



Family History For You  
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Hello Everyone,

Very grateful thanks to the few, who responded to my request for feedback, and I look forward to receiving articles from you. One email was really pleasing to read, part of his email read,

*"Just wanted to say a big thank you again for sharing such a multitude of fantastic information that you have researched. You put a lot of the paid subscription companies to shame with such diverse areas of genealogy interest in one place. I know you put a lot of work into each mail out and I just wanted you to know it is very much appreciated, just hope you get lots of thanks from many of your other subscribers."*

Oh wow how generous, THANK YOU.

Sadly though this reader was in what I estimate less than .6% of readers, [some readers forward the newsletter to friends, family and member of their family history group], who responded to my feedback request. I have asked twice for feedback, articles and anything you wish to share with fellow readers, so I will not ask again, I leave the survival of this newsletter in 'YOUR' hands, support it or loose it.

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I have been asked to repost the link to the historical directories held by Leicester University <http://specialcollections.le.ac.uk> if you haven't used this wonderful resource you will find hundreds of directories covering an enormous amount of fabulous information.

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Are you looking for directories pertaining to Australia? if so then this website might be useful to you, Sands 1901 directory is downloadable at:

[www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/learn/search-our-collections/sands-directory](http://www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/learn/search-our-collections/sands-directory)

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Have you ever thought about researching those who might have received relief following the floods in 1861 in Windsor, New South Wales, Australia? Terry Callaghan has a wonderful website with loads of information. Go to his website [www.terrycallaghan.com/resources-windsor-flood-c-1861/](http://www.terrycallaghan.com/resources-windsor-flood-c-1861/) Recipients could receive as much as 200 lb flour, 5 lbs of tea and 14 lbs of sugar it seems.

If anyone has researched this awful event or similar anywhere in the world, could you please share your finds. My email address is [fh4u@roccoland.plus.com](mailto:fh4u@roccoland.plus.com)

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For those who are also interested in the social history aspect of our ancestors you will I am sure you will be interested in the website [www.living-memories.net](http://www.living-memories.net) . This is a husband and wife team based in Colyton, Devon who produce on DVD various memories, this is also a charity I believe raising funds for those suffering dementia.

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Les Mitchinson, who is the Institute Of Heraldic & Genealogical Studies aka 'IHGS', Director of Education has been appointed as Vice Chairman to the Council of the Association of Genealogists and Researchers in Archives aka 'AGRA'.

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In the last newsletter I repeated readers requests for the opportunity to swap and share surnames of interest. Just 2 people responded!!

Surname	Parish	County	Time Period	Contact details
Flavell		All	All	Dennis <a href="mailto:dennisjobflavell@gmail.com">dennisjobflavell@gmail.com</a>
Platts		YKS / DBY	Pre 1840	Dennis <a href="mailto:dennisjobflavell@gmail.com">dennisjobflavell@gmail.com</a>
Sales		YKS / DBY	Pre 1840	Dennis <a href="mailto:dennisjobflavell@gmail.com">dennisjobflavell@gmail.com</a>
Rotherforth		YKS	Pre 1840	Dennis <a href="mailto:dennisjobflavell@gmail.com">dennisjobflavell@gmail.com</a>
Gothard		YKS	Pre 1861	Dennis <a href="mailto:dennisjobflavell@gmail.com">dennisjobflavell@gmail.com</a>
Lowe		DBY	Pre 1840	Dennis <a href="mailto:dennisjobflavell@gmail.com">dennisjobflavell@gmail.com</a>
Brittle		Staffs	Pre 1871	Dennis <a href="mailto:dennisjobflavell@gmail.com">dennisjobflavell@gmail.com</a>
Wakelam		Staffs	Pre 1580	Dennis <a href="mailto:dennisjobflavell@gmail.com">dennisjobflavell@gmail.com</a>
Keeley		Sussex	All	Liz <a href="mailto:roots@thegraydons.net">roots@thegraydons.net</a>
Gadd		Sussex	All	Liz <a href="mailto:roots@thegraydons.net">roots@thegraydons.net</a>
Groves		Sussex	All	Liz <a href="mailto:roots@thegraydons.net">roots@thegraydons.net</a>
Mummery		Sussex	All	Liz <a href="mailto:roots@thegraydons.net">roots@thegraydons.net</a>
Hoad		Sussex	All	Liz <a href="mailto:roots@thegraydons.net">roots@thegraydons.net</a>
Douch		Sussex	All	Liz <a href="mailto:roots@thegraydons.net">roots@thegraydons.net</a>
Yielding		Sussex	All	Liz <a href="mailto:roots@thegraydons.net">roots@thegraydons.net</a>
Poile		Sussex	All	Liz <a href="mailto:roots@thegraydons.net">roots@thegraydons.net</a>
Friday		Kent	All	Liz <a href="mailto:roots@thegraydons.net">roots@thegraydons.net</a>
Tilbee		Kent	All	Liz <a href="mailto:roots@thegraydons.net">roots@thegraydons.net</a>
Linkins		Kent	All	Liz <a href="mailto:roots@thegraydons.net">roots@thegraydons.net</a>

Without some very positive results, this newsletter will cease to exist into 2018, I happily put the work in for you, but if the newsletter isn't wanted, or needed, then I can and will put my time to another cause.

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Legacy Family Tree version 9 has been released. Legacy has been around for some years and is a popular family history programme for Windows. This latest version adds Hinting, FindAGrave.com tools, Stories, Hash tags and DNA Charts amongst other benefits. I have been told that the company is offering at a discounted price the upgrade for anyone upgrading from an earlier version. For more details and an online video please check this website [http://news.legacyfamilytree.com/legacy\\_news/2017/04/the-new-legacy-family-tree-9-is-here.html](http://news.legacyfamilytree.com/legacy_news/2017/04/the-new-legacy-family-tree-9-is-here.html)

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Did you see the article in 'The Telegraph' <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/money/consumer-affairs/babyboomers-cut-wills-wealth-goes-straight-grandchildren/> according to the report more people are using a loophole known as "deeds of variation", a legal process where beneficiaries of a will can alter the will to redirect assets on to other parties. I have NO legal training but I believe you can change a will

- Reduce the amount of Inheritance or Capital Gains Tax payable
- Provide for someone who was left out of the will
- Move the deceased's assets into a trust
- Clear up any uncertainty over the will

Please read the article, and or take advice from your solicitor, as said before I have no legal training.

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Are you fairly new to family history research, or maybe you have hit one of those proverbial brickwalls. Have you visited the website [www.thefhguide.com](http://www.thefhguide.com) it is full of dropdown menus and useful hints and tips

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Did you know that metals are generally collected after a cremation? What do they collect, steel hips, replacement knee joints, bone screws and coffin handles etc.. When my mother died earlier this year we were also asked if she had a pace maker and a few other things which sadly I don't remember.

I have read that 'Gilroes Crematorium' has raised £5,000 for the Rainbows Hospice in Loughborough, which cares for terminally ill children and young people.

The Times newspaper, recorded in April 2017 that a crematorium in Leicester has raised thousands of pounds for charity by saving the bits of metal frequently found among the ashes of burnt cadavers to be recycled into road signs.

Useful websites to read more about this scheme which is I believe is managed by the Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management, and originating from Holland can be found here [www.iccm-uk.com](http://www.iccm-uk.com) or go to <https://orthometals.com>

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In honour of DNA Day [25th April], My Heritage <https://blog.myheritage.com/2017/04/dna-day-11-things-you-might-not-know-about-dna/> they have posted up on their blog, 11 facts about DNA that people might not know.

- "1. The Watson and Crick discovery led to a race to map the human genome, completed only in 2003 (again on April 25!) when scientists achieved a high-quality sequence of the entire human genome.*
- 2. Rosalind Franklin, a British biophysicist who also studied DNA, provided critical data that contributed to Crick and Watson's work. Rosalind passed away four years before Watson, Crick, and Wilkins received the prize, and the Nobel is never awarded posthumously.*
- 3. The journey to understand DNA has led to scientific and medical breakthroughs including the way we understand Huntington's disease, the cloning of Dolly the Sheep, and the identification of the gene linked to breast and ovarian cancer.*
- 4. If you unwrap all the DNA you have in all your cells and lay it out in a single line, you'd reach the moon 6,000 times!*
- 5. Over 99% of our DNA sequence is the same as other humans.*
- 6. 98% of human DNA is shared by chimpanzees.*
- 7. And 50% of human DNA is shared by a banana.*
- 8. About 8% of human DNA is made up of ancient viruses that used to infect us.*
- 9. A large memory device containing the fully digitised DNA sequences of a select group of people, including physicist Stephen Hawking and comedian Stephen Colbert, is stored on the International Space Station.*
- 10. Approximately two grams of DNA could hold all digitally stored information in the world.*
- 11. Just one simple cheek swab can tell you what percentage of your DNA comes from different populations around the world."*

A few interesting statements assuming the comments are true, I'll let you make your own decisions on this.

TheGenealogist releases over 100,000 Parish Records and thousands of voter records.

The People's Will, Voting by Ballot at a Parliamentary Election from TheGenealogist Image archive

In time for the snap general election, TheGenealogist added to its Polls and Electoral records by publishing online a new collection of Poll books ranging from the late 19th century to the early 20th century.



These new records released recently offer a tantalising snapshot of our ancestors interaction with the Church and the State of the past.

Find the names of people and their 'place of abode' in the electoral registers

Discover the nature of their qualification to vote, such as possessing a Corn Warehouse, a Workshop, a House, or owning a Brewhouse

Some of the earliest records in this release reach as far back as 1209 when the king who was known as Johan sanz Terre (John Lackland) ruled the country

The Parish Records are one of the most useful of all resources for family historians as they can be used to find the baptism, marriage or death of an ancestor at a time before the civil registration of births marriages and deaths

The records cover 35 different registers of people who were entitled to vote in Wakefield, West Yorkshire and other constituencies situated in Hampshire, Gloucestershire, Somerset and New Westminster in Canada. These have been added to their Poll and Electoral Roll collection covering millions of records.

At the same time TheGenealogist continues to expand its vast Parish Record collections with the addition of 100,000 new individuals added for the County of Worcestershire and additionally the Registers of the Parish Church of Rochdale in Lancashire that covers the period between 1642 and 1700.

Also being released are some records that will take the researcher all the way back to ancient times!

The Roll of Mayors of the Borough and Lord Mayors of the City of Leicester records the names of men holding that office from between the 10th year of the reign of King John in 1209 and all through history to 1935.

The Worcestershire Parish Records were added through a partnership with Malvern FHS while the electoral records are taken from the official lists produced to record who was entitled to vote in the various parliamentary elections.

To search these and many other records on TheGenealogist, go to: [www.thegenealogist.co.uk](http://www.thegenealogist.co.uk)

I also received a further press announcement [26th May], which stated

*"TheGenealogist has just released four and a half million BT27 records for the 1920s. These Outbound Passenger Lists are part of the growing immigration and emigration record sets on TheGenealogist and*

*contain the historical records of passengers who departed by sea from U.K. ports in the years between 1920 and 1929. With the addition of this decade of records, the already strong Immigration, Emigration, Naturalisation and passenger list resources on TheGenealogist have been significantly expanded.*

*The fully searchable records released today will allow researchers to:*

*Identify potential family members travelling together with SmartSearch. TheGenealogist's unique system can recognise family members together on the same voyage. In this case it will display a family icon which allows you to view the entire family with one click.*

*Find people travelling to America, Canada, India, New Zealand, Australia and elsewhere in the Passenger lists of people leaving from the United Kingdom by sea.*

*See images of the original documents which were kept by the Board of Trade's Commercial and Statistical Department and its successors.*

*Discover the ages, last address and where the passenger intended to make their permanent residence.*

*These fully indexed records enable family historians to search by name, year, country of departure, country of arrival, port of embarkation and port of destination.*

*Those with ancestors who travelled out of Britain will welcome this fascinating new release from TheGenealogist that adds to their Immigration and Emigration records which already includes passenger lists from as far back as 1896 and the valuable Naturalisation and Denization records."*

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Oh I do like to see fair play, honesty and truthfulness, I am not ashamed to say that my own personal moral values are very high. Ian Workman, a multi millionaire who was sentenced to serving a life prison sentence, has now been ordered to pay his 2 sons and his wife's sister over £1.5 million, it has been recorded that Ben and Nicholas Workman said

*"their murderer father killed their mum, Susan, to get out of paying her half his fortune. She was in the process of divorcing the successful car dealer and, had she lived, would have been entitled to an equal share of everything. If Workman had been allowed to keep the cash, he would have "profited" from killing their mother with a single stab wound to the heart, the brothers said".*

You can read their story here

[www.theboltonnews.co.uk/news/15106665.Multi\\_millionaire\\_ordered\\_to\\_pay\\_2\\_sons\\_1\\_5\\_million\\_after\\_murdering\\_wife/](http://www.theboltonnews.co.uk/news/15106665.Multi_millionaire_ordered_to_pay_2_sons_1_5_million_after_murdering_wife/)

Reports state that Ian Workman, killed his wife after an argument about their divorce.

I haven't had to record anything like this in my family tree, have you? I wonder how we would all record it, or maybe you would record it.

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GedSite have announced the release of version 1.5.1, there are quite a few new upgrades. For all the details of this their website is <http://www.gedsite.com/en/index.htm>

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I often search the internet when I have a few minutes and don't know what to do next, on this occasion I came across this gentleman. To help you I have put his surname in italics, yes the surname is 666 characters long

Adolph Blaine Charles David Earl Frederick Gerald Hubert Irvin John Kenneth Lloyd Martin Nero Oliver Paul Quincy Randolph Sherman Thomas Uncas Victor William Xerxes Yancy Zeus *Wolfeschlegelsteinhausenbergerdorffwelchevoralternwarengewissenhaftschaferswessenschafewarenwohlgepflegeundsorgfaltigkeitbeschutzenvorangreifendurchihrraubgierigfeindewelchevoralternzwolfhunderttausendjahresvorandieerscheinenvonderersterdemenschderraumschiffgenachtmittungsteinundsiebeniridiumelektrisch-motorsgebrauchlichtalsseinsprungvonkraftgestartseinlangefahrthinzwischensternartigraumaufer-suchennachbarschaftdersternwelchegehabtbewohnbarplanetenkreisedrehensichundwohinderneuerasse-vonverstandigmenschlichkeitkonntefortpflanzenundsicherfreuenanlebenslanglichfreudeundruhemitnicht-einfurchtvorangreifenvorandererintelligentgeschopfsvonhinzwischensternartigraum*, Senior

You can read more here

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hubert\\_Blaine\\_Wolfeschlegelsteinhausenbergerdorff,\\_Sr.](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hubert_Blaine_Wolfeschlegelsteinhausenbergerdorff,_Sr.) personally I wouldn't like to write that surname at regular intervals in my family tree.

I then decided to look to see if I could find any unfortunate names and came across this report

[www.dailymail.co.uk/femail/article-4229652/Are-UNFORTUNATE-names-ever.html](http://www.dailymail.co.uk/femail/article-4229652/Are-UNFORTUNATE-names-ever.html)

I really do feel for those gentleman with the first beginning with the letter P and has the surname Ennis making them 'Mr P Ennis'. Both ladies and gents could be 'Chris P Bacon' the article also records someone called Mr Perv.

If you have come across unusual names please do share, my email address is [fh4u@rocoland.plus.com](mailto:fh4u@rocoland.plus.com)

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I find it absolutely horrifying that many people still do not backup their research on a regular basis. There is not a set rule that you must back up on a particular day or even time. It is important though that you back up regularly depending on the amount of research you do. So if you add a lot of information to your computer weekly then maybe you might consider backing up weekly, but for most of us a monthly back up should be adequate.

Remember, if anything goes wrong with your computer you could loose everything, if you have a backup then you are likely to only lose what you have input during the last week or fortnight, depending when you backup was last done

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Have you ever considered and or thought of the trials and tribulations that are faced by those digitising the records that we take for granted. How often have you heard people commenting along the lines of "they are taking their time" or " it doesn't take long to scan a document". Maybe a look at this website will give you a better understanding of the process and problems the British library under took to digitise the 1660 Klencke Atlas which is amongst the largest books in the world, at six foot by seven and half foot, wow.

<https://hyperallergic.com/375669/watch-the-british-library-digitize-one-of-the-worlds-largest-books/>

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Ancestor Network and Eneclann have again been awarded the tender to support the genealogy advisory service with the National Library of Ireland in 2017. This is the sixth year these leading Irish genealogy firms are partnering with the National Library of Ireland to provide this unique genealogy service.

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Did you know that 2017 marks the centenary of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission aka CWGC, this organisation cares for cemeteries and memorials at 23,000 locations in 154 countries.

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The slave trade is an area that many of us hope never to need to research, slaves had an appalling life, as you will see if you watch the DVD '12 Years a Slave' the true story of Solomon Northup.

Visiting [www.slavevoyages.org/](http://www.slavevoyages.org/) will take you to the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade Database, which has information on thousands of slaves who were caught up in the slave trade.

Another site pertaining to slaves is 'Slave biographies' <http://slavebiographies.org/databases.php>

The website states "*Descriptions of all slaves and their manumissions found in documents of all kinds in all jurisdictions of French, Spanish, and early American Lower Louisiana. This updated version merges the originally separate slave database and the free database still downloadable separately from <http://www.ibiblio.org/laslave> published with a limited search engine in 2001. These descriptions of slaves have been entered from many types of documents, but one-half involve sales of slaves and about one-third are from inventories of the estates of deceased masters. Names of slaves are linked with names of their changing owners. Testimony by slaves are mainly from recaptured runaways and those involved in conspiracies and revolts against slavery.*"

What horrible lives they lived, we really should be more grateful than we are for the comforts we have.

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Do you have ancestors you are researching in America? Findmypast have added an additional 6.7 million United States Marriage records this is part of a partnership agreement with Familysearch. The records cover 127 counties over 18 states.

Alabama	Iowa	North Carolina	Vermont
Arkansas	Kentucky	Ohio	Washington
Connecticut	Maine	Oregon	West Virginia
Delaware	New Hampshire	Rhode Island	
Georgia	New Jersey	Utah	

Hope this helps someone.

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I have spoken recently to a number of family history researchers who have not been aware of the changes on the [www.gro.gov.uk/gro/content/#0](http://www.gro.gov.uk/gro/content/#0) . Most people appear to use subscription websites and / or the free website FreeBMD [www.freebmd.org.uk/search](http://www.freebmd.org.uk/search) which do not give details of the mother's maiden name.

Use the new GRO indexes which give the mother's maiden name from 1837 and also age at death from 1837. Go to [www.gro.gov.uk/gro/content/#0](http://www.gro.gov.uk/gro/content/#0) click on "Order a certificate" online, you will need to register an email address and password which would be the same as if you were actually ordering the certificate but there is no cost for searching names.

This is a wonderful way of finding and adding children to your research who have not appeared on census.

The online ordering facility I have used on several occasions and have received a superb service.

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The State Library of South Australia have put online their portrait collection of 'Old Colonists' you can see portraits here <http://collections.slsa.sa.gov.au/resource/B+47769> further portraits can also be found here <http://collections.slsa.sa.gov.au/resource/B+19985>  
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Have you been lucky to be custodian of family heirlooms passed down the family line? Recently my mother died and my daughter and I are now custodians of an interesting and eclectic collection. Please remember to preserve each and every item carefully. Remember another member of the family may not have the knowledge and or information about the item as you have. Personally I have been preserving in acid free tissue paper or acid free poly pockets according to what I feel is best for the item. Every item, also has words written on acid free paper and using an acid free pain, giving as full a description as I could. Such as *"This belonged to Harold George Percy Stevens the son of Harold Victor Stevens and Margery Gwendoline Stevens née Harden and the husband of Joan Olive Stevens née Williams"* In some cases I added details of where, when, how and what other information I knew. Yes, it takes time but I am sure that in future fellow historians will appreciate the time I took.

Now C3 Heirlooms have created a website where you can record your heirlooms, but is this such a good idea, I am not sure. I believe the information is held in a cloud and I am sure you don't need me to remind you that I am not their greatest fan due to the possible lack data protection cover depending where the cloud is.

Please check out the details for carefully for yourselves <http://creed3.com/c3/scripts-and-apps/c3-heirlooms/>

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Congratulations to Larry W. Cates who has been awarded the Filby Award for Genealogical Librarianship, I am sure that we all appreciate a good and genealogically knowledgeable librarian. Larry Cates has in the past been director of the North Carolina Genealogical Society, and editor of publication North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal. Larry is a member of the Advisory Board of the Digital Library on American Slavery and I think also has connections to the Clan MacRae Society of North America.

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As regular readers will know, both my husband and I search the internet for family history news. In the Los Angeles Times, I came across the story of a little girl buried without a gravestone and no one knew who she was. This link will take you to the article I found where you can read the story of how they researched who she was and how it was confirmed using DNA.

[www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-miranda-metal-casket-girl-identified-20170509-htmlstory.html](http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-miranda-metal-casket-girl-identified-20170509-htmlstory.html)

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Maybe not technically family history related, but this might help you to find a missing death record of an elderly relative. If your relative had to move into a care home, then it is possible that a couple "could" have been separated, a lot of care homes rooms are for single occupancy. From my experiences working as a volunteer and visiting three care homes, some couples like to stay together in the same room, others prefer neighbouring rooms, whilst another couple, one of whom needs nursing care, live separately but in neighbouring homes, [walking distance apart].

Now a judge has said that all couples should be able to live together in care homes if they so wish. Read the story here:- [www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-39868229](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-39868229)

In the past it wouldn't have been impossible for a couple to be in different registration districts or even counties. Could this be a reason you cannot find someone?

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Apparently it is necessary to remind readers that certainly in the UK, and probably in all the LDS Family History centres around the world, you will be able to use subscription sites for free, you may need to book a time period to use the computers.

Then you could have your favourite subscription site on your PC at home, meaning that whatever day and or time there should be no reason why you cannot be doing some sort of research.



We have a few new readers and as I don't know everyone's level of genealogical research experience I thought it might be sensible to share how I order my family history Birth, Death, and Marriage certificates.

I use the [www.gro.gov.uk/gro/content/](http://www.gro.gov.uk/gro/content/) website, where once registered [it is free to register] you can order Birth, Death, and Marriage certificates [from 1st July 1837 - September is the first registration quarter for 1837] for £9.25 each [this includes postage].

Be aware of those sites charging more, at the time of writing this Ancestry were asking £22.95!!! that is over double for the same thing.

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Thought it time I lightened up a little bit:-)))



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Did you know that [www.londonroll.org](http://www.londonroll.org) holds the apprenticeship records of the London 'livery companies' that survived the 'Great Fire of London'. An additional bonus is that they have been indexed.

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This is particularly sad, and I feel for the families involved. A mass grave of babies and young children has been found on the site of the former Bon Secours Mother and Baby Home in Tuam, County Galway. A local historian [sorry name unknown if you know please let me know so that they can be recognised] has been trying to trace 800 children who died at the home. The government appointed investigators to confirm the findings of the local historian. The investigators are said to have carried out DNA testing on remains and have confirmed that the remains are those of children aged between 35 weeks and 3 years who died during the 1950's. The home at that time was giving shelter to orphans, unwed mothers and their children, the home closed in 1961.

You can read the full story here:- [www.latimes.com/world/la-fg-mass-grave-ireland-20170303-story.html](http://www.latimes.com/world/la-fg-mass-grave-ireland-20170303-story.html)

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Many thanks to Nick from the TheGenealogist for his email advising of the latest updates from TheGenealogist.

Nick writes:-

"TheGenealogist has expanded its Newspaper and Magazine collection with the release of The Sphere that cover August 1914 to June 1919.

Using the Historical newspapers and magazines resource on TheGenealogist enables researchers to follow current affairs that may have affected or concerned our ancestors at the time. Because the articles were written as events were occurring, they provide contemporary accounts of the world that our ancestors lived in and can furnish us with great insights into opinions of the time. In the case of the First World War years, covered by this release of The Sphere, we can gain information about individuals or read about situations that are similar to ones that our ancestors may have found themselves in.

The Sphere was an illustrated paper founded by Clement Shorter (1857-1926) who was also responsible for establishing the Tatler and it covered general news stories from the UK and around the world.

War Memorials collection

Also being released at this time by TheGenealogist are another 116 War Memorials containing 10,795 names. Included in this batch are a number of Boer War memorials as well as those for the First World War. With this addition the total figure for memorials on TheGenealogist has now reached 1,540 with 363,838 names.

To search these and many other records on TheGenealogist, go to: [www.thegenealogist.co.uk](http://www.thegenealogist.co.uk)  
The Sphere, providing insights into your ancestor's lives.

Nick Thorne uses the Newspaper and Magazines collection to better understand conditions in World War I have been looking a little closer into the war exploits of my step-grandfather. I knew that he had joined the Royal Engineers Special Reserve Motor Cyclist Division as a despatch rider but, like many of his generation that fought in the First World War, he didn't talk much about his experiences. What I did know was that he had found it 'quite exciting' to ride his despatches from headquarters to the front and back on a motorbike. He never expanded on this and certainly didn't tell us stories about his escapades, nor what it was like to be a soldier on two wheels.

With the recent release of copies of The Sphere, on TheGenealogist, I was thus fascinated to come across the December 12 1914 edition of the publication. Here was an article about motorcycle despatch riders from the early part of the war. This day's publication featured a double page evocative image of a motorcycle despatch rider on his machine fleeing with the enemy on his tail. As I knew that my step-grandfather was in his late twenties at the time and a keen motorcycle rider I could imagine him reading pieces such as this and wanting to join up to the R.E. Motor Cyclists to 'do his bit'.

I know that Grandpa also served in the western theatre of war and so this image and the report that followed, resonated with me. I could now imagine him in similar situations as had been described and pictured in the newspaper. In this particular article from the newly released records, the rider telling his story suffers a whole lot of problems: 'On returning I take the wrong road and my machine gives trouble, and whilst repairing same I suddenly find myself surrounded by Uhlans.' This narrator is captured, has his hands bound behind his back and he feigns illness. When his guard goes to fetch a doctor the British Tommy escapes by rolling into a ditch. This episode makes me realise that when my step-grandfather said it was 'quite exciting' this was probably a bit of an understatement. Their duties were certainly not a simple ride in the countryside.

The British Army in World War I would often use Douglas or Triumph Motorcycles for despatch riding duties which only had between 2 and 5 hp engines. Some riders, however, brought their own machines

along when they joined up. These motorbikes would have to be inspected by the military to make sure that they were suitable for the purpose; but in the early days, when many of the men were volunteers, this would have meant that this section of the Royal Engineers Signals would have been up and running quickly. In my step-grandfather's case, however, looking at his attestation papers I can see that this part had been scored through - indicating that he would have had to be issued with an army bike.

Later in the First World War Grandpa was wounded and by reading other articles, such as that published on the 9th January 1915 about the RAMC work at the front, I got an understanding for how injured men were transferred in motorised omnibuses and ambulances that were also subject to breakdowns of their own.

Resources such as The Sphere, The War Illustrated, The Great War, The Illustrated London News, plus the other historical newspapers and magazines already found on TheGenealogist are great for building a picture of situations that our ancestors may have found themselves in. In some cases we may be lucky enough to find an ancestor actually named in a report - but even when that doesn't happen we can find write-ups that provide us with an understanding of the wider conditions in which our ancestors worked, played or went to war in.

Another use that we can make of this resource is where we have an ancestor who was unfortunate enough to have lost their lives while serving as an officer in the First World War. In many editions of The Sphere Rolls of Honour were published. In these we are able to find a picture along with a few lines recording their loss. The Newspaper and Magazine collection is available to all Diamond subscribers of TheGenealogist."

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You might have checked a website for information to smash down your brickwall and not found anything but do go back regularly to check for updates. This is one of those instances for me, the Canadian Expeditionary Force records have been available for years. Now the digitised corresponding service files are slowly coming online this is where you need to look [www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage/first-world-war/personnel-records/Pages/personnel-records.aspx](http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage/first-world-war/personnel-records/Pages/personnel-records.aspx)

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Some of you might be wondering why MyHeritage isn't listed in the section 'Website Updates' two reasons, firstly I personally have had a few bad appearances admittedly sometime ago, and not yet rebuilt my confidence with the website but thinking about testing again. The second reason is MyHeritage hasn't had an easy accessible catalogue. Now the MyHeritage blog has some news of their catalogue you can read the news here.

<https://blog.myheritage.com/2017/05/new-collection-catalog/>

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No matter where your research takes you, it is always worth, typing surnames, places names anything really that interests you and see what your search engine can come up with. Here are two websites that Liz found when searching for Sussex information. I shall certainly be spending time seeing if I can find anything on my Sussex ancestors.

This site shows a timeline history for Sussex [www.westsussex.info/sussex-history-timeline.shtml](http://www.westsussex.info/sussex-history-timeline.shtml) and for Horsham try [www.visitoruk.com/Horsham/timeline.html](http://www.visitoruk.com/Horsham/timeline.html)

Many thanks Liz for these websites, especially as they are new websites to me:-)))))))))

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Are you researching in the Suffolk area? Recently I came across this website <https://catalogue.millsarchive.org/suffolk?page=52&sort=lastUpdated&listPage=7&limit=10&listLimit=10> which I hope will be useful to a reader.

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In response to Jon's very interesting article, I heard from another of our visually challenged reader. I am including their comments in the hope of highlighting the challenges of others and to remind readers that just because we look 'normal' we may have unseen challenges in life.

She writes:-

*"Guide Dogs, I've always found that people assume you are totally blind if you have a guide dog rather than the reverse. Having some vision has always been a problem as people think I'm a fluke when I say I'm registered blind as they expect me to be able to see and do nothing. Born with a visual problem obviously I'm use to not being able to see and can therefore cope much better. No fuss was made at home and I was still expected to do the chores and shopping as the eldest of four. At school for the blind we were taught to be totally independent. Obviously I have many problems and frustrations, but I do manage and unlike your cousin with no vision I am able to benefit from having some sight. I very much admire people with no vision at all and how they cope and manage."*

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Announced on the 3rd May, the sad and devastating news that WDYTYA Live aka Who Do You Think You Are, held at the NEC, Birmingham is no longer to hold their huge family history fair.

The SoG announcement read, *"The Society of Genealogists is sorry to learn today from Immediate Media that the long standing show Who Do You Think You Are? Live will no longer take place. This event has been a milestone in the genealogy community for over 10 years and the Society has been an integral partner to bring its celebrated team of volunteers to Ask the Experts; the successful programme of genealogy talks and the Society of Genealogists' Family History Show which remained at the heart of the event."*

*The Society of Genealogists will, of course, continue to work with the genealogical community and, hopefully, will be looking to see if it can once again run its own Family History Show for the benefit of family historians.*

*We have valued our contribution to the show and look forward to opportunities offered to us in the future".*

The WDYTYA website read:-

*"Who Do You Think You Are? LIVE will close its doors after a ten-year run. Immediate Media, the organisers of the annual event, reached the difficult decision earlier this week due to financial reasons.*

*The UK's largest family history show celebrated its tenth anniversary in April this year, when over 13,000 family historians and more than 100 specialist exhibitors attended the three-day event at the Birmingham NEC.*

*The first WDYTYA? LIVE was launched by Brand Events in May 2007 at the Olympia in London. It incorporated The Society of Genealogists Family History Show and genealogist Nick Barratt acted as a consultant. Immediate Media then took over in 2011.*

*Marie Davies, director of WDYTYA? LIVE, explained that the event was "running at a considerable loss" at the time of the takeover.*

*"We have done our best over the years to bring it into profit," she said. "Unfortunately, the show has continued to make a loss for Immediate Media and we have had to bring it to a close."*  
*WDYTYA? LIVE has showcased talks from a wide array of speakers and celebrities over the years, alongside hundreds of specialist exhibitors from the world of family history.*



*Crucially, it has also enabled thousands of amateur researchers to break down their brick walls through one-on-one sessions with some of the UK's leading genealogists.*

*Davies added: "We are currently undergoing a period of consultation with our events staff and I would like to thank them for all their hard work in making WDYTYA? LIVE a show to be proud of.*

*"I would also like to thank all the businesses, archives and societies who have supported us in this venture over the years.*

*"I'm sure all the family historians who have visited over the past ten years will agree that it was a very special event and we are sorry to see it go."*

*Sue Moncur, UK country manager of Ancestry, a regular exhibitor and former sponsor of WDYTYA? LIVE, said the company was sad to hear of the event's closure.*

*"Ancestry is proud to have been involved with the show since the beginning," she added. "During that time we have enjoyed the opportunity to meet and talk with everyone from long-term genealogists to those simply curious about who they are and where they come from.*

*"It is the end of an era, but the legacy of the show is that interest in family history in the UK has never been stronger and I am sure it will continue to thrive into the future."*

Personally I am not surprised, the organisers appeared to me, and these are my personnel feelings, got too greedy, charging for anything and everything, including the show guide, talks, not to mention the cost of the entry ticket, car parking [£12 per day], since it moved to Birmingham members of the public have been requesting the show returns to London.

Here's hoping that the Society of Genealogist will be able to take the show back under their wings maybe to the Royal Horticultural Hall, where I remember the queue wrapping quite literally around the building. I appreciate family history research has changed over the years, but we need to support what we have now or risk losing the fairs completely.

I did get some feedback on the WDYTYA Live event and here is what you had to say:-

The number of people attending appeared to be dramatically lower than previous years, despite 'Immediate Media' the organisers claiming otherwise.

When I walked in from the hotel in the morning, the queue of hundreds of people awaiting the show to open just wasn't there.

One reader pointed out that you could speak to direct to expert, but many people seem to prefer emailing now.

The ever-increasing number of non-family history related stands.

The staff manning these stands were 'pushy' beyond belief, demanding donations, a fact I very much agree with having been on the receiving end of some caustic comments.

The event has become too pricey for societies to attend

Tickets for the public expensive

Expensive car parking and unclear parking conditions which some reported changed by the minute.

Facts that wouldn't encourage me to attend.

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Australian Red Cross WW2 PoW record cards are online. About 58-59,000 Missing, wounded and Prisoner of War Enquiry Cards, predominately from WW2, but there are a few earlier ones. These record cards have been donated by the Red Cross Australia to the University of Melbourne Archives

To search the records for yourself please go to

<http://gallery.its.unimelb.edu.au/umblumaic/imu.php?request=search>

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The power of genealogy, this story is the sensational story of a young girl Lisa who believed her Mother had died when she was a child. How a man with many aliases is found out and how with a mixture of DNA testing, and good genealogical research, Lisa finds her family, but there are still many unanswered questions.

Read the article in the Boston Globe, [www.bostonglobe.com/metro/2017/05/13/finding-lisa-story-murders-mysteries-loss-and-incredibly-new-life/vCCxbYYUD63kJoIMJQiWM/story.html](http://www.bostonglobe.com/metro/2017/05/13/finding-lisa-story-murders-mysteries-loss-and-incredibly-new-life/vCCxbYYUD63kJoIMJQiWM/story.html)

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How would you record this in your family tree assuming that Nye was part of your family tree?

[www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-hampshire-39946134](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-hampshire-39946134)

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A wonderful new online resource for those researching their Irish ancestors has become available. Fingal County Council has released a new interactive guide called Buried in Fingal. This new resource is, I believe, free and covers a searchable database of more than 65,000 people interred between 1905 and 2005 in 33 of the burial grounds in the council's care in North County Dublin. The online guide appears to include an overview of the history, notable burials and epitaphs of each graveyard, location maps, photographs and where they exist, historical plot maps and drawings. Interment registers per specific graveyard can also be downloaded in .pdf format.

To visit the website this link, I hope, will take you there <http://buried.fingal.ie>

This link will take you to an article on this new resource [www.irishgenealogynews.com/2017/05/buried-in-fingal-new-database-for-north.html](http://www.irishgenealogynews.com/2017/05/buried-in-fingal-new-database-for-north.html)

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Are you having problems researching Freemasons? Did you know that the first Masonic Grand Lodge was founded 300 years ago on 24th June 1717? The United Grand Lodge holds records on individual members dating from 1750, the website is <http://freemasonry.london.museum/family-history> The information recorded is normally age, address, occupation and date of joining. Ancestry have added about 1.7 million names listed in the registers from 1751–1920.

The United Grand Lodge has a Library and Museum, which publishes a free pdf guide

<http://freemasonry.london.museum/it/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/Family-History-Information-Sheet-11-2015.pdf> for family historians.

Research staff will also do a search of their records, for a fee of £31 per name currently payable for non-members. If the lodge name or number is known, the search is free of charge, [I believe].

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Do you live near or maybe you are researching the Wallingford area of Oxfordshire, then you might be interested in joining one of Wallingford Museums guided walks which take place every Saturday morning until 30 September, starting from the Town Hall at 11am. Walks last one to two hours and cost £5 per head; the money goes to support The museum, there is I am told no need to book, just turn up.

For more details about Wallingford Museum their website is [www.wallingfordmuseum.org.uk/](http://www.wallingfordmuseum.org.uk/)

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The Ancestry Insider has closed:-((( [for those who don't know :-((( = a sad smile whilst :-))) = a happy smile].

This is what he posted on 19th May  
*"Dear friends,*

*This newsletter has brought me lots of enjoyment. I've enjoyed trying to bring you news you didn't get anywhere else. I've enjoyed teaching how to better utilize Ancestry.com and FamilySearch.org. Through my reports about national conferences, I've enjoyed promoting education. Through my series on serendipity, I've enjoyed sharing my belief about the miraculous nature of life and family history. Through my Monday mailbox series, I've enjoyed answering your questions. Through my series, "Records Say the Darnedest Things," I've enjoyed teaching about records and methodology. I have enjoyed the opportunities to acknowledge FamilySearch's sponsor—and my current employer The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints..*

*This newsletter began at a time when Ancestry's communication policy was to say nothing. FamilySearch didn't do much better when I started reporting on the rollout of New FamilySearch. Today, both organizations have healthy, vibrant communication programs.*

*This newsletter has also consumed about six hours of my personal life each week and I think it is time for a change. But I put down this pen with a great measure of sadness.*

*This newsletter has given me the opportunity to rub shoulders with many wonderful people. Thank you. For that I am most grateful. Of myself, I am pretty insignificant and I am forever humbled that you would consider this newsletter worth a little of your time.*

[illegible]

*Wow! This is going to take some time... Please feel free to go about your lives while I finish up. Thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you"*

The Federation of Family History Societies have announced a few changes, former Trustees Beryl Evans [Cardiganshire Family History Society] and Rob White [Family and Community Historical Research Society] have stepped down from their positions. The new trustees are Clive Weed [Clwyd Family History Society], Peter Bailey [FIBIS] and David Daldry [Suffolk Family History Society].

A word of advice to everyone, I have always advised everyone to read, learn and inwardly digest the small print by which I mean 'Terms and conditions' and any privacy statements before signing up or agreeing to anything.

Recently a controversial article has appeared in America by a consumer protection attorney and former deputy attorney general, relating to ownership of DNA rights, pertaining to Ancestry. Ancestry is recorded as responding that the facts are inaccurate. I am not prepared to get into who is right and who is wrong, all I will say is read everything available.

If you wish to read the article <https://thinkprogress.org/ancestry-com-takes-dna-ownership-rights-from-customers-and-their-relatives-dbafeed02b9e>

Ancestry responded <https://blogs.ancestry.com/ancestry/>

Snopes have an analysis of the facts here [www.snopes.com/ancestry-dna-steal-own](http://www.snopes.com/ancestry-dna-steal-own)

I'll leave you to make your own minds up

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OFF TOPIC but still important to us as we all use computers.

I received this from Action Fraud (National Fraud Intelligence Bureau)

"Action Fraud are receiving reports of Tech-Support scammers claiming to be from Microsoft who are taking advantage of the global WannaCry ransomware attack. One victim fell for the scam after calling a 'help' number advertised on a pop up window. The window which wouldn't close said the victim had been affected by WannaCry Ransomware. The victim granted the fraudsters remote access to their PC after being convinced there wasn't sufficient anti-virus protection. The fraudsters then installed Windows Malicious Software Removal Tool, which is actually free and took £320 as payment.

It is important to remember that Microsoft's error and warning messages on your PC will never include a phone number.

Additionally Microsoft will never proactively reach out to you to provide unsolicited PC or technical support. Any communication they have with you must be initiated by you.

How to protect yourself

Don't call numbers from pop-up messages.

Never allow remote access to your computer.

Always be wary of unsolicited calls. If you're unsure of a caller's identity, hang up.

Never divulge passwords or pin numbers.

Microsoft or someone on their behalf will never call you.

If you believe you have already been a victim

Get your computer checked for any additional programmes or software that may have been installed.

Contact your bank to stop any further payments being taken.

Report fraud and cyber crime to [Actionfraud.police.uk](http://Actionfraud.police.uk)"

Many people will think they know all they need to know but do you? DID you read the above? if not please do so because I am getting more and more emails with viruses.

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If you are researching in Maine, as I do occasionally, then you might be interested in an item I read in Emily Schroeder's blog. Several Maine cemeteries now have additional records online you can read her blog here

<https://eschroeder.bangordailynews.com/2017/05/23/home/wpa-cemetery-plans-online/>

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MyHeritage have announced a new and improved version of its DNA service. The new upgrade is called the 'Ethnicity Estimate'. It provides MyHeritage DNA customers with a percentage-based estimate of their ethnic origins covering 42 ethnic regions. They are also now permitting a free service to anyone who has had a DNA analysis from a different DNA company offering a free matching service

A Statement read:-

*“MyHeritage is unique among the main industry players in allowing users who have tested their DNA already with another service to upload – for free – their data to MyHeritage. Those users receive DNA Matches for free, for finding relatives based on shared DNA.”*

I wonder if your ethnicity fell into one of the new categories to what you were labelled as before.

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Maps are a great resource for putting the meat on the bones, recently the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps have gone online, these are wonderful for those of you researching in America. The maps cover various dates and information available varies, but I believe that the states available now include Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, South Dakota, Vermont, Wisconsin and Wyoming. Alaska is also online, with maps published through the early 1960s. I have read that maps will be added to regularly so if not there now, do check back every month to six weeks to see if the area you are searching for has been added.

The Sanborn Fire Maps can be found at: [www.loc.gov/collections/sanborn-maps/about-this-collection](http://www.loc.gov/collections/sanborn-maps/about-this-collection)

Alternatively you can read more about them here:- [www.loc.gov/item/prn-17-074/?locId=fbloc-new](http://www.loc.gov/item/prn-17-074/?locId=fbloc-new)

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The wonderful powers of using the Google engine have again shone a light. This time assisting the caretaker of a Synagogue in Plymouth, England, to find the small Jewish graveyard, enabling restoration to start and return it to a serene place for the Jewish community. You can read the story here [www.plymouthherald.co.uk/the-secret-jewish-cemetery-on-the-hoe-that-nobody-knows-about/story-30350094-detail/story.html](http://www.plymouthherald.co.uk/the-secret-jewish-cemetery-on-the-hoe-that-nobody-knows-about/story-30350094-detail/story.html)

I love the story of Barney the black and white cat who has been granted permission to be buried in the graveyard.

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Bona Vacantia Division have moved to:-

Bona Vacantia Division, PO Box 2119, Croydon, CR90 9QU

The email address and telephone number remain the same

Email [bvestates@governmentlegal.gov.uk](mailto:bvestates@governmentlegal.gov.uk) Telephone number is 020 7210 4700

For those who don't know about Bona Vacantia, these are the people who deal with the estates of those who die without leaving a will. You will find a list of peoples unclaimed estates here [www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/unclaimed-estates-list](http://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/unclaimed-estates-list)

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Did you see this in the news? [www.parliament.uk](http://www.parliament.uk) [28 April 2017] 'Problems of homelessness and affordability likely to persist for years'. I noted that according to [www.emptyhomes.com](http://www.emptyhomes.com) that over 200,000 homes have been empty for 6 months or more, for various reasons ranging from renovations to inheritance issues, in future, I wonder just how this will impact fellow genealogical researchers attempting to unravel brickwalls. If you have any thoughts on this matter I would be happy to air them in the next newsletter. My email address is [fh4u@roccoland.plus.com](mailto:fh4u@roccoland.plus.com)

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Heir Hunters warning in 'The Times' [6 May 2017] [www.thetimes.co.uk/article/say-goodbye-to-a-family-fortune-kmn37skwh](http://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/say-goodbye-to-a-family-fortune-kmn37skwh) "Heir hunters are warning that millions of pounds worth of inheritance could end up in the wrong hands because of a surge in the number of estates registered incorrectly as intestate."

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Staying with Probate, Land and Property records, here are a few snippets and link to help you hopefully that I have come across since Mother died earlier this year.

Here are the Definition of terms:-

Probate records - records that prove a will in court

Deeds - legal documents that confirm an interest, right or property

Wills - legal documents for distributing property at death

Links that might be helpful to you.

England [www.thefhguide.com/project-9-england.html#goal-5](http://www.thefhguide.com/project-9-england.html#goal-5)

Scotland [www.thefhguide.com/project-9-scotland.html#goal-7](http://www.thefhguide.com/project-9-scotland.html#goal-7)

Wales [www.thefhguide.com/project-9-wales.html#goal-6](http://www.thefhguide.com/project-9-wales.html#goal-6)

Ireland [www.thefhguide.com/project-9-ireland.html](http://www.thefhguide.com/project-9-ireland.html)

United States [www.thefhguide.com/project-9-united-states.html](http://www.thefhguide.com/project-9-united-states.html)

Canada [www.thefhguide.com/project-9-canada.html#goal-6](http://www.thefhguide.com/project-9-canada.html#goal-6)

Australia [www.thefhguide.com/project-9-australia.html#goal-6](http://www.thefhguide.com/project-9-australia.html#goal-6)

New Zealand [www.thefhguide.com/project-9-new-zealand.html#goal-6](http://www.thefhguide.com/project-9-new-zealand.html#goal-6)

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I am often asked if I have a list of speakers I can recommend, yes I do but it is about a year out of date.. So I am very grateful to being made aware of these Oxfordshire local history links.

For speaker and guides [www.olha.org.uk/directory-speakers-guides/details-of-speakers-and-guides/](http://www.olha.org.uk/directory-speakers-guides/details-of-speakers-and-guides/)

For illustrated talks [www.olha.org.uk/directory-speakers-guides/details-of-illustrated-talks/](http://www.olha.org.uk/directory-speakers-guides/details-of-illustrated-talks/)

For guided walks [www.olha.org.uk/directory-speakers-guides/details-of-guided-walks/](http://www.olha.org.uk/directory-speakers-guides/details-of-guided-walks/)

For a copy of my list please email me [FH4U@roccoland.plus.com](mailto:FH4U@roccoland.plus.com) , if you are a speaker and would like your details added to my speakers list then please let me have your details and also title and short description of your talk/s

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Ancestry announced on the 19th June " *LEHI, Utah, June 19, 2017 — Ancestry, Inc. today announced that it has confidentially submitted a draft registration statement on Form S-1 with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") relating to the proposed initial public offering of its common stock. The number of shares to be offered and the price range for the proposed offering have not yet been determined. The initial public offering is expected to commence after the SEC completes its review process, subject to market and other conditions.* " I have not seen that Ancestry have announced the number of shares proposed or even the value of the company although in May last year

[www.ancestry.com/corporate/newsroom/press-releases/ancestry-announces-closing-of-26-billion-silver-lake-and-gic-strategic-investment](http://www.ancestry.com/corporate/newsroom/press-releases/ancestry-announces-closing-of-26-billion-silver-lake-and-gic-strategic-investment) they said the company was worth 2.6 billion American dollars, that is in the region of 2 to 2.1 billion GB pounds [I think]

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For those with Minnesota interests Dakota County Genealogical Society [DCGS] will become part of the Dakota County Historical Society [DCHS] from September 2017, it is hoped that everything will integrated by 2018



A FAMILY HISTORIAN'S LAMENT  
(Author unknown)

I've been doing family history for nearly thirty years,  
Diligently tracing my illustrious forebears,  
From Pigeon Lake to Peterborough, Penrith to Penzance,  
My merry band of ancestors has led me quite a dance.

There's cooks from Kent and guards from Gwent  
and chimney sweeps from Chester,  
There's even one daft fisherman lived all his life in Leicester,  
There's no one rich or famous, not even well-to-do,  
Though a second cousin twice removed once played in goal for Crewe.

I've exhausted record offices from Gillingham to Jarrow,  
The grey cells of my mind would humble Hercule Poirot,  
I've deciphered bad hand writing that would shame a three-year-old,  
And brought the black sheep of the family back into the fold.

My bride of three minutes was left standing in the church,  
As I nipped into the graveyard for a spot of quick research,  
At last I found an uncle, sixty years deceased,  
Much more satisfaction than a silly wedding feast.

After three weeks of wedded bliss, my wife became despondent,  
She named the Public Record Office as the co-respondent,  
I didn't even notice when she packed her bags and went,  
was looking for the will of great grandad who died in Stoke-on-Trent.

But now my thirty year obsession is lying in the bin,  
Last Tuesday week. I heard some news that made me pack it in,  
Twas then my darling mother, who is not long for this earth,  
Casually informed me they adopted me at birth.

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The subscription website 'My Heritage' have added several collections of Dutch collections these include:-

Netherlands, Population Registers 1810-1936  
Netherlands, Civil Births 1811-1915  
Netherlands, Civil Marriages 1811-1940  
Netherlands, Civil Deaths 1811-1965  
Netherlands, Church Baptisms 1580-1811  
Netherlands, Church Marriages 1580-1811  
Netherlands, Church Burials 1601-1811

My information is that the collections are variable, so you might be lucky and find something you have been looking for.

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I am sure some of you probably have a subscription to British Newspaper Archives who have announced reaching the 20 Million articles milestone.

I cancelled my subscription to British Newspaper Archives as I have a world subscription to FindMyPast and I couldn't validate an additional expense just to get access to the newly digitised records a few days ahead of them appearing on FindMyPast world subscription.

Do you have some spare time? if so then maybe you would like to offer your time to FreeUKGen, who are looking for volunteers, for more information please go to:-

[www.freeukgenealogy.org.uk/news/2017/05/15/calling-all-freebmd-volunteers-volunteers-week-2017/](http://www.freeukgenealogy.org.uk/news/2017/05/15/calling-all-freebmd-volunteers-volunteers-week-2017/)

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Ancestry is reported to be closing one or all of its web servers in the states and transferring all of the data to Amazon Web Service, which is a cloud based storage system. Although it may be good for Ancestry in that they will no longer have to support all the computer equipment, infrastructure and backups for their data storage, there is little information as to where the actual storage will be and under what countries rules the personal details will be held. There is no suggestion by Ancestry that there will be any reduction in privacy, in fact there seems to be little mention of the change either on Ancestry itself.

Where will data be stored, well if you look at <https://aws.amazon.com/security/> there are details of the possible locations that could be used, Ancestry could be choosing which locations can be used, it is an option of the Amazon service, but if they don't specify which, your data could literally be in China, or South America or ... It would at least be nice for Ancestry to tell people.

I have always avoided putting personal information on any company's computer, where possible, now I don't know where it would be either.

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Family ChartMasters have announced a new chart for recording your DNA test results. Janet Hovorka Development manager for Family Chartmasters is recorded of saying "We hope that this new chart will help people who have become curious about their genealogy through DNA testing become even more excited about searching out their ancestors. At Family ChartMasters we believe that family history can save the world. The more people know about their background, the more they are inspired with civility, gratitude and compassion for other people because they find out we are all more alike than different. We want to help people make that easy to remember every day".

Their website address is <http://familychartmasters.com>

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Findmypast have announced phase one of releasing over 6 million Ontario records, in partnership with the Ontario Genealogical Society. My understanding is that over the next few months the following records will be digitised and will appear on Findmypast later this year

*The Ontario Name Index (TONI) – over 3.7 million records - a mega-index of names with the goal of including every name found in any publication relating to Ontario, ranging from registers of birth, marriage & death to obituaries, memorial inscriptions, newspaper articles and more.*

*The Ontario Genealogical Society Provincial Index (OGSPI) – over 2.6 million records - containing data from censuses, birth, marriage and death registers, references in books, land records, passenger lists, military records and a host of other references.*

*Oddfellows Life Insurance Applications (1875-1929) – over 240,000 names released online for the very first time, containing a collection of just over 59,000 life insurance applications to the Odd-Fellows' Relief Association of Canada. The applications contain answers to up to thirty-one questions about sex, age, occupation, height, weight, ethnic origins, marital status, family structure, and past and present health conditions.*

*Ontario Genealogical Society Bulletin/Families and NewsLeaf – new images from official society publications and journals will become available to search through Findmypast's Periodical Source Index (PERSI) - the largest subject index to genealogy and local history periodical articles in the world.*

These records will be wonderful for those researching Canadian relatives.

It isn't often that historians get a mention in the Queen's Birthday Honours List.

Congratulations to Maureen Pearl Selley who has been awarded a British Empire Medal for services to Local History

Page B31 - [www.thegazette.co.uk/London/issue/61962/supplement/B1/data.htm](http://www.thegazette.co.uk/London/issue/61962/supplement/B1/data.htm)

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Now a brick wall query for you sleuths.

Ptolemy Roskilly [GRO Birth Index Reference 1878 Dec Q MMN Geard Wincanton 5C 474] is born to Thomas Roskilly/Roskelly and Elizabeth neé Geard

Thomas and Elizabeth marry in 1866 [GRO Marriage Index Reference 1866 Dec Q Yeovil 5C 809]

In 1881 Census records:- RG11 2396 Folio 140 Page 11 they are living at Newtown, Milborne Port, Wincanton. The spelling of his name has changed to Vlotemy Roskelly.

The 1891 census records all the family still living together at RG12 1902 Folio 128 Page 20, in the village of Milborne Port.

In 1901 Plotemy is spelt Plotuny [another variant spelling] he is living with the Proper [what an interesting surname] family at RG13 2339 Folio 46 Page 34.

After this Plotemy completely disappears, if anyone can find him or even links to this family, please email via Heather [fh4u@roccoland.plus.com](mailto:fh4u@roccoland.plus.com)

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Earlier this year Mylestone announced a new Heirloom App, that worked with Alexa, now the company have announced they are stopping this service after less than 4 months. If you have used the app you will find the instructions to save your pictures here <https://mylestone.com/heirloom>  
Mylestones said " *Simply put, we are focused on our core product, Mylestone, which translates digital photographs into personal histories (yeah, we'd love to have you try it out, of course: [mylestone.com](http://mylestone.com)). As much as we love the Heirloom product, it doesn't fit with our service going forward*"  
Well that didn't last long, did it?

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Over 200 holocaust diaries are to be transcribed by The US Holocaust Memorial in a campaign, using Kickstarter. It is hoped that the diaries will uncover information otherwise lost to families of victims. You can read more about the project here [www.kickstarter.com/projects/ushmm/save-their-stories-undiscovered-diaries-of-the-hol](http://www.kickstarter.com/projects/ushmm/save-their-stories-undiscovered-diaries-of-the-hol)

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Sussex Record Society have added a new bibliography to their website. Thanks go to Peter MacLeod and his team for making the information available [www.sussexrecordsociety.org/dbs/biblio/](http://www.sussexrecordsociety.org/dbs/biblio/)

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Oh dear, according to reports it appears that some Australians have not been particularly helpful to family historians! Reports suggest that many gave fake names and withheld dates of birth in the 2016 census, some reports even go so far as referring to it as 'bungled census', not at all helpful.

An article written by Belinda Merhab makes interesting reading [www.news.com.au/national/breaking-news/fake-names-given-amid-census-privacy-fears/news-story/11eb87f1549a31a70d45a3460153ae9d](http://www.news.com.au/national/breaking-news/fake-names-given-amid-census-privacy-fears/news-story/11eb87f1549a31a70d45a3460153ae9d)

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Oxford City Council have received support from the Heritage Lottery Fund for a new project to redevelop the Museum of Oxford called Oxford's Hidden Histories. To read more please go to <https://consultation.oxford.gov.uk/consult.ti/Museum/consultationHome>

I have recently been asked about what should be stored in home computers, what should be stored in the cloud and what should be put into online trees. I have also seen articles that have some plausible suggestions about where things are most secure, but they don't always include the overall view of security.

First, what information to store.

The main thing here is that simply NO information pertaining to living people should be put on a website that can, or could in the future, be seen by anyone else without their permission. This is just basic privacy that should be observed by all in all cases, not just family history.

And where to store.

Remember, if you put your family tree on line, even if there are restrictions on who can see it, in most cases the site owner/managers will be able to access it, even if they do not lay claim to all its contents which some do.

Even if it states that data is protected from access by 'governments', I have read newspaper articles that have stated governments have gone to court for access and won. If the site is sold, will the new owner/s still adhere to the original agreement? Some information held in clouds DOES NOT have any form of data protection, so if your information on a cloud happens to be unprotected by the country concerned, are you still covered by the Company because they are based in another country? maybe, maybe not. I have come across and been contacted by people whose private data has been sold back to them, yes you did read that correctly.

I have seen articles that say storing information in the cloud is much safer as the companies controlling the data storage can, and do, spend huge amounts in both time and money to protect that data, far more than could ever be done on a home computer. Well that is true, but it has to be taken into account how much effort a hacker will put into getting the information. Take relatively small storage site with 5 million users, say the value of the information is £10 per user, total value is £50 million pounds. That buys a lot of effort to access the data and for bribes to people employed to protect it. How many people are there likely to be that would accept £10 million to leave a little error in the security or give out system passwords that would allow the security to be breached?? Compare times, if the hacker was prepared to spend 1 minute trying to access your computer the equivalent would be 10 years to access the site. Can your security protect against an attempt 1 minute long?? It would probably take longer than that to just turn on and start programs without actually evaluating what is there that is useful.

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Berkshire Local History Association are organising a study day entitled " Death and Commemoration in the Middle Ages" on Saturday 7th October 2017 in Ewelme. For further details go to [https://gallery.mailchimp.com/dd37bb1a4c439c95d964afa06/files/99072534-28b5-4215-879f-86c59ff4c743/BLHA\\_Ewelme\\_study\\_day\\_flyer.pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/dd37bb1a4c439c95d964afa06/files/99072534-28b5-4215-879f-86c59ff4c743/BLHA_Ewelme_study_day_flyer.pdf)

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The Oxfordshire Family History Society are holding a family history fair in Woodstock it is also on 7th October 2017 further details can be found here <http://news.ofhs.org.uk/fair/> The event is free and open to all.

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Salvador Domingo Felipe Jacinto Dalí i Domènech, Marqués de Dalí de Púbol was born on 11th May 1904 and died on 23rd January 1989. Now a judge in Madrid has ordered that the painter's body be exhumed as there are no biological remains or personal objects of Salvador Dalí that could be used in a paternity test. This is following the claim of a Spanish lady that she was born in 1956 and that her Mother had a clandestine relationship with the painter in 1955 whilst a maid.  
You can read about the story here [www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-40405421](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-40405421)

Many of you will know I have an interest in adoptions and reuniting families. After 50 years Cathy has been reunited with her daughter Karen as a result of DNA testing. You can read the full story here <https://blog.myheritage.com/2017/06/mother-and-daughter-reunited-through-myheritage-dna-after-50-years/>

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At some time or other we all go shopping in the search of a birthday card but would you expect to find a photo of your family on the card that you knew nothing about?

In Kansas a 12 year old girl was searching for a card for Grandfathers' 74th birthday, the chosen card had a photo of a family gathering on the front, she showed it to her Mother who initially laughed at the photo but then stopped to take a closer look. The card was given to granddad, who looked at the card and got all excited as he realised the picture was of his father, his grandmother, and various other family members.

This story was found here [www.theepochtimes.com/n3/2255080-family-buys-hilarious-b-day-card-for-grandpa-finds-out-it-has-old-family-photo/](http://www.theepochtimes.com/n3/2255080-family-buys-hilarious-b-day-card-for-grandpa-finds-out-it-has-old-family-photo/)

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I don't speak Ukrainian, so I am limited in the information I can share with you about the Ukrainian records that have recently gone on line. The only information in English I found is here <http://euromaidanpress.com/2017/06/24/huge-genealogical-database-of-ukrainians-born-in-1650-1920-opens-online/#arvlbdata>

For those who do understand Ukrainian then I think this is the link you need <https://pra.in.ua/>

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The Family History Centre in the David O. McKay Library at Brigham Young University, Idaho shut down on the 18th July 2017 and has been moved to the Rexburg Family History Centre you can read more about the move here [www.rexburgstandardjournal.com/news/education/byu-idaho-genealogy-library-to-close/article\\_992ee9fa-5d35-11e7-b8d0-8bd7af65a390.html](http://www.rexburgstandardjournal.com/news/education/byu-idaho-genealogy-library-to-close/article_992ee9fa-5d35-11e7-b8d0-8bd7af65a390.html)

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MacKiev has been working feverishly on the new release of Family Tree Maker 2017. There have also been hints in the MacKiev status reports that the folks at Ancestry.com also have been burning the midnight oil on their end as well.

The details have not been released but apparently one big show stopper has been getting the Family Tree Maker 2017 software in both the Windows and Macintosh computers to synchronize properly with Ancestry.com's servers. Apparently, the problems are believed to be close to being resolved, but I was told that back in April. Beta test users reportedly have been performing updates for several months now.

If you are curious when the release will be finalized, keep an eye on the MacKiev.com status reports at <https://support.mackiev.com/498640-RELEASE-OF-FTM-2017>. Those status reports seem to updated about every week or so.

Since this newsletter went to proof read, this has now been released.

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The Church of Ireland's Library have announced the release of 'The List of Church of Ireland and Parish Registers. A Colour-coded Resource Accounting For What Survives; Where It Is; & With Additional Information of Copies, Transcripts and Online Indexes

[www.ireland.anglican.org/cmsfiles/pdf/AboutUs/library/registers/ParishRegisters/PARISHREGISTERS.pdf](http://www.ireland.anglican.org/cmsfiles/pdf/AboutUs/library/registers/ParishRegisters/PARISHREGISTERS.pdf)

Those with irish interests will probably also be interested in this web link [www.ireland.anglican.org/about/genealogy/genealogy-links](http://www.ireland.anglican.org/about/genealogy/genealogy-links)

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RootsMagic have announced a free upgrade to RootsMagic 7 is called TreeShare for Ancestry. [Please **DO NOT** confuse **TreeShare** and **TreeView** they are totally different].

TreeShare is Ancestrys new technology to integrate Ancestry Hints and Ancestry's records and online trees with RootsMagic products. You can read more about this new technology in a blog here:- <https://blogs.ancestry.com/ancestry/2017/06/28/rootsmagic-brings-ancestry-features-to-their-desktop-software/>

I haven't used it but if you have I would really appreciate your feedback be that good or bad. My email address is [FH4U@roccoland.plus.com](mailto:FH4U@roccoland.plus.com)

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Many years ago, people suggested that the way we research our family's ancestors would be changing and another change is about to happen. FamilySearch have announced the end of microfilm

Part of the announcement reads:-

" On September 1, 2017, FamilySearch will discontinue its microfilm distribution services. (The last day to order microfilm will be on August 31, 2017.)

The change is the result of significant progress made in FamilySearch's microfilm digitization efforts and the obsolescence of microfilm technology.

Online access to digital images of records allows FamilySearch to reach many more people, faster and more efficiently.

FamilySearch is a global leader in historic records preservation and access, with billions of the world's genealogical records in its collections.

Over 1.5 million microfilms (ca. 1.5 billion images) have been digitized by FamilySearch, including the most requested collections based on microfilm loan records worldwide.

The remaining microfilms should be digitized by the end of 2020, and all new records from its ongoing global efforts are already using digital camera equipment.

Family history centers will continue to provide access to relevant technology, premium subscription services, and digital records, including restricted content not available at home."

You can read the full announcement here:- [www.lds.org/callings/temple-and-family-history/familysearch-microfilm-discontinuation?lang=eng&\\_r=1](http://www.lds.org/callings/temple-and-family-history/familysearch-microfilm-discontinuation?lang=eng&_r=1)

There is also and Frequently Asked questions section here [www.lds.org/callings/temple-and-family-history/familysearch-microfilm-discontinuation/frequently-asked-questions?lang=eng](http://www.lds.org/callings/temple-and-family-history/familysearch-microfilm-discontinuation/frequently-asked-questions?lang=eng)

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'AncestorCloud' has been rebranded as 'Trace' and has also announced the acquisition of <https://genealogists.com/>

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I have mentioned in previous newsletters 'Bona Vacantia' as of the beginning of June 2017 there have been a few updates you can check them out at these links:-

[www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-a-discretionary-grant-where-the-dissolved-company-cannot-be-restored-cb3](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-a-discretionary-grant-where-the-dissolved-company-cannot-be-restored-cb3)

[www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-a-repayment-after-a-company-has-been-restored-to-the-register-cb4](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-a-repayment-after-a-company-has-been-restored-to-the-register-cb4)

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# The Family History Show

## London Event - 24th September 2017

### 10am - 4.30pm

**Sandown Park Racecourse, Portsmouth Road,  
Esher, KT10 9AJ**

Run by the organisers of the very successful Yorkshire Family History Show the London event is attracting exhibitors and family history societies from all over the UK.

You don't have to have London Ancestors to come to go to the fair - they can be from anywhere in the country! Everyone is very welcome and there will be lots to see. There is plenty of parking and refreshments are available all day. Tickets will be £4.80 at the door.

There will also be free talks running throughout the day.

To see the confirmed exhibitors please go to <http://thefamilyhistoryshow.com/exhibitors/>

A poster for this events appeared in the May Newsletter

For **Buy One Get One Free** on tickets, please go to <http://thefamilyhistoryshow.com/>

MacFamilyTree have released version 8.2, it is free for all users of 8 and 8.1, maybe you use Mobile Family Tree if so you will be interested to read that this too as been updated to version 8.2. You can find more detailed information here <https://itunes.apple.com/app/macfamilytree-8/id1037755919?ls=1&mt=12>

Another release from TheGenealogist under their 'occupational collection' cover list all qualified Doctors/Dentists in the U.K, recording details name, address, date of registration and qualifications

THE DENTISTS REGISTER FOR 1937

Original Certificate Number	Name	Address	Date of Registration	Qualifications or Status
23808	Mabe, Harold Pembroke	20, Broomhall road, Sheffield	1916, June 14	L.D.S. R.C.S. Eng., 1916
	Maben, Alexander	Red house, Croft Bank, Winstan, Manchester	1934, July 18	L.D.S. V.U. Manc., 1934
22204	Macadam, James Alston	1050, Aikenhead road, Glasgow, s.4	1928, Nov. 2	L.D.S. R.F.P.S. Glasg., 1928
12662	McAfee, Ernest	8, Osborne terrace, Balmoral, Belfast	1922, May 1	Dentists Act, 1921
16786	McAfee, Joseph Parnell	2, Erington road, Leicester	1922, Sept. 13	Dentists Act, 1921
16861	McAlister, Samuel Simpson	33, Via street, Antrim road, Belfast	1922, Sept. 16	Dentists Act, 1921
20008	McAllister, Kenneth	2, Sazby street, Leicester	1924, Jan. 23	L.D.S. U. Lpool., 1923
	McAlpin, Kenneth Fergus	32, Portland place, London, w.1	1920, July 8	L.D.S. R.C.S. Eng., 1920
	McAlpin, Kenneth Wade	32, Portland place, London, w.1	1887, Mar. 17	L.D.S. R.C.S. Eng., 1887
15517	McAlpin, Ronald Alpin	92, Waterloo street, Oldham	1922, July 25	Dentists Act, 1921
21527	MacAlpine, Archibald	7, Kensington terrace, Paisley road West, Glasgow	1926, Nov. 24	L.D.S. R.F.P.S. Glasg., 1926
15655	MacAlpine, Malcolm	154, Benfrew street, Garnethill, Glasgow, c.3	1922, Aug. 3	L.D.S. R.F.P.S. Glasg., 1922
	MacAndrew, Helen Reid	47, Kersland street, Hillhead, Glasgow	1920, Nov. 6	L.D.S. R.F.P.S. Glasg., 1920
18276	McAndrew, William	90, Hornby boulevard, Litherland, Liverpool	1922, Dec. 18	Dentists Act, 1921
19004	McAndrew, William	c/o Glyn, Mills & Co., Whitehall, London, s.w.1	1923, Aug. 24	L.D.S. R.F.P.S. Glasg., 1923
21721	McAra, John	16, Howe street, Edinburgh	1927, April 5	L.D.S. R.C.S. Edin., 1927
	McArd, Ewart	Arnside, Port Brin, I.M.	1915, Dec. 9	L.D.S. R.C.S. Eng., 1912
22096	McArdle, John Francis	2, Karonga road, Fazakerley, Liverpool	1931, Sept. 2	Dentists Act, 1921
19670	MacArthur, John	18, Henderson row, Edinburgh	1923, Aug. 14	L.D.S. R.C.S. Edin., 1923
13414	Macartney, Harold John	20, Earham street, Bungay, Suffolk	1922, May 18	Dentists Act, 1921
	MacAsh, Ian Fleming	11, Coudray road, Southport	1921, June 28	L.D.S. 1921, H.D.D. 1932, R.C.S. Edin.
19270	Macaulay, William	4, Globber crescent, Milngavie, Dumbarton-shire	1923, June 14	L.D.S. R.F.P.S. Glasg., 1923
20476	Macaulay, William	270, Queen's road, New Cross, London, s.e.14	1924, Sept. 5	L.D.S. R.C.S. Irel., 1924

The images is from  
The Dentists register for 1937 on TheGenealogist

These new releases include:-

The Medical Directory 1848

The Medical Register 1861, 1873, 1875, 1891, 1903.

The Dentists Register 1888, 1937

The Royal College of Physicians List of Fellows 1908

St Thomas's Hospital List of Old Students, June 1936

They have also added another 104 War Memorials, with 904 images and 11,998 names, bringing the total to over 375,000 individuals listed. The latest memorials are from the Leicestershire, Worcestershire, Bedfordshire, Northamptonshire and Staffordshire areas, as well as some Boer War Memorials.

The website for TheGenealogist is [www.thegenealogist.co.uk](http://www.thegenealogist.co.uk)



**Come and join us – there's lots to see and do**  
**The Hampshire Genealogical Society**  
*– helping you to explore and research your family history*

#### Guest speakers

##### David Annal – The Enumerator Strikes Back

David is a professional researcher with nearly 40 years experience. He is a former Principal Family History Specialist with the TNA and worked at the Family Records Centre for many years. His talk puts the spotlight on the enumerators, who created the UK's census returns. His intriguing story starts in 1841 talking about the hostilities they faced and how they were at the mercy of the census authorities.



##### Mark Bayley – Breaking Down Brick Walls in Your Family History Research

Head of online content and director at S&N Genealogy. Mark has been involved in many aspects of genealogy since an early age. Mark provides tutorials on how to research your family history using tools and data sets that are available on line at events across the country.



His talk looks at how to resolve stumbling blocks in your family history research using new and unique strategies to find those missing relatives.

##### Philip MacDougall – If War Should Come

Philip MacDougall is an author and historian with a special interest in the 1930s and how Britain prepared for the certain war that was to come in 1939.

His talk, based on his book of the same title, will explore just how prepared Southern England was for the outbreak of war in 1939 especially the Home Front; how plans were made for food supplies, arrangements for evacuation, Air Raid Precautions etc.



The Hampshire Genealogical Society

## HGS Open Day 2017

**Spotlight on WWII – Britain at Home**  
**Sunday 8th October 2017 10.00 – 16.00**

**FREE ADMISSION – FREE TALKS –  
 LIGHT REFRESHMENTS – OPEN TO ALL**

#### Want to know more about your ancestors? We can help you:

- Delve into the past with the expert guidance of our volunteers and HGS's resources.
- Access our records to find the facts behind what happened in Britain while our soldiers were at war.
- Look at what can be found in the 1939 Register.
- Browse HGS's bookstall.
- Visit a variety of specialist stallholders.
- Attend talks by three of the UK's leading family history experts.



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**The Everest Community Academy, Oxford Way, Basingstoke**

RG24 9FP (for satnavs) <http://www.everestcommunityacademy.org>

For further information email: [openday@hgs-online.org.uk](mailto:openday@hgs-online.org.uk) or visit:

**[www.hgs-familyhistory.com](http://www.hgs-familyhistory.com)**

Are you looking for a way of storing your research? Have you looked to see if 'BookYourPast' has what you are looking for [www.bookyourpast.co.uk](http://www.bookyourpast.co.uk) ? Or you could email them at [bookyourpast@btinternet.com](mailto:bookyourpast@btinternet.com), alternatively their phone number is: + 44 7484862801.

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Yes, we would all like enough money to be able to afford the things we would like, however for some this is not enough. Whilst searching Portsmouth for an event that took place at Portsmouth Cathedral on June 26th 2017. I found this

The Portsmouth News told the story of a greedy heir hunter who cheated 19 victims out of £99,000 and had at last been caught out.

You can read more about the tale here [www.portsmouth.co.uk/news/crime/greedy-heir-hunter-cheated-19-victims-out-of-99-000-1-8024018](http://www.portsmouth.co.uk/news/crime/greedy-heir-hunter-cheated-19-victims-out-of-99-000-1-8024018)

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Are you aware that Co-Op offer a Legal service? Try [www.co-oplegalservices.co.uk](http://www.co-oplegalservices.co.uk) where you should be able to link to articles on 'Pre-nuptial Agreements' aka Prenups.

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I have yet to complete all my investigations but it appears that Ancestral Quest, like PAF aka Personal Ancestral File has data pointer issues when the tree is big and reaches about 96,000 individuals.

A prime example why we need to backup our research and other things held on our computers on a regular basis.

Please be careful, and keep those backups.

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Are you one of the many who DO NOT bother to read the terms and conditions? Then you really need to read this article in 'The Guardian' before you sign yourself up for community service?

Could you be one of the 22,000 people who because they DID NOT read terms and conditions have found themselves legally bound to 1000 hours of community service, cleaning toilets, chewing gum from streets and even manually relieving sewer blockages.

Read to story here:-

<https://amp.theguardian.com/technology/2017/jul/14/wifi-terms-and-conditions-thousands-sign-up-clean-sewage-did-not-read-small-print>

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Over the last month or so I have been working on restoring a family tree that has been the victim of family history programme that has data pointer errors. So my questions to you are:-

1. Which computer programme do you use?
2. How many individuals do you have in ONE tree in this programme?
3. Are there any programmes that you would NOT recommend? Please tell me the programme and the reason [simple short answers please]
4. Do you keep your family tree online? if so which site/s to you use?

I will put the results of this survey in the next newsletter



The Library and Archives Canada have digitised and put online the 'Canadian Expeditionary Force Personnel Service Records

[www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage/first-world-war/personnel-records/Pages/personnel-records.aspx](http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage/first-world-war/personnel-records/Pages/personnel-records.aspx)

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TheGenealogist have expanded its UK Parish Records collection with the release of over 1,363,000 new records for Northumberland. These records make it easier to find your ancestors' baptisms, marriages and burials in the fully searchable records that cover the ancient parishes of the northernmost county of England. Some of the records can take you as far back as 1560.

In this release you can find the records of:-

903,314 individuals in Baptisms, 157,329 individuals in Marriages and 302,378 individuals in Burials

Below is a copy of the transcript for Grace Darling

Parish » Parish Transcript Baptisms » Full			
<i>Baptism Record For Grace Horsley Darling</i> <i>In the Parish of Bamburgh</i>			
Name	Grace Horsley Darling		
Father's Name	William Darling	Mother's Name	Thomasine Darling
Father's Profession	Lighthouse Keeper		
Date of Baptism	17th December 1815		
Abode	Outer Lighthouse		
Place of Event	Bamburgh, Northumberland		
Event	Baptism		
			

The website address for TheGenealogist is [www.thegenealogist.co.uk](http://www.thegenealogist.co.uk)

Better still visit their stand at The Family History Show, Sandown Park Racecourse on Sunday 24th September. Tickets just £4.80 and this **includes** the talk which are **free**.

I am planning on being there, so please do say hello.

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The FFHS aka Federation of Family History Societies Conference this year is:-  
Beyond the Census II

Their information states:-

"Wesley's Chapel and Leysian Mission, City Road, London, EC1Y 1AU

Saturday 30th September from 10.30am – 4.30pm

Our FFHS Beyond the Census II one-day conference will both broaden and deepen your understanding of family history research. Come along and hear accomplished speakers including: Ian Waller, Martin McDowell, Meryl Catty and Nick Barratt.

On Saturday 30th September you will discover answers to questions you don't yet know to ask! You'll learn about census alternatives, little-known record sets, DNA ... and much, much more.



Intrigued? You should be! Why not join us for the day?

The cost of this Seminar is £12.00 Capacity is limited to 100. Please Book Early **to avoid** disappointment.

To book please use the link below:

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ScotlandsPeople have released an announcement [www.scotlandsppeople.gov.uk/article/news-article-release-presbyterian-church-records](http://www.scotlandsppeople.gov.uk/article/news-article-release-presbyterian-church-records) As of 26th June 2017, over 36,000 new presbyterian church records, covering the period 1744 to 1855 have been added. Hope this is helpful to someone.

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## **Forces War**

WW1 Hospital Records Collection on Forces War Records has now reached 1 Million

## **Galway East Family History Society**

<http://galwayeast.rootsireland.ie/generic.php?filename=sources.tpl&selectedMenu=sources>

Abbey Duniry Baptism records 1870-1909  
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Portumna Parish Non Catholic Marriages 1845-1955  
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Woodford Parish Non Catholic Marriages 1845-1955

Census Records -1889 Woodford Parish Census

Ahascragh Graveyard Inscriptions  
Aughrim Graveyard Inscriptions  
Beagh Graveyard Inscriptions  
Clontuskert Graveyard Inscriptions  
Craughwell Graveyard Inscriptions

Kilbeacanty Graveyard Inscriptions  
 Kilclooney Graveyard Inscriptions  
 Killascobe Graveyard Inscriptions  
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Christmas Donations - Beagh and Gort parishes, 1856

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Augheart	Fohanagh	Killallaghtan	Kiltartan
Aughrim	Grange	Killeenadeema	Kilteskil
Ballinakill	Inishcaltra	Killeroran	Kilthomas
Ballymacward	Isertkelly	Killian	Kiltormer
Beagh	Kilbeacanty	Killimorbologue	Kiltullagh
Boyounagh	Kilbegnet	Killimordaly	Leitrim
Bullaun	Kilchreest	Killinan	Lickerrig
Clonbern	Kilcloony	Killogilleen	Lickmolassy
Clonfert	Kilconnell	Killoscobe	Loughrea
Clonrush	Kilconickny	Killosolan	Meelick
Clontuskert	Kilcroan	Killora	Moylough
Donamon	Kileeneen	Kilmacduagh	Templetogher.
Donanaghta	Kilgerrill	Kilmalinogue	

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**IrishAncestors.ie**

**Irish Genealogy**.ie [www.irishgenealogy.ie/en](http://www.irishgenealogy.ie/en)

**Ireland Genealogy Projects Archives**

Fermanagh, Derrygonnelly, Church Hill Baptisms, Wesleyan Methodist 1877-1930

Mongahan, Clones Registers, Marriages 1694-1702 & 1757-1778

Mongahan, Clones Registers, Baptisms, 1701-1704 and 1710-1713

Fermanagh Marriages: Church Hill Wesleyan Methodist 1879-1934

Monaghan Clones, Baptisms 1722-25

Monaghan Clones, Marriages 1723-4, 1733, 1758-67, 1792-1805, 1808-12

Don't forget the site [www.militaryarchives.ie/en/home/](http://www.militaryarchives.ie/en/home/) for Military records.

**Old Scottish Records** [www.oldscottish.com/records](http://www.oldscottish.com/records)

**RootsIreland** [not all are new, some are updates]

Co Mayo have added over 50,000 names from gravestones [For a complete listing please go to <http://mayo.rootsireland.ie/generic.php?filename=sources.tpl&selectedMenu=sources> ]

Ardrahan Non Catholic Marriages 1845-1955  
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Woodford Non Catholic Marriages 1845-1955

**Stirling Archives** [www.stirlingarchives.scot/poor-relief-indexes](http://www.stirlingarchives.scot/poor-relief-indexes)

## **TheGenealogist**

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