Kapiti Branch N.Z.S.G.

August 1998



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

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

Branch Library opens 7.00pm

Previews and Reviews

Tonight's Meeting: Local members, John Weston and Kay Carter will show us the fruits of their research, telling us how they have presented their research for future generations. There are so many ways available to us to present the results of our collecting of information, so we have come prepared to be inspired.



September Meeting: At last, the meeting we have all been waiting for. On Wednesday 23rd September,

Pauline Neale will bring us "My Dear Fanny" Part 2.

July Meeting:

Ken Scadden of Wellington Maritime Museum talked on "Immigration Records - Sources for Genealogists" in our July meeting. Ken gave us through a comprehensive overview of immigration and associated records, many of which we could easily forget to access in our research.

Supper Duties: To assist our Committee, we are asking members to please help with suppers, particularly the serving & washing up.

August, H - K September, L - M



Supper Supervisor: If you are able to take over this task, could you please call Rosalyn, Phone 2987395.

Kapiti Branch 1998 Committee

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Notice Board

Genealogy Magazines - Ireland, Scotland, England, Australia - Are you interested in being part of the round robin distribution for a nominal cost? Phone John Glover 29 84936 **Round Robin magazines -** If you wish to be a part of the round robin, please pay your sub to **John Weston, Phone 2992176.**

From The Family History Bookshelf

CITY OF LONDON CHURCHES

by Sherry Irvine FSA (Scot)
The list of City of London churches. To appear, the church had to be in existence in 1538 or built since that date. The order is alphabetical (except for the occasional correction of an earlier omission), with brief notes on the ultimate fate of the building and of the parish.

*St. George Botolph Lane — the only city church with this dedication; burnt in the Great Fire and rebuilt by Wren; St. Botolph's Bishopsgate was united to it; closed in 1899 and demolished in 1904

*St. Giles Cripplegate – built before 1100, destroyed by fire in 1545, rebuilt and restoration work done in 1704 and 1858; St. Batholomew Moor Lane united with this parish in 1901; severely damaged in World War II

*St. Gregory by St. Paul's — in existence as early as 1070; destroyed in the Great Fire, the parish then united with St. Mary Magdalene Old Fish Street.

If you are interested in reading more of the buildings and history of London before the Great Fire of 1666, this title is a favourite of mine.

Schofield, John. "The Building of London from the Conquest to the Great Fire." London: British Museum Press, rev. ed. 1993.

(Fascinating account of the growth of the city, includes a map and gazetteer of medieval and Tudor sites which can still be seen.)

New holdings:

Microfiche and CD-Rom Library:

- * Australian Vital Records CD Rom (used by John Glover at Research Weekend)
- 1851 Census CDRom for Norfolk Warwickshire, & Devonshire

Contact: Barbara Tunley, Ph2986531

Book Library:

- * Basic Sources for Family History
- Using Death & Burial Records...
- Church Records
- Victuallers' Licences
- * Was Your Grandfather a Railwayman?
- * Coroner's Records in England and Wales
- * Civil Registration
- Understanding the History & Records of Nonconformity
- * Using Marriage Records
- * Latin Glossary
- * Advocate, Educate, Control (History of the NZ Engineers' Union)

Committee News

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Nominations for Committee members are needed, with a number of its present members are resigning. To areas of special need will be for 1. someone with bookkeeping skills. as our present Treasurer will not be available next year, and 2. someone willing to take over the production of the newsletter. If you are interested in being a part of the Committee, and want to know what is involved, please phone Deborah Shuker on 2992238.

Our sympathy goes to Committee Member Barbara Humpage on the death of her mother. Barbara has flown to England for her funeral.

The Paraparaumu School Enrolment Project is coming along well. with the checking being well under way. John Glover would still appreciate some more checkers of data against the original documents, to enable the corrections to be complete and the data forwarded to the NZSG.

Paekakariki School Project is underway, so watch this space for further moves.

MZSG News

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Palmerston North NZSG **Open Research Day**

10am - 4pm, 19 Sept 1998 Kilwinning Lodge, Church St (Next to Police Station) Australian Fiche, IGI, NZSG Cemetery Fiche, NZ RGO 1840 - 1990 \$6 Door Charge, BYO Lunch

McPhails National DIRECTORY OF TASMANIA 1867 - 1868

On Two Microfiche They list householders & businesses for 1867-68, produced by the NZSG Australian Interest Group.

> \$8 incl. postage From: Mrs A Jenkins

Members Interests

What families are you researching? Rosalyn Smaill 2987395 has:

Strutton - Middlesex, ENG Tanner - Surrey, ENG Flynn - IRE, Victoria, AUS Murphy - Co Cork, IRE Elliott - Co Cork, IRE Fitzgerald - Tipperary, Ire Bourke - Co Limerick, Ire

Delaney - Kings Co, IRE Please give your names and counties to Rosalyn, PRINTED, if you wish to have them printed in this column.



Research

Recently I was handed letters from overseas, one from a lady in San Francisco, looking for a living person. She wanted to find a lady she and her late husband had known some 40 odd years ago.

The problem was where to start. I searched the Electoral Rolls for the period. From there I researched the BDMs for the death of the father. From that an address was found. Next a look at the Newspaper Records at the Alexander Turnbull Library revealed the death notice of the father and a name and possible address. Then there was another search of the Electoral Rolls to find the surnames of people at the address in that Newspaper...

1998 Calendar

August 26: John Weston and Kay Carter - completed research proiects

September 23: Pauline Neale, following from April 1997 with "My Dear Fanny, Part 2"

October 28: AGM, plus Angela Finnerty of Palmerston North on "Convicts in Australia"

Porirua FHC's hours are

Monday 10 am to 3pm Tuesday 10 am to 3pm Wednesday 10 am to 3 pm Saturday 10 am to 2pm

Debbie Nicholson, Ph Librarian: 04-237 5412

Missed a Branch Meeting? Do you want to know what is happening over the next month? Phone Val Quinlan 29 33599

to receive the current newsletter

...Then I attacked the phone books and followed the family through until they disappeared from its pages. Where to go next???

I decided to go next door on the off-chance that I would be able to track down the family. I was in luck as the grandson of the people I was researching lived next door!!!!! spoke to him and within a matter of an hour I was given the married name and address of the lady we were looking for.

I sent an email to the lady in San Francisco, and within hours she was talking to her long-lost friend.

How long did this search take? Would you believe, just two days?

Joan BRAY, Hutt NZSG

