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

Editorial



June sees another AGM done and dusted.

Sue Thomson is a welcome addition to the Committee. A recent convert to Genealogy, she had already found exiting discoveries through DNA testing. (See page 4.)

The sessions following the AGM, plus that at the Day meeting, produced some interesting DNA stories. (see page3).

Who has not had some surprises following a DNA test? If your results are loaded onto one or more of the family tree sites, cousins appear that you didn't know existed.

I do hope good use is being made of our facilities at the Library. We have great resources and I, for one, am not making as much use of them as I could.

Covid seems to have broken the pattern of regular visits to the APFHC to do research.

Thanks to Jenny Wilson for convening the Day meetings while Denice was overseas. Rumour has it Denice had some interesting visits, so we look forward to hearing about them.

At last now we are able to move on with the rule changes to our relationship with NZSG. News of the differences it will make to the Branch constitution will be forthcoming. Watch this space!

Please note in the Branch News on page 2, that George Watson has some useful files to donate. Do contact the Secretary if you could use them. Also, please note the request to sign in at the evening and day meetings.

Wishing you a successful month.

Sheila

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Meetings this month:
Tuesday Evening
June 27th
Maggie Gaffney
Tracing property in
England

Day Meeting
Wednesday afternoon
June 28th

June Branch Meetings

Evening meeting.

When: Tuesday June 27th 7pm - meet and greet. Refreshments
7.30 - 9pm, main session.

Where: Coast Community Church 57, Hinemoa Street, Paraparaumu

What: Tracing property in England - from Doomsday to the present day
Maggie Gaffney

A whistle-stop tour of some of the key resources from manorial records to title deeds, tithe records to ordinance survey maps, and more.

Convenor: Ian Brooking



Daytime meeting

When: Wednesday June 28th 1.30 – 4pm
2 - 4pm meeting

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

What: Notes on the evening meeting, followed by discussion and research.

Co-ordinator: Denice McCarten

Branch notices

Welcome to new member Ellen Castle and returning member Janice Cook. We look forward to meeting you and hearing of your interests and experience.

Message from George Watson

I have about 16 lever arch files that I no longer need, plus a quantity of plastic pockets, plain and coloured. Rather than send them to the tip I wondered if anyone in the Branch would like them.

Please contact the Secretary, Jenny Wilson if you are interested so that collection/delivery can be arranged. [Secretary "at" KapitiGen.org](mailto:Secretary@KapitiGen.org)

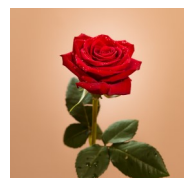
NZSG Update: As NZSG's Rule 12 revisions (see prior newsletters) were resoundingly passed, at our AGM we formally adopted the revised NZSG rules that simplify and clarify the Branch relationship with NZSG. Your new committee will be reviewing any downstream changes that may be necessary or recommended.

Please remember to sign in when you come to Branch meetings. Not only does this help us to keep a record of attendance, but is required for fire safety regulations. Just imagine being stuck in the loo with a fire raging outside the door and no-one knowing you were there. I rest my case!

We are very sorry to have to record the death of long-term member, Basil Pritchett who died on 14th May aged 90.

He was the first secretary of the Branch in 1984 having been co-opted onto the founding Committee, led by his wife, Convenor, June Pritchett, and has been a loyal member since. He will be missed by those who knew him.

Our sincere thoughts are with June and the family at this sad time.



DNA connections

At our AGM the existing committee were all re-elected and Sue Thomson was welcomed on to the Committee. Thank you, Sue, for joining the hard-working members that ensure our Branch and meetings run smoothly, providing an environment where we can all learn more of our family history.

The AGM was followed by members telling us what they have learnt from their DNA testing. Ian Brooking showed his use of Ancestry's groups to explore how he and Treasurer, John Miller, are 4th cousins.

Jocelyn explained her journey of exploration showing her, and her husband's, many connections to a Roth family from Germany. She advised that a surname search of a match list on MyHeritage distinguishes between Roth and Róth.

The day meeting continued the same theme with Noeline raising laughs and nods of agreement with her summary: **What I have learned from DNA testing.**

It's exciting, frustrating, time consuming and revealing.

I've made new friends, found previously unknown relations and discovered a number of "Skeletons". I've discovered that paperwork can be false. People changed their names, put down false information and their reasons for doing so are unknown. I thought that it would be a piece of cake to follow the paper trail and add the DNA connections!

My major discovery was that my paternal great grandfather (on official Papers) must have used a false name, reason unknown. Doing Y-DNA I was able to establish that his 2 sons (on Paper) must have had different biological fathers. This is a long running saga still to have any sort of conclusion And so DNA continues to enthrall me.

Noeline Wagener

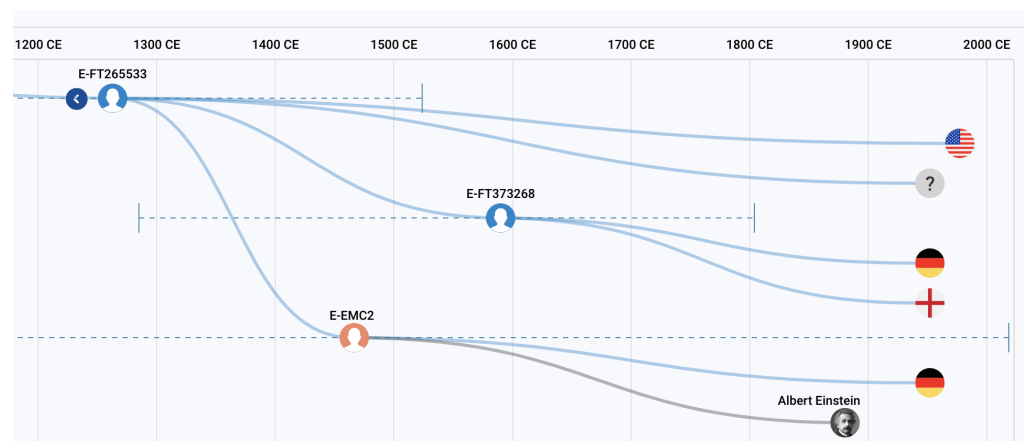
Lorna showed how Family Tree DNA has a sense of the appropriate for naming of the usually-meaningless haplogroup names.

Each branch of mankind down from genetic "Adam" begins with a letter; for those of us with English / Scottish ancestry this will be R- or I- and a set of numbers with no meaning!

A relative of Albert Einstein's has tested, belonging to overall branch E-.

FTDNA have added Albert to their Notable connections list, showing a parent branch for himself and his tested relative, naming it E-EMC2 – and no, E isn't for Einstein, it is an already existing branch of mankind.

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Introducing New Committee Member, Sue

"I haven't been researching my tree for very long, less than 2 years, but DNA tests have really added to the buzz when I worked out a connection.

It was amazing to find my husband's third cousin was my fourth cousin. From that connection I found my father's birth mother. Dad was adopted and wasn't interested in doing a DNA test or learning anything about his birth family, so I have had to keep this exciting news to myself.

I was lucky that the DNA cM were at the 400 level and had 4 of them to work with. So not only do I have his birth mother but also his father."

Sue Thomson

Snippets

TheGenealogist (on our computers at the APFHC) runs monthly posts featuring interesting finds from their new offerings.

Did you know that they had re-digitized the English and Wales census images for 1851, 1861, 1871 and 1891? So if you'd been frustrated by the image legibility on one site, try TheGenealogist.

Also try out their Map Explorer to see where your entry of interest was living, and who else was living around them.

One marginal note that came to light when they examined the census intrigued them enough to research the background of the comment "Murdered". Have a read of the blog post: <https://www.thegenealogist.co.uk/featuredarticles/2023/murder-in-the-margin-1688/>

Their Headstone collection has added records of removal of graves and tombstones from former cemeteries from all over England and Wales, which details may show where they were re-interred or what was on the original tombstone. The records come from local authorities and the Church Commissioners and are held in the National Archives.

Family Search continues to add to their free online archives. The week of 22 May 2023 includes an expansion to the Cumberland (England) Parish Registers, French census records, Irish Catholic Parish Registers 1740 – 1900, Norwegian probate index cards, British Virgin Islands Methodist Church Records 1815 – 2012 and heaps of other countries and records, many being added via their Computer Aided Indexing. Check out their blog <https://www.familysearch.org/en/blog/new-records-22-may-2023>

FindMyPast (on our computers at the APFHC) highlights Bedfordshire, Yorkshire, Southwark and Oldham Inquisitions/ Manchester rate books in their blog <https://www.findmypast.com.au/blog> And no, I couldn't resist checking what Inquisitions might be. I immediately learnt they were unlikely to be the Spanish Inquisition that noone expects as the date range was 1905 – 1917. I didn't check any but they seem to be the equivalent of our Coroner's Inquest records.

Have you realised that the **NZ BDM Historical Index** now includes more people?

Thanks to Fiona Brooker, Memories in Time (see her blog post <https://memoriesintime.co.nz/blogs/news/updates-to-new-zealand-historical-birth-death-and-marriage-indexes>)

Only marriages more than 80 years ago has been relaxed to 75 years

The birth dates you could see from a death that was included in the index* are also now shown in the Births where you couldn't previously find them if the birth didn't meet the display criteria.

* ie died more than 50 years ago or aged 80 or over

You'll still be out of luck if they weren't born in NZ however, given it is a NZ birth index,

Lorna Henderson

DNA News

How “accurate” are the testing site suggested relationships?

As you know, the testing companies suggest how you are related to your matches. The more distant the match, the more options there can be, any one of which may be the actual. We have tools such as the Shared cMs project (<https://dnainter.com/tools/sharedcmv4>) which shows us both the theoretical ranges of relationships for different totals shared, the summary grid at the top that testers have reported for their matches.

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Blaine Bettinger and Dr Leah Larkin have teamed up again to collect and analyse the data of predicted relationship vs actual submitted to the project to see which sites are currently showing the more accurate predictions.

Read all about the project, and current conclusions here:
<https://thednageek.com/the-award-for-best-relationship-predictor-goes-to/>

Data is still being collected for both projects: Shared cMs and Relationship accuracy, there’s a link on how to contribute at the bottom of the post.

Lorna Henderson

Most distant common ancestors

Assuming no pedigree collapse or endogamy, and that you're related in just one way, the furthest back you might need to go to find common ancestors for a match of 162cM is **4th-Great-Grandparent level** or generation 7 on your pedigree chart.

The connection may be closer.

Relationship probabilities (based on stats from The DNA Geek)

Click on any relationship to view a histogram

New: [View these relationships in a tree](#)

53%	Half 2C 2C1R Half 1C2R 1C3R
29%	Half GG-Aunt / Uncle 2C Half 1C1R 1C2R Half GG-Niece / Nephew
14%	Half 1C3R † 3C Half 2C1R 2C2R
4%	2C3R † Half 2C2R † Half 3C 3C1R
0.81%	Great-Great-Aunt / Uncle † Great-Great-Niece / Nephew † Half Great-Aunt / Uncle † Half Great-Niece / Nephew † Half 1C 1C1R
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Interest Groups

Irish

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

Roots Magic

Our 20th May Zoom session explored, as usual, several topics: the new Roots Magic (v9.03) Tools menu including the extended properties; the advanced filter options; where you can now save and reuse your filters. (We were asked if you could find all those in a project not linked to FamilySearch and Not living – Answer - yes; plus, of course, many other side-tracks :)
We all learnt something, as always.

The next of our online two-monthly **free** Roots Magic user group Zoom sessions is on **Saturday 15th July**, ie third Sat of the month **2-4pm**. All versions covered. All welcome.
If you wish to be added to our mailing list for this group and be sent the registration link for the meetings, please use the contact form at

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

This link can also be used to request a particular topic to be covered at a meeting.

DNA

The notes for our June meeting have been sent to those who attended or sent an apology.

Our next two monthly DNA group meeting is **Saturday 12th August**.

Usual place Waikanae Baptist Church cafeteria, usual time: doors open **1:30 for 2-4pm** session.
All welcome. All experience levels covered. Free to Kapiti Genealogy members, \$5 for visitors

If not a member of Kapiti Genealogy, why not join?

<http://www.kapitigen.org/membership/>

If you wish to be added to our mailing list for this group, use the contact form at <http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/interest-groups/dna/>

This link can also be used to request a particular topic to be covered at a meeting.

Monthly online Zoom session

The next members-only monthly Zoom session is **Monday 3rd July at 8pm**.

Topic: FamilySearch - a tree / site well worth exploring.

Your host: Ian Brooking

Pre-registration required, see link in the email covering this newsletter, or use the Contact Us on our website, subject - How-to

Last month's exploration of viewing and filtering your New DNA matches (on the main DNA testing sites) prompted several to venture into using the free uploads to the other sites, in order to avoid missing out on additional matches and tools.

Lorna Henderson



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 \$5 to help cover expenses.

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

Help with Research

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

First Saturday in the month 1-3pm.

By appointment, for individual assistance.

To book, phone Lorna on 293 7771.

Next session **Saturday July 1st**

Monthly short online session

On the first Monday of the month.

Next meeting is **Monday July 3rd at 8pm.**

For details, please see page 6.

For members only, registration is required.

The registration link will be sent with the email attached to the newsletter.

Reminder please about the procedure for the key to the library cupboard containing the keyboards.

When you sign in at the library desk to get the key (see above in next column) **you are responsible for returning it**, even if someone else is still researching when you leave.

Please take the **remaining person** to the desk to get them signed in as the person responsible for returning the key when they leave.

It was briefly misplaced recently locking some researchers out (key since found and more spares on the way), causing rather a kerfuffle! and an annoyed researcher.

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.



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Website: <http://www.kapitigen.org>

Membership - New members always welcome.

Subs. remain at **\$30** for the year April 2023 to March 2024.

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 02-0591-0040791-000

To access our resources at the Paraparaumu Library use your current membership card. Further details at
<http://www.kapitigen.org/2023/02/renewals-memberships-for-the-2023-24-year/>.

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<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

Next Evening Meeting
 Tuesday July 25th
 Jonathan Newport
 Archives NZ
 Updated Collections Search

Daytime Meeting
 Wednesday July 26th