



# NZSG New Plymouth Branch Newsletter



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**Branch Library:** Open free to members. A small charge to visitors.  
**Opening Hours:** Monday: 10 am to 12:30 pm (closed 6 February, Waitangi Day)  
 Wednesday: 12 noon to 3 pm  
 Saturday: 10 am to 12 noon

## Extraordinary General Meeting

Distributed with this newsletter is the notice of the Extraordinary General Meeting of the branch that is to be held on 7 March 2017.

This EGM is required for formally approve some rules recommended by the NZSG. The branch members who are members of NZSG can vote at this EGM.

The EGM shouldn't take too long, and our normal meeting business will follow on straight afterwards.

# E.G.M.

Notification of Extraordinary General Meeting

Next meeting: 6:00 pm Tuesday 7 Feb 2017

## St Mary's Headstones

Our first meeting for 2017 will be on Tuesday 7 February 2017. This will be a visit to the Taranaki Cathedral Church of St Mary, to view the headstone restoration project there with John Pickering.

Please meet at 6:00 pm at the Brougham Street gate of St Mary's church.

If the weather turns out to be raining or otherwise unsuitable, this event will be cancelled.

**Convenor:** Bruce Bellini 758 0130  
**Secretary:** Jackie Sewell  
**Treasurer:** Neville Richards 753 5051

**Committee:** Lorraine Austin  
 John Berntsen  
 Jill Jackson  
 Annette Larsen  
 Charles Le Breton  
 Ailsa McCrone  
 Bev Mulqueen

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**Meetings:** 7:30 pm, first Tuesday each month at branch rooms, Moturoa Shopping Centre access off Whiteley Street carpark  
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**Website:** [www.genealogynp.com](http://www.genealogynp.com)

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**Last Event:**

The branch Christmas Dinner in December was well attended and enjoyed by all as usual.

The dinner was held at the Fitzroy Golf Club, with catering by Le Dejeuner Catering.

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**Next Meeting: 7 March 2017**

Our branch meeting for March will be on Tuesday 7 March. Pat George will tell us about her recent trip to the UK

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**Informal Genealogy Computer Group**

Welcome to 2017. Happy New Year and may it be a successful one.

This is to let you know that the ex genealogy computer group will continue to hold bi-monthly meetings at the Branch Rooms on the third Sunday of alternate months starting on Sunday 19 February. Anyone is most welcome to attend these meetings.

There are usually no set topics, so it is wonderful opportunity to discuss any problems that you may have, any successes you have had and to share helpful information. These are usually computer or internet related but not always. It is also another opportunity to access the information in our library.

So feel free to join us at 1:30 pm on Sunday 19 February. You may be surprised on what you might find out!

Usual \$2.00 door charge applies.

For any enquiries, please contact Peter Hewett or Bruce Bellini.

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**Convenor's Report**

I hope you have all had a great Christmas and a relaxing New Year break and are refreshed and ready to tackle another year of genealogical discoveries.

I am sure that all those members who attended the Branch end of year Christmas Dinner were pleased with it and I would like to thank the Committee members who helped organise that successful event.

Your Committee has had its first meeting for the year and I would like to ask you to let one of our committee members know of any topics or guest speakers that think would be of interest to our group for future meetings. Perhaps you could give a short talk on some interesting aspect or your family research or a success you have had. Please let us know if you can, and we will be pleased to include you in our programme.

Bruce Bellini  
Branch Convenor

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**Legacy Help**

The next in Marilyn's series of Legacy sessions will be on Sunday 12 March 2017 at 1:30pm in the Branch Rooms. Future meetings are planned for every second month; 7 May, 9 July, 10 September and 12 November.

Please note that there is a \$2 door charge.

Please contact Marilyn Armitstead for further information or if you have any questions. Phone: 757 2599 or email [g.armitstead@xtra.co.nz](mailto:g.armitstead@xtra.co.nz)



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### Projects Under Way

Our branch has several projects under way to compile and preserve data that may be of use to genealogists.

#### Te Henui Cemetery

This project is to photograph and transcribe all the headstones in this old cemetery. These headstones were transcribed by the branch many years ago. This project will recheck and update the data, and take photographs of each headstone.

The project is well under way, but we can always do with more help. If you are able to assist, please contact Pat George or Lorraine Austin.

#### Newspaper BDMs

This project is transcribing all the birth, death and marriages from local newspapers. We need some helpers to check the transcribed information. If you can help, please contact Lorraine Austin.

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### Palmerston North NZSG Open Day 2017

Date: Saturday 11 March 2017

Time: 9:30am to 4:00 pm

Cost: \$15

Palmerston North Branch of NZSG is holding an Open Day with presentations by Linley Robinson, Prof Margaret Tennant and Mary Shadbolt. Lots of local resources will be available. For further information, please contact [roseanddavid.rohde@gmail.com](mailto:roseanddavid.rohde@gmail.com).

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### How to start your day with a positive outlook

1. Open a new file in your PC.
2. Name it "Housework."
3. Send it to the RECYCLE BIN
4. Empty the RECYCLE BIN
5. Your PC will ask you, "Are you sure you want to delete housework permanently?"
6. Answer calmly, "Yes," and press the mouse button firmly....
7. Feel better?

Judy Berntsen

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### 2017 Branch Meetings

Our branch committee is putting together an interesting set of meeting topics for 2017, but we still have a few spare slots.

If you have any suggestions or requests for topics that you would like covered, please contact a committee member.

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### Donations

The branch gratefully acknowledges these recent donations to our library. In each case, the books were donated by the author.

*Battle of Waireka*, by Grahame Kenyon, about the 19<sup>th</sup> century land wars near Omata

*History of the Hartley Family*, by M N Hartley

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### HP B110 Printer Cartridges

A set of unused printer cartridges are available to anyone who can use them. These are model HP B110 colour set of cartridges. Please contact Bev Mulqueen at 758 5523.



## Library Roster: February / March

Monday 10 am to 12:30 pm

Wednesday 12 noon to 3 pm

Saturday 10 am to 12 noon

Wed 1 Judy Berntsen

Sat 4 Karen Crowe

Mon 6 Public holiday - Waitangi Day

Tues 7 Branch meeting – 6pm – Tour and talk by John Pickering at St. Mary's Church

Wed 8 Jill Jackson

Sat 11 Ailsa McCrone

Mon 13 Charles Le Breton

Wed 15 Charles Le Breton

Sat 18 Neville Richards

Mon 20 Lorraine Austin

Wed 22 Elly Harrison

Sat 25 Marilyn Armistead

Mon 27 Anne Brophy

March

Wed 1 Judy Berntsen

Sat 4 Lea and/or Bruce Bellini

Mon 6 Lorraine Austin

Tues 7 Branch meeting – 7:30pm

Wed 8 Jill Jackson

Sat 11 Karen Crowe

Mon 13 Public holiday – Taranaki Day

Wed 15 Fay Eaton

Sat 18 Neville Richards

Mon 20 Anne Brophy

Wed 22 Elly Harrison

Sat 25 Marilyn Armistead

Mon 27 Annette Larsen

Tues 28 Committee meeting 7pm

Wed 29 Ailsa McCrone

## Empty Printer Cartridges

Please bring your empty printer cartridges in to the branch rooms. These can be either ink jet or laser cartridges, but **we can only use HP or Canon types of cartridges.**

These will be recycled to generate some income for the branch.



## A4 Envelopes Please

If you have any used A4 envelopes, please consider donating these to the branch library. They are used for filing library materials.

## Library News

Magazines received;

Memories (Feb/Mar)

Genealogist (Dec)

Family Tree (Christmas, Jan )

Who Do You Think You Are (Dec, Jan)

Newsletters received;

Dunedin, Kapiti, Papamoa, Porirua, Stratford, Wellington

If you would like an email copy of newsletters from another branch, please contact John Berntsen. Many of the newsletters are also available from the NZSG website.

[www.genealogy.org.nz/branches--area-contacts\\_55](http://www.genealogy.org.nz/branches--area-contacts_55)



## Newsletter

If you have any comments or suggestions for the newsletter, please contact Peter Hewett at [peter.hewett@gmail.com](mailto:peter.hewett@gmail.com).

