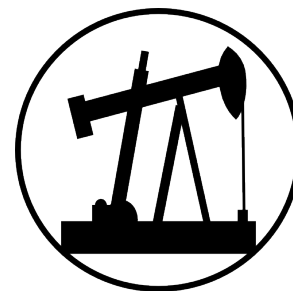




NZSG

New Plymouth

Branch Newsletter



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Branch Library: Open free to members. A small charge to visitors.
Opening Hours: Monday: 10am to 3pm (but not open Taranaki Day, 11 March)
 Wednesday: 12 noon to 3pm
 Saturday: 10am to 12 noon (but not open Good Friday, 29 March)

Newsletter

Our branch newsletter is one of the main ways of conveying news, notices and other information to our members. It is intended to be a helpful resource for the branch and it relies on input from members.

If you have anything that might be interesting or useful to other members, please forward to branch newsletter editor, Peter Hewett.

These can be any articles, interesting finds, book review, helpful tips, upcoming events or other item that might be of interest to other members.



Next meeting: 7:30 pm Tuesday 5 Mar 2013

Press Display

At our March meeting, Charles Le Breton will give a short presentation based on this new / tweaked Puke Ariki facility.

Press Display is a service provided by Puke Ariki that enables people to browse more than 2200 electronic newspapers from all over the globe. Charles will cover;

- Who can and how to access
- Some of the main functions and limitations
- Give you some more value for your rates
- Of use for far more than genealogy.

Even if you went to the Puke Ariki presentation last week, please come along as Charles may have missed something, or you may be able to add some personal insights / experiences.

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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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Last Meeting: Old Photos

At our February branch meeting, members brought along photos of bearded ancestors and other interesting old photos. This proved to be very popular, and ten members did a short show and tell on a piece of their family history. Even so, the event was oversubscribed, and unfortunately there wasn't time for everyone who brought along material. But since this was popular, it might be possible to hold a similar event at a future branch meeting.

Thanks to all members who brought along photos and stories to share with the branch.

Wine Boxes

The branch library uses empty cardboard wine boxes for storing various items such as magazines.

If you have any of these, please bring along to the branch rooms.

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 at present.

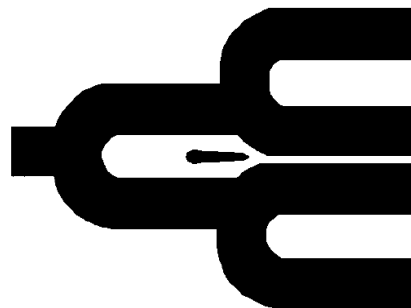
These will be recycled to generate some income for the branch.



NZSG Website

The NZSG website is a good source of information and resources for genealogy research. It also carries updated news on genealogy related events. It is worth checking out if you haven't used it recently.

You need to be a NZSG member to get access to much of the more useful parts of the website.



Donations

The branch gratefully acknowledges the donation by the Hawera branch of the book *A Poem in Stone – a history of St Mary's Church 1971*.

2013 ANZSI Conference

The Australian and New Zealand Society of Indexers is holding its 2013 conference in Wellington 13 to 15 March 2013.

This will be the first time an indexing conference has ever been held in New Zealand. ANZSI see this as an excellent opportunity for indexers, publishers, editors, technical writers, historians, genealogists and other allied organisations to come together.

The conference theme is *Intrepid indexing: indexing without boundaries*. Ebooks and e-publishing are changing the way we index, edit and publish. The conference will host experienced speakers in these fields and is an excellent opportunity to keep up with the changing technology.

Details about the conference programme and how to register are on the website.

www.anzsi.org/site/2013Conf.asp



Slide / Negative Scanner

The branch negative / slide scanner is available for hire to members for use at home. The cost is \$5 a week for up to two weeks.



To hire (or book) this scanner, please contact the person on duty at the rooms during normal opening hours.

The scanner will be demonstrated at the March branch meeting.

Twenty Third Psalm For Genealogists

Genealogy is my pastime; I shall not stray.

It maketh me to lie down

and examine half-buried tombstones;

It leadeth me to dusty courthouses

It restoreth my ancestral knowledge,

and leadeth me

Into the paths of census records and passenger ships lists for surname's sake.

Yea, though I wade through the shadows

Of research libraries and microfilm readers -

I shall fear no discouragement

For a strong urge is with me.

The curiosity and motivation, they comfort me.

It demandeth preparation of storage space -

It annointeth my head with burning midnight oil,

My family group sheets runneth over.

Surely, birth, marriage and death record dates

Shall follow me all the days of my life;

And I shall dwell in the Family History Centre Forever.

From the Matamata branch newsletter

Websites

The computer group meeting in February, Shirley Thomson presented some useful websites.

IHGS

The Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies provides a range of training courses in family history and related topics. Their newsletter is interesting.

www.ihgs.ac.uk

Lost Cousins

This website provides a way of getting in touch with people who are researching the same ancestors as you are. It only discloses your info to people researching the same ancestor.

www.lostcousins.com

Britain from above

A number of aerial photographs from across Britain are available from this website. These date from 1919 to 1953.

www.britainfromabove.org.uk

Library News

Magazines received;

Family Tree (March)

Genealogist (Feb)

Your Family History (Feb)

Newsletters received;

Blenheim, Hawkes Bay, Hutt Valley, Matamata, Nelson, Otaki, Palmerston North, Porirua, Riccarton, South Canterbury, Wanganui, Wellington



Newsletter

If you have any comments or suggestions for the newsletter, please contact Peter Hewett at peter.hewett@gmail.com.

