



The above photograph was taken in October of last year, and portrays C. Senior, H. Williams, H. Paskins, H. Flatt, and L. Rank, the pick of the Boxers at Vickers' Camp for the Farningham Homes' Boys, Barnes Cray Walk, together with their trainers, Stoker Clark and C. W. Senior. These boys secured 9 Cups and 7 Medals for Boxing last year, which speaks highly both for the lads and their trainers. The Firm has built a fine recreation room for the boys at the Camp, where they have every facility for practice with the gloves and other indoor sports.

Welcome to the mid March 2021 email newsletter.

Today's headline photo is another one from the Society's Flickr collection which contains nearly 3,500 photos and documents.

Photograph taken in October 1917 of boxers at Vickers' Camp for Farningham Homes' Boys, Barnes Cray Walk.

C. Senior, H. Williams, H. Paskins. H. Flatt. L. Rank with their trainers **Stoker Clark and C.W. Senior.**

extract from Crayford Works Magazine, February 1918.

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/nwkf/sets/>

Zoom Coffee Morning 24 March 10.30am - 12.15pm Led by Mike Weeks

A free open discussion on any family history subject or query.

Share a morning with other enthusiastic family historians.

Talk about any problems you have, what you can do to share your research, and your Society.

Bring your own coffee and biscuits.

No pre registration. If you are interested in a friendly chat about family history matters please join us.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84428643558...>

Meeting ID: 844 2864 3558 Passcode: 245779

ZOOM Talks

Zoom Talks are free and open to all. They cannot be booked but please log on via the link in good time.

All times given are UK time.

(NWKfHS members who missed a talk, perhaps because you are not in our timezone, note that some speakers have allowed their talks to be recorded - <https://nwkfhs.org.uk/resources/all-other/zoom-talk-videos> note this link only works for paid up members logged into the website).

Saturday 3 April 10am for 10.30 - Francine Payne 'Dartford Hospitals during WW1'

Francine says: *I have always been interested in history and my interest in the hospitals came when I was working in the library at Joyce Green; the hospital was due to close and there was a huge amount of archive material collected by Dr John Burne.*

As I sorted through the collection I made notes, took a few photocopies and eventually had enough material to write my first book 'A History of the Darent Hospitals' which covers the smallpox camps, the Southern, Darent Park and the Mabledon. I then wrote 'Joyce Green and the River Hospitals', covering the hospital ships, Long Reach, the Orchard and Joyce Green. '

Stone House: the City of London Asylum' was written after the Trust contacted me and asked me to write their history. All three books are available on Amazon.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Passcode: 762980

Saturday 1 May 10am for 10.30 - Donna Rutherford (Part 1)- 'DNA for beginners'

(Part 2 will be 17 June 10.30am)

We are delighted that we have been able to book the well known DNA expert Donna Rutherford.

Have you ever wondered what having a DNA test could do for you? How it could help with your family history research?

Before spending any money, do you want to know more about the three types of test (autosomal, mitochondrial and Y) and which type or types is more likely to give you the results you are looking for?

What are the pros and cons of the several commercial companies which offer DNA tests?

And what happens after you've posted the testing kit back to the company?

Or maybe you know most of this but would like a refresher.

Then this talk is for you. Book your diary now for this and Donna's follow up talk on 17 June at 7.30pm.

The Zoom code for this and other talks further ahead will be published on the website nearer the date.

ZOOM Workshops

Zoom Workshops (including Discussion Groups and Writing Groups) have a maximum number to allow all attendees to participate, and are restricted to paid up North West Kent FHS members only. Workshops last for 2 hours.

If any Society members missed a workshop which they would have liked to attend, or it filled up, see here for videos of some past

workshops: <https://www.nwkfhs.org.uk/events/workshops/past-zoom-workshop-videos>

Note the above link will only work for Society members logged into the website.

March and April Workshops - for Society members only, and must be booked; number are limited to allow all attendees to participate

17 March 10.30am Discussion Group - Family History Resources and Techniques - David Cufley

24 March 10.30am Coffee morning led by Mike Weeks, see details above

31 March 10.30am Discussion group DNA Family History Research

7 April Carolyn's Discussion Group 10am. - Migration in our families (A change to the previously advertised topic which will be held later in the year).

14 April Workshop 10.30am Breaking Down Brickwalls Led by David Cufley
Anyone wishing to attend please can you submit your 'brickwall' by 1st April to allow sufficient time for the queries to be looked at. Please provide a name/topic and some background information.

21 April Discussion Group 2.30pm One Name Study and Record Keeping Led by David Cufley

28 April Workshop 7.30pm How to use Excel to enter and manage data. Led by David Cufley

Contact workshop coordinator Pam Goddard for the link / code to enable you to attend any of the above Workshops and Discussion

Groups. workshop.booking@nwkfhs.org.uk

Pam would like to hear from you if you have topic requests for workshops or want to suggest different dates or times.

See <https://www.nwkfhs.org.uk/events/overview/all-upcoming-meetings#year=2021&month=1&day=5&view=month> for topics and dates / times of Workshops and Talks further ahead.

The Really Useful Show 10 April

North West Kent FHS will have a rota of volunteers on hand throughout the day to answer questions about family history in our area coming in from around the country and abroad.

<https://www.fhf-reallyuseful.com/>

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I (Stella Eames) welcome photos of people or places (specially historical or family history) in the North West Kent area with a story about them as I like to start each newsletter with a photo and story. Please email me at emailinfoservice@nwkfhs.org.uk. with your contributions. Any photos must be your own copyright.

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Please mention it to others and encourage them to sign up so that we can keep society members and anyone interested in family history informed of NWKFHS activities.

Stella Eames, Editor

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