



North West Kent Family History Society

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of this newsletter please let me know*

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Ideal present for Friends and Neighbours

NWKFHS Calendar 2016... a wall hanging calendar, with full colour images from our area, is on sale at all branch meetings, the library and at events. Cost only £4.50. Much more information at

[**http://www.nwkfhs.org.uk/calendar-2016.htm**](http://www.nwkfhs.org.uk/calendar-2016.htm)



Local Meetings in November Members and friends welcome at all meetings

Full details, guide maps to the meeting halls and local contacts are given at

[**www.nwkfhs.org.uk/meetings.htm**](http://www.nwkfhs.org.uk/meetings.htm)

Bromley Branch 21 November Chris Jupp talks about **WW1 - Gallipoli**
Bromley Methodist Church, College Road, Bromley BR1 3NS. Open at 9.45am.

Dartford Branch 7 November Toni Mount celebrates life of **Edith Cavell (1865-1915)**
Dartford Science & Technology College, Heath Lane, Dartford DA1 2LY. Open at 9.45am.

Sevenoaks Branch 12 November Kyle Greenfield talks about **Private Horace Brooks of Halstead**
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 from the exchange Journal loan service. Many FHS magazines available for small donations.



Meet the Society at Events

Pop in and see if they can help you. Check for times www.nwkhfs.org.uk/events

Saturday 31 October 10am - 4.30pm at **West Surrey FHS** Woking Leisure Centre, Kingsfield Road, Woking, GU22 9BA

Saturday 14 November 10am - 1pm **WW1 Drop-in Session**
at Erith Library 100 Erith High Street, Erith, DA8 1SL



The December Journal is at the printers. It includes details of the annual family history day and a membership renewal form for those of you who prefer to renew using that method.

If you are not a member why not join us? More information at

www.nwkhfs.org.uk/join.htm



NWKFHS Library **Christmas Open Days 9th & 16th December**

Visitors welcome come along for chat and free tea or coffee plus mince pie

NWKFHS Library Summerhouse Drive, Joydens Wood Estate, Bexley DA5 2EE.

Open **every Wednesday**, 10am-4pm. Contact email library@nwkhfs.org.uk



NWKFHS Workshops Click on this link [NWKFHS - Library Workshops](#)

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

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

Contact Janet Rose (01322-384836)

Bookings and enquiries email library@nwkhfs.org

18 November	<p style="text-align: center;">Writing Family Histories</p> <p>NEW WORKSHOP This led-discussion group will not tell you how to write or even how to write up your family history but will help you to think widely about communicating your research to your chosen audience. Pauline is not an expert at family history research but enjoys words, attends a creative writing group and edits the Journal. It would be helpful to bring a simple family tree of three generations or more, hand sketched is fine, and a timeline of events from the life of one of your ancestors.</p>	Pauline Heathcote
20 January 2016	<p style="text-align: center;">Basic DNA - A changing world of Family History</p> <p>DNA workshop will discuss the basics of DNA and how it is a tool for confirming and providing suggestions for further document research. DNA testing is not a replacement for the paper research merely a tool to help confirm patterns of descent of one's ancestors. This workshop will not deal in depth with DNA but give an overview of how it passes from one generation to another. It will discuss the tests available and what the results mean. It will show and discuss the Haplogroup migrations from Africa to Europe in general terms only.</p>	David Cufley
More workshops will be advertised in the next newsletter.....		



Free guide to WWI research NWKFHS has a free guide to WWI research that can be downloaded (pdf) from its World War One Centenary web page at

www.nwkfhs.org.uk/world-war-one.htm



Internet Mailing List Join the Society's internet mailing list, run by Rootsweb. This free on-line service for members reaches out instantly to signed up members, who respond quickly to help to resolve your queries... More information at

www.nwkfhs.org.uk/mailling-list.htm



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You can also reach the site from our website via the Free Data option on the menu at www.nwkfhs.org.uk.



Research Service need some help? ... low cost Society research service offered to members

and non-members contact email research@nwkfhs.org.uk

More details on-line at www.nwkfhs.org.uk/research-service.htm

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



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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

Members GIFT AID declarations If you have previously filled in a GIFT AID form but no longer pay UK income tax could you please let me know? Patricia Gooding, treasurer@nwkfhs.org.uk
Address inside front cover of each Journal.

Have you read about the Society on Facebook?

You don't have to belong to Facebook..... just click on the link to read the news!

<https://www.facebook.com/North-West-Kent-Family>

Contributions and suggestions for future issues of the Journal
or this newsletter to editor@nwkfhs.org.uk



November's birthstones are the topaz (particularly, yellow) and the citrine.

Citrine is a variety of quartz whose colour ranges from a pale yellow to brown due to ferric impurities

The name is derived from Latin citrina which means "yellow" and is also the origin of the word "citron."