

# Gore Branch of New Zealand Society of Genealogists November 2022

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**Next Meeting**  
**1 November 2022**  
**7pm Maruawai Center**  
**Snapfish Prints, Photo**  
**Books And More!. Make a**  
**Photo Gift in Minutes**

## *October 2022 Meeting report*

A small number of members braved the ghastly weather to attend the meeting.

Favourite Ancestors included a fascinating Hannah Evans, Robert Johnston, Malcolm/ McCallum, and one member spoke of her German/Prussian Research.

Diane Wilson's excellent 'Wilson Collection' website was demonstrated, with many comments on what could be found, followed by an interesting session on the new features of Ancestry, including ethnicity and painter.

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Scottish Birth and Death certificates record the time of the event. English, Irish and Wales certificates do not list the actual time.

LONDON — **Queen Elizabeth II** died of "old age," according to her death certificate, which was released on Thursday by the registrar general of Scotland.

The informant was her daughter Princess Anne, who supplied the information 8 days after her mother's death



The certificate, which lists her occupation as 'Her Majesty the Queen', also notes that the Queen died at **3:10 p.m.** on Sept. 8 at Balmoral Castle.

The official notice was placed on the Buckingham Palace gates at 6.30pm. The funeral was amazing with precision, pomp and ceremony and armed forces all in step. Did you note there were several females in Navy pulling the coffin.

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Wendy is helping a gentleman (P Turnbull) find extended family members who would be interested in having the old Family Bible with Births/Deaths/Marriages handwritten in it.

**They family settled around the Chatton area;** Original parents/settlers were **Henry Sydney JONES** and **Georgina (nee HENDERSON)**.

Family surnames include

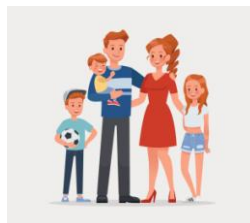
<b>Maslin</b>	<b>Stark</b>	<b>Gow</b>
<b>Hurring</b>	<b>Turnbull</b>	<b>Ibbotson</b>
<b>Erskine</b>		

**with other surnames and some photos of MAHON and DIGNAN.**

The bible and accompanying Presbyterian Worship Service book, while not in good condition, may be a treasure for some family member and he is looking for a new home for it. Thanks *Wendy Shaw. Southland Branch*

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## **Seven Questions to ask your family**



What was your childhood home like?  
 Why did your parents give you your name?  
 What were your parents' occupations?

What is your earliest memory?

What makes you the happiest?

What has changed the most since you were a child?

What is the bravest thing you've ever done?

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### 1921 Scottish Census should be out before the end of the year

At one time it was hoped that the 1921 Scotland Census would be released before the end of 2021, but now ScotlandsPeople is indicating a release date towards the end of 2022:

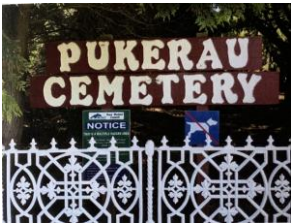
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#### SCOTLAND'S PEOPLE NEWS

More than 50,000 indexed entries of Admissions to Perth Prison for the years 1867-79 and 1888-1921 were added. A free search of the index can be made and this lists birthplace and age.

FAMILY SEARCH UPDATE Early this year 3 million names from New Zealand Electoral Rolls from 1865 to 1957 were uploaded. This is an alternative source for NZ electoral rolls, which are also available at Ancestry for a longer time period. Thanks to Riccarton Branch

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### Pukerau Cemetery Event

A public event is planned for Sunday 6 November 2022 to celebrate the recent developments at the cemetery starting at 1pm at the Catholic Block with the unveiling of the plaque at the entrance.

#### Everyone is welcome attend.

Gore District Council manages the cemetery has recently added signage and improved the Catholic block (which was a wilderness and seriously needed)

#### Can You Help

The support Cemetery Group needs help with families buried in the cemetery.

They are particularly interested in the descendants of the following names for whom they have very little information:

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| <b>Boyle</b>     | <b>Corrans</b>  | <b>Couperthwaite</b> |
| <b>Craigie</b>   | <b>Dennehy</b>  | <b>Flanagan</b>      |
| <b>Gardner</b>   | <b>Grealish</b> | <b>Isted</b>         |
| <b>Johnstone</b> | <b>MacNee</b>   | <b>McColl</b>        |
| <b>McDonald</b>  | <b>Orchard</b>  | <b>Petrie</b>        |
| <b>Ross</b>      | <b>Smith</b>    | <b>Stephenson</b>    |
| <b>Stewart</b>   | <b>Turner</b>   | <b>Wennerbeck</b>    |

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### From Dick Eastman's Blog (<http://www.eogn.com>)

Family Search Completes Massive Microfilm Digitization Project Huge news: after 83 years of filming the world's historical genealogical records, FamilySearch has completed digitizing its 2.4 million rolls of microfilm. The best part? The archive, which contains information on more than 11.5 billion individuals, is now available for free on

#### FamilySearch.org.

Over 200 countries and principalities and more than 100 languages are included in the digitized documents. All types of genealogically significant records are included—censuses, births, marriages, deaths, probate, Church, immigration, and more. Now that the project is completed, it's much easier for users to find members of their family tree and make personal discoveries within these records. Want to check out these digitized microfilms for yourself? Explore FamilySearch's free collections of indexed records and images by going to FamilySearch.org, and then search both "Records" and "Images." The Images feature will let you browse digitized images from the microfilm collection and more.

You will need a FamilySearch account to access digitized records—but don't worry, signing up is completely free!

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52,429 New Records for Ealing (West of London) released by TheGenealogist

TheGenealogist has released 52,429 records for the Borough of Ealing in the west of London for the period just prior to the First World War. This area consists of the seven major towns of Acton, Ealing, Greenford, Hanwell, Northolt, Perivale and South all as well as the area of Hayes, Norwood and part of Hammersmith. It was once in the county of Middlesex and because it was half way between city and country, with pleasant greenery, it was often referred to as the 'Queen of the Suburbs'.

The records can be quite revealing for family historians as they give details of houses and other buildings owned in the area by our ancestors at a time when the Government surveyed Ealing in the period between 1910-1915. To make it easier to understand how areas may have changed over the years.

TheGenealogist has also plotted each property onto large scale contemporary Ordnance Survey Maps

which are available on its versatile Map Explorer™. This allows users to switch between modern and historical maps so that a researcher is able to see any changes that have taken place in the surrounding neighbourhood with the passing of time. These land tax records, when used in conjunction with other records on TheGenealogist such as census, street directories etc can build a better picture of the environment in which your ancestors worked, lived or played. Family history researchers can use these records to

- Search for a person by name
- Search by county, parish and street
- Discover descriptions and values of the houses occupied by an ancestor
- Zoom down on the map to show the individual properties as they were in the 1910s
- Use the controls to reveal a modern street map or satellite view underlay

Read TheGenealogist's article about the famous home of St Trinian's and Lavender Hill Mob found in these Ealing records:

<https://www.thegenealogist.co.uk/featuredarticles/2021/the-home-of-st-trinians-and-the-lavender-hill-mob-appears-in-the-land-tax-records-ir5>

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Church of Ireland Gazette Digital Archive Complete (1856-2010) If you are researching Irish ancestors, you will undoubtedly want to look in a new online web source: the Church of Ireland Gazette Digital Archive Complete (1856-2010). Quoting from the announcement:

The Church of Ireland Gazette Digital Archive is complete. All editions of the newspaper, from its foundation in 1856 up to and including 2010, are freely available electronically, allowing the worldwide audience to view and search it using any name, place, or other search term. This gifts everybody from the cursory reader to the academic researcher with access to this extensive resource here: <https://esearch.informa.ie/rcb> Written and read by lay and clerical members and others, the Gazette provides the longest-running public commentary on the Church's affairs, and as such is recognized as a valuable primary source for understanding the complexities and nuance of Church of Ireland and indeed wider Protestant identity, as well as the Church's contribution to political and cultural life north and south.

From 2010, as regular readers will know, the Gazette becomes available as an e-paper. In 2013, the RCB

Library's ambitious goal to digitize and make freely available the complete run of the newspaper began modestly with the content of the 1913 editions uploaded. Since then, a combination of state funding, private sponsorship and the support of central Church funds has enabled evolutionary growth of the project, and thanks to the generous grant from the Irish Government's Reconciliation Fund, administered by the Department of Foreign Affairs, this is now complete, with a permanent digital archive available online for future generations of researchers. You can read more at: <http://churchofirelandhist.org/church-of-ireland-gazette-digital-archive-complete-1856-2>

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Thanks to Ashburton Family History Group

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 **WikiTree** WikiTree

There are some other websites that host a collaborative family tree than can contribute to. The other big one is FamilySearch, and there are some others, like TribalPages.

Although it doesn't provide source documents or records, Wikitree is a great way to share research with other people working on the same ancestors.

As with other online trees, the data is only as good as what people have entered. Wikitree has a strong honour code and edits are traced to enable checking by other users. For entries earlier than 1700, users must pass an exam, and there is another exam for editing earlier than 1500.

Wikitree is free to use, so check it out and see what assistance it can be for your research.

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**Additions to Ancestry's Collections**

**England:** St Margaret's

Church, Westminster,

Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1934

**Nottinghamshire,** Church of England Marriages and Banns, 1754-1937

**Ireland:** Royal College of Physicians of Ireland Registers, 1667-1920

**Australia:** Queensland, Immigration Records: Passengers and Crew, 1852-1899

**Queensland**, Commonwealth Electoral Rolls, 1906-1969  
Queensland, School Admission Records, 1860-1992

**UK:** Post Mortem Examinations and Case Books, 1840-1920

**UK:** World War II War Diaries, 1939-1946

**UK:** Coal Mining Accidents and Deaths Index, 1878-1951

**UK and Commonwealth:** Law Examination Records, 1836-1946

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<https://www.familysearch.org/en/blog/tag/about-familysearch/whats-new-at-familysearch>

There has to be something of interest for someone, free, on FamilySearch.

They have announced the following additions to their records in just the last two weeks: Where are you searching?

7 million newly indexed family history records have been added to collections from **Mexico, Ireland, and Spain.**

The indexed additions include about 10,000 from civil registrations and Catholic records in Argentina and browse-able "new records from

**Benin, Brazil, Cape Verde, Chile, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, England, Panama, Peru, S Africa, the Ukraine, the United States, Venezuela.**

**From Ireland**, 1.5m indexed records of "Ireland, Dublin, Workhouses Admission and Discharge Registers, 1840-1919

**English** records included were 113k indexed records in the England, Devon, Ford Park Cemetery and **Torquay Cemetery Burials**, 1848-1974 collection

**Researching Norfolk?** Norfolk baptisms in 1922, Banns and marriage from 1938, Burials from 1997 are now online. You're in luck if your ancestor was likely to have been baptized, married or buried at All Saints church in the parish of Kingston upon Thames, Surrey between 1813-1825

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**Berkshire** - Over 2.1 million records spanning almost 400 years of history. Foundlings, orphans, illegitimate children. Burials dating from 1536 – 1991 ,marriages and banns cover 1538-1931 and some witnesses.

The FindMyPast blog

<https://www.findmypast.com/blog/discoveries/10-amazing-finds-1921> reports 7 horses, 17 dogs, 144 (!) cats, 3 goldfinches, 2 ferrets, 7 chickens, 1 rooster and 1 tortoise, all listed as family members. Along with some of the many comments they've found in the records.

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**Recent additions to Papers past**

Press (1972-1979)

Timaru Herald (May-June 1912)

Waikato Times (March-April 1920, May 1925, August 1931)

Wairarapa Age (1921-March 1938)

*Thanks to Kapiti Branch*

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The 1921 census Scotland will be released on the **ScotlandsPeople** website at the **end of 2022** according to an announcement from the National Records of Scotland.

How much will it cost to access the 1921 census of Scotland?

The price of the Scottish 1921 census will be £1.50 per page (6 credits), the same as other census records on ScotlandsPeople. As with other ScotlandsPeople records this will be on a pay-as-you-go basis using the same credit system that is in place for other census records on the website.