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KapitiGen.org](http://KapitiGen.org)
for additional
information on
events, Branch,
Interest & User
Groups, and any
late changes.

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Editorial

Hi folks.

David Dell's presentation last month on his music archive was very entertaining. He is looking for any old sheet music, particularly songs from WWI. Ian Brooking has his contact details.

Don't miss our next branch meeting when Ian Brooking and Lorna Henderson will be speaking on the pros and cons of 'Collaborative On-line Family Trees' on Family Search and Wiki tree. Having discovered recently what valuable leads you can get from information other people have posted on these trees, (as well as red herrings!) I'll be looking forward to getting hints on how to make the most of them.



And - Guess what? It's AGM time again!

This is the time to make sure that your needs are represented on the Committee.

As you'll see in the notes below the agenda on page 3, you do not have to be a member of NZSG to be on the Committee, as long as 50% of the total Committee are NZSG members - including the three office bearers.

Nomination forms will be available at the Branch meeting, so if you would like to join the Committee, ask an NZSG member to nominate you.

Other things on this month include the NZSG Conference, Queen's Birthday weekend; an exciting opportunity to hear Dr Maurice Gleeson on June 7th in Kilbirnie - details on page 5 in case you missed them last month; and the Otaki Family History Expo on May 19th, (details on page 5) in which some of our Branch members are taking part.

Note: The Roots Magic meeting for May 19th has been cancelled due to overlapping events. See page 6 for next meeting.

Sheila

Next meeting
May 22nd
AGM +
'Collaborative On-line
Family Trees
Ian Brooking and Lorna
Henderson

May Branch Meeting

Evening meeting.

When: **May 22th** - 7pm - meet, greet and refreshments.
7.30 - 9pm, main session.

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

What: **AGM** at 7.30
Followed by 'Collaborative on-line family trees'
Speakers Ian Brooking and Lorna Henderson will highlight the advantages and disadvantages of using Family Search family tree and Wiki tree.



Meeting Convenor: Denice McCarten

Supper roster: B – F

Daytime Group meeting.

When: **June 21st** - 10am -12noon

Where: Waikanae Baptist Church Meeting Room, 286, Te Moana Rd.

What: Members will share family stories about their Ancestors' travels from England to New Zealand, including shipping lists, migration and what it was like aboard ship.

Convenor: Sonia Coom

(Apologies for the unavoidable change of date to the May meeting, due to circumstances beyond our control.)

Branch news

Branch meetings coming up

We need your input for the following 2 meetings:

26th June. 'Success stories from using DNA or Facebook'

Bring along your experiences of the 'new' ways of doing research ie. What or who have you found thanks to using either Facebook Groups or DNA?

There are interesting stories out there. Help make this an evening of shared experiences.

28th August. 'Brickwalls'

It has been 3 years since we last ran a **brickwall** session, so now is your chance to tap into the pooled wisdom of other members to try and break down the latest one.

Please send in details of your brickwalls to kapitigen@gmail.com, with the subject line BRICKWALLS, as soon as possible, to give us time to try and crack them.

ALSO, to help spread the research load, we need volunteers who are willing to help work on these brickwalls - please contact us at the email above if you are willing to help. The intention is to summarise the process of solving (or not) 3 or 4 of the them for presentation at the August meeting.

Wednesday morning help sessions. 10-12am APFHC

Bev Chappell would like to hear from anyone who is willing to help with the Wednesday morning, 10-12am research sessions, especially in May through to July as regular helpers are unavailable during that time. If you can spare a couple of hours on a Wednesday to fill in some of the gaps, please contact Bev on RoundRobin@KapitiGen.org.

More News and Titbits

Family Search log in

Anyone using Family Search will know you now have to sign in each time you wish to use their search facility. The APFHC computers are no different. We tried to set up an automatic Sign-in using a generic Kapgen name but the site didn't like it!

If you are not yet registered with Family Search, please complete the registration process at home before trying to use FamilySearch on our computers at APFHC. Just click on the 'Register' button when it asks you to sign in. It is free and easy to do. You need access to your own email to register.

One benefit of belonging to NZSG - DNA Boot Camp Webinars

The NZSG has purchased the licence for twelve webinars as a member only resource available to view through the website, here <http://www.maxpresencemail.co.nz/t/r-l-jytiuihy-tylrirtlyd-y/>. *This is a direct link to the page so please log in first before using the link. * It is a resource that our whole membership has access to both nationally and internationally.

There are twelve, 90 minute webinars under six headings, starting with an introduction to DNA and moving through to interpretation of results and solving family mysteries. Each has a handout to use in conjunction with the seminar.

Lost Cousins - are you signed into their newsletter? Another free resource to try.

Go to <https://lostcousins.com>

It contains interesting articles and links to useful websites. Try the following for example:

https://www.huffingtonpost.com/marshall-p-duke/the-stories-that-bind-us-_b_2918975.html

This link came from the LostCousins newsletter, <https://www.lostcousins.com/newsletters2/may18news.htm>,

Round Robins

The October 2017 issue of *Who Do You Think You Are* includes an informative article entitled 'Discovering your London Ancestors' by Dr Jonathan Oates.

The administrative districts of London have changed often since the formation of the London City Council in 1889 and it is not always easy to find the records you need.

In earlier years, births and marriages were often not registered in the poorer parts of the City. Dr Oates suggests working backwards from death records as these were a legal requirement.

The article includes a complete list of London Borough Local History Centres and Archives.

Several websites include maps of London, such as the East London History website merrick.org.uk/elhs which shows streets in the East End from 1703-2002; the Charles Booth Poverty maps www.booth.lse.ac.uk/map and the OS maps from the 1890s maps.nls.uk/os/London-1890s.

Failing all these, he recommends researching the directories that have been collated, from as early as 1599. Some are on the subscription site of the Historical Directories of England and Wales specialcollections.le.ac.uk, Others require a trip to the appropriate borough office. **Bring it on!**

If you wish to subscribe to either of our Round Robin magazines, contact Bev Chappell at (RoundRobin"at" KapitiGen.org) Further details on our website under [Resources > Round Robins](#). Subs \$15 per year starting Jul/Aug) to either Family Tree magazine or Who Do You Think You Are? This is a really good way of keeping up with the latest news and having access to interesting articles without having to subscribe to the magazines. They have a wealth of ideas and information When the 'round robin' subscribers have finished with them, the magazines are put into folders in our library at the APFHC. So do check them out. Most articles do not date.

AGM Agenda

**Kapiti Branch of the NZ Society of Genealogists AGM to be held
on Tuesday 22 May 2018 at 7.30pm
at Kapiti Community Centre, Ngahina Street, Paraparaumu**

Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Confirm 2017 AGM Minutes
3. Business arising from the Minutes
4. Branch Overview for the period 01 April 2017 to 31 March 2018
5. Financial Report for the period 01 April 2017 to 31 March 2018
6. Reappointment of Auditor
7. Election of Officers and Committee (see notes below)
8. General Business
 - Nominations are called for a minimum of five nominees including the positions of Convenor, Secretary and Treasurer.
 - The nominees for the positions of Convenor, Secretary and Treasurer must be current financial members of the New Zealand Society of Genealogists.
 - Nominators and seconders for all positions must be current financial members of the New Zealand Society of Genealogists
 - Nominees for positions of Committee member, other than those for Convenor, Secretary and Treasurer are not required to be current financial members of the New Zealand Society of Genealogists.

Ancestry and the New Zealand Gazette

Ancestry now has the 1939 Register for England and Wales (previously exclusive to FindMyPast) and the Edinburgh, Scotland, Electoral Registers, 1832-1966.

It has also added the New Zealand Police Gazettes, 1878-1945. supplied by Archives New Zealand, Wellington, and limited data from the New Zealand Gazette (1860-1894 but only for selected years).

The full **NZ Gazette** is available on our computers at the APFHC. You can find helpful instructions on how to use the Gazette in the red folder.

The New Zealand Gazette is the official newspaper of the government and is produced every Thursday by the New Zealand Gazette Office, Department of Internal Affairs. This project includes the years 1860, 1870, 1871, 1873, 1882-1888, and 1890-1894.

Gazettes are full of material that can be of use and interest to family historians. They include notices about:

- * bankruptcies, * appointments and releases of receivers/managers, * appointments and releases of liquidators,
- * meetings and last dates by which to prove debts or claims, * cessations of business,
- * partnerships, * land transfers, * charitable trusts, * friendly societies and credit unions, * incorporated societies,
- * changes of name, * justices of the peace, * native land court dealings, * native adoptions
- * military notices, * nurses, doctors and teachers registers, and *general notices.

Lorna Henderson

Dr Maurice Gleeson in Kilbirnie

Dr Maurice Gleeson is giving two talks at the ASB Sports Centre in Kilbirnie.

(Dr Gleeson was voted the Genetic Genealogist of the year in 2015. His background is as a doctor, psychiatrist, pharmaceutical physician, and professional actor.)

When: Thursday 7th June 2018 from 1.00pm - 3:30pm

Where: ASB Sports Centre – Matairangi Room, 72 Kemp Street, Kilbirnie.

Programme

1. Using DNA to solve unknown parentage cases 1:00-2:00pm

2. Marrying DNA and Irish family tree research 2:30-3:30pm



Jenny Martin has issued an invitation to anyone who wishes to attend the Kilbirnie morning meeting.

Joan McCracken from the Turnbull Library will give a talk from **10am to 12pm**.

Everyone is welcome. Door charge is \$20. Cash only.

There is a cafe in the venue with good food at reasonable prices for a relaxed lunch between sessions.

If you are travelling with a car full from outside Wellington, to secure seats, please contact Rodney at rajkot@xtra.co.nz with numbers. Free covered parking available.

Every family has a story!

Otaki Family History Expo
19 May 2018 10am-4pm

Presentations:
Australian BDM,
Brick Walls England,
Whakapapa,
Papers Past,
NZ Archives,
DNA

Search with
Ancestry
FindMyPast
FamilySearch
TheGenealogist
Talk to NZ BDM
Help, Tips,
Charts

Talk with
experts in
Australian,
Whakapapa/NZ,
English, Scottish,
Irish & DNA
research

Memorial Hall, cnr. Main & Aotaki Streets, Otaki

Entry by Gold Coin donation



NZSG Conference Queen's Birthday weekend in Christchurch.

<https://www.genealogy.org.nz/> for details



Peter Jackson's Great War Exhibition
is now on.

Dominion Museum Building, Buckle St.
Wellington

Info@GreatWarExhibition.nz for details

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

All Kapiti events are in the [programme](#) on our website, both to download and on the calendar.

Monthly Branch meeting: Tuesday 22nd May, 7-9pm - details page 2

KG Daytime Group: Thursday 21st June, 10-12noon. Waikanae Baptist Church, Te Moana Rd.

Wednesdays: 10 am to noon. Experienced researchers on hand to help you use our resources at the APFHC and further your family tree. We need volunteers. See page 2 for details.

Saturday 2nd June: Members help session, 1- 3pm, APFHC. **By appointment.** Phone 293 7771 to book.

Thursday 7th June, 1.30-3pm, APFHC. Overview session on Ancestry, FMPast, particularly census records.

Interest Group meetings (see [Programme>Interest Groups on our website](#) for further details)

Saturday 9th June: DNA group at Kapiti Community Centre. 2- 4pm.

Tuesday 12th June: Irish interest group. 2 - 4pm, APFHC

Thursday 14th June: Australian interest group. 10 - 12 noon APFHC

Saturday 30th June: NZ Kapiti Legacy users group, 1- 4pm at Kapiti Community Centre.

Saturday 21st July: Roots Magic group at Kapiti Community Centre, 2 - 4pm.

Interest Groups

Australian

Second Thursday of every month from February to December.

Next session **Thursday 14th June** for help with any Australian research. **10 -12noon** at the APFHC.

DNA

Our next two-monthly meeting (2nd Sat. of month) falls on **Saturday 9th June 2 - 4pm** at Kapiti Community Centre, 15 Ngahina St, Paraparaumu. All welcome. \$3 door charge including refreshments.

Do bring along your questions, someone present should be able to help.

We're going to try a different format next session, small groups for the first half, all together for the second. Dates for the year on our website <http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/interest-groups/dna/>

Legacy Users

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

Next meeting **Saturday 30th June 2 - 4pm.**

Kapiti Community Centre. Doors open 1- 4.30pm.

Tea and coffee available. Cost: \$2. Contact Gerald Twiss on gerot@xtra.co.nz for details.

Irish Special Interest

Next meeting **Tuesday 12th June 2-4pm.** APFHC, Paraparaumu Library.

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

Roots Magic

For those using or interested in using Rootsmagic to keep track of their Family History.

We apologise for having cancelled the meeting on May 19th owing to an event clash.

Those on our RootsMagic mailing list have been notified, and received an offer of individual support for whatever burning question they were going to ask at the meeting.

Next two monthly meeting

Saturday 21st July, 2-4pm at the Kapiti Community Centre.

\$3 door fee. to cover rental/refreshments
Come and share your experiences, tips and techniques.

Or suggest a topic at

<http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/interest-groups/rootsmagic/>

Information for new members

Branch evening meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month from January to November.
Daytime Group meetings are on the third Thursday month from January to November.

Next meetings

Tuesday May 22nd. 7:00pm: supper
7:30pm: meeting starts.

Thursday June 21st 10-12noon
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 Tuesday of months January - November.

Supper roster: B – F

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

Welcome to new members:

Welcome Back to Terri Manu.

If you have not been to a Branch meeting before, please make yourself known to Donna on the entrance table to be introduced to members with similar interests.

Help with Research

Our help sessions on Wednesday mornings at the Paraparamu Library 10-12am and on the first Saturday of every month (**by appointment - see below**) will give you individual help to find your way around the great facilities we enjoy.

Overview session on Thursday **June 7th**, 1-3.30pm.

Website

Log in and explore., update your details and find information on our user groups as well as a full programme of meetings .

<http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/interest-groups/>

Facilities at the

Alison Proctor Family History Centre

The APFHC is located at Paraparamu 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.

Computer Password at the APFHC

The APFHC computer password changes regularly: check the red Computer Help folder in drawer 5. Members need to get the cupboard key from the library Welcome desk. Please sign the red signing-in book found in the 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. They are the envy of other Genealogy Societies.

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. See page 3). 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.

School records transcription project

John Glover and his team are playing an essential part in digitizing our local schools' records.

If you are willing to take part in this project contact the coordinator, John Glover. He will be pleased to hear from you. [pamandjohn glo "at" gmail.com](mailto:pamandjohn glo@at gmail.com)

Saturday help session for members

If you are unable to get to the public help session on Wednesday morning or need help in a particular area, we have arranged another research session for members on the first Saturday afternoon in the month. This is **by appointment only** and is a great opportunity to get on-on-one help.

Please pre-book a slot by phoning Lorna on 293 7771 so that an appropriate person for your query can be arranged.



Branch meetings:

4th Tuesday, Jan - Nov

Time: 7pm, supper / research

7:30pm, meeting start

Venue: Kapiti Community Centre,
15 Ngahina St, Paraparamu

Daytime Group:

3rd Thursday, Jan - Nov

Time: 10-12noon

Venue: Waikanae Baptist Church,
286, Te Moana Road, Waikanae

Branch Committee

Convener: To be appointed

Phone:

Convenor "at" KapitiGen.org

Secretary: Denice McCarten

Phone: 905 8266

secretary "at" KapitiGen.org

Treasurer and Membership:

Lorna Henderson

Phone: 293 7771

treasurer "at" KapitiGen.org

Programme & Activities:

Ian Brooking

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Librarian: Beverley Chappell

Members:

Ian Barbour

Gerard Denton

Bernard McManus

Sonia Coom

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Membership

Subscription renewals for the 2018/19 year are overdue. Bank account for internet banking payments: BNZ 02- 0591-0040791-000

Only the current blue card is now valid for accessing our resources

New members always welcome.

Still a bargain at \$25 for the year to 31st March 2019

Further details at

<http://www.kapitigen.org/2018/01/membership-for-20182019/>

Meeting registrar: Donna Bridgeman

Computer Liaison: Frances Braddick

Webmasters:

Lorna Henderson & Ian Brooking

Sound System: Ian Brooking

Magazine Round Robins:

Bev Chappell

[RoundRobin "at" KapitiGen.org](mailto:RoundRobin@KapitiGen.org)

Ex-officio committee

Trip organiser: Kathy Callaghan

Equipment Support:

Lindsay Olsen backup up Lorna

Catering: Judy Olsen

Schools project: John Glover

Schools liaison: Bill McKeich

Raffle: Stephen Sherring
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Interest Group Facilitators:

Australian: Deborah Shuker

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Roots Magic: Lorna Henderson

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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
June 26th 2018

Success stories using
DNA or Facebook