



Kapiti Branch Newsletter

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Tonight's Meeting

This is our final meeting for 1997, and is a social meeting with a **Genealogy Quiz**. Our thanks to **Gwenda Cole** for her organisation of the Quiz. Have an enjoyable night, enjoy one another's company and come back in January ready to learn more together about genealogy.

Our grateful thanks also goes to the **Waikanea Hotel Pub Charity** for their generous donation to enable us to purchase the NSW Between The Wars CD ROM.

Supper Duties: To assist our small & rather busy Committee, we are asking members to please assist with suppers, particularly the serving & washing up.

Supper duty for November, H, J, K,
 January, L, M

As a thankyou for your help, we ask that you bring a problem, a query, etc., to share for help at the start of the meeting.

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Review - September Meeting

Many early New Zealand settlers came from "the old country" via the Victorian goldfields. Chris Hurley from New Zealand National Archives (ex Victoria PRO) introduced us to the intricacies of Australian government record keeping, helping clarify what is held by the Australian Federal PRO and what by the Public Records Office in Victoria. Chris's presentation was entertaining and many members questions were answered during the course of the evening.

January Meeting

"Discoveries and Queries" will be the theme of our meeting on 28th January 1998. Come prepared to share with us your achievements over the holidays, or your difficulties in locating information.

PORIRUA
 Family History Centre
 Mon 10am to 3pm
 Tue 10am to 9pm
 Wed 10am to 3pm, 6pm to 9pm
 Phone 04-2375412
 Chapel St, off Ngatitua St.

Snippets

PARAPARAUMU SCHOOL ADMISSIONS: If anyone has transcriptions (finished or unfinished) please return these to **John Glover**, Projects Officer, Phone 2984936

SUCCESS: **Arthur Thynne** has been successful in making contact with two distant cousin after answering an enquiry in "The Greenwood Tree", the Somerset & Dorset magazine to which we subscribe. We are hoping to hear the full story from Arthur at the January meeting.

WISE LIBRARIAN: "What is the easiest way to trace my Family tree?" I asked the local librarian. "Win the Lottery," he replied with a smile.

Frank Peacock, Whangaparaoa, from Readers Digest

Microfiche Officer

BARBARA TUNLEY

4 Chums Rd., Paraparaumu Beach

Phone 2986531

\$2 per lot per WEEK
for Branch Members

NSW Microfiche of BDMs
 1780s to 1905

"Between the Wars CD-ROM"

Marriages & Deaths
 1918 - 1945

Notice Board
Future Meetings

- 26 Nov - Social Evening, Genealogy Quizz
- 28 Jan - First Meeting for 1998!!! "Discoveries & Queries"
- 25 Feb - New Zealand Cemetery Microfiche Workshop

Genealogy Magazines - Ireland, Scotland, England, Australia
Are you interested in being part of the round robin distribution for a nominal cost? Phone John Glover 29 84936

Library Catalogue

How do you access information from the NZSG Library? How can you find out if the NZSG library holds any books, microfiche, tapes or magazines on your area of interest?

Simply by stating the geographic location or surname that you are interested in and sending it to:

Library Catalogue Printout
Officer,
Richard Hollier,
24 Gretel Place,
Gierfield, Auckland 1310

There is no charge for the service, but send a remittance of \$5 to cover the cost of 20c per printout page. A credit slip will



be issued for unused funds.

More Snippets

FOUND AT MEETING: A research note re **Charlie WILLS** and **Minnie LAMMAS**. Please contact the Editor, 1987395.

WILLS: Were there is a **WILL** there is a **RELATIVE!**

CORN: Have you found a reference to "**corn**" in **British Isles records**? The word "**corn**" refers to **ALL** grain crops.

KAPITI BRANCH SUBS: 1998 subs are due **NOW**. Please see John **WESTON**, Treasurer.

English Baptisms

In 1783 in Britain a tax of 3d (threepence) was imposed for every entry in a parish register (ie all christenings, marriages, and burials). The tax applied to everyone, regardless of class status. many of the poorer people could not afford the tax and large numbers of others did their very best to avoid it. The effect was an immediate fall off in registrations. Although the tax was revoked in 1794, many parish registers were largely unused during the period of time it was in force - which may help to explain some of the gaps in your research!

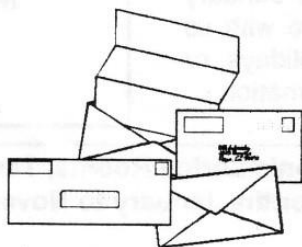
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Nov 1996

Battle of Waterloo
Army Records

A database of about 25000 of the 30000 or so British soldiers who served at the Battle of Waterloo has been compiled. If you would like further information about this database, or a search for names, write enclosing a SAE or 2 IECs to:

Mr David L Milner
School House
45 Selworthy Rd
Weston-Super-Mare
BS23 3ST
England

Wellington Newsletter,
Mar 1997



Irish Naming Patterns

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| 1st male | named after his father's father |
| 2nd male | named after his mother's father |
| 3rd male | named after his father's brother |
| 4th male | named after his mother's brother |
| 1st female | named after her mother's mother |
| 2nd female | named after her father's mother |
| 3rd female | named after her mother's sister |
| 4th female | named after her father's sister |

The names alternated as above as the number of males and females increased.

Sth Canterbury Newsletter, Nov 1996

More On Irish Research

Joe Cassin reports that he has obtained a series of Microfiche on County Donegal Births, Marriages and Deaths between 1653 and 1899. He also has the fiche index to all these church records, 17 in all.

These have been compiled from a County Donegal card index held by the Queensland Family History Society. The card index was itself compiled by Donegal families over six years from 50 church records and is unique to them. These records were sent to Public Records Office in the 1860s and so not destroyed in the 1922 riots at the Four Courts in Dublin, when so many other records were lost.

The Queensland Family History Society say they will supply a full printout of each entry for a fee.

The Birth Index comprises over 47000 records, Marriages over 22000 and Deaths over 9000 records.

Joe is prepared, for a fee (\$1.50 plus SAE) to inspect his fiche index and supply a photocopy of the Index entry and any details available on full printout from Queensland.

(This fee is for two copies of the printout from index-fiche is made up of 70c plus parking costs, transportation, etc.)

Wellington Newsletter May 1997

Migration Records South Australia

Did you know that for those migrants who wished to pay their own way to the Australia early in this century, the most popular destination was South Australia?

The reason for this was that the Government of South Australia offered cheaper fares than any other state in Australia.

The Migration Museum, Kintore Avenue, Adelaide, has records of assisted immigrants to South Australia and also some limited information about those who paid their own way. Other information is held at the Maritime Museum at Port Adelaide.

NZSG 1998 Conference
Easter Weekend - 10-13 April
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150 years of pain & pleasure, labour & leisure