



# North West Kent Family History Society

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

January

## NEWSLETTER

2017

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

### Happy New Year 2017



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*If you have any suggestions about the content of this newsletter please let me know [editor@nwkfhs.org.uk](mailto:editor@nwkfhs.org.uk)*

**COME TO A MEETING! BOOK A WORKSHOP!**



### Local Meetings in January

Members and friends (charge applicable) welcome at all meetings  
Full details, guide maps to the meeting halls and local contacts are given  
in each issue of the Journal and on the website.

**Bromley Branch 21 January 2017** David Sleep talks about

**Eltham Palace and the Courtauld family**

Bromley Methodist Church, College Road, Bromley BR1 3NS. Open at 9.45am.

**Dartford Branch 7 January 2017** Wilf Lower talks about

**Lost Empires - the last days of the Music Hall**

Dartford Science & Technology College, Heath Lane, Dartford DA1 2LY. Open at 9.45am.

**Sevenoaks Branch** *no meeting in January*

*Next meeting 9 February 2017*

Sevenoaks Community Centre, Otford Road, Sevenoaks TN14 5DN. Open at 7pm.

*At these friendly Meetings there are refreshments, sales and help desks and branch libraries.  
You can borrow Journals sent to us by other Family History Societies in the UK and as far away as  
Australia from the exchange Journal loan service.*

*Many Family History magazines available for small donations.*

## **NWKFHS Library and Resource Centre**

Extend your family history research with a visit to the library on Wednesday 11 January 2017 and enjoy a chat about your research with mince pie and a hot drink. New members and beginners welcome.

## **THE NWKFHS BOOKSTALL... [Support the Society!](#)**

Have you had a look at the New Book Stall recently? There is an exceptional collection of local interest books for sale many not always available at other local bookstores. See the book shop at the branches as follows ...

## **NWKFHS Blogs & Facebook**

Click on the links  [Blog](#)  [Facebook](#)

## **Meet the Society at Events**

If you would like to join the team to help with enquiries and talk about the Society at next year's events ... Email [events@nwkfhs.org.uk](mailto:events@nwkfhs.org.uk)

See NWKFHS at the Local and Family History Fair at Hall Place, Bexley, on Sunday 5 March 2017 ... please check local advertising for date confirmation.

**Details of the NWKFHS Annual Family History day were published in the December issue of the Journal. It is on Saturday 22 April, at West Heath School, Sevenoaks. Guest speakers include Melanie Gibson-Barton talking about the Somme and Imogen Corrigan talking about the 93rd Searchlight Brigade, Royal Artillery. Please return your booking forms as soon as possible. Contact [events@nwkfhs.org.uk](mailto:events@nwkfhs.org.uk)**

## **The Society Calendar 2017 [Support the Society!](#)**

This full colour wall calendar is available from branches and at the Society library. This new calendar incorporates some of the improvements suggested by members during 2016 so it includes more space for your notes.

The calendars cost £4.50 and the profit boosts Society funds.

For postal sales UK, P&P is an extra £2.85 for second class or £3.35 first class.

Overseas postage costs on request. To order by post email: [emailinfoservice@nwkfhs.org.uk](mailto:emailinfoservice@nwkfhs.org.uk)

**If you know someone who is just beginning to research their family history suggest they join the society and attend the workshop on 15 February (see below).**

## **NWKFHS Workshops**

The two hour workshops are limited to 10 people but are repeated if there is demand. Workshops are held at the Library, KCC Library, 80 Summerhouse Drive, Joydens Wood, Dartford, Kent DA5 2EE

Contact Janet Rose (01322-384836)

Bookings and enquiries email [workshop.booking@nwkfhs.org.uk](mailto:workshop.booking@nwkfhs.org.uk)

18 January 2017	<b>Record Keeping for Family Historians</b> Repeated by demand	David Cufley
25 January	<b>Society Quarterly Discussion Group</b> What happens to my research when I'm gone?	Leader tba
15 February	<b>NEW Beginner session</b> with Fran guiding you through the early stages of your research	Fran Rogers
22 February	<b>Writing Group</b> an opportunity to share and talk about your writing.	Pauline Heathcote
15 March	<b>Finding the Missing</b>	Jean Stirk
22 March	<b>Introduction to 'Family Historian', a Genealogical Family History Computer programme</b>	Brian Kirk

**To join a workshop or discussion group you must book.**

Reserve lists are maintained and sometimes a reserve is invited to join the workshop at short notice. You can book at all branch meetings or on-line [workshop.booking@nwkfhs.org.uk](mailto:workshop.booking@nwkfhs.org.uk)

Use this email address to find out more about any of these workshops and discussion groups.



### **NWKFHS is on Flickr ... Documents and Images on-line**

Many images of photographs, legal documents newspaper cuttings at [flickr.com/photos/nwkf](http://flickr.com/photos/nwkf)  
You can also reach the site from our website via the Free Data option on the menu at [www.nwkfhs.org.uk](http://www.nwkfhs.org.uk).



### **Research Service** The Society offers members and non-members a genealogical

Research Service with a contact email [research@nwkfhs.org.uk](mailto:research@nwkfhs.org.uk)

More details on-line at [www.nwkfhs.org.uk/research-service.htm](http://www.nwkfhs.org.uk/research-service.htm)

Research Co-ordinator, c/o NWKFHS Library & Resource Centre, 80 Summerhouse Drive, Joydens Wood Estate, Bexley, DA5 2E



**The December issue of the Journal** has been circulated. Have you enjoyed it? Fancy seeing your story in print. Contact me ... [editor@nwkfhs.org.uk](mailto:editor@nwkfhs.org.uk)



## **From the Treasurer**

**Not a member! ... Please join us!** [www.nwkfhs.org.uk/join.htm](http://www.nwkfhs.org.uk/join.htm)

**Members Standing Order Forms** are available at all branch meetings, the Society Library and workshops and can be downloaded from

[www.nwkfhs.org.uk/nwkforms/standing\\_order\\_form.pdf](http://www.nwkfhs.org.uk/nwkforms/standing_order_form.pdf)

**Members GIFT AID** If you have previously filled in a GIFT AID form but no longer pay UK income tax could you please let me know.

Contact Patricia Gooding email, [treasurer@nwkfhs.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@nwkfhs.org.uk) or write to address inside front cover of each Journal.



## **Free guide to WWI research**

NWKFHS has a free guide to WWI research that can be downloaded (pdf) from the World War One Centenary web page at [www.nwkfhs.org.uk/world-war-one.htm](http://www.nwkfhs.org.uk/world-war-one.htm)



## **EMAIL INFORMATION SERVICE**

If you haven't done so already sign up for this service and tell non-members who might be interested. Email your name include membership number if a member and request to be included on the email list and get regular updates on society activities to

[emailinfoservice@nwkfhs.org.uk](mailto:emailinfoservice@nwkfhs.org.uk)



## **Vacancy for a minutes secretary**

The Minutes Secretary ensures that committee decisions are recorded accurately, supporting the smooth and effective running of the Society. This is a great opportunity for a motivated, reliable person to support the Society's Executive Committee. More information at click on the link: [Appeal Minutes Secretary](#)

**Contributions and suggestions for future issues of the Journal  
or this newsletter to [editor@nwkfhs.org.uk](mailto:editor@nwkfhs.org.uk)**