others to make the start that leads to the exciting and sometimes frustrating finds that open up a whole new world of discovery of our origins.

Your committee has noticed that all new enthusiasts who registered came from the Waikanae area. What happened to Paraparaumu and Raumati? We are considering holding another open weekend, this time within the Paraparaumu district. If this eventuates we would like to see people from all areas. Give this some thought. Have you any suggestions for future research days?

Once again we are most grateful to Cheryl and Jim Hodges of Waikanae Motor Hotel for their hospitality and generosity in making the venue available to us. It was perfect!

THANKYOU CHERYL AND JIM FROM ALL WHO ATTENDED !!

We offer thanks to Gerry Cole who transported all the group's microfiche and microfiche readers to and from the venue in his van. It is a tremendous help. Yes, we have a vanful of these!

JUNE MEETING This was a most interesting evening. Mr David Retter of the Alexander Turnbull Library spoke on Church records and Manuscripts held at the library. He illustrated his talk by showing overhead projection slides of portions of early church records and members were amazed at the quantity of records held there. Alexander Turnbull Library is the official repository for a great number of church records, not only of Wellington, but in many cases the lower North Island. These may be accessed by researchers. Readers must first identify themselves and their research interests by completing a Reader's Registration form at the Manuscripts Enquiry Counter. This is compulsory. The visitors' book must be signed on each visit, at the Enquiry Counter. Experienced staff are available to assist in locating research material. Strict rules must be observed when using these records, they are irreplaceable.

PRE 1855 NZ MARRIAGES

NZ SOCIETY OF GENEALOGISTS RESOURCE: (Contributed by Deborah Shuker).

These marriages before civil registration are difficult to find, so use this easily accessed source.

SEND: Names of the partners (with any alternative spellings) and a stamped address envelope and your NZSG membership number,

TO: the current officer listed in the NZSG Magazine.

If there is an entry you will receive:

Names, date and place of marriage and repository of original record. All information on this original record is also shown, such as witnesses and parents. Names of other entries of that surname are also listed. The luckiest enquirers would find marriage details, other family links and names of previous enquirers.

Please contribute details YOU have of any Pre 1855 NZ marriages.

A sample is on the noticeboard tonight. To trial this resource, I sent names of a couple from my research, but the results were not as happy expected. The marriage details were given, but the Wellington Pioneer Roll that I was referred to, led to proof that this Mr Taylor was not related at all!

If anyone is researching William Waring Taylor, I can help. In the meantime, I'm back to eliminating unnamed female Taylor births 1854 to 1857.

MORAL: NO MATTER HOW GOOD THE SOURCE ALWAYS VERIFY!
(Deborah)

NZ BIRTH, DEATH AND MARRIAGE INDEXES

The years 1921 to 1930 are proving popular and the next decade have been ordered. Advice will be given when these arrive.

AUGUST MEETING

Mr Bill Tito will be our guest speaker on Wednesday 3 August. His subject will be care and restoration of old books.

SALES TABLE . Our sales table is proving popular, charts, forms, Beginners' Guides etc.

Also pre-stamped envelopes are available.

ABSOLUTELY OCH AYE WELLINGTON is the slogan for the forthcoming Scottish week of festivities to be held in Wellington from 30 July to 7 August Inclusive. A large exciting and varied programme has been planned. Don't miss out. Tune in to Alba on Air, 9am every Saturday on 783 ACCESS AM

Scottish Radio programming for the Capital region.

There is to be a street parade, Highland dancing competitions, Highland games events and tattoo. Scottish Festival Golf Tournament, Scotland Vs England Soccer match, Scottish Literature and Music. A Fine things of Scotland: tastings, fashion and trade show, national haggis making contest; a showcase of Scottish talent; a series of lunchtime and evening lectures at Victoria Universities Centre for Continuing Education, phone 495 5197 . Also a busking competition and daily after work whisky tastings. Something for everyone. The Scottish Festival is Supported by the British Council.

FIND YOUR SCOTTISH ANCESTORS IN THE NATIONAL LIBRARY;

A seminar for genealogists and family historians, Thursday 21 July 1994
Registration forms available here tonight

SCOTTISH CIVIL REGISTRATION - 1875 ON. A service to genealogists is now available to those wishing to purchase sightings of Scottish Records. See our noticeboard tonight, order forms available.

CLAN MACMILLAN SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND

Do you have a MacMillan/McMillan/McMullen ancestor and would like to join the Clan MacMillan Society of New Zealand? You will receive quarterly newsletters with information from other MacMillan Clan Societies in Scotland, North America and Australia. You will also have queries published regarding your MacMillan family. There is a Clan Centre at the home of our Clan Chief, George MacMillan, Finlaystone, Langbank which has much information and is for you to visit or correspond to.

Septs of Clan MacMillan are Baxters, Bell from Glen Aray, Glen Shira and Inveray, Brown of Kintyre, Walker of Knapdale, Blues.

If you wish to become a member fill in a form (blue forms which we have here) and send with \$5.00 subscription to: Margaret Pool, 6 Bonita Ave, Stanmore Bay, WHANGAPARAOA.

A NEW BUD ON THE FAMILY TREE! Gwenda and Gerry Cole are delighted to announce the birth of Chad Bruce Abernethy to Paula (nee Cole) and Jim Abernethy, on 8 June 1994. Weighing 5 lb 9 oz, with lots of black hair and dark blue eyes. A very welcome addition to the family!