# Kapiti Branch

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check our
website
http://
KapitiGen.org
for additional
information on
events, Branch,
Interest & User
Groups, and any
late changes.

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## **Editorial**



It's the American continent's turn to be in the spotlight this month with both Canada Day and American Independence Day celebrated in July.

Ist July marks the day in 1867 when the Constitution Act united three British colonies - the Province of Canada (Ontario and Quebec), Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick - into a single dominion known as Canada. It was renamed Canada Day in 1982.

August is the NZSG's Family History Month and several interesting events are being organised across the Wellington Region. See pages 3 and 4 for details of what is going on.

Don't miss the Tour of Wellington City Archives on August 20th arranged by Kathy Callaghan. See page 3 for details and contact Kathy if you want to go.

Our DNA workshop with Michelle Patient and Lorna is now fully subscribed. (See page2).

If you have missed out, Michelle Patient is giving a different workshop in Feilding Library on the following day, Sunday July 28th. It is an introductory session aimed and those wanting to see what DNA testing will give them. For contact details, see page 2.

Don't miss the 'Brickwall' session next Tuesday. It's amazing what you can learn from the way others go about solving sticking points. And our August meeting is about sharing experiences. So tell us about your successes—and failures. We all have them!

My husband has just come up as a close DNA match with someone in England who appears to have no Irish connection whatever. I wonder which ancestor went on holiday to Ireland and came back with more than they bargained for?

Sheila

Next meeting
Tuesday August 23rd
BRICKWALLS

# July Branch Meetings

**Evening meeting.** 

When: Tuesday July 23rd 7pm - meet, greet and refreshments.

7.30 - 9pm, main session.

Where: Kapiti Community Centre, 15, Ngahina Street, Paraparaumu

What: 'Brickwalls' -

Learn how to solve your family history brickwalls, using examples submitted by members,

Convenor: Ian Barbour Supper roster: P – T

Daytime meeting.

When: Wednesday July 24th 1.30 – 4pm

2 - 4pm - meeting

Where: Waikanae Baptist Church Cafe, 286, Te Moana Rd, Waikanae

What: Writing your family history. Come and share your knowledge.

Followed by the usual discussion and research session

Co-ordinator: Sonia Coom



The DNA workshop on July 27th with Michelle Patient and Lorna Henderson is now sold out.

There is a possibility of door sales due to cancellations, but be prepared for disappointment.

Volunteers are requested for the Workshop to assist with setting up, making tea and setting out biscuits, clearing away at the end etc. Please contact Lorna if you are willing to help.

Phone 04 293 7771 or email **DNADay**"at"kapitigen.org

**Programme at http://www.kapitigen.org/2019/06/dna-day-27th-july-2019/** 

If you are new to DNA, Feilding Library is hosting Michelle Patient for a **DNA and Family History Workshop** on **Sunday 28th July**, 9-4pm, in the Feilding Library, cnr Stafford & Bowen Streets, Feilding. Cost \$10.00. Morning and afternoon tea is provided but you need to bring your own lunch.

One Ancestry DNA Kit and one Ancestry.com subscription will be raffled on the day.

<u>Click here</u> to purchase your ticket or come into the Library.

For more information contact Trish White on feilding"at"genealogy.org.nz

#### Back-issues of NZSG magazines.

Derek Griffis has an unbroken run of NZSG GENEALOGIST magazines from 1983 to 2018 which is looking for a new home. They are offered, free of charge, to any Kapiti Branch member wishing to be their new owner, and willing to collect them from Derek's home at 94 Ngaio Road. Waikanae. Please ring first, 04-2931092 or email griffisjacquie"at"gmail.com to arrange pick-up arrangements.

#### Lost a favourite web page?

Have you looked at the Wayback machine on the Internet Archive? OR, recommended a page you believe should be saved for posterity to the Wayback machine?

See The Legal Genealogist, Judy Russell's post - <a href="https://www.legalgenealogist.com/2019/07/09/wayback-it/">https://www.legalgenealogist.com/2019/07/09/wayback-it/</a>



# Family History Open Day 2019

Whether you are experienced or just beginning your family history journey, there will be something for you at Wellington Family History Month Open Day

When: Saturday 24 August, 9.30am to 4:00pm

Venue: Hutt Bowling Club, 6 Myrtle Street, Lower Hutt.

(Look for the sign opposite the end of Huia Street – free parking)

Entry: \$5:00

Come along and hear one or more of our excellent speakers.

10:00am – Two Degrees of Separation and an Introduction to the NZ Society of Genealogists, with Sarah Hewitt (Convenor, Kilbirnie Branch)

11:15am - 3 "lightning talks" to introduce new online resources at Wellington City Archives,

with Adrian Humphris (Wellington City Archivist), Digital NZ,

with Rowan Payne (Manager, DNZ Services) and Papers Past,

with Emerson Vandy (Digital Services Manager)

1:15pm - 3 "lightning talks" to help access local resources - Hutt City Libraries,

with Clark Stiles (Heritage Specialist), Upper Hutt Library,

with Reid Perkins (Library Archivist) and Hutt City Archives,

with Jennie Henton (Archivist)

**2:30pm** – Discovering my family history at Archives NZ and the National Library of New Zealand, with Richard Foy (Chief Archivist), Archives NZ)

Throughout the day there will be specialists in New Zealand, Māori, Australian, USA, English, Irish and Scottish family history on hand to provide guidance and answer questions.

Experienced people from the NZSG and local branches, Hutt City and Upper Hutt Libraries, Hutt City Archives, National and Alexander Turnbull Libraries, Archives New Zealand and New Zealand Defence Force Archives and Medals will also be there to help you.

For more information go to www.huttvalleygenealogy.org.nz

## Tour of Wellington Archives

Unfortunately Archives NZ is not doing tours at the moment, so instead I have organised a tour of the Wellington City Council Archives, 28 Barker St, Te Aro on **Tuesday August 20th** at I I.00am. Hopefully this will give us time to get into Wellington on the 9.05am train and then a bus that takes us near to Barker St.

We have arranged for a overview of what information is held there and how it can be accessed and used, plus a behind the scenes look of WCC Archives. The tour will be for approximately one hour, but can be extended if needed. If anyone has anything of particular interest, let me know so I can arrange to have it included in the tour.

This is the first time we have organised a group booking for WCC Archives, so it is a test as to the interest level of members.

If you visit the WCC Archives website <a href="https://wellington.govt.nz/your-council/archives">https://wellington.govt.nz/your-council/archives</a> you see some of the records they hold.

If you would like to come on this tour, please register by before 16th August, at <a href="kathycallaghan" at "gmail.com">kathycallaghan at "gmail.com</a> 021 0452925 or 297 0733

## **Family History Month**

#### **FAMILY HISTORY HELP AT THE TURNBULL**

Staff of the Alexander Turnbull Library can help start you on your research path, suggest resources that might help, give access to useful websites and provide contacts to support further research. The reading rooms are open Monday to Saturday 10am to 5pm.

The NZSG/FamilySearch Service is also available at the National Library's reading room at Molesworth Street. Volunteers from the NZSG are there to help you 10am to 4pm Tuesday to Friday, and Saturday

9am to Ipm.

The Library is hosting several events through August - see the website for details.

www.natlib.govt.nz

Venue: National Library, cnr Molesworth and Aitken Streets, Thorndon, Wellington

T: 0800 474 300

# Other Branch activities during August

#### **KILBIRNIE BRANCH**

Thursday | August - | 10am

**Bolton Cemetery and the Motorway** with Gabor Toth (Local & NZ History Specialist)

**Venue:** Matairangi Room, ASB Sports Centre, 72 Kemp Street, Kilbirnie, Wellington kilbirnie"at"genealogy.org.nz **Entry:** All welcome (visitors \$2.00)

#### **HUTT VALLEY BRANCH**

Thursday 15 August - 7:30pm

**Sharing her own family history research** with Tui Lewis (Hutt City Councillor)

**Venue**: Petone Public Library, 7-11 Britannia Street, Petone.

huttvalley"at"genealogy.org.nz Entry: All welcome (visitors gold coin)

#### **PORIRUA BRANCH**

Wednesday 14 August - 7:30pm

Using Porirua Library genealogy resources. Bring your laptop and research enquiries

**Venue**: Genealogy Section, Porirua Library, entry opposite Harvey Norman Carpark, Wi Neera Drive, Porirua. <a href="mailto:porirua">porirua"</a> at "genealogy.org.nz</a> **Entry:** All welcome (visitors \$2.00)

#### **WELLINGTON BRANCH**

Wednesday 28 August – 6pm

Wellington City Archives with Adrian Humphris (Wellington City Archivist)

**Venue**: Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, Wellington <a href="https://www.genealogy.org.nz/Wellington">https://www.genealogy.org.nz/Wellington</a> 153. aspx

**Entry:** All welcome (visitors \$3.00)

## **New records of interest**

Norfolk Parish Records from The Genealogist.

Over half a million parish records for Norfolk containing transcribed records of **Baptism**, **Marriages** and **Burials with images** for over 250 parishes. These records include some fascinating **Bastardy** bonds, **Examinations**, **Warrants and Orders**. With this release family historians will be able to find:

names of parents of illegitimate children

names of **people standing guarantor** for the father baptism, marriages and burials of ancestors in Norfolk.

**Findmypast** is continuously adding to its collection of records, all of which are available on our computers at the APFHC, so its worth rechecking if there's a record you couldn't find. This month early American records include those of British Officers serving in America 1614-1787 and Pennsylvanian immigrants 1727-1776. Other additions are British army records and regimental histories and updates to British and Irish newspapers.

#### **New records for County Waterford**

Waterford Heritage have added over 38,000 Church of Ireland baptisms to their database at <a href="https://www.waterford.rootsireland.ie">www.waterford.rootsireland.ie</a>. For a full list of these records, please visit the link below. <a href="https://www.rootsireland.ie/2019/05/new-waterford-records-2/">https://www.rootsireland.ie/2019/05/new-waterford-records-2/</a>

For a full list of sources for Co Waterford <u>please click here</u> To search these records, go <u>waterford.rootsireland.ie</u> and select the 'Parish / District' from the drop down list. <u>Login</u> and <u>Subscribe</u> if required.

Brought to you by the Irish Family History Foundation

#### **Nautical Apprenticeship Records**

Some men as young as 14 were apprenticed for up to 6 years to learn the trade of a Merchant Navy seamen. Findmypast has over 300,000 records of Masters and Apprentices included in a nautical set of apprenticeship records. These National Archives records contain apprentices in the Merchant Navy between 1824-1910.

**Ancestry** has added (extensive) indexes to the Essex Parish Registers from the Church of England Parish Registers held at the Essex County Council, Chelmsford, Essex, England.

The images however are only available at the Essex Archives site and cost £2.99, or are available as part of a subscription to the Archives

www.essexarchivesonline.co.uk/

## **Round Robins**

The two magazines for Round Robin circulation are 'Family Tree' and 'Who Do You Think You Are?' The fees are \$15 for each magazine.

Please let Bev Chappell know at <u>RoundRobin'at' KapitiGen.org</u> if you wish to continue on the circulation list or join a list for the first time. Both magazine publishers have to receive the renewed annual subscriptions before commencing another year of monthly issues in the July to August period.

Further details on our website under Resources > Round Robins.

Every issue has some really interesting articles, so this is a really good way of keeping up with the latest news and having access to new ideas, views and websites, without having to subscribe to the magazines.

## **Dates for Your Diary**

#### Kapiti Genealogy Venues

APFHC: Alison Procter Family History Centre, Ground Floor, north west corner, Paraparaumu Library

KCC: Kapiti Community Centre, Pohutukawa Room, 15 Ngahina St, Paraparaumu

Waikanae Baptist Church Cafe, 286, Te Moana Rd, Waikanae

All Kapiti Branch events are in the programme on our website on the calendar.

Monthly evening meeting: Tuesday 23rd July, 7-9pm - details of meetings on page 2

Daytime meeting: Wednesday 24th July, 1.30-4pm. Waikanae Baptist Church, Te Moana Rd.

Wednesdays: 10 am to noon. Experienced researchers on hand to help you use our resources at the APFHC.

Saturday 4th August: Members help session, I-3pm, APFHC. By appointment only.

This is a great opportunity to get one-on-one help. Please pre-book a slot by phoning Lorna on 293 7771. **Saturday 27th July:** DNA workshop with Michelle patient. See page 2 for website details.

Interest Group meetings (see <a href="Programme">Programme</a> Interest Groups on our website for further details)

Saturday 20th July: Roots Magic Interest group. Kapiti Community Centre, 2 - 4pm.

Thursday 8th August: Australian interest group. 10 - 12 noon APFHC

Saturday 10th August: DNA Interest Group. Waikanae Baptist Church, 286, Te Moana Road. 2 - 4pm.

Tuesday 13th August: Irish interest group. 2 - 4pm, APFHC

Saturday 31st August: NZ Kapiti Legacy users group, Kapiti Community Centre, I-4pm.

## **Interest Groups**

#### **Australian**

Second Thursday of every month from February to November.

Next session Thursday 8th August, 10-12 noon at APFHC for help with any Australian research.

#### DΝΔ

Next meeting **Saturday 10th August, 2-4pm** at Waikanae Baptist Church Café, 286 Te Moana Rd. \$3 door charge for rent/refreshments. <a href="http://www.kapitigen.org/">http://www.kapitigen.org/</a> programme/interest-groups/dna/

**DNA** news: Hope you are all having fun painting your chromosomes. It is a great way to see where you got your DNA from, segment by segment and really helps you place, and validate, where a new match belongs. Ancestry testers need to transfer their DNA file to any of other sites as, alone of the testing companies, it does not provide the segment details necessary. Do read the excellent Help section on their website:

https://dnapainter.com/help/articles

Those of you registered for the DNA Day 27th July this is the subject of the final session for the day to send you away fully inspired.

#### **Legacy Users**

Meetings are usually held on the last Saturday of every second month from February to October. Everyone is welcome.

Next meeting **Saturday 31st August, 2-4pm.**Kapiti Community Centre. Doors open 1- 4.30pm.
Tea and coffee available. Cost: \$2. Contact Gerald
Twiss on <a href="mailto:gerot"at"xtra.co.nz">gerot</a>"at"xtra.co.nz for details.

#### Irish

Next meeting **Tuesday 9th July, 2-4pm.** APFHC, Paraparaumu Library.

Contact us at <a href="http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/">http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/</a> interest-groups/irish/

#### **Roots Magic**

For those using or interested in using Rootsmagic to keep track of their family history.

Next two-monthly meeting will be **Saturday 20th July 2-4pm** at Kapiti Community Centre,
with lan Brooking and Frances Braddick.
\$3 door fee. to cover rental/refreshments

Come and share your experiences, tips and techniques.

Details on <a href="http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/">http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/</a> interest-groups/rootsmagic/

## Information for new members

#### **Branch** meetings:

**Evening meeting** is held on the fourth Tuesday of the month from January to November. **Daytime meeting** is on the following day, the fourth Wednesday from Jan. to November.

#### Coming up.

Tuesday August 23rd 7:00pm: supper

7:30pm: meeting starts.

Wednesday August 24th 1.30pm: meet and mingle

2 - 4pm: meeting

Free to members of the Branch, Visitors \$3 Details of both meetings on page 2

**Committee meetings** are held at 7.30pm on the 1st Wednesday of months January - November.

#### Evening meeting upper roster: P - T

If your surname starts with the above letters, we would appreciate your assistance. (Don't worry - we use the dishwasher provided!)

#### We welcome new member:

Maureen Evason

If you are a new member or have not previously attended an evening meeting, please make yourself known to Donna on the entrance table.

#### Help with Research

Our help sessions on Wednesday mornings at the Paraparaumu Library 10-12am and on the first Saturday of every month, 1-3pm, will assist you to make the most of our facilities.

Saturday's are by appointment only. If you need individual help phone Lorna on 293 7771 to book a session.

If you are new to genealogy, go to <a href="https://www.genealogy.org.nz/">https://www.genealogy.org.nz/</a> and click on the 'Getting it Right' logo. These free resources are an ideal starting point. Each resource consists of a video and a set of notes. You can pick and choose what you learn or you can start from the beginning and work your way through.

#### Facilities at the

### **Alison Proctor Family History Centre**

The APFHC is located at Paraparaumu Library. Turn right inside the library entrance and at the far end you'll see the six computers, microfiche and library. The cupboard on the right hand side of the area contains the red folders mentioned below.

Members need to get the cupboard key from the library Welcome Desk, when you will be asked to show your membership card.

You will need the new **pink** card for the year 2019-20.

#### **Computer Password at the APFHC**

The APFHC computer password changes regularly: check the red Computer Help folder in the top drawer. Keyboards are in the lowest drawer. Please sign the red signing-in book found in the top drawer.

Replace the cover on the computer when you leave and lock the keyboard in the cupboard. We have wonderful resources on all six of our computers at the APFHC, quite apart from all the other records and books. You are encouraged to use these resources as often as you need.

All six computers have subscriptions to Ancestry, FindMyPast and access to The Genealogist, as well as free sites like FamilySearch (we suggest you use your own log-in to FamilySearch). A microfiche is available. You are encouraged to save the results of your searches on a USB memory stick or send them to your own email address. We have a printer if you wish to print a hard copy. Please put 10c per copy in the honesty box on the cupboard door.

Please do not switch off the printer.

#### Website

Log in and explore, update your details and find information on our user groups.

http://www.kapitigen.org/programme gives full details of all meetings in the calendar and is easy to negotiate.

Should any member wish to have their research interests published in the newsletter to contact others, please complete the Members Interests form in the Members Only section of our website <a href="http://www.kapitigen.org/membership/members-only/#introduce">http://www.kapitigen.org/membership/members-only/#introduce</a>. You will have to log in to do so. Instructions for logging in are available at <a href="http://www.kapitigen.org/2012/07/logging-in/">http://www.kapitigen.org/2012/07/logging-in/</a>



**Branch Officers** 

Convener: Ian Barbour

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**Secretary:** Colin Cameron Phone: 905 3000

Secretary "at" KapitiGen.org

Treasurer: John Miller

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**Programme & Activities:** 

Ian Brooking

Programme "at" KapitiGen.org

Denice Mc Carten

Librarian: Beverley Chappell

Daytime co-ordinator: Sonia Coom

daygrp"at"KapitiGen.org

**Magazine Round Robins:** 

Bev Chappell

RoundRobin "at" KapitiGen.org

Webmasters:

Lorna Henderson & Ian Brooking

**Meeting registrar:** Donna Bridgeman **Sound System:** Ian Brooking Member: Gerard Denton

**Membership** 

New members always welcome.

A bargain at \$25 for the year to 31st March 2020.

Check out <a href="http://www.kapitigen.org/membership/">http://www.kapitigen.org/membership/</a>

for the application form or to apply online.

Bank account for internet banking payments:

BNZ 02-0591-0040791-000

To access our resources at the Paraparaumu Library

use your pink membership card.

Further details at http://www.kapitigen.org/2019/01/ membership-renewals-for-the-20192020-year/

Newsletter Editor: Sheila Jolley editor "at" KapitiGen.org

**Computer Liaison**: Frances Braddick Trip organiser: Kathy Callaghan

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Website: <a href="http://www.kapitigen.org">http://www.kapitigen.org</a>

Portfolio descriptions and current holders are listed on our web site - in the Who Does What section of the "About" menu.

**Email links** 

Throughout the newsletter email links are clickable. Remove the extra @ symbol

before sending.

Next meeting August27th

Sharing stories and discoveries