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

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### Editorial



If this newsletter is late, I make no apologies for spending the time watching history unfold, 12,000 miles away!

Interested in the Monarchy or not, one can't help but be impressed by the pageantry, the immaculate attention to detail and the logistical nightmare that brought London to a standstill for several hours during the Queen's funeral event. There were so many memorable moments throughout the day, but I think the idea of making a 'flower carpet' at Windsor from the floral tributes left by so many people must be the most moving.

There will be some sore feet today from the miles walked at the tiring slow march pace. Long live the King!

The relevant and topical article on page 4 is extracted from material supplied by Sonia Coom. Sonia provided quite a bit more information which she is willing to share with anyone needing further details. You can contact Sonia on <u>sonia"at"solarnight.net</u>

Following the two resignations last month of Deborah and Judy Olsen, see photos on page 5 of presentations to them both at the last meeting.

The Committee is urgently seeking a volunteer to take on responsibility for the supper at evening meetings. It's not arduous and the 'supper roster' (see under Branch meetings on page2) provides assistants.

A newsletter relies on NEWS! Please send in your latest finds and anything interesting so that we can all enjoy a different perspective and be stimulated.

Cheers. Sheila

> Meetings this month: Tuesday Evening September 27th His/herstory Jan Bolwell and Kate Jason-Smith

Daytime Meeting Wednesday afternoon September 28th

### **September Branch Meetings**

Evening meeting. When: Tuesday September 27th

7pm - refreshments, meet and greet.7.30 - 9pm, main session.57, Hinemoa Street, Paraparaumu

Where: Coast Community Church

The Research behind History/Herstory Speakers: Jan Bolwell and Kate Jason-Smith

In which the lives of their father/mother in WWII are turned into a dramatic show.

Supper roster: U - Z Convenor: Denice McCarten

**Daytime meeting** When: Wednesday September 28th

I.30 – 4pm 2 - 4pm meeting

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

What: Update and news from the evening meeting, followed by discussion and research. If you don't like to come out in the evening or want to spend some enjoyable time with fellow genealogists, the Daytime meeting could suit you. Come along and join us.
Co-ordinator: Denice McCarten

### **Branch notices**

Welcome to new member: Sue Thomson We look forward to meeting you and sharing your interests.

#### NZSG Update

We're waiting on further developments.

For background information on the issues please refer to the document sent to you back on 16<sup>th</sup> Nov, and also loaded to our website under the Members Only content, NZSG page <u>http://www.kapitigen.org/</u><u>membership/members-only/nzsg/</u>

**Volunteer needed** to take on supper duty for the evening meetings. Would anyone be willing to take this on or organise a roster? Just a cup of tea and a biscuit provides a forum for socialising at the meeting and is an important part of Branch activities. Come on, folks! It's only once a month! Help is needed if you want supper to continue.

#### FindMyPast (on our computers at the APFHC)

have added to their FREE selected newspapers from their partnership with the British Llbrary, advertising

"over two million newspaper pages completely free to search and view" Read about these here <u>https://www.findmypast.com.au/blog/new/free-newspapers</u>

They have also added to their Lincolnshire Monumental inscription collection. Exclusive to Findmypast: National School Admission Registers & Log-Books 1870-1914

What:

### MyHeritage adds new collections

"We're excited to share our largest collection update yet: 74 new collections with a total of 130 million records, including birth, marriage, death, census, military, immigration, newspapers, will, and probate records from the U.S., the U.K., Australia, Belgium, Canada, Finland, France, Italy, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Scotland, and Spain. Following this update, MyHeritage's historical record database has grown to 18.6 billion records."

### The Genealgist Headstone Collection

Our International Headstone Collection has been boosted with 100,000 new records, bringing the total to nearly 400,000 records in the collection available for all Diamond subscribers of TheGenealogist to search.

Included are some extremely interesting memorials that allow researchers to see details about ancestors that have been immortalised on gravestones.



Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley, wife of the poet P B Shelley and author of *Frankenstein*, at St. Peters, Bournemouth.

The Headstones Collection is also a record layer on our powerful Map Explorer<sup>™</sup> which allows you to look into the area surrounding the location of the churchyard or cemetery.

The International Headstone Collection is an ongoing project where every stone photographed or transcribed earns volunteers credits, which they can spend on subscriptions at TheGenealogist.co.uk If you would like to join, you can find out more about the scheme at:

https://ukindexer.co.uk/headstone/.

### New at FamilySearch

Many South American and Spanish records have been added, plus two Australian datasets: Australia, Albany, Inward Passenger Lists, 1873-1924 Australia, Victoria, Wills, Probate and Administration Files, 1841-1926 Both still browse only, not yet indexed.

Do you have a French connection? Perhaps you'll find something in a new collection France, Savoie, Parish and Civil Registration, 1500-1927

South Africa has several additions to existing collections South Africa, Church of the Province of South Africa, Parish Registers, 1801-2004 South Africa, Johannesburg, Cemetery Records, 1840-2019 South Africa, KwaZulu Natal, Vital Records, 1868-1976 South Africa, Western Cape, Deceased Estate Files, 1951-1958

For the UK, only Lancashire gets a mention in the last week's new collections. England, Lancashire, Liverpool, Banns and Marriages, 1557-1960 England, Lancashire, Liverpool, School Records, 1845-1926



### What you need to know when I die

The information for this timely article comes from Sonia Coom, who, you will remember, moved recently to Hawkes Bay.

Sonia says "This was initiated by a talk from Kathryn Perks about her 'end of life' planner entitled 'When I Die', together with an article by David Boyle, head of sales and marketing at Mint Asset Management."

While dealing with all the emotional issues of losing someone close to you there are many other elements to take into account. So how can **you** assist those who will be left to sort out your affairs?

#### Consider the following;

**Non resuscitate order** – would you want to be kept alive if you had no chance of enjoying any quality of life? For this you need to have a "Living Will", which is separate from a normal Will.

**Have an up-to-date Will** - No ifs or buts! If you have any assets or special wishes you want conveyed then everything should be documented. Without a Will, things can go off track very quickly - not only to the value of the estate, but with the relationship of family members. A Will lists your wishes and the allocations of your assets.

Have an enduring power of attorney - Simply put, this is a legal document giving someone the power to act for you, if you lose the ability to make decisions for yourself.

**Make contact with the lawyer.** It's really important that this is done as quickly as possible. It triggers a series of events, in particular getting the death certificate and starting the probate process. Remember when the probate process starts all your savings and investments, including bank accounts, will be frozen. This means all service providers have to be contacted as soon as possible. That's not as easy as it sounds!

Have a file that contains all your current accounts and details, like the names of your lawyer and doctor, National Health number, phone, power, rates, insurance (personal / assets), copies of wills, family trust, enduring power of attorney, interest group memberships/ hobbies or any other documents that are important, with contact details for each one. Trust me, this is a huge benefit and makes life so much

easier for those trying to sort out your estate.

#### Assets.

Make a list of items you would like to gift to family members. An item not worth much money, might be emotionally valuable to a family member. Having these conversations and getting the paperwork in place is so important to help with work the family needs to do when your time comes.

#### List any charities or services that you might like to support.

**Close family friends.-** Have an address /phone list of people that you wish the family to contact, making sure any persons on the list have not already passed on themselves.

A Will can cover your main wishes regarding assets, but who is your **chosen funeral director** and are there arrangements you wish to specify.

Do you want a funeral? Not everyone does. Cremation or burial? Private or public service? What music or songs do you want to be played. What photos do you want displayed?

A funeral director can help with the planning of the service, casket choice, funeral programme, notices in the local papers and the after service function.

**Seek some financial advice.** Depending on the size of the estate, trusts and assets, it may be worthwhile to get an authorised financial adviser to assist with the investment of funds to help the financial wellbeing of not only your immediate family, but also future generations .

For more information contact Sonia on sonia"at"solarnight.net

Thank you, Sonia.

### **Photos of presentations**





#### Left:

Above. Deborah offers help with Australian research. Below. And accepts thanks from Lorna, with Denice, the evening's convenor, looking on. Above. Judy with her gift of a lovely pink

## Monthly Zoom Session

#### Saturday October 2nd at 2pm for 45 minutes.

Time for another session on FamilySearch.

This time we'll be learning how to search the relevant area / record collection for your research query. Where did - Search for record sets relevant to a locality - shift to?

Answer: not as far away as you might think.

How to quickly find a relevant record set to more finely target your search?

#### Members only. Free.

**Pre-registration required**. Please do so 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/

You are welcome to register and attend to contribute your tips / questions, or to simply listen. Lorna

### **Branch information**

Branch meetings:
Evening meeting is held on the fourth Tuesday of the
month from January to November.
<b>Daytime meeting</b> 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 U – Z

If your surname starts with any of these letters, Your help would be appreciated with the supper. Thank you.

#### 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 October 2nd

Monthly zoom session Saturday October 2nd at 2pm. Short (45mins) See page 5 for details. Pre-registration required Members only: visit http:// www.kapitigen.org/programme/online-how-to/ to register, or use the *Contact us* form on our website http://www.kapitigen.org/contact us/

### **Round Robins**

The two maazines 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 w

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**

#### DNA

Our next two monthly DNA interest group is **Saturday October 8th** Notes from the August meeting have been forwarded to attendees.

Waikanae Baptist Church cafeteria. Doors open 1:30 for 2-4pm.

\$3 entrance fee please, **all welcome**, all levels covered.

For updates go to: <u>http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/interest</u>-groups/DNA

#### **DNA News**

There's a new page at DNAPainter which lists a very comprehensive set of Third Party tools <u>https://dnapainter.com/tools/other</u>

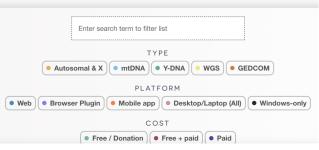
So if you've used all the DNA tools and techniques available at your testing site, and those at the sites you've your file to for yet more matches - and you still haven't solved the mystery great grandma Millicent's parents ....

Take a look at the heap of third party tools available to help you get your analyses to another level. <u>3 KID-PAIKITY</u> TOOLS

DNA Painter hosts several tools at <u>dnapainter.com/tools</u> Below is a list of other third-party tools related to DNA analysis for genealogy You can filter this list by keyword and/or the category buttons below under 'Type', 'Platform' and 'Cost' If your tool is here and you don't want it to be, or if a tool lism't here and you think it should be, please let me know

Don't get overwhelmed, you don't have to use them all !

But one just might be what you need to look at your problem from a different angle, or simply be fun to use.



#### Lorna Henderson

#### FamilyTreeDNA yDNA timescales updated

The new FamilyTreeDNA Discover tool has had a revision of the timescales. Their blogpost <u>https://blog.familytreedna.com/tmrca-age-estimates-scientific-details/</u> explains more about the theory and shows how YOU can help improve the overall times. Have you included a tree on FamilyTreeDNA, with birth years on the most recent common ancestor for the yDNA matches? And linked your matches to their place on that tree? Age estimates will continue to change as new customers test with Big Y-700. Lorna

#### Irish

Next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday October 11th, 2-4pm.** APFHC, Paraparaumu Library. Contact us at http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/interest-groups/irish/

#### **Roots Magic**

Our September RootMagic group meeting covered a variety of topics and we all learnt something. One of the most important lessons being to always have a good, recent, backup of your database. Particularly before making changes that cannot be easily undone within RootsMagic, such as merging

places or sources, and to know how to restore from the backup.

The next two-monthly meeting is **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November.** 

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.

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

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#### Magazine Round Robins:

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Membership - New members always welcome.

Please note increase to **\$30** for the year April 2022 to March 2023.

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

To access our resources at the Paraparaumu Library use your current membership card. Further details at http://www.kapitigen.org/2022/02/renewalsMeeting registrar: Donna Bridgeman Sound System: Ian Brooking Newsletter Editor: Sheila Jolley editor "at" KapitiGen.org Trip organiser: Kathy Callaghan Publicity: Donna Bridgeman Equipment Support: Lindsay Olsen. Backup; Ian Brooking Catering: Raffle: Jenny Wilson

#### Interest Group Facilitators:

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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

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#### 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

#### Next Evening Meeting

Tuesday October 25th David Hadfield Octavius Hadfield

Daytime Meeting Wednesday October 26th

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