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Editorial



Belated Happy New Year!

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I trust everyone had an enjoyable break and is ready to get going on more research. I know its psychological but a new decade does make you think about new directions.

Over the holidays, in conjunction with a woman in the UK who is a DNA match for my husband, several breakthroughs were made. I often wondered how his parents met coming from completely different places and backgrounds. Now I know that his Maternal great grandmother's first cousin married his Paternal great grandfather's first cousin in the 1870s!

But in Ireland nothing is surprising. Imagine cousin William Orange D.... turning in his grave when his grandson became a prominent 'Reverend Monsignor' in the Catholic Church.

We kick off the year with our 'Here is the News' sessions in both evening and daytime meetings. These sessions are always interesting with people bringing amusing/informative/entertaining tidbits for everyone to enjoy.

Also this month, food for thought in the article brought to our attention by Lindsay Olsen on page 4. Come and join the Online tree sessions (see page 4 for details), or glean some useful hints to solve this conundrum at the meeting on February 25th (see page 2) on a way to preserve your family history.

If you are in to military history see details of the conference in Wellington from 13-15 February. (Page5).

In the meantime - good hunting.
Sheila

Next meetings:
Tuesday 28th and
Wednesday 29th
January 2020

'Here is the News'

January Branch Meetings

Evening meeting.

When: Tuesday January 28th 7pm - meet, greet and refreshments.
7.30 - 9pm, main session.

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

What: 'Here is the News'

Our popular session of family stories. Bring along a family history story that interested you to share with us all. It could be from Papers Past, Trove, Gale newspapers or elsewhere.

Convenor: Ian Brooking

Supper roster: P – T



Daytime meeting.

When: Wednesday January 29th 1.30 – 4pm
2 - 4pm - meeting

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

What: 'Here is the News.'

Bring along your family stories and share what you've found over the festive break. Followed by our General Research Session.

Co-ordinator: Sonia Coom

Branch news

Welcome to the programme for 2020.

The Committee has lined up an interesting programme for the coming year, starting with our popular meetings of 'Here is the News'. Bring any interesting family history story you have come across. It doesn't have to be your family, just an unusual outcome or happening to entertain and/or inform us.

Don't miss the evening meeting on February 25th, when Michael Gaffenay will be speaking about the mistakes to avoid when writing and publishing your family history.

Online trees/software sessions - see page 4 for details

Further to the previous newsletter, our new regular sessions on Online Trees and the software associated with them begin on **February 29th**. These Saturday afternoon gatherings will be of interest to anyone using or planning to use an online family tree for storage of information, photos etc.

If you are a regular user of any of the trees listed on page 4 and interested in helping with these sessions, please contact **Lorna, 293 7771**

Books to enjoy - recommended by Sue Greene

I have just finished reading a book called the *Sugar Girls* by Duncan Barrett. Really enjoyed it. Have just started another one called *Inheritance* by Dani Shapiro, still to finish it, about a woman who had her DNA tested through Ancestry only to discover her father was not her father.

I got both through the Otaki library though the *Sugar Girls* had to come from Masterton Library, but no problem with the smart library system.

New book for our library

Thanks to Deborah for recommending the purchase of this book for our library.

The book entitled 'Roll of New Zealand's Second World War Dead' has been catalogued and is now shelved in the APFHC shelf available for borrowing.

The content is a treasure trove of biographical information gleaned from official war records by a group of army researchers.

It contains all known information about the New Zealanders who died whilst serving in the Army, Air Force or Navy during the Second World War whether involved in the New Zealand Services or any other Allied Forces eg Australia, Canada, England.

The information is set out in alphabetical surname order and beside each listed person it contains their first names, rank, service number, age, place of origin, service number, national service unit, place of death, circumstances and date, burial location (land or sea, name of cemetery or memorial listing). It also includes the names of some who were wounded and repatriated back to New Zealand but died soon afterwards and were buried in a New Zealand cemetery.

As an example the book entry for the best man at my parent's wedding who was killed in action when serving with the New Zealand Infantry Brigade reads as follows:

SMITH, Kimber Harding, Lance Corporal, 614196, 32, Nelson, 6 NZ Inf Bde, 26 Infantry Battalion, KIA, Italy, 17 Mar 1944, Cassino War Cemetery .

Bev Chappell

Top 10 Sins of a Genealogist - and how to repent

The June 2019 Family Tree magazine, which is available via our Round Robin subscription (see page 5), and then in our APFHC folders at the Paraparaumu library has a very good "Getting Into Good Habits article on avoiding pitfalls, written by Paul Chiddicks.

The following are merely the headings:

- Sin 1: Assuming everything you find online is correct
- Sin 2: Not making research notes
- Sin 3: Not going beyond birth, marriage & death records
- Sin 4: Trying to do everything yourself
- Sin 5: Adopting the scatter gun approach
- Sin 6: Not checking your previous work
- Sin 7: Trying to achieve everything online
- Sin 8: Neglecting to explore
- Sin 9: Inflexibility on names
- Sin 10: Me, me, me



The only spoiler alert I'll offer from the article is that Sin 1 references the Genealogical Proof Standard (GPS, yes there's another GPS - which does have one similarity. It tells you how to get where you are going!). If you need a refresher (we ALL do) take a read of three FamilySearch blog posts, starting at <https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/genealogicalproofstandardpart1/>

Lorna Henderson

Who inherits your digital legacy?

TALIA SHADWELL

After you die, your digital soul ascends to the cloud, and no-one will ever hear a tweet out of you ever again, right?

Not really, say experts, as they warn Kiwis will increasingly find their heirs locked out of their digital estates once they die if they don't make a plan for access to email passwords or online bank account details.

Next-of-kin could find themselves unable to view important records from their dead relative's "digital legacy", the experts say.

Twitter, Facebook accounts and Instagram posts are all part of a person's online estate.

But Wellington lawyer Bianca Mueller also urges clients to consider whether records stored behind passwords to their laptops, online bank accounts and emails might contain valuable information.

Then, says Mueller, there are the emotional considerations.

People's photos stored only in computer files, or the prospect of Facebook sending out a reminder notifying friends to wish you a happy birthday after you're gone, which she said might be "quite disturbing" for mourners.

Last year Facebook introduced the option to assign a legacy contact to users' account, which means you can choose a friend or family member to access your account on your behalf.

Mueller, originally from Germany, says her overseas clients had often raised the question of how to make their digital estate inheritable, whereas New

Protecting yourself

■ The Public Trust recommends recording details about your email, social media and banking accounts somewhere secure.

■ It suggests listing where to find important documents and photos, and including that in your will.

■ Also, make a clear outline of what you want to happen with your digital assets after you die.

Zealanders were only slowly catching on. "It's sort of uncharted territory, both from a practical perspective and a law point of view."

The last thing you should do is put your passwords in your will, warns Matt Sale, of the Public Trust.

"While your will is personal to you, it's still a public document, so this information could be accessed by a third party. It's also only a capture of a moment in time - your passwords can and are likely to change," Sale said.

Some internet giants can block access to the information families want if there are no records to show the deceased wanted to allow it.

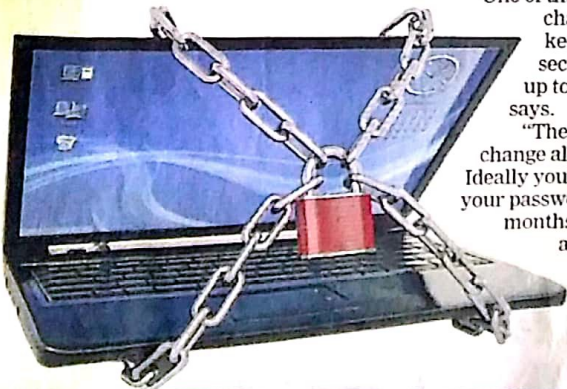
That could mean next-of-kin would have to challenge them in court, which had already happened overseas, Mueller says.

Some people might like to give the executor of their will permission to access specific files or accounts, rather than give it to a family member.

"That's why these companies are so strict. They do not like to give access, often, because of your privacy... You don't want your mother to know you said something unflattering about her in an email to your sister."

One of the biggest challenges was keeping digital security records up to date, Mueller says.

"These passwords change all the time. Ideally you're changing your passwords every six months for all 40 accounts you're running. How do you keep that [record] best?"



My sincere apologies to the original publisher of the attached article. I'm unable to acknowledge the unknown source and journalist. Ed.

This interesting article scanned by Lindsay Olsen poses many questions which most of us will have to answer at some time.

Is this where a paper trail comes in handy or when some of the on-line family trees come into their own?

What if all your photos and information is on an on-line tree and the company changes hands or goes bust.

Online trees/software

Our exciting new sessions on online trees and computer software begin on **Saturday February 29th 1.30-4pm**

Paraparaumu library meeting room

Many of you use online trees for research. The plan is to share tips about both the mainstream online trees, and their companion software, which allows you to keep your own backup copy safe on your computer.

The sessions suggested are two-monthly covering:

- Ancestry and the companion FamilyTreeMaker software
- MyHeritage and the companion FamilyTreeBuilder software
- The FamilySearch tree (possibly two sessions), which can fully interface well with both RootsMagic and Legacy;
- WikiTree (which session may include Geni)

If you are a regular user of any of these and interested in helping with some of the sessions, please contact

Lorna, 293 7771

NZ Military History Conference



New Zealand Military History Conference

13-15 February 2020

Massey University, Wellington

Conference

Thursday 2.30pm–5.30pm
then Friday 9am–5.30pm
and Saturday 9am–6pm

Reception

Thursday, 13 February 2020 - 5.30pm–9pm

This will include light refreshments and a keynote address by noted Maori historian and Vietnam veteran Sir Wira Gardiner.

Venue

Massey University, Wallace St, Wellington

The keynote speaker in 2020 will be Dr Jonathan Fennell from King's College, London, an expert on the Commonwealth armies in the Second World War.

Other overseas participants include Dr Claire Cookson-Hills (Queen's University, Kingston, Canada), Dr Robert Engen (Canadian Defence College), Dr Mark Johnston (Scotch College, Melbourne) and Dr Aaron Pegram (Australian War Memorial).

Chaired sessions include:- pre-war policies and developments; 2nd NZEF's discipline and experience; NZ's foreign relations during the war; the campaigns in Greece and Crete; the North African campaign; the air and naval wars; the home front; the impact of war on veterans and families; loss and bereavement in war.

The conference opens at 2.30pm on 13 February, followed by a formal evening event with the keynote address by Sir Wira Gardiner. Professor Glyn Harper of Massey University will then give a presentation on the Second World War as seen through the camera lens.

Conference Fee

Conference fee \$160 per person (\$80 students),

which includes the Thursday function and all lunches and teas Friday and Saturday. No GST.

The **conference dinner**, Friday night, 14 February, will cost \$60 per head. Seats are limited so please show numbers attending.

NZ Military History Conference,
PO Box 9724, Wellington 6141, NZ
Direct deposit is welcomed, to ANZ Bank, North Lambton Quay Branch, swift address ANZBNZ22, account 06 0501 0647689 00, in the name of the 'NZ Military History Committee', with your surname as reference (cheques can also be accepted).

For further information and registration forms, contact
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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 for the year from July.

Please let Bev Chappell know at RoundRobin@KapitiGen.org if you wish to be on the circulation list. Further details on our website under [Resources > Round Robins](#).

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 28th January, 7-9pm - details of meetings on page 2

Daytime meeting: Wednesday 29th January, 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 1st February: Members help session, 1- 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 29th February: Online trees/software. 1.30 - 4pm. Paraparaumu Library meeting room. See page 4 for details or go to

<http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/interest-groups/online-trees-their-companion-software-programs/>

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

Saturday 8th February 2020: DNA Interest Group. Waikanae Baptist Church, 286, Te Moana Road. 2 - 4pm.

Tuesday 11th February 2020: Irish interest group. 2 - 4pm, APFHC

Thursday 13th February 2020: Australian interest group. 10 - 12 noon APFHC

Saturday 21st March 2020: Roots Magic Interest group. Kapiti Community Centre, 2 - 4pm.

Interest Groups

Australian

Second Thursday of every month from February to November.

The first meeting in 2020 will be on **Thursday 13th February, 10-12noon** at APFHC, for help with any Australian research.

Irish

Next meeting **Tuesday 11th February 2020, 2-4pm.** APFHC, Paraparaumu Library.

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

Roots Magic

For those using Rootsmagic for their family history. Next meeting will be **Saturday 21st March, 2-4pm** at Kapiti Community Centre. \$3 door fee. to cover expenses.

Version 8 is expected early this year. When you start up RootsMagic the list of blog posts shown give further information on the pricing

<http://blog.rootsmagic.com/?p=3259>

and a preview of some of the changes we can expect <http://blog.rootsmagic.com/?p=3328>

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

DNA

Next meeting **Saturday 8th February 2020, 2-4pm** at Waikanae Baptist Church Café, 286 Te Moana Rd. \$3 door charge.

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

DNAPainter continues to provide some impressive tools for dealing with the massive amount of data DNA matches present you with.

Check out <https://dnainter.com/tools> and Jonny Perl's blogpost <https://dnainter.com/blog/cluster-auto-painter-unravel-your-dna-test-results/>

about the latest aid with chromosome painting, an import of your cluster analyses.

Note that you have to have transferred your Ancestry DNA to the sites that provide the segment details for painting to work.

If all this is gobbledygook, do come along to our two monthly DNA sessions, despite these snippets re. tools, we do deal with all levels of expertise.

There is also a two day workshop in Wellington (27th & 28th March) with Blaine Bettinger and Angie Bush on their DNA Discovery 2020 tour

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1404320083075507/>

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, usually the fourth Wednesday, from Jan. to November. Check on page 2 for dates.

Coming up.

Tuesday January 28th 7:00pm: supper
7:30pm: meeting starts

Wednesday Jan. 29th 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 2pm on the 1st Thursday 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

Emma Wright

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.

Note the new Online tree/Software sessions starting February 29th if you are interested in storing your information on line.

If you are new to genealogy, go to <https://www.genealogy.org.nz/> 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 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 **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 <http://www.kapitigen.org/membership/members-only/#introduce> . You will have to log in to do so. Instructions for logging in are available at <http://www.kapitigen.org/2012/07/logging-in/>



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Membership

We are now accepting renewals, and new memberships, for the 2020/21 year. These are not actually due until 31st March, but please be kind to the Membership Secretary and spread the workload.

Still a bargain at \$25 for the year April to March.
Bank account for internet banking payments: BNZ
02-0591-0040791-000

Further details at
<http://www.kapitigen.org/2020/01/membership-for-the-202021-year/>

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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

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Next meeting
25th February

'Writing and publishing a
family history - mistakes to
avoid'

Michael Gaffenay