



The newsletter for the Dartford members of the North West Kent Family History Society  
[www.nwkhfs.org.uk](http://www.nwkhfs.org.uk)

**OUR TALK TODAY**

**Military Medals - Powerpoint presentation**  
**(Gallantry, Campaign, Long Service etc.)**

*Glen Jones*

Speaker's details not available when going to press

**COMING NEXT TO DARTFORD**

**6 December**

**The Curious History of Christmas Food - from Yorkshire Pies,  
 Christmas Pottage to 12th Night Cake and  
 Temperance Mince Pies**

*Dr Peter Ross*

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**13 November SEVENOAKS BRANCH**  
**"Walking in Flanders Fields"**  
*Melanie Gibson-Barton*

**15 November BROMLEY BRANCH**  
**The Men behind the Pen: the Life of the  
 Scribe in the Middle Ages**  
*Imogen Corrigan*

**SOCIETY NEWSLETTER and EMAIL INFORMATION SERVICE**

The Society newsletters are available and can be viewed on the website. Go to [www.nwkhfs.org.uk/newsletters.htm](http://www.nwkhfs.org.uk/newsletters.htm)

If you haven't already done so, sign up for the email information service. Go to <http://tiny.cc/nwkhfs89> or email your name and membership number to [emailinfoservice@nwkhfs.org.uk](mailto:emailinfoservice@nwkhfs.org.uk) with confirmation that you are happy to be contacted by NWKFHS.

**WHEN DID YOU LAST CHECK THE MEMBERS' INTERESTS INDEX for matches with your ancestors?**

Additions made in summer 2014 include:

**Barton, Borer, Conabeer, Dawes, Kirby,  
 Line, Lingood, Openshaw, Porter, Power,  
 Rich, Sharpe, Summers, Waters, Wood.**

Find the addresses of the researchers on the index-cards

**FFHS POST-1996 ENGLISH AND WELSH PROBATE RECORDS DATABASE ONLINE**

The Probate Service for England and Wales has added a searchable database online for post-1996 wills and grants of probate, to complement its soldiers' wills offerings already available. The database is at <http://tiny.cc/nwkhfs111>

There is a basic search facility (surname and year of death) and an advanced search capability (surname, first name, year, month and date of death, year, month and date of probate). If an entry is found from the search a full copy will cost £10 to access.

**CITY OF LONDON EVENTS****Was The Great War good for medicine?**

Date: 11 November 2014, 12.30 pm - 1.30 pm  
 Location: Artizan Street Library and Community Centre  
 1 Artizan Street, London E1 7AF (Nr Aldgate Tube)  
 Cost: Free. Phone 020 7606 3030

"Virile bodies brought to nothing but a slug in the ground". Modern warfare posed new challenges for medicine and new opportunities. Discover how doctors, nurses and casualties survived the "War to end all wars" and decide whether anything good came out of their experiences. An Armistice Day talk by Kevin Brown.

**WORLD WAR 1 CENTENARY**

To read about the Society's associated activities and projects go to:  
[www.nwkhfs.org.uk/world-war-one.htm](http://www.nwkhfs.org.uk/world-war-one.htm)

**NWKFHS WORKSHOPS**

**Latin for Parish Registers** Mari Alderman, 19 November  
**Mac course for new users** Dr Allan Stapleton, 10 December  
 Please see further details on the website for these workshops:  
[www.nwkhfs.org.uk/workshops.htm](http://www.nwkhfs.org.uk/workshops.htm)

All workshops are held on a Wednesday between 10.30 and 12.30 at the Society Library and Resource Centre, Summerhouse Drive, Joydens Wood. Places need to be booked in advance and a donation of £5 is requested. Booking can be made by email; please email your details, with the workshop title you'd like to attend, to: [workshop.booking@nwkhfs.org.uk](mailto:workshop.booking@nwkhfs.org.uk)

Alternatively ask either David Turner or David Cufley for a form, or contact Janet Rose.

**NORTH WEST KENT FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY, DARTFORD BRANCH**

Meetings are held at the Dartford Science & Technology College, Heath Lane, Dartford on the 1st Saturday of the month from 9.45 am to 12.30 pm  
 Who's Who and What's on the Tables

**Master of Ceremonies:** Janet Rose

**Branch Secretary:** Sheila Elisak

**Reception:** Sheila Elisak, Pauline Heathcote and Sylvia Carter  
 Registration, membership information, newsletters, name badges

**Transport, events and outings:** Jean Carter

**Old magazines and journals:** Joyce Bullard

**Refreshments:** Sandra and Bob Shepherd  
 Tea, coffee, squash, biscuits

**Computer help desk:** Allan Stapleton

**Sound Technicians:** John Muskett/Reg Eagles

**Exchange journals:** Pat Carey, Stella Nicholls and Jean Carter

**Bookstall:** Gillian Seager and Tim Jacob

**Sale of North West Kent Publications on CD:** Lorraine King

**Reference book library:** Alan and Maureen Griffiths  
 Reference books may be borrowed at no charge

**Notice board and members' interests:** Sylvia Hammond

**Raffle:** Pat Cornelius and others

**Fiche readers:**  
 The International Genealogical Index (I.G.I.) and other fiche

**Genealogical problem table:**  
 Experienced family history researchers to help when you are stuck

**Information and miscellaneous:** Various information lists and borrowing of fiche