

KAPITI BRANCH N.Z.S.G.
New Zealand Society of Genealogists
53 Donovan Road, Paraparaumu Beach

Meetings held at Masonic Lodge Rooms,
Taratua Street, Paraparaumu
4th Wednesdays of months January to November at 7.30 pm
September 2002

PROGRAMME

23rd Sept (Monday) Lady Teviot to speak on The Parish Chest* etc. **Note Change of Day! 23rd October**
A.G.M. Discussion on new Public Library, a chance to hear the proposals and make your opinions known.

27th or 28th November Christmas Party. Cafe Evening. Details later. The reason for the alternative dates will be revealed next meeting.

NOTICES

We Need your help urgently! New Committee Members are sought for the coming year. Without 3 or 4 new committee members, the committee feel they cannot go on. The important thing to note is that you don't have to be a highly knowledgeable genealogist to be on the committee - but you could well increase your knowledge through your committee involvement. Please stand for election at the AGM in October. If we don't have a committee, we won't have a group.

Subscriptions are due as from October

E-mail addresses Have we got yours? This may apply especially to new members

Notes on our Speaker

Further to our article on Lady Teviot in our July newsletter: Amongst her other involvements she is a member of the Executive Committee of the Sussex Family History Group and was on the Council of British Records Association from 1998-2000. In the United Kingdom, Lady Teviot is on the list of accredited speakers for the East and West Sussex Women's Institutes. She has lectured and fulfilled media engagements in Australia, South Africa, Canada and the USA. This trip she will visit Edmonton in Canada as well as New Zealand. Lord Teviot's main interests when in the House of Lords were in Transport and Archives

CENTRAL OTAGO FAMILY REGISTER

The Alexandra Branch of the NZSG has produced a Bound Index of every name submitted by those who returned the forms for our Central Otago Family Register.

It is a most exciting and useful resource for anyone who has Central Otago family connections. A photocopy of The Family Page, containing the information relating to any name in the index, will be available to enquirers.

This is the First Edition of the Register, and contains the 10,000 names received by November 2001. As it is an ongoing project, further editions will follow.

The First Edition Index is now available for sale at a cost of \$15, which includes postage and packaging. Copies are available by writing to:

*The Alexandra Branch NZSG
PO Box 274 ALEXANDRA
or by e-mail order to gallison@ihug.co.nz <<mailto:gallison@ihug.co.nz>>*



SUPPER HELPERS

To assist the Committee, will members please help with supper duties, particularly the serving and washing up
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A VISIT TO THE NZSG FAMILY RESEARCH CENTRE

I had a most interesting few days investigating the resources of the Family Research Centre in Panmure recently. As my own interests lie mainly in the North of England, I prowled the shelves where the many Yorkshire records lie. At first it looked as though they were all based on East Riding, but I found that this was not so, there was plenty in the West. There were books on "Marriage Bonds & Allegations" an index to the Archbishops of York registers. A book on Yorkshire occupations included Canal Boatmen, Yorkshire clockmakers, Romanies, Enclosure Commissioners amongst others. Naturally there was quite a large section on New Zealand as well as on the United Kingdom. On several CDs there was information on several English counties, 40 Miles around Manchester, the National Burial Index (UK), Pallet's Marriage Index (not Boyd's, unfortunately, as he has done one on Yorkshire) amongst several others. For some reason the "1855 Combined Slater's Directory of Northern Counties" did not include Yorkshire. On microfiche one section dealt with Apprentices linked to their Masters.

Then on the Friday evening the European Interest Group held their monthly meeting. No speaker this month, but a chance to ask questions and share knowledge. I had been wondering where to look for a death that family tradition says was in Switzerland, but I didn't know where (It wasn't in the St. Catherine records) and it was suggested I try the St. Catherine Consular records, so I now have another avenue to explore. The material in this section dealt mainly with German and Polish roots, so this genealogical group is keen to add further countries.

I found the volunteers on duty most helpful, and the centre have another room which can be used for meetings or lunch room, with a small kitchen off it where tea and coffee are available.

A CATALOGUE OF SUSSEX QUARTER SESSIONS SETTLEMENT ORDERS & CASES 1661-1700 (Ed. Michael J. Burchall (Sussex Family History Group))

This book contained some fascinating cases, and I include a few examples:-

"Robt LEEVES of Steyning, father of Elizabeth, wife of Robt LAMPORT (who has run away leaving his wife and infant daughter, Elizabeth, a charge on the parish) refuses to maintain his daughter and grandchild. Now ordered that he pay 3s. per week to Steyning parish rewards their relief until further Order of the Court" MIDHURST SESSIONS Jan 1731

"Confirmation of J.P.s Order for the Churchwardens and Overseers of Bosham to seize as much of the goods of Thomas JEFFREYS (who has run away) as shall discharge the parish of the upkeep of his two children. CHISTER SESSIONS April 1732

GEERING, Mary, a poor girl of Birdham, was apprenticed to Nathaniel HOLCOMB of Arundel, cooper, who is a very poor man and not able to take an apprentice. Mary, who is aged 19, is very infirm and not able to be placed, but was so placed by Birdham 'on purpose to saddle the said parish of Arundel' Now Ordered that the apprenticeship intenteure be void as it was fraudulently made PETWORTH SESSIONS Oct 1712.

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