KAPITI BRANCH N.Z.S.G.

New Zealand Society of Genealogists P.O. Box 6, Paraparaumu

Meetings held at Masonic Lodge Rooms, Tararua Street, Paraparaumu 4th Wednesdays of months January to November at 7.30 pm **November 2000**

PROGRAMMES

Nov. 22nd "Last of the Christmas Wined Up!" 2001

Jan.24th. Research Night with NZSG Census 1841 to

1871 material which was unavailable in October

Feb. 28th As we didn't have time to complete our list of talks

arranged for the October meeting, the others are having their chance this time. **Mar. 28th** The Computer Group will give a demonstration

NOTICES

FURTHER TO THE A.G.M. We are sorry to lose Kay Carter from the Committee, and thank her for the sterling work she has done over the years, providing us with programmes. At the same time we are delighted to have four new Committee members, and welcome Marydell Haddock, Doreen Heron, Meryl Opie and Gerald Twiss to our team.

RESEARCH WEEKEND Our thanks go to those members who came along to help, although the public did not come in the expected droves. It did give our members a chance to do their own research with Club material. However, we are already planning a Research Day for next year during the colder months

SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE \$15 single & \$25 double.

Supper Helpers

To assist the Committee, will members please help with supper duties, particularly the serving and washing up.

Nov. H- J. and JarvL - Mac



INFORMATION WANTED re Wellington City Closed Schools. Melva Wood, NZSG Project Leader, is hoping that Branch members can help her with **dates, addresses, amalgamations etc.** to enable her to complete location forms for each non-Catholic school as listed below (and in further Newsletters) as she is gathering as much useful information as possible to assist future NZSG Researchers. She will be pleased to hear from anyone who can help. Her phone number is (04) 386-1938.

Banks College (Boys only?)	1915	
Bon Icoll School	1928	
Buckle Street Girls	1875	
Buxton's Evening School, Mulgrave St.	1840's	
Mrs Buxton's Infant School, Thorndon	1841	
Chilton House, 225 The Terrace	1924	
Church of England School (St Pauls)	1852-1880	
(replaced by Thorndon School)		
Courteney Place	1885	
Croyden School, Hill Street	1910	
Mrs. Davidson's School for Young Ladies, Tinakori Rd.		
Dixon Street (Convent?)	1910	
Florence Booth Mem. School (S. Army) 196 Owen St 1914		
Gifby's Commercial College	1921	
Ghuznee St School	1874	
St. Peter's Ghuznee St. School	1854	
Happy Valley	1930	
Hopper St.		
Horokiwi Valley	1910	
Island Bay Private Preparatory	1929	
Jireh Christian School, Island Bay	(current?)	
Karon South		
Koropiko Private School, Khandallah	1923	
Korokoro	1904	
Mechanic's Institute, Thorndon	1842	
Mitcheltown - Side school of Te Aro?	1906	
Mornington - Side school of Brooklyn?	1923	
Mt. Victoria College	1928	
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To be continued

MERCHANT NAVY NEWS from the Public Records Office UK. The Microfilm Reading Room holds the first transfer of merchant seamen's records for the First World War and the inter-war period. The most interesting of these are those in BT 350 which are microfilms of a card index of seamen, with personal details, ships sailed on and, best of all, a photograph of the man. They cover the period 1918-1921. After this period and up to 1941, the Registrar General of Shipping and Seaman kept indexes of seamen and the ships they sailed on. Microfilms of these indexes are in BT 348 and BT 349. At present the records of masters and mates are due to come here later in the year. The writer was really excited about this as his grandfather was a third officer on the *Carmarthen* during the First World War and he was looking forward to finding out more about him.

FIRST WORLD WAR SOLDIERS' DOCUMENTS

Production of these records continue apace with the letters Q,U,V & Z being now available, together with the relevant class list. N and O should be available.

An updated edition of Army Service Records of the First World War has been published. It contains new sections on the officers' service records which have been released. Copies, priced £6.99 can be bought from the PRO shops or by mail order (price £8.40)

News from the Public Record Office UK

"£12m TO UNEARTH SCOTTISH ROOTS

THE SCOTTISH TOURIST BOARD is getting £12 million to encourage foreigners to trace their roots in Scotland. Genealogy is a booming market and ministers are keen to tap into it to halt a downward trend in visitors.

The grant from the Scottish Executive is part of a multi-million pound package to develop niche markets, such as golf, to combat the fall."

The above was unearthed by Deborah Shuker - Thanks, Deborah, for this

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"PASSENGER LISTS FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM

There are some extant passenger lists held in the UK Public Records Office. They date from 1890 to 1960 and are in the Series BT27. The finding order is by year and then by port to find the document to search. This can be done online (computer), but then you need someone to read the fild. Employing someone to search one file would be cheaper that a broad search.

I was surprised to see so many UK ports of depature:- Barrow, Bristol, Cardiff, Dartmouth, Dundee, Galway, Glasgow, Hull, Liverpool, London, Londonderry, Newcastle, North Shields, Plymouth, Queenstown, Southampton & Swansea." *Discovered by Deborah Shuker*. For those of you who have computers, the Public Record Office site is www.pro.gov.uk

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ODD COMMENTS: "A family reunion is an effective form of birth control" "My family tree is a few branches short" "All help is appreciated! !!!!!"

