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

## Editorial



Trafalgar Square, London, at Christmas with the National Gallery in the background.

This is the last newsletter for this year. Thanks to those who have contributed during the year,

During the last month two people have contacted me from other genealogy branches, having noticed that my surname occurs in their family trees. Sadly we could not establish a connection, one family being from central England and one from Scotland. Not a sniff of Ireland anywhere in their traceable history. (I could not even track them to my travelling vet in the Highlands!)

**But**, how many members read the newsletters from other branches? Many are available on the open section of the NZ Society of Genealogists website under the Community Menu at <https://genealogy.org.nz/Regional-Branch-Listing/11346/>

You might you find a connection in this country, but **if** you wrote an article for this newsletter, someone else might find you!

How about making a New Year's Resolution to write something (an article, or a titbit, or an interesting link) for our newsletter?

You won't want to miss the last meeting of the year. If everyone joins in the spirit of 'The Chase' it will be a really fun evening. Who will the Chaser be? And can you beat them? See page 2.

Note the dates on page 5 of the first interest group meetings for 2024. Where has 2023 gone? I hope everyone has achieved some success in the hunt for lost or hidden relatives. In the meantime, enjoy the festive season and keep safe.

See you all next week!  
Sheila

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Meetings this month:  
Tuesday Evening  
November 28th

End-of-year  
Social Function -  
Beat the Chaser!

Day Meeting  
Wednesday afternoon  
November 29th

## November Branch Meetings

### Evening meeting.

**When:** Tuesday November 28th 7pm - meet and greet. Refreshments  
7.30 - 9pm, main session.

**Where:** Coast Community Church 57, Hinemoa Street, Paraparaumu

**What:** Social function and get together.  
Come and help 'Beat the Chaser'  
Have fun and meet other like-minded genealogists.



**Convenor:** Denice McCarten

### Daytime meeting

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

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

**What:** Social gathering. You are also welcome to attend the evening function.

**Co-ordinator:** Denice McCarten

## Branch notices

**Welcome to New Members** Jane Orange and Ann Harkness; welcome back to Helen Kake.

**The Theme for the Christmas Function is 'The Chase' - as on TV.**

**Come along to have a go at taking on the CHASER!**

**(if you think you're clever enough? Now - who could resist a challenge like that?)**

Our special guest CHASER will be **razor sharp** so harness all your genealogy knowledge.

Come prepared to have fun, eat, drink and be merry!  
AND pitch your brains and knowledge against our Chaser.



### Daytime meeting

**NB. Please note** that this month's Daytime meeting  
is on the **5th Wednesday, 29th November.**



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I hope not too many people turned up expecting wine and mince pies on November 22nd.

**Christmas raffle.** - Thank you to all the members who donated to the Christmas Raffle, we received a good variety of items.

Do come, enjoy the evening with us and to take the opportunity to win one of the prizes. I will have six prizes for you to choose from, and not all paper, chocolate and wine!

Jenny Wilson

(Be there or miss out! - Ed.)



## More Branch News

### Special General Meeting

Our new Constitution was adopted at the short Special General Meeting held at that beginning of our October evening meeting, with two minor changes (clause numbering and deletion of a duplicated clause).

### Request for topics for 2024 Branch meetings.

Don't forget to send in your suggestions for activities/speakers/meetings for inclusion in next year 's programme.

It would be helpful if these could be received **before** the planning meeting on **December 6th**.

Email to [Programme "at" KapitiGen.org](mailto:Programme@KapitiGen.org) or telephone Denice McCarten on 04 905 8266.

### Volunteers needed for Ulster Historical Foundation visit to Wellington 1st-2nd March 2024

Would you like to help out with this upcoming event? We'd love a little help with marketing and sponsorship, and also some extra hands on the evening/day with tea/coffee, etc.

Email our secretary Cathy Clarke if you're keen: [catherine.clarke77@gmail.com](mailto:catherine.clarke77@gmail.com)

**The National Library Family Search Desk** is looking to reopen in Feb 2024 (10 – 2) and will be open only for the number of days that the volunteer numbers allow.

More volunteers are needed for a full service to be available.

If anyone wishes to volunteer, or knows of persons who might do so, please contact

Rodney at [kilbirnie "at" genealogy.org.nz](mailto:kilbirnie@genealogy.org.nz)

## Lost Cousins

How many people have discovered Peter Calver's newsletter, Lost Cousins?

The latest has a great article on 'How to overcome Brick walls'. Well worth a read with some good hints.

Contact Peter on [info@lostcousins.com](mailto:info@lostcousins.com)

The article can be read at <https://lostcousins.com/newsletters2/latenov23news.htm>.

## Military Records

In recognition of Armistice Day on November 11th, both The Genealogist and Find My Past have added Military Records to their collections.

**The Genealogist.** "This release of **over 40,000 Rolls of Honour**, **over 65,000 Medal awards** and **over 1.5 Million War Memorial Records** significantly adds to the suite of fully searchable Military records on our website.

The new War Memorials can be searched from the our Master Search or by locating the memorial on the georeferenced maps displayed on their Map Explorer™."

**Find my past.** "Over **6.5 million new records** have been added to Findmypast this week, in the form of this brand-new collection. It contains the names of men and women who were awarded campaign medals during the First World War. You'll typically find their name, rank, regiment or unit, medals awarded, theatre of war, and any additional notes."

## DNA News

2FA. - The DNA world, like many others, likes acronyms.

Here's the next 3-letter one of note. You will have met it before in many online applications that really need to know that you are who you say you are. It has of course been around a while for a number of websites, but at the moment it is flavour of the month at the DNA companies.

2FA – Two-Factor Authentication, or 2SV – Two Step Verification.

All the main DNA testing companies have been taking steps to make our DNA, and that of our matches more secure, driven by the “credential stuffing” that occurred at 23andme.

Many of the tools and services that we take for granted to help us analyse our results, have been suspended or disrupted at different sites.

All the main testing companies are now requiring 2FA, or warning that it soon will be.

And requiring that passwords be changed – with the very sensible warning that you should NOT re-use passwords from other sites.

The blogs from each company:

### **MyHeritage:**

Downloads of your match and chromosome detail files are currently unavailable.

<https://blog.myheritage.com/2023/11/securing-your-myheritage-account-with-two-factor-authentication/>

which includes this statement: “As described above, we recommend adding Two-Factor Authentication (2FA) to your MyHeritage account. It will soon become a mandatory requirement for our DNA customers”

### **23andme:**

Currently does not display shared matches. No ability to download match /chromosome data.

“Addressing Data Security Concerns” <https://blog.23andme.com/articles/addressing-data-security-concerns>

“Enhanced Customer Security at 23andMe with 2-Step Verification” <https://blog.23andme.com/articles/enhanced-customer-security-at-23andme-with-2-step-verification>

### **Ancestry:**

Ancestry has been warning for a while that two-step verification will soon be mandatory.

Help file on Two-step Verification: [https://support.ancestry.com/s/article/Two-step-Verification?language=en\\_US](https://support.ancestry.com/s/article/Two-step-Verification?language=en_US)

### **FamilyTreeDNA:**

The Group Administrator newsletter has advised that FTDNA has temporarily disabled downloads of your match and chromosome details while it is working on instituting 2 Factor Authentication.

When it returns, these downloads will only be available for those who have tested at FTDNA or have paid the unlock fee to the tools after transferring their DNA to FTDNA.

Until further notice, 23Andme autosomal transfers are no longer accepted.

### **Summary:**

Hopefully once all this has settled down, with 2FA in place, all the usual functionality will have returned.

Lorna

**PS.** Jonny Perl, DNAPainter has a handy summary of where segment data is, or isn't available currently.

<https://blog.dnainter.com/blog/what-is-going-on-with-segment-data/>

which he has said he'll keep updated.

# November How-to Session

This month's Members only Zoom session held on November 6th, was another on FamilySearch.

Apart from general questions, we also explored how to check further on eg a baptism found on Ancestry that wasn't obvious on FamilySearch. Not that all records are necessarily on both sites, far from it in fact. On Ancestry when looking at the detail of the person being investigated, you can check where Ancestry sourced their information. Click the Source link above the individual's details

Detail **Source**

### Source Information

Ancestry.com. *India, Select Births and Baptisms, 1786-1947* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2014.

Original data: *India, Births and Baptisms, 1786-1947*. Salt Lake City, Utah: FamilySearch, 2013.

### Description

This collection includes birth and baptism records from India. [Learn more...](#)

Whatever the source is, FamilySearch or elsewhere, you may find more detail, or images, by following that lead.

Detail **Source**

*person details from record*

Reference ID	v 99-2 p 384
FHL Film Number	499003
<a href="#">Save</a>	

For data sourced from FamilySearch, check back on the detail for your person to find the FHL film number and reference.

Then head over to FamilySearch > Search > Catalog(ue) to the search by film number

**These Members Only How-to Zoom Sessions will resume on the first Monday in February 2024 at 8pm**

**Topic:** TBA

**Your host:** Lorna Henderson

## FamilySearch Catalog

Search the catalog of genealogical materials (including books, online materials, microfilm, microfiche, and publications) made available by FamilySearch online and in libraries and centers worldwide.

[Learn more about the catalog and how to access materials.](#)

### Search by:

Place | [Surnames](#) | [Titles](#) | [Author](#) | [Subjects](#) | [Keywords](#)

Place

### Search for:

[Call Number](#) | **Film/Fiche/Image Group Number (DGS)**

### Availability

- Any
- Online
- FamilySearch center

[Search](#)

[Reset](#)

Pre-registration will be required. See link in covering email for newsletter, January 2024, or use Contact Us on website subject How-to

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

## Interest Groups

### Irish

Meetings of the Irish Interest Group are now two-monthly. The next meeting is scheduled for February 2024. Watch this space. APFHC, Paraparaumu Library.

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

### DNA

Our last two-monthly physical meeting for the year was held in October and will recommence on the second Saturday of the month in February, 2024, **February 11th, 2-4pm**. Doors open at 1.30pm at **Waikanae Baptist Church cafeteria**.

Free to members. \$5 for visitors. If you're not a member of Kapiti Genealogy, why not join?

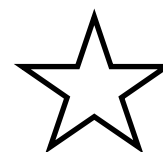
<http://www.kapitigen.org/membership/>

**However** all is not yet over for the year.

We have a **bonus online session** scheduled for **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec 7:30-9pm**.

Q&As on any DNA related topic.

All welcome. All experience levels covered. Free to all.



The registration link has been sent to all those on our DNA Interest Group mailing list.

Should you be interested in joining this DNA group, either for this Zoom session, or the physical meetings in the New Year, please use the contact instructions at

<http://www.kapitigen.org/programme/interest-groups/dna/> and ask to be added to our mailing list.

**For NZSG members**, the final Online DNA Interest Group meeting for the year is the last Wednesday of **November, 29th November, 7:30 to 9pm**.

Part II of Does Size Matter continuing on from the September session.

Those who have registered for the group will receive join links and reminders for each meeting nearer the time.

If you have not yet registered, log into the NZSG website <https://genealogy.org.nz/> > Community >

Interest Groups and Area Contacts > Online DNA Interest Group

### Roots Magic

The last Zoom meeting for the year was on Saturday 18th November. We covered the recent log-in changes to the interfaces to FamilySearch and Ancestry, explored the information links on the Home screen, as well as exploring Sourcing and the three components of this within the program: source templates, sources, citations.

We did occasionally stray into using the NZSG Certificates Collection and other matters genealogical.

These two-monthly sessions will begin again in **March 2024**, on the third Saturday of the month, 2-4pm  
All versions covered. All welcome. Free to all.

If you wish to be added to our mailing list for this group and be sent the registration link for these online 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.



In the meantime, Happy hunting to all our members

## 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. Volunteers required, please. Contact Bev on [RoundRobin "at" KapitiGen.org](mailto:RoundRobin@KapitiGen.org) if you are able to help.

Last session for 2023 is on 13h December. Reopening January 20th 2024.

### First Saturday in the month 1-3pm.

To book an appointment for individual assistance phone Lorna on 293 7771 to advise of your research interest, so you can be redirected to someone able to help you.

Next session **Saturday December 2nd**

### Monthly short online session

On the first Monday of the month.

Next meeting is

**Monday February 5th 2024 at 8pm.**

**Details in January Newsletter**

For members only. Registration will be required. The link will be sent with the email attached to the January 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.

### 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 reader is available and there are books on a variety of topics that 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.

**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.



### Branch Officers

**Convener:** On rotation  
Convenor "at" KapitiGen.org  
**Secretary:** Jenny Wilson  
Secretary "at" KapitiGen.org  
**Treasurer :** John Miller  
Treasurer "at" KapitiGen.org

### Branch responsibilities

**Membership:**  
 Lorna Henderson: Phone: 293 7771  
Membership "at" KapitiGen.org

### Programme & Activities:

Ian Brooking  
Programme "at" KapitiGen.org  
 Denice Mc Carten

**Librarian:** Beverley Chappell

**Members:** Ian Barbour  
 Bernard McManus  
 Graeme McVerry

### Daytime co-ordinator:

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### Magazine Round Robins:

Bev Chappell  
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**Website:** <http://www.kapitigen.org>

### Webmasters:

Lorna Henderson & Ian Brooking

**Membership -** New members always welcome.

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

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/2023/02/renewals-memberships-for-the-2023-24-year/>.

**Meeting registrar:** Evening: Donna Bridgeman  
 Daytime: May Redmund

### Audio/Visual Support:

Ian Brooking and Lindsay Olsen

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**Trip organiser:** Kathy Callaghan

**Publicity:** Donna Bridgeman

**Computer/Equipment Support:** Ian Brooking

**Catering:** By roster

**Raffle:** Jenny Wilson

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**DNA:** Lorna Henderson

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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

Next Evening Meeting  
 Tuesday January 23rd 2024

Be prepared for New Year's  
 News

Daytime Meeting  
 Wednesday January 24th