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COME TO A MEETING! Book a Christmas Social event and BOOK A WORKSHOP!



Local Meetings in September

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 15 October Janet DIGBY talks about

Bromley's Conscientious Objectors

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

Dartford Branch 1 October Melanie Backie-Hansen explains

How to Research House history

Uncovering the secrets behind your front door

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

Sevenoaks Branch 13 October Geoff COWLING talks about

WW2 Escape Lines

the routes that criss-crossed Europe

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.



December diary dates

It might seem a little early but these dates are worth popping in your diaries...

Bromley Branch Christmas Lunch

Fancy a lunch in a hotel with friends from Bromley Branch? A booking is being made at The Crown on Bromley Common for Tuesday 6 December at 12.30pm. Two courses £9.90. Three courses £13.49. If you would like more information please speak to a committee member at a branch meeting or e-mail Bromley@nwkfhs.org.uk.

Dartford Branch Christmas lunch

The 2016 Dartford Branch Christmas lunch will be held after the Dartford meeting on the 3rd December at the Dartford Science & Technology College, Heath Lane, Dartford. The cost will be £13.50. Tickets will be available from our Dartford Branch meetings, the Society Library and Sheila Elisak on e-mail dartford@nwkfhs.org.uk or phone Janet Rose on 01322 384836 for more information. Everyone is welcome.

Sevenoaks Branch Christmas Buffet

Sevenoaks will be holding a Christmas Buffet for members and friends on the evening of their 8th December meeting. We start a little earlier at 7pm evening. Speak to branch committee members at meeting or e-mail Sevenoaks@nwkfhs.org.uk for more information.

NWKFHS Library and Resource Centre

If you have used the library this year pop in and enjoy a mince pie with a hot drink on Wednesday 14th December. And if you make New Year Resolution to extend your family history research start the year 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 at both events.



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

Want to buy a book about the local area as a present for someone? Why not use the Bookstall (new Books) which has an exceptional collection of local interest books not available at other local bookstores. See the book shop at the branches as follows ...

Bromley: November, January and March.

Dartford: October, November and December.

Sevenoaks: October, December, February and April.



NWKFHS Blogs & Facebook

Read the latest NWKFHS blog. Recent posts have shown well conserved Romany caravans. Recently there has been information about hopping in Kent, a new WW1 website and the newly available National Probate Calendar including new records from 1973 -1995

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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@nwkfhs.org

19 October	Writing Family Histories Repeat by demand of November 2015 workshop	Pauline Heathcote
16 November 2016	Brick Walls - Thinking Outside the Box Repeat by demand of March 2015 workshop	David Cufley
January and February 2017	Workshops on Record Keeping for Family History and Family History for Absolute Beginners are being planned. More details at branch meetings and in the December Journal.	
<p>To join a workshop 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</p>		



Meet the Society at Events

Pop in and see if the team can help you or you can help them!

Bexleyheath Local Studies Library on 22 October

Watch for local posters or enquire at the venue about times.

Email c/o editor@nwkfhs.org.uk



Library & Resource Centre

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

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



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



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 winners of the photographic competition have received a free copy of the calendar and their names will be published in the December 2016 Journal.

Ideal present!

The cost is £4.50 each and all contributions after costs will be added to 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



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



Research Service The Society offers to members and non-members a genealogical
Research Service with a contact email research@nwkh.org.uk

More details on-line at www.nwkh.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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arrived please let me know edito@nwkh.org

Thank you.



From the Treasurer

Not a member! ... Please join us! www.nwkh.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.nwkh.org.uk/nwkhforms/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?

Patricia Gooding email, treasurer@nwkh.org.uk or write to address inside front cover of
each Journal.



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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@nwkh.org

**Society officers will try to respond to any queries promptly while the NWKFHS
website is undergoing some changes.**

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



October's birthstone is the Opal.

Precious opal shows a variable interplay of internal colours, and though it is a mineraloid, it
has an internal structure. At microscopic scales, precious opal is composed of silica
spheres some 150 to 300 nm in diameter in a hexagonal or cubic close-packed lattice.