

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

Editorial



Happy New Year to all
members!

Hope you had a productive and/or
restful break.

Please note that all our meetings
require vaccine passes for entry.
(see page 2).

Hey! Don't shoot me. I'm only the
messenger. I hope this doesn't
mean the exclusion of any of our
members.

See the Committee's comment on
the NZSG status. (Page 3). Note
that next years subscriptions are
not required until the position is
clarified.

This year will open up a whole lot
more records with the release of
the 1921 census. See page 5. In
conjunction with the 1939 register,
people born in the early part of the
20th Century are becoming more
accessible.

Look forward to seeing everyone
again next week.
Sheila

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The cartoon above is particularly
relevant as our first two evening
meetings need your input. We're
starting the year with the popular
'Here is the news' session.
Bring along a story to share, based
on a newspaper item, book extract
or journal article. If you would like
the item projected on the screen,
please email a copy to Ian Brooking
(programme "at" KapitiGen.org)
before the meeting.

Your contributions and/or
experiences are also needed for the
February meeting. See page 2,
Branch News for details.
These interactive sessions are
always popular and evoke plenty of
discussion. A good way to get the
investigative juices flowing again!

More good news. Our Wednesday
morning help sessions at APFHC
have started again. So it's all go.

Meetings this month:
Tuesday Evening
February 25th

'Here is the News'

Wednesday afternoon
February 26th

January Branch Meetings

Evening meeting.

When: Tuesday January 25th

7pm - meet and greet.

7.30 - 9pm, main session.

Where: Coast Community Church

57, Hinemoa Street, Paraparaumu

What: How to...?

'Here is the News'

Online newspapers

Bring along an interesting story to share based on a newspaper article, book or journal.

To have it displayed on the screen email to Ian (See Branch News below)

Supper roster: A-E

Convenor: Ian Barbour

Daytime meeting

When: Wednesday January 26th

1.30 – 4pm

2 - 4pm - meeting

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

What: News and update from evening meeting, followed by research and discussion.

Co-ordinator: Denice McCarten

Vaccine passes required for both meetings.

DEATH IN SYDNEY

MR. SAMUEL P. BREINGAN

The death occurred in Sydney last week of Mr. Samuel Peter Breingan, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Breingan, of Moree, North Queensland, and late of Gisborne. The late Mr. Breingan, who was 39 years of age, suffered a short illness.

Born in Inverell, N.S.W., Mr. Breingan came to Gisborne at the age of five years and was educated at the Kaiti School. He learned the plumbing trade with the late Mr. D. Rait and subsequently worked for several Gisborne firms. He was a member of the I.O.O.F. Lodge.

Fourteen years ago Mr. Breingan moved to Sydney and was married there. He leaves a widow and one daughter, Miss Lyla Breingan, and is survived also by his parents and two sisters, Miss Hilda Breingan, Queensland, and Mrs. M. P. Kippenberger, Gisborne.

Branch news

Please note!

IMPORTANT

All our meeting & interest group attendees are required to show their vaccine passes at the desk on entry, no exceptions.

This helps ensure everyone's safety from this pandemic, whilst continuing life as near normal as we can. Please note that also applies at the APFHC facilities in the Paraparaumu library whether researching on your own during opening hours or at the session open to the public on Wednesday mornings.

January meeting - Here is the News. This popular meeting is returning to start off the year. If you wish to have your item displayed on the screen, please email a copy before the meeting to Ian Brooking on [programme "at" KapitiGen.org](mailto:programme@KapitiGen.org)

Meeting on February 22nd - this session is roughly titled as "How have you used DNA to build your tree/break your brickwalls".

If you have had success (or even tried hard!) using the various DNA-based tools to build your tree, break brickwalls, make contact with new relatives etc, then come along and share these findings with your fellow members. Remember that many of us are either dabblers or floundering in the DNA soup, so any form of encouragement will be appreciated!

There must be some really surprising results out there. We would like to hear about them!

Sincere sympathy and condolences go to long-term member, Noeline Wagener on the death of her husband, Terry, on December 27th 2021.

Our thoughts are with you and your family, Noeline.



Search for photos

I am trying to track down a couple of photos that used to hang in the old 1906 restaurant at Paekakariki. They were in wide, dark, rectangular frames approx 12"x24" and were of Charles Henry Eden and his wife Sarah Ann nee Lines.

I would love to get a copy of these photos for my family tree but don't know what happened to them once the 1906 closed around 1982/3.

Any information or help would be much appreciated.

Jenny Doring 22683 waiohinewhare@gmail.com

Request for help

Is there anybody out there with technical **WordPress** experience?

Please will you put up your hand to be a back-up and help with the web pages?

It would be good to bounce ideas and check processes off with someone to whom php, SQL, error logs, version control, file managers / control panels are not a foreign language

Lorna

★ *(It's not often Lorna asks for help. If you have the necessary expertise, please consider giving her a hand. Ed.)*

Update on NZSG status

With the subscription year beginning 1 April, we are attempting to gain clarity from our parent body, the New Zealand Society of Genealogists about their future plans.

We have specifically asked NZSG if, as previously advised and as allowed for in the rules, they still intend to activate the levy on Local members for the 2022/23 year, and invoice us at \$10.

We need this information to be able to set our subscriptions for the forthcoming year, **OR** actively pursue the options for our relationship with NZSG.

For background information please refer to the documents on our website under the Members Only content, NZSG page, as advised on 16 Nov 2021, <http://www.kapitigen.org/membership/members-only/nzsg/>)

We ask that in the meantime please do NOT pay your 2022/3 year subscription in advance.

Deborah's other life!

How many of you have puzzled over Code Crackers set by Simon Shuker or crosswords by Alan Shuker and wondered if the surname made him any relation to Deborah Shuker - foundation member, past Convenor, Australian expert and often speaker at our meetings?

To have your queries answered check out the link below!

<https://www.stuff.co.nz/entertainment/300494514/words-come-easy-to-codecracker-simon-shuker>

PERSI

The LegalGenealogist, Judy Russell has blogged about an update to the PERSI search interface at the Allen Public Library

<https://www.legalgenealogist.com/2022/01/13/snippet-a-new-persi-portal/>

Why are we interested, given the Allen Public Library is in Indiana?

Read the blog and find out.

The non-updated search interface is included on FindMyPast, which you can access via our computers at the APFHC.

I could not resist doing a surname search and noted that it might quite be fun to track down one of the indexed periodicals: issue 80 from Jun 2006 of the Central Queensland Fam. Hist. Assoc. of Frenchville, Queensland, Australia to read the indexed article

“Report on Mrs. F. W. Fairbairn ball, complaints about the tango, 1913”
but I contented myself with posting a comment on her, and her husband’s WikiTree pages :)

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Fairbairn-1150>

Lorna



James Joyce presentation at National Library

The National Library will be celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the publication of James Joyce's iconic Ulysses throughout the first half of the year, leading up to 16th June, Bloomsday!

A special lunchtime session on **2nd February, 12.10-1pm** in the National Library, Wellington will set the scene with Dr Sidney Shep and Dr Marco Sonzogni of Te Herenga Waka, who will share some fascinating insights on the book, its owners, and its readers.

James Joyce's Ulysses is probably one of the most popular unread novels of all time. After 100 years, however, it is still offering up fascinating secrets. What is the relationship between the Anglo expat gay community in Paris and Naples and a radical priest whose library is now housed in The Vatican? Why were World War One veterans and shadowy intelligence officers amongst the largest group of purchasers of the novel?

And closer to home, what did Joyce's sibling Poppie aka Sister Gertrude, a Sister of Mercy in Canterbury, really think about her brother's controversial literary efforts? Join us on a quest to uncover some of these more unusual and surprising stories of owners, collectors and readers. RSVP now, as seats are limited. Book by emailing ATLOutreach@dia.govt.nz.

Irish Ambassador Peter Ryan will be in attendance.

Cost: Free. RSVP required.

Location: Taiwhanga Kauhau — Auditorium, (lower ground) National Library Wellington. Entrance on Aitken Street.

For more details email ATLOutreach@dia.govt.nz.

All news and updates will be found on the Friends of Ireland website.

Thanks to Jenny martin for this information.

RootsTech - March 3rd - 5th

FamilySearch is again running a virtual family history conference from 3-5th March 2022.

From the home page of FamilySearch you can view the very comprehensive subjects and list of speakers that are included. Every topic seems to be covered from basic classes, though tips and tricks to detailed in-depth explorations.

You can search for your topic of choice and scroll down through the titles.

I went through the first 50 titles about DNA and found that the Roberta Estes mentioned by Lorna on page 7 is one of the speakers.

If you have time, it would be fun to be involved! Do let me know if you register and what you get out of it.

You can still view the content of this year's RootsTech on the FamilySearch site. If anyone registered please let me know how you got on and if you made any interesting connections. *Ed*

1921 Census release

The hot off the press news for January is the release of the 1921 census for England and Wales, exclusively at FindMyPast

Peter Calver of Lost Cousins has produced a guide which is well worth reading and supplements the help on the site itself.

<https://www.lostcousins.com/newsletters2/midjan22news.htm>

Have fun and try not to blow your budget as it is currently pay to view.

Also register for the February Zoom session and share your own hints and experiences (see below)

Lorna

'How to' Monthly Zoom Sessions

Monthly Zoom session: 5th February at 2pm for 45 mins.

These short, members only, Zoom sessions on assorted topics aim to share knowledge and gain experience on the chosen topic from the comfort of your own home.

With the hot off the press newly released 1921 Census for England and Wales, exclusively at FindMyPast (see above), the **members only**, February, 45 minute Zoom session will focus on this census.

Read about it on the FindMyPast blog <https://www.findmypast.com.au/blog/family-records/1921-census>. It was a mammoth digitization and transcription effort, with the tidy up of the latter still ongoing.

Join in to share your tips for making the most of your searches and \$\$\$. We'll see you on the
5th February at 2pm

Pre-registration required. Members only. Free.

Please register by replying to your newsletter email or by using the Contact Form on our website selecting the topic "How to".

<http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/online-how-to/>

Branch information

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 January to November. Attendance is free to members of the Branch, Visitors \$3 to help cover expenses.

Committee meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of the month.

Evening meeting supper roster: A-E

If your surname is within this group, Judy Olsen would welcome your help with supper.

Help with Research

Wednesday mornings 10-12am, at the Paraparaumu Library. Open to the public.

The first Saturday of every month 1-3pm.

By appointment, for individual assistance.

To book, phone Lorna on 293 7771.

Next session **Saturday February 5th**

Monthly pop up 'How to'.

Next session **Saturday February 5th**

at 2pm. Short (45mins) Zoom session.

See page 5 for details.

Members only: visit <http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/online-how-to/> to register.

Pre-registration required - please reply to your newsletter email or use the *Contact us* form on our website http://www.kapitigen.org/contact_us/

Round Robins

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

Bev Chappell has room for new subscribers if you wish to join the circulation list. Contact Bev on RoundRobin"at" KapitiGen.org

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.

Facilities at the

Alison Proctor Family History Centre

The APFHC is located at Paraparaumu Library. Turn right inside the library entrance to the area containing 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 sign for the key and show your membership card for the current year.

Computer Password at the APFHC

The APFHC computer password changes regularly: check the red Computer Help folder in the top drawer.

Please sign the red signing-in book found in the top drawer.

Keyboards are in the lowest drawer.

Replace the cover on the computer when you leave and lock the keyboard in the cupboard.

All six computers have subscriptions to Ancestry, FindMyPast and access to The Genealogist and Roots Ireland as well as free sites like FamilySearch. (Use your own log-in to FamilySearch).

NB. Please do **NOT** sign out of RootsIreland, FindMyPast or TheGenealogist.

A microfiche is available and there are books on a variety of topics which can be borrowed. Boxes of copies of 'Who do you think you are' and 'Family Tree' are on the shelf. The Paraparaumu library also has copies of 'Family Tree' on their magazine shelves.

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.

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

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.

Interest Groups

Irish

Next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday February 8th, 2-4pm**. APFHC, Paraparaumu Library.
Contact us at <http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/interest-groups/irish/>

DNA

Our two monthly DNA interest group restarts 2nd Saturday of February, and yes, in person, normal venue, normal time. See you **Saturday. 12th February** at Waikanae Baptist Church Cafeteria, **2-4pm**, doors open 1:30pm. \$3 entrance fee please, **all welcome**, all levels covered.

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

Usual format: News, Q&A, Break into groups by either experience, topic or testing company depending on attendees requirements. Reconvene to share anything that came out of the groups.

If you wish to be added to the DNA group mailing list, please use the Contact link on our web page <http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/interest-groups/dna/> . Keep an eye on that page for any updates.

DNA News:

Roberta Estes has a new post. All of her DNA posts are well worth reading.

<https://dna-explained.com/2022/01/13/identify-your-ancestors-follow-nested-ancestral-segments/>

Shared matches are one of the key clues for identifying where your DNA matches come from.

They are vital for cracking those brickwalls as you can concentrate on trees for the groups of matches not belonging to your known lines.

They can however be misleading on their own as two matches both sharing with you, and matching each other, may not be matching you all on the same lines, particularly for smaller segments.

To check this you need to use the next level of detail, which Ancestry, alone of the testing companies, does not provide. Upload your DNA files to those sites which accept files from other companies.

Being able to “walk the segments” involved in the match, back up your ancestry and check who else matches you AND each other at those spots really narrows the field to the most relevant ones.

Hopefully the matches have trees, or enough information to build their trees, back to find common ancestor(s) within the group from their side and provide those needed clues . This is not an immediate process, it all takes time and persistence.

By newsletter time this excellent Webinar by Diahan Southard

The Only Thing you need to know about DNA and Genealogy

https://news.legacyfamilytree.com/legacy_news/2022/01/the-only-thing-you-need-to-know-about-dna-and-genealogy-free-webinar-by-diahan-southard-now-online-f.html will probably no longer be free to view,

but if you have access to it, do watch, either to refresh your understanding or gain new insights on how to work with your DNA results. And no, I'm not going to give the game away by telling you the only thing you need to know. *Lorna*

Australian

For help with Australian research. The Australian SIG currently meets on the second Thursday of alternate months from March to November. The next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday March 10th, 10-12noon** at APFHC. **NB.** Check <http://www.kapitigen.org/programme> for changes.

RootsMagic

Our two-monthly RootsMagic interest group restarts in March, and yes, in person, normal venue, normal time. **BUT for March only we are meeting a week earlier** than our normal 3rd Saturday.

Saturday 12th March Paraparaumu Library Meeting room. Doors open 1:30pm for a 3:45pm finish (library closes at 4). \$3 entrance fee please, **all welcome**, all versions covered.

By now most of you will have explored more of RootsMagic 8 and will be experts, with lots of hints to share, (including how not to do x y or z)

For last minute changes go to: <http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/interest-groups/rootsmagic>



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Portfolio descriptions and current holders are listed on our web site - in the **Who Does What** section <http://www.kapitigen.org/home/who-does-what/>

Email links

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

Kapiti Genealogy Venues

APFHC: Alison Procter Family History Centre,
Ground Floor, North West Corner,
Paraparaumu Library

Coastal Community Church, 57, Hinemoa Street,
Paraparaumu

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

Membership

New members always welcome.

Still a bargain at \$25 for the year April to March.

Bank account for internet banking payments: BNZ
02-0591-0040791-000

(We no longer accept cheques - sorry)

To access our resources at the Paraparaumu
Library use your **blue** membership card.

Further details at

<http://www.kapitigen.org/2021/01/renewals-membership-for-the-202122-year/>

Next Evening Meeting
Tuesday February 22nd

How have you used DNA to
build your family tree?

Daytime Meeting
Wednesday February 23rd