



North West Kent Family History Society

(Covering N W Kent and ancient Kent parishes now S E London)

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NEWSLETTER

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An electronic publication available on-line to anyone interested in Family History

Happy New Year 2013

In this issue you'll find ideas for New Year Resolutions that are easy to keep and the latest about

- + **NWKFHS AGM & Family History Day**
- + **Past Journals on-line**
- + **Local Meetings**
- + **Membership renewal reminder**
- + **Surplus Journals**
- + **MORE Workshops**
- + **New Kent History and Library Centre, Maidstone**

- + **NWKFHS AGM & Family History Day will be held on **Saturday 27 April 2013**.
Put this date in your diary NOW!**

More details and booking forms in the December Journal and on-line.

+ **Past Journals on line from 1978 to 2007 and can be read in a format that means you can download articles. Additionally each Journal can be searched for key words, so you can check back for any name, place or period that may be useful to your research.**

www.nwkfhs.org.uk/back-journals.htm

The website has an easier-to-use front page
www.nwkfhs.org.uk
Take a look!

- + **Local Meetings in January** www.nwkfhs.org.uk/meetings.htm

Why not invite a friend to join you at one of these meetings.

Bromley Saturday Morning 19 January 2013

The Huguenots

speaker Michael Gandy

Dartford Saturday Morning 12 January 2013

Of Princes and Palaces

speaker Peter Hartley

**The residences of Sovereigns from Queen Victoria to the present
and the pattern of their year moving around those homes**

At each meeting there is a help desk for assistance with research. Publications etc for sale and opportunities to borrow books and journals. Easy access, toilets and refreshments at each venue. Members and visitors are welcome at any meeting with donations appreciated from visitors. Full details, guide maps to the meeting halls and local contacts are given at

www.nwkfhs.org.uk/meetings.htm

Dartford and Sevenoaks branch newsletter are freely downloadable at
www.nwkfhs.org.uk/dartboard.pdf www.nwkfhs.org.uk/sevenoaks.pdf

✚ Membership renewals are due 1 January 2013

Forms are inside the December Journal.

*Contact Maureen Griffiths renewals@nwkfhs.org.uk if you have queries.
We hope you won't but if you decide to not to renew please can you let Maureen know.*

The December Journal was despatched to arrive with members in early December.

Contact membership Secretary, Christina Barnett if you have any queries.

membership@nwkfhs.org.uk

Renewing membership promptly means you will receive the March issue without delay.

✚ Surplus Journals *Call in at the NWKFHS Library (Summerhouse Drive, Joydens Wood) to see the trolley full of family history journals (various dates) from many parts of the country which are now surplus to requirement.*

These are in addition to the exchange journals available at branch meetings.

Call in, too, for advice and help from the experienced volunteers ...

every Wednesday 10am-4pm

✚ MORE Workshops *designed to help you with your research*

Book now for a spring workshop!

Date	Subject	Tutor
23 January 2013	Beginning your Family History	Janet Rose
20 February 2013	Maps and Surveys for Family History	Christine Hills
20 March 2013	Early Census [Pre 1841 Census] & Census-like Lists	Jean Stirk
17 April 2013	Home Children, British child immigration into Canada (1870-1957)	Walter Eves
15 May 2013	Mapping family distributions and movements	David Cufley

The two hour workshops are limited to 10 people, but are repeated if there is demand.

These are held at the Library, Summerhouse Drive, Joydens Wood, Bexley

More information at

www.nwkfhs.org.uk/libraryworkshops.htm

✚ New Kent History and Library Centre, Maidstone, *was officially opened on Tuesday 11th December 2012 by His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent KG, as it became an archive approved by the National Archives. The Duke was given a tour of the facilities which include research rooms, exhibition area and restoration workshops. NWKFHS was represented by the Society's President, David Cufley, who was one of three Kent history societies representatives presented to the Duke as he entered the research room, along with a representative of the TNA.*

If you know of events that would be of interest to family historians in our area or suggestions for future Newsletters plus feedback to please contact

The Journal Editor

editor@nwkfhs.org.uk

Additional information...

NWKFHS collection of books, CDs and other ephemera

The catalogue of the Society resources is available as a searchable on-screen document at

www.nwkhfs.org.uk/library%20catalogue.pdf.

NWKFHS Research Service

This service blends the skills of Society volunteers and draws on the considerable resources of the Society library which include parish registers and other sources mainly relating to North West Kent. More information at

www.nwkhfs.org.uk/research.htm

Sign up for the NWKFHS Blog

www.northwestkentfamilyhistorysociety.blogspot.co.uk

NWKFHS GIFT MEMBERSHIP *The ideal gift that can last for generations!*

www.nwkhfs.org.uk/join.htm

Recently published CDs ...

****** Ideal gifts for the enthusiasts******

CD47 Gravesend & Milton Gas Light Co Minute Book 1845

CD48 Bromley St Peter & St Paul, Marriages 1735-1848 transcriptions & alphabetical indexes

CD49 Bexley Asylum Minute Book 1901-39

CD50 Metropolitan Asylum District Board Minute Books 1890-1930

CD MI 5 Stone Municipal Cemetery, Dartford - Monumental Inscriptions & Indexes

Cost £5.00 from branch meetings Sales tables and by post.

www.nwkhfs.org.uk/publications.htm

NWKFHS LIBRARY AND RESOURCE CENTRE

Please call in! NWKFHS Library volunteers are available to help every Wednesdays 10am-4pm at the

KCC Library Summerhouse Drive, Bexley, Kent DA5 2EE

Telephone 01322 527604 (Wednesdays only)

Contact Janet Rose, Society Librarian, telephone 01322 384836, or email

library@nwkhfs.org.uk

Could you help the Society? We need to fill the vacancy for a Treasurer.

Contact the Chairman, Walter Eves, at chairman@nwkhfs.org.uk