



COMING EVENTS

10 April 2019

Michelle Patient

DNA - What is all the fuss about ?

8 May 2019

AGM

Bill Jackson -

Stay One Step Ahead of the Scammers

12 June 2019

Fabulous Finds and Terrific Treasures

By Our Members

NEW MEMBERS

In February and March we have welcomed Barbara Harris, Linda James-New, Bill Donovan, Michelle Quayle, and Tony and Rosemary Biss to our meetings. Bill was a member previously and is back with us.

Convenor's Comment

Hello everyone!



Recently we have heard talks from both Graham Langton and Dianne Fraser. Both gave interesting and informative presentations on finding more than basic data about our ancestors. Graham spoke on the lives of several WWI soldiers and Dianne on her husband's ancestors coming from Scotland to settle in Queensland.

Coming up we have the AGM and Bill Jackson on *Staying One Step Ahead of the Scammers* at the May meeting. I hope you will come along to support

the committee; let me know if you would like to take a turn on the committee. The topic for the June meeting is *Fab Finds and Terrific Treasures*. Bring along memorabilia, items, etc, from your family history and tell us about them. Also, at one of the spring meetings we will again gather a panel to help sort your brick walls and direct you to finding answers, so please start thinking about where you would like help.

The Branch has decided to do away with disposable cups at meetings. Please bring along your own. If you don't have one, Rachel Allan has kindly provided a free supply of reusable mugs, so grab one at the meeting.

Jan Powell has included a list of our book resources on our website. It's a very useful collection so do check out the books and borrow at meetings.

Lastly, this year we are offering the option to give a donation to Branch funds with your annual subscription. Treasurer, Pat Liddell will be sending out details with the request for subscriptions.

See you at the April meeting when Michelle Patient will be talking about *DNA, what is all the fuss about?*

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM of the NZSG Porirua Branch will be held on 10 May at 7.30pm in the Children's Library Room at Pataka, Porirua. After-hours entry is through the red door on the Harvey Norman side of Pataka.

Some of our present committee are standing down at the AGM. We invite branch members to consider standing for election to the committee for 2019-2020. If you are interested in joining the committee please contact Mary Beckett, Branch Convenor.

Mary Beckett

Convenor

NZSG Porirua Branch





REMEMBER!

***BRING YOUR OWN CUP TO THE
MEETINGS FROM NOW ON!***



Branch News and Other Events

VISITORS WELCOME JOIN US FOR TEA OR COFFEE FROM 7.00pm MEETING STARTS 7.30pm

	10 April 2019	8 May 2019	10 June 2019
 <p>PORIRUA BRANCH</p> <p>Meets 7:30pm Cuppa from 7:00pm</p> <p>Children's Section, Porirua Public Library, Parumoana Street Porirua City. (Entry via Red Door on Wi Neera Drive, opposite Harvey Norman Car Park)</p> <p>Convenor: Mary Beckett Phone (04) 233-1855</p> <p>Secretary: Alison Lavin Phone (027) 488-0601 porirua@genealogy.org.nz</p> <p>Treasurer: Pat Liddell (027) 272-8986</p> <p>Committee: Lesley Anderson (022) 232 4533 Carolina Gartner ph (021) 374-102 Peter Gibson ph (04) 237-8857 Gill Knox ph (04) 233-8863 Jan Powell ph (022) 168-4250 Helen Swiney ph (04) 233-9978</p>	<p>DNA — What's All the Fuss?</p> <p>Michelle Patient</p> <p>Using DNA to find relatives and to break down brick walls.</p> 	<p>Stay One Step Ahead of the Scammers!</p> <p>Bill Jackson <i>All Over IT</i></p> <p>Ways and means of recognizing scam emails, adverts, phone calls, etc, and what to do about them.</p> 	<p>Fabulous Finds and Terrific Treasures</p> <p>Branch Members</p> <p>What interesting finds have you made?</p> <p>Bring along for show and tell or simply tell us about your interesting finds.</p> 

PORIRUA NZSG BRANCH LIBRARY BOOKS

AUTHOR	TITLE	THEME
Hicks, Shauna	Tracing Mining Ancestors: A brief guide to resources in Australia and New Zealand	Australia
Kopittke, Rosemary	Treasures in Australian Government Gazettes	Australia
Hicks, Shauna	Trove: discover genealogy treasure on the National Library of Australia	Australia
Hicks, Shauna	My Ancestor was in an Asylum: Brief Guide to Asylum Records in Australia and New Zealand	Australia, New Zealand
Bailey, Peter A	Researching Ancestors in the Indian Army: 1858-1947	British in India
Sabin, Ronnie & Maxwell, Rod	English Hell to Aussie Heaven	Child migration schemes
Kyle, Noeline	Citing Historical Sources: A manual for family historians	Citing Sources
Milner, Paul	Buried Treasure: What's in the English Parish Chest	England
Milner, Paul	Discover English Census Records	England
Milner, Paul	Discover English Parish Registers	England
Jaunay, Graham	Tracing your English Ancestors	England
Paton, Chris	Discover Irish Land Records	Ireland
Paton, Chris	Irish Family History Resources Online	Ireland
Styles, Lawrie	How to Use the Census Returns To find your London Family	London
Stewart, Alan	London and Middlesex: Family history resources online	London
Few, Janet	The Ones That Got Away: tracing elusive ancestors Who move into, out from and within Britain	Migration
Hicks, Shauna	What was the Voyage Really Like?	Migration
Clement, Christine	Migration to New Zealand	New Zealand
Blake, Paul	Discover Protestant Nonconformity in England and Wales	Protestant

Neobard, Toni	50 more family history traps	Research tools
Jaunay, Graham	Cracking the Code of Old Handwriting	Research tools
Henry, Ros	Find Your Family on the Internet	Research tools
Smith, Helen V	Google: the genealogist's friend	Research tools
Broad, Kate &	Grandad Did a Dastardly Deed:	Research tools
Broad, Kate &	Granny was a Brothel Keeper:	Research tools
Bromell, Anne	New Zealand Beginner's Guide to Family History Research	Research tools
Paton, Chris	Discover Scottish Church Records	Scotland
Paton, Chris	Discover Scottish Civil Registration Records	Scotland
Paton, Chris	Discover Scottish Land Records	Scotland
Paton, Chris	Down and Out in Scotland: Researching ancestral crisis	Scotland
Kopittke, Rosemary	Scotlands People: the place to launch your Scottish research	Scotland
Kyle, Noeline	Finding Florence, Maude, Matilda, Rose: Researching and writing women into family history	Women
Kyle, Noeline	Writing Family History Made Very Easy	Writing Tools
McGibbon, Ian	New Zealand Battlefields and Memorials of the Western Front	WW1

MISSING BOOKS BRANCH LIBRARY

These books have not been returned to our Branch Library. If you have any of them, [please](#) return them so others may make use of them.

How to Trace your English Ancestors, by Janet Reakes

Irish Land Records, Chris Paton

Locating your German Ancestors, Eric Kopittke

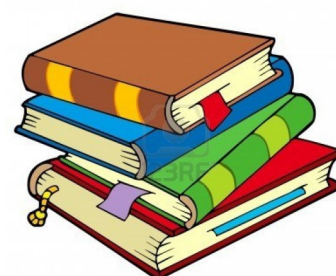
Protestant Nonconformity in England and Wales, Paul Blake

Researching Ancestors in the Indian Army, Peter Bailey

Researching Ancestors in the East Indies, Peter Bailey

Settlers: New Zealand Immigrants from England, Scotland, and Ireland, Jock Phillips & Terry Hearn

Solving Riddles in 19th Century Photograph Albums, Graham Jaunay





PORIRUA LIBRARY NEEDS VOLUTEERS

The Porirua Library is looking for more volunteers to be available in its Genealogy section.

Times currently available:

Tuesday afternoon, weekly or fortnightly, 1:30pm-5:00pm

Wednesday afternoon fortnightly, 1:30pm-5:00pm

Thursday afternoon fortnightly, 1:30pm-5:00pm

Saturdays (check with Malcolm below)

The role of the volunteer is to welcome visitors to the section and to assist them with their genealogy and family history enquiries. They're not expected to be experts, but enthusiasm and a passion for the subject can be contagious! Some knowledge of using the internet for research is an advantage.

Visitors to the Genealogy section often come in to use Ancestry.com, to which the library subscribes, but they may also want to use the microfiche, microfilm, CD-ROMs or books.

In return, the library offers volunteers the following benefits:

- Sole use of an internet-connected PC
- Access to Ancestry.com (Library edition)
- No charges for Porirua Library DVDs and audiobooks
- Free interloan requests (within reason)
- Free black and white photocopying
- Free library membership (if they live outside the rate-paying area)
- Access staff area for tea and coffee

New volunteers can try it out for 1 to 3 months before making a commitment.

Sound interesting? Contact Malcolm Carley at Porirua Library. Malcolm works part-time so it is best to email him at malcolm.carley@poriruacity.govt.nz

NZSG NEWS

Getting It Right



Getting It Right is a series of learning resources with a New Zealand focus to help you with your family history research.

In these presentations you can discover practical steps you can take to start on the fascinating story of your family!

Each resource consists of a video and a set of notes. The notes can be downloaded and saved to your own computer.

These resources are divided into the following three sections.:

- Starting your Genealogical Journey
- Effective Research
- Sharing your Research

For further information, go to:

https://www.genealogy.org.nz/Getting-it-Right_1715.aspx

Genealogy Spring Clean (Winter for us)

Digitize your photos and documents

Not only does digitizing your photos and documents help clean up your office clutter, but it helps ensure that they will be available to your family for generations to come. While photographs are the first thing that comes to mind when most of us thinking about uploading to the cloud, you can actually electronically store so much more than that:

- Records
- Documents
- Audio and video files (perfect for family interviews!)

Photos of heirlooms and other physical objects

As you are scanning your items and photographs, organize the hard copies before putting them away.

Cite your sources

For most researchers, source citations aren't the most exciting part of genealogy. But citing your sources allows others to recreate your research in the future, and makes it possible to retrace your path in the future.

If you've been neglecting adding your sources to your research, this is the perfect time of year to go back and add them.

Establish an organization routine

This step will make your next Genealogy Spring Clean a breeze! If you regularly take short chunks of time to file your research, it becomes second nature.

Set up a folder or box on your desk, as well as a folder on your computer hard drive, for items you need to take action on (scan, label, etc.). Next, create a "to file" folder for documents ready to be put away. Once a week or month, schedule time to empty these boxes.

Source: Family Tree Magazine March 2019

Branch Noticeboard

Branch Resources

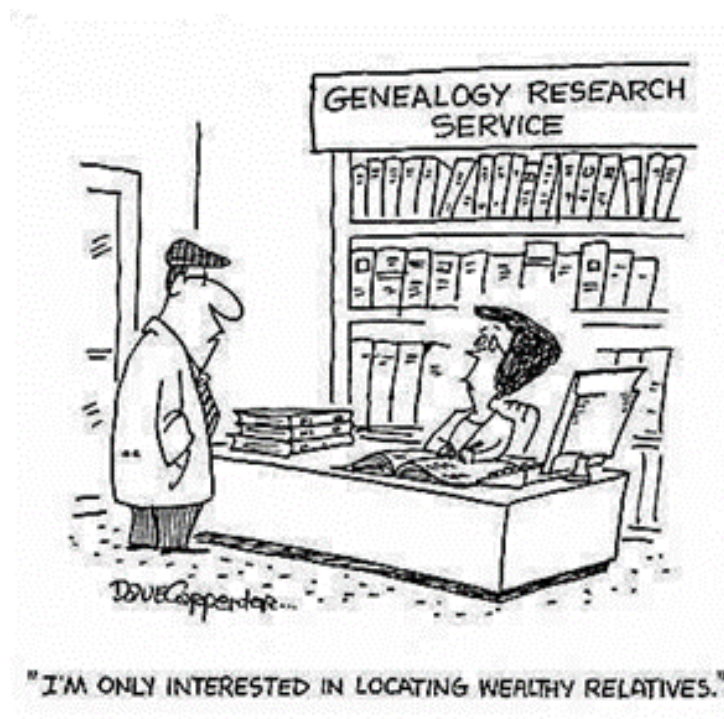
Please remember to return promptly any branch resources (ie. CDs, DVDs, books, etc) that you have borrowed so that other members may have access to them.

Transport

If anyone is having difficulty getting to branch meetings and would like a ride, please contact one of the committee who will endeavour to find a member in your area to transport you to and from the meeting.

Newsletter contributions Welcome!

If you have an interesting story or a handy hint or anything that you'd like to share with Branch members, please let the Newsletter Editor know, contributions are always welcome!



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