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Editorial



I hope you have managed to take advantage of some of the many events on offer during Family History Month.

If you want to go on the trip to the Wellington City Council archives on August 20th, you need to let Kathy know immediately. (see page2).

Too late? What about the Salvation Army Archives in Trentham on 13th September? Contact Kathy before 6th September. Details on page 2.

If you are new to genealogy or need a refresher, don't miss the remaining Branch Review Sessions on 22nd and 29th August. The one you missed on August 15th covered Familysearch. Details are on page2.

The National Library has interesting talks and conservation workshops very month, but I usually receive notice of them too late to put in the newsletter. Check out their website for details www.natlib.govt.nz

Don't forget the Family History Open Day organised for **Saturday 24th August.**

9.30am to 4:00pm

Venue: Hutt Bowling Club,
6 Myrtle Street, Lower Hutt.

(Look for the sign opposite the end of Huia Street – free parking)

Entry: \$5:00

Whether you are experienced or just beginning your family history journey, there will be something for you at Wellington Family History Month Open Day.

Programme is in last month's newsletter.

We are looking forward to hearing some interesting stories at the next Branch meeting. So what have you found out lately?

I will be off to the UK shortly to meet other, so far unknown, members of the Jolley clan.

In the meantime, good hunting.

Sheila

Next meeting
Tuesday August 27th

EVERYONE HAS A STORY...
WHAT IS YOURS?



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August Branch Meetings

Evening meeting.

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

Where: Kapiti Community Centre, 15, Ngahina Street, Paraparaumu

What: **Tell your story**

Come and share your stories about how DNA, Facebook, hard work or serendipity has helped to build your family tree .

Convenor: Ian Barbour

Supper roster: U – Z



Daytime meeting.

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

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

What: 'Getting Started with Memories' - bring along diaries, photos etc. to discuss.

Co-ordinator: Sonia Coom

Branch news

Overview sessions in August

The Branch is running two more APFHC Resource Overview sessions on:

Thursday 22nd August - BDMs (online and microfiche)

Thursday 29th August - FindMyPast and Ancestry, with emphasis on census records

Time: 1.30 - 3.00pm. Location: Learning Centre, Paraparaumu Library (upstairs)

As space is limited to about 15 or so for each session, please contact Ian Brooking if you wish to attend.

Programme "at" KapitiGen.org

Tour to Wellington City Council Archives on August 20th. If you want to go on this tour you should have registered with Kathy by 16th August.

kathycallaghan@at@gmail.com 021 0452925 or 297 0733

Tour of Salvation Army Archives, Trentham

A tour of the Salvation Army Archives in Trentham has been organised for Friday Sept 13th at 10.30am. They ask that we be there by 10.30am so that we can join them for morning tea (they told me they have an awesome chef!). The tour will start at 11:00 am and usually takes about 1½ hours.

NB: This tour is strictly limited to 15, so the list will be made on order of letting me know. Also it is not possible to get there via train for 10.30am, so we will car pool. Please let me know if you need a ride or can offer car space. I suggest passengers contribute \$5 towards petrol to the driver. We will organise another tour next year for those who miss out this time.

To get a place on the list email kathycallaghan@at@gmail.com or ph 297 0733 or 021 045 2925

Free guest lectures

For those of us not able to get to Utah and the Family History Library there, check out Judy Russell's blogpost <https://www.legalgenealogist.com/2019/08/13/thanks-to-the-fhl-2019-style/> on a now yearly set of free guest lectures (at rather unsociable hours if you watch live from NZ). These will be available via the Legacy Family Tree Webinars for a few days after the event. The live sessions are on 6th September, MDT, ie Mountain Daylight Time, which timeanddate.com tells me that to watch the Elizabeth Shown Mills lecture at 9am on the 6th you'll have to be up at 3am on Sat 7th September and for Judy's lecture at 11:30 you can sleep in until 5:30 am.

9 a.m. — Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA — “Reasonably Exhaustive Research: The First Criteria for Genealogical Proof”

Tracking a project from start to finish, this session demonstrates the principles of reasonably exhaustive research and how much is required to prove identity and parentage.

11:30 am — Judy G. Russell, JD, CG, CGL — “Share and Share Alike: The Rules of Genealogical Privacy”

Genealogy by its very nature is collaborative—we need to work together and share information. But doing family research doesn't mean giving up all semblances of personal privacy, nor is it a license to invade the privacy of others. All researchers need to follow the rules, both legal and ethical, when we share genealogical information.

Lorna

Writing family history

July's Daytime Session created an interesting topic for discussion between our members. It was all about 'Writing Family Stories', which as we know is a personal thing to you alone. Everyone has different ideas and a different way of how they would like to see their story told.

People were asked what they thought about when writing their family history.

Some things you may want to think about are as follows, along with links to help:

-Do we want it to be just about family stories?

-Do you want to write a family book? - To do so, you need to imagine it -plan it – create it – edit it - design it – then – publish it. The following free course will give you some guidance and good contact information. <https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/genealogy/>

-Maybe write a family narrative? Which is simply telling a story, whether it be about yourself or your family. <https://www.quora.com/What-should-be-included-in-a-personal-narrative-essay>

-Concentrate on your life story? Are you just writing for your family or the general public, also whether you want your real life story with real names or whether it is written as fiction with fictitious names.

- <https://www.freelancewriting.com/journal-writing/writing-the-story-of-your-life/>

They are all different and whichever you choose can alter the way you write.

Also Family Search - 18 Writing Tips for 2018:

<https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/18-writing-tips-tell-stories/>

How to Tell Personal and Family Stories with Confidence.

The four main headings are: Get Started ; Trigger Memories; Keep it simple; Make it last.

Sonia Coom

Other Family History activities during August

Wellington Branch. Wednesday 28 August – 6pm
Wellington City Archives with Adrian Humphris (Wellington City Archivist)
 Venue: Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, Wellington. **Entry:**
 All welcome (visitors \$3.00)
https://www.genealogy.org.nz/Wellington_153.aspx

National Library is hosting several events through August - see the website for details.

www.natlib.govt.nz

Venue: National Library, cnr Molesworth and Aitken Streets, Thorndon, Wellington. T: 0800 474 300

Check out the National Library Family History research guides

- Starting with family history
- Family history
- Whakapapa

www.natlib.govt.nz

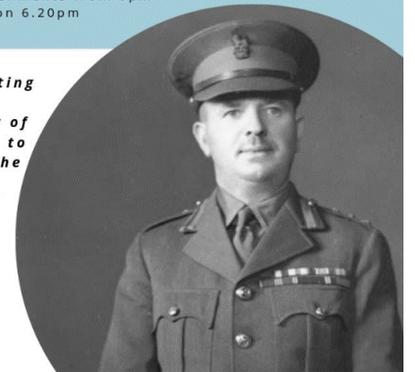
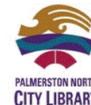
**A plain infantryman:
 Brigadier James Hargest - a
 NZ soldier-politician of two
 world wars**

Presentation by Dr. Aaron Fox

Tuesday 27 August 2019 | 6pm
 Event Central, Ground Floor,
 Palmerston North Central Library

Light refreshments from 6pm
 Presentation 6.20pm

*Commemorating
 the 80th
 anniversary of
 the lead up to
 WWII and the
 invasion
 of Poland*



Cindy's List

Thanks to Kilbirnie Branch NZSG for hosting Cyndi Ingle of Cyndi's List on Tuesday 13 August, following her appearance at the successful Family History Expo in Auckland. We are so lucky to see and hear, in our little corner of the world, these overseas icons of the World Genealogy Community.

Approximately one hundred, including at least seven from Kapiti, attended her two presentations. Cyndi commenced her List of useful websites in 1995 and today, almost twenty five years later, it has approximately 336,000 links and is still growing. Amazingly, it is free and she maintains it all on her own. A major upgrade in 2011, funded through donations, means today we are the beneficiaries of Version 2.0.

Cyndi's second presentation focused on preserving your research by being your own digital archivist. Tedious maybe but so vitally important in keeping your research safe and updated, especially in terms of the galloping advancement of storage and security options.

www.CyndisList.com Check it out. It's a wonderful resource.

Denice McCarten

Two recent blog posts from FamilySearch may be of interest to those using the invaluable FamilySearch tree - a fantastic resource when trying to figure out where a DNA match might "fit", and for quickly checking sources for a DNA match's tree. As well, of course, as a great place to record your own research for posterity and search for those elusive snippets to further your research.

<https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/family-tree-how-to-merge/>

and a very necessary companion piece

<https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/fix-incorrect-merges-on-familysearch/>

It is a completely free resource, but you need to be registered to use it.

Some source images are only available from Family History Centres or affiliate libraries, ie the National Library in Wellington.

Lorna

Schools Admissions project

Quarterly Progress Report on the Schools Admissions Registers Project of the Kapiti Genealogy Group, assisted by Waikanae genealogists, for the third quarter of 2019.

We have transcribed all the available data from schools in the area that have given consent. Our efforts are now concentrated on checking the transcribed data against the original registers, and correcting any errors that are found. If no further schools consent, the current project will end when all the data we currently have, has been checked and corrected.

Below is the progress made on each school:

Paekakariki School	Project 4640	1849 Records completed and passed to NZSG
Raumati Beach School	Project 4639	3357 Records completed and sent to NZSG, 5 Apr 2017.
Waikanae Primary School	Project 4641	7747 Records completed and sent to NZSG, 9 Apr 2018.
Paraparaumu Beach School	Project 4643	6207 Records completed and sent to NZSG, 28 Mar 2019
St Patricks School	Project 4651	483 Records completed and passed to NZSG, 16 Apr 2019
Kapanui School	Project 4645	1978 – 2015 transcribed, 1978 – 2015 checked, 1978 – 2005 corrected.
Kenakena School	Project 4653	1978 – 2010 transcribed 1978 – 1986 checked.

There are currently 12 volunteers from the Kapiti and Waikanae groups.

John Glover

Familysearch maps

For those of you who used to use the FamilySearch parish maps, they're back after being absent for quite some time <https://www.familysearch.org/mapp/>

What are they (very) useful for?

Check out the pull down box labelled "Choose map to select" or toggle between the Search and Layers options on the left hand side to get further refinements.

Can't find your ancestors in parish X and don't know what the neighbouring parishes are?

Pop your parish in the search box, select it from the list of options presented.

Click on the mapped area and select the Options tab and explore the List contiguous parishes or use the Radius place search - and be amazed all over again at how many parishes there actually were within 20 miles of where you thought your ancestors came from.

Jump to the FamilySearch Catalog(ue) for the relevant records held, or the Wiki for yet more information.

Lorna

Round Robins

The two magazines for Round Robin circulation are 'Family Tree' and 'Who Do You Think You Are?' The fees are \$15 for each magazine for the year from July.

Please let Bev Chappell know at RoundRobin@KapitiGen.org if you wish to be on the circulation list. Further details on our website under [Resources > Round Robins](#).

Every issue has some really interesting articles, so this is a really good way of keeping up with the latest news and having access to new ideas, views and websites, without having to subscribe to the magazines. They both contain a wealth of ideas and information.

Dates for Your Diary

Kapiti Genealogy Venues

APFHC: Alison Procter Family History Centre, Ground Floor, north west corner, Paraparaumu Library

KCC: Kapiti Community Centre, Pohutukawa Room, 15 Ngahina St, Paraparaumu

Waikanae Baptist Church Cafe, 286, Te Moana Rd, Waikanae

All Kapiti Branch events are in the programme on our website on the calendar.

Monthly evening meeting: Tuesday 27th August, 7-9pm - details of meetings on page 2

Daytime meeting: Wednesday 28th August, 1.30-4pm. Waikanae Baptist Church, Te Moana Rd.

Wednesdays: 10 am to noon. Experienced researchers on hand to help you use our resources at the APFHC.

Saturday 7th September: Members help session, 1- 3pm, APFHC. **By appointment only.**

This is a great opportunity to get one-on-one help. Please pre-book a slot by phoning Lorna on 293 7771.

Thursday 22nd August: BDM review session 1.30-3.00pm. Learning Centre, upstairs in Paraparaumu library.

Thursday 29th August: Review session - FMP and Ancestry. Learning Centre in Paraparaumu library.

Interest Group meetings (see Programme>Interest Groups on our website for further details)

Saturday 31st August: NZ Kapiti Legacy users group, Kapiti Community Centre, 1- 4pm.

Tuesday 10th September: Irish interest group. 2 - 4pm, APFHC

Thursday 12th September: Australian interest group. 10 - 12 noon APFHC

Saturday 21st September: Roots Magic Interest group. Kapiti Community Centre, 2 - 4pm.

Saturday 12th October: DNA Interest Group. Waikanae Baptist Church, 286, Te Moana Road. 2 - 4pm.

Interest Groups

Australian

Second Thursday of every month from February to November.

Next session **Thursday 12th September, 10-12noon** at APFHC for help with any Australian research.

DNA

Next meeting **Saturday 12th October, 2-4pm** at Waikanae Baptist Church Café, 286 Te Moana Rd. \$3 door charge.

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

Our August meeting had the usual mix of Q&A. We only had time for the DNAGedCom clustering tool, so may continue this overall topic in a future session.

Q. What is the Overlap column on GEDmatch.

A. There is an updated chart on the ISOGG Wiki which shows the total SNPs available for comparison between testing companies and their own different chip versions https://isogg.org/wiki/Autosomal_SNP_comparison_chart

Refer also to the overall test comparisons between companies at https://isogg.org/wiki/Autosomal_DNA_testing_comparison_chart

Sites have to work a lot of magic behind the scenes to produce a seemingly "simple" match list, when either their testing chip changes, or,

like GEDmatch, MyHeritage and FTDNA they accept transfers from other companies

Legacy Users

Meetings are usually held on the last Saturday of every second month from February to October. Everyone is welcome.

Next meeting **Saturday 31st August, 2-4pm.**

Kapiti Community Centre. Doors open 1- 4.30pm. Tea and coffee available. Cost: \$2. Contact Gerald Twiss on gerot@xtra.co.nz for details.

Irish

Next meeting **Tuesday 10th September, 2-4pm.** APFHC, Paraparaumu Library.

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

Roots Magic

For those using or interested in using Rootsmagic to keep track of their family history.

Next two-monthly meeting will be **Saturday 21st September, 2-4pm** at Kapiti Community Centre. \$3 door fee. to cover rental/refreshments

Come and share your experiences, tips and techniques.

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

Information for new members

Branch meetings:

Evening meeting is held on the fourth Tuesday of the month from January to November.

Daytime meeting is on the following day, the fourth Wednesday from Jan. to November.

Coming up.

Tuesday August 27th 7:00pm: supper
7:30pm: meeting starts.

Wednesday August 28th 1.30pm: meet and mingle
2 - 4pm: meeting

Free to members of the Branch, Visitors \$3

Details of both meetings on page 2

Committee meetings are held at 7.30pm on the 1st Wednesday of months January - November.

Evening meeting upper roster: U – Z

If your surname starts with the above letters, we would appreciate your assistance. (Don't worry - we use the dishwasher provided!)

We welcome new members:

Maree Malin and Molly Barclay

If you are a new member or have not previously attended an evening meeting, please make yourself known to Donna on the entrance table.

Help with Research

Our help sessions on Wednesday mornings at the Paraparaumu Library 10-12am and on the first Saturday of every month, 1-3pm, will assist you to make the most of our facilities.

Saturday's are by appointment only. If you need individual help phone Lorna on 293 7771 to book a session.

See also the Review sessions on page 2 and in Dates for your Diary - page 6.

If you are new to genealogy, go to <https://www.genealogy.org.nz/> and click on the 'Getting it Right' logo. These free resources are an ideal starting point. Each resource consists of a video and a set of notes. You can pick and choose what you learn or you can start from the beginning and work your way through.

Facilities at the

Alison Proctor Family History Centre

The APFHC is located at Paraparaumu Library . Turn right inside the library entrance and at the far end you'll see the 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 show your membership card.

You will need the new **pink** card for the year 2019-20.

Computer Password at the APFHC

The APFHC computer password changes regularly: check the red Computer Help folder in the top drawer. Keyboards are in the lowest drawer. Please sign the red signing-in book found in the top drawer.

Replace the cover on the computer when you leave and lock the keyboard in the cupboard.

We have wonderful resources on all six of our computers at the APFHC, quite apart from all the other records and books. You are encouraged to use these resources as often as you need.

All six computers have subscriptions to Ancestry, FindMyPast and access to The Genealogist, as well as free sites like FamilySearch (we suggest you use your own log-in to FamilySearch). A microfiche is available. 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.

Website

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.

Should any member wish to have their research interests published in the newsletter to contact others, please complete the Members Interests form in the Members Only section of our website <http://www.kapitigen.org/membership/members-only/#introduce> . You will have to log in to do so. Instructions for logging in are available at <http://www.kapitigen.org/2012/07/logging-in/>



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Portfolio descriptions and current holders are listed on our web site - in the **Who Does What** section of the "About" menu.

Email links

Throughout the newsletter email links are clickable. Remove the extra @ symbol before sending.

Membership

New members always welcome.
A bargain at \$25 for the year to 31st March 2020.
Check out <http://www.kapitigen.org/membership/>
for the application form or to apply online.
Bank account for internet banking payments:
BNZ 02-0591-0040791-000

To access our resources at the Paraparaumu Library use your **pink** membership card.
Further details at <http://www.kapitigen.org/2019/01/membership-renewals-for-the-20192020-year/>

Next meeting
September 24th

'Trial of Strength'
Shona Riddell