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Editorial



Another one to celebrate! I couldn't let this go by! A few days off at Easter is an ideal time to embrace St George and slay a few dragons in your family tree! Are dragons the same as

brickwalls? If so, you have the opportunity to get help. Send in your request to **kapitigen"at"gmail.com** for our July Evening meeting on

'brickwalls'. See page 3 for details.

I am planning a trip to the UK in September and will be excited to meet some Jolley relatives that have shown up as a DNA match to my husband. He doesn't know any of his family, having left Ireland in 1960.

Just recently another first-cousinonce-removed match has come to light on My Heritage, so it'll be interesting to find out where she fits in.

Two changes to note are: I. The Daytime meeting in May will be held during the week before the Evening meeting, but still on the fourth Wednesday of the month. See page 2.

2. The DNA Interest Group venue is moving from Kapiti Community Centre to the Waikanae Baptist Church on Te Moana Road from June 8th onwards. See page 3.

A couple of video links to follow this month; The Rootstech sessions for those who didn't make it to Salt Lake City! And an introduction to Map Explorer in The Genealogist, available on our computers at the APFHC.

If you haven't renewed your subscription, Lorna reminds you it is due. You'll soon need the new card to use the facilities in the library.

The dearth of applications to be the new Branch secretary is very disappointing. Is there nobody out there who is willing to help out and give it a go?

Sheila

Next meeting Tuesday April 23rd

'Not just mud and blood' Graham Langton

April Branch Meetings

Evening meeting.

When:	Tuesday April 23nd 7pm - mee	et, greet and refreshments.
	7.30 - 9pm	n, main session.
Where:	Kapiti Community Centre, 15, Ngahina	a Street, Paraparaumu

What: 'Not Just Mud and Blood' - Graham Langton **Experiences of New Zealanders** in the First World War

Convenor: Ian Barbour Supper roster: A – E

wtime meeting



Daytime r	neeting.
When:	Wednesday April 24th 1.30 – 4pm
	2 - 4pm - meeting
Where:	Waikanae Baptist Church Cafe, 286, Te Moana Rd, Waikanae
What:	Trans-Tasman Relations/Australian Research with Deborah Shuker All contributions welcome. Come and join the discussion.
Co-ordinate	or: Sonia Coom

Branch news

Please note: Change to May Daytime meeting date. Because May 1st is on a Wednesday it means the usual 4th Wednesday daytime meeting falls before the evening meeting on the 4th Tuesday, 28th. We looked at changing the daytime meeting to the 5th Wednesday (29th) but cannot get the room, so it will be on 22nd May.

Volunteers required! Our long-term Secretary, Denice McCarten is stepping down and we need someone to fill her shoes. The work is not onerous; committee meetings are fun. For more details contact Denice at secretary "at" KapitiGen.org or phone 905 8266.

Who's Job is it?

This is a story about four people named **Everybody**, **Somebody**, **Anybody** and **Nobody**.

There was an important job to be done and **Everybody** was sure that **Somebody** would do it. Anybody could have done it, but not even **Nobody** volunteered.

Somebody got angry about that because it was **Everybody's** job. Everybody thought that Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it.

It ended up that **Everybody** blamed **Somebody** when **Nobody** did what Anybody could have done!!

So who are you?

Is there nobody out there who will act as somebody and allow our hard-working secretary to step down, so that everybody can enjoy the continuation of a smooth-running Committee.



Kapiti Genealogy needs YOU.

National Library Tour

Kathy Callaghan has organised a tour of National Library for **Thursday May 16 at 10.30am**. The tour lasts an hour and is very worthwhile.. The National Library is such a useful resource when you know how to access the information. If you haven't been before, I would highly recommend this visit.

Most people will be going down on the train leaving at 9.05 from Waikanae. Kathy will wait by the ticket office in Wellington for those who wish to walk together up to the National Library. The latest return train to Waikanae using a Gold Card is at 2.53 pm.

If you are interested in going, please let Kathy know at <u>kathycallaghan''at''gmail.com</u> by Mon. 13th May.

More Branch News

Brickwalls for July

Following the success of last year's session on Brickwalls, we will be running another one at the evening meeting on **23rd July**.

Now is your chance to tap into the pooled wisdom of other members to try and break down your latest brickwall(s).

Please give us as many details of your brickwall as you know. Send them is a soon as possible to give us time to try and crack them, to **kapitigen"at"gmail.com**, with the subject line BRICKWALLS.

ALSO, to help spread the research load, we need volunteers who are willing to help work on these brickwall puzzles - 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 July meeting.

Ian Brooking

Change of venue for DNA Interest Group

From the 8th June session onwards we are shifting to the Waikanae Baptist Church Cafe at 286 Te Moana Rd. Same planned dates and times. See page 6, or calendar on the website for details.

Turn right off the expressway at Waikanae and head up Te Moana Rd to 286. (This is where our monthly Daytime meetings are held)

Round Robins

The Family Tree Round Robin magazine for Sep 2018 has an excellent article called "Search smarter online".

It contains a wealth of hints on how to get the best results from a wide range of websites, not just the usual suspects.

If you wish subscribe to either of our Round Robin magazines, contact Bev Chappell at (<u>RoundRobin"at"</u> <u>KapitiGen.org</u>) Further details on our website under <u>Resources > Round Robins</u>.

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.

The 'Wild Geese' of Ireland

As part of the Treaty of Limerick in 1691, the Irish forces of Patrick Sarsfield, who had fought the army of William of Orange to a standstill, were given the option of sailing to France to join the Stuart King, James II, in exile.

The uniforms of the Irish Brigade of France (see right) show the red coats that were worn throughout the Brigade's history, signifying their support for the Stuart claim to the English crown.

The majority of the recruits came from the counties of Clare, Limerick, Cork, Kerry and Galway. French ships which arrived on the west coast smuggling in brandy and wine would depart with recruits for the Irish Brigade in France. The paper work of the ships listed the recruits as 'Wild Geese', thus the origin of the name.

Read the fascinating history of the Wild Geese at https://thewildgeese.irish/page/the-wild-geese-history



Thanks to Deborah

Rootstech 2019 presentations

Rootstech (<u>www.rootstech.org</u>), the world's largest family history conference, has now uploaded recorded presentations from its recent 2019 conference in Salt Lake City, available at <u>https://www.rootstech.org/category/2019-rootstech-sessions</u>.

There are 23 presentations available, covering a variety of themes - some of the most notable from a UK/Irish perspective include:

Uncovering Family Stories with British and Irish Historic Newspapers:

Myko Clelland

Examining Your DNA Matches with DNA Painter: Jonny Perl

Essential Considerations for DNA Evidence: Blaine Bettinger

...and with plenty more. Enjoy!

A suggestion. Copy and paste the URL into your browser, as I discovered if you click on the link there is no sound. Most are one hour long so be prepared for a long listen! Not sure how long they will be available free so make the most of them *Jenny Martin*

Tip for Irish researchers from Jenny Martin Open Street Map Ireland (<u>https://www.openstreetmap.ie</u>)

Maps, of all the townlands in Ireland.

A lot of research is put into Place names. For example, sub townlands are included (place names which are often forgotten or omitted from official maps), derived from local history, old maps, land deeds, wills etc.

All this data is compiled under an Open License which means anyone can use the data and modify it for their own uses. Different spellings are recorded so that places can be found more easily.

The Genealogist's Map Explorer

I wonder how many members have used the map resources of The Genealogist available on our computers at the APFHC? The following information is from an email to subscribers to The Genealogist and is worth reading.

Introducing Map Explorer

Our Map Explorer helps you find an ancestor's property and watch the landscape change over time. The team has geo-referenced the Lloyd George Maps for Greater London. Map Explorer views these historic maps laid on top of modern background maps, including those from Ordnance Survey and Bing Street maps, as well as a satellite view, letting you see where your ancestor's house is today.

* Map Explorer displays maps for different historical periods up to the modern day

- * Maps are fully searchable by county, parish, street and even postcode
- * Zoom in to show the individual properties as they were at the time
- * Use the transparency slider to reveal a modern street map underneath
- * Change the modern base map displayed to understand what the area looks like today
- * Geo-referenced pins link to the records for each property
- * Displays county or parish boundaries

Click here to watch a short video introducing Map Explorer https://www.thegenealogist.co.uk/maps/

To complement the new Map Explorer, historic Ordnance Survey maps covering England, Scotland and Wales between the 1890s and 1960s have been released. These allow you to see how the landscape changed over time.

The maps are divided into 3 layers that can be viewed on top of each other like sheets of paper - you can then change the transparency of a layer to view the layers below.

***The Base Layer** - This is the modern layer, which can be used to select a modern OS Map, Open Street Map or a Bing Satellite Image.

***The Historic Layer** - The historic layer can be used to select a range of OS maps from the 1890s to the 1960s.

*Record Set Layer - This layer provides access to map record sets such as the Lloyd George Domesday, or the soon to be launched Geo-referenced Tithe Maps. Further record sets will be added to this layer in the future. This layer also has the ability to show 'Pins' - map markers that link directly to the records so you can see who was living in a particular property.

Map Explorer has several tools to aid researchers, such as the 'Place Search, which allows you to enter a postcode or address (either modern or historic) and jump to that location on the maps. Further tools let you see county and parish boundaries and even historic 'Wards', which were the areas that the Lloyd George Domesday Survey was divided into.

You are now able to view Lloyd George Domesday Maps for the Greater London Area (survey books for this area are being released ward by ward over the coming months).

Log into The Genealogist at APFHC and have a go at searching Map Explorer. It sounds exciting. Do check it out and let me know how you got on.

Ed.

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 Branch events are in the <u>programme</u> on our website on the calendar.**

Monthly evening meeting: Tuesday 23rd April 7-9pm - details of meetings on page 2 Daytime meeting: Wednesday 24th April 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 May: 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. **Thursday 16th May**: National Library Tour. Contact Kathy at <u>kathycallaghan''at''gmail.com</u>. See page 3. **Saturday 27th July:** DNA workshop with Michelle patient. See below.

Interest Group meetings (see <u>Programme>Interest Groups on our website</u> for further details) Saturday 27th April: NZ Kapiti Legacy users group, Kapiti Community Centre, 1- 4pm. Thursday 9th May: Australian interest group. 10 - 12 noon APFHC Tuesday 14th May: Irish interest group. 2 - 4pm, APFHC Saturday 18th May: Roots Magic group. Kapiti Community Centre, 2 - 4pm. Saturday 8th June: DNA Interest Group. Waikanae Baptist Church, 286, Te Moana Road. 2 - 4pm.

Interest Groups

Australian Second Thursday of every month from February to November. Next session Thursday 9th May, 10-12noon at APFHC for help with any Australian research.	Legacy Users Meetings are usually held on the last Saturday of every second month from February to October. Everyone is welcome. Next meeting Saturday 27th April, 2-4pm. Kapiti Community Centre. Doors open 1- 4.30pm.
DNA Next meeting Saturday 8th June, 2-4pm at Waikanae Baptist Church Café, 286 Te Moana Rd. \$3 door charge for	Tea and coffee available. Cost: \$2. Contact Gerald Twiss on <u>gerot''at''xtra.co.nz</u> for details. Following meeting on Saturday 29th June.
rent/refreshments. <u>http://www.kapitigen.org/</u> <u>programme/interest-groups/dna/</u> NB. Change of venue. From 8th June session we are shifting to the Waikanae Baptist Church Café, 286 Te Moana Rd. Same planned dates and times.	Irish Special Interest Next meeting Tuesday 14th May, 2-4pm. APFHC, Paraparaumu Library. Contact us at <u>http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/</u> interest-groups/irish/
(Turn right off the expressway at Waikanae and head up Te Moana Rd to 286.) The specific topic scheduled for part of the June session is using GEDMatch (<u>http://</u> <u>genesis.gedmatch.com</u>), those on our mailing list have been provided further information.	 Roots Magic For those using or interested in using Rootsmagic to keep track of their family history. Next two-monthly meeting will be Saturday 18th May 2-4pm at Kapiti Community Centre. \$3 door fee. to cover rental/refreshments Come and share your experiences, tips and
Mark Saturday 27th July in your diary now. Michelle Patient is holding a day's workshop here in Kapiti (Lorna is helping out with a short yDNA session). Exact content and venue yet to be determined so watch this space.	techniques. Details on <u>http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/interest-</u> 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 fourth Wednesday of the month from Jan. to November.

Coming up. **Tuesday April 23rd**

7:00pm: supper 7:30pm: meeting starts. Wednesday April 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 Ist Wednesday of months January - November.

Evening meeting upper roster: A – E If your surname starts with the above letters, we would appreciate your assistance. (Don't worry - we use the dishwasher provided!)

Welcome to Brian TESTER and Allan CARLEY Apologies to Ian Parish for misspelling your name in the March Newsletter.

If you are a new member or have not been to an evening meeting previously, 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, I-3pm, will assist you to make the most of our facilities.

Saturday's are by appointment only. Phone Lorna on 293 7771 to book and get one-on-one help.

Website

Log in and explore, update your details and find information on our user groups http://www.kapitigen.org/programme as well as full details of meetings in the calendar.

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.

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.

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. <u>pamandjohnglo "at" gmail.com</u>

Getting it right - new members alert!

If you have just joined and are new to genealogy, these free resources are an ideal starting point. Each resource consists of a video and a set of notes. There are 11 videos, all around 8 to 10 minutes each. So you can pick and choose what you learn or if you are an absolute beginner you can start from the beginning and work your way through to get the best introduction to genealogy and starting your research journey. Go to https://www.genealogy.org.nz/ and click on the 'Getting it Right' logo.

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Membership

If you have not yet paid your subscription for the current financial year April-March 2019/20, it is now overdue.

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/2019/01/membershiprenewals-for-the-20192020-year/

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Portfolio descriptions and current holders are listed on our web site above - 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 May 28th AGM Plus discussion of backup and methods of storage

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