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SAFHS Conference 2012, Dundee Hosted by Tay Valley FHS & Fife FHS

The 23rd SAFHS Annual Conference is being held in the Bonar Halls, Dundee University, on Saturday 21 April 2012. It is a joint venture this year between Tay Valley FHS and Fife FHS

Please see the SAFHS website for details.

The post of Deputy Chairman is vacant and will be advertised in the usual way before the AGM 2013.

The post of Publications Manager is vacant and will be advertised in the usual way before the AGM 2103.

Website

Would you please submit anything you have for the website to Doug – any changes to your website contact should also be sent direct to Doug.

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ScotlandsPeople Vouchers – Orders

All orders for ScotlandsPeople Vouchers should be sent to John W Irvine, Treasurer, at 3 Grants Wynd, Bridgefoot, Angus, DD3 0RZ. All orders must be accompanied by a cheque and should include postage, as per the current agreement, which is as follows. **Please note that the minimum order for vouchers is 20.**

Postage:

21 - 50 vouchers - £6

51 - 100 vouchers £7.20

101 - 175 vouchers £8.50

176 -250 vouchers - £10.50

more than 250, by arrangement

ScotlandsPeople Executive Committee

Ken Nisbet represents SAFHS on this group, and will routinely keep member societies informed of any news.

ScotlandsPeople User Group

Bruce Bishop represents SAFHS on this group.

The Scottish Council on Archives

Bruce Bishop represents SAFHS on this group.

National Committee on Carved Stones in Scotland

Bruce Bishop represents SAFHS on this committee.

Visit Scotland Ancestral Tourism Steering Group

Bruce Bishop represents SAFHS on this group.

The next Council Meeting is on Saturday 13 October 2012, 1 pm, in the Boardroom, Central Youth Hostel, Haddington Place, Leith Walk, Edinburgh.

The 2013 AGM will be held on Saturday 9 March 2013, 1 pm, in the Boardroom, Central Youth Hostel, Haddington Place, Leith Walk, Edinburgh. The Council Meeting will follow the AGM.

Agendas will be sent out prior to the meetings. If you have not received these by 7 days before the meetings, please contact the Chairman or the Editor.

OTHER SAFHS INFO

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee has met twice since October, in Edinburgh, and minutes of the meetings have been sent to member societies.

Future SAFHS Conferences

2013: Borders FHS, Galashiels
 2014: SAFHS, venue and date tbc
 2015: Proposed: Central FHS, tbc

News from Member Societies

Aberdeen & North East Scotland FHS

The society was sad to announce the deaths of two long-standing volunteers within a week of each other. Violet Murray was known to everyone who visited the family history centre, and the phrase "ask Violet" was a constant refrain. Sheila Sutherland was another mainstay of the society, and they will both be sadly missed.

The meetings of the Society in Aberdeen, Glasgow and Edinburgh continue to be well-attended. Mary Evans has now taken over the organization of the Moray/Banff meetings, and will provide information on future meetings as soon as possible.

At the Aberdeen meeting in September Alison Cameron of Cameron Archaeology gave a fascinating talk on the excavations at the City Wharf, and at Marischal College. The original harbour was at the bottom of the steep hill leading down from the Castlegate, reached by a flight of stone steps. Alison then spoke about the way in which that part of the city had developed from that time. Marischal College had been built on the top of an earlier friary, dating back to the 1450's. Parts of the original building were revealed during the excavations together with seven burials of elderly men, with their hands clasped, presumably some of the friars. The talk really brought to life these historic parts of Aberdeen.

In November Janet Bishop spoke to the group about "How to be a Professional Genealogist". The hall was packed for this talk, and Janet commented on the courses run by Strathclyde and Dundee Universities. The benefits of membership of a professional organization (ASGRA) were pointed out, as was the requirement to take a thoroughly professional and business-like approach to the work. The differences between the 'amateur' and the professional were made clear, the latter having to work to strict deadlines, both financially and as regards the time allowed by the client. The need for every event to have a full source reference was emphasized, as was a full knowledge of all of the available archive sources in Scotland, the need to travel to find the information. Janet's talk was interesting and amusing and certainly gave the audience a lot to think about.

At the Edinburgh meeting in September Karen Allan, a director of the Edinburgh LDS Family History Centre, gave a general introduction, and then an online demonstration of the old and new LDS websites.

In the unavoidable absence of the planned speaker the November meeting was reconvened as a Q&A workshop, with questions ranging from how to find graves when there is no headstone to approaching householders for information on

previous residents. The lives of the Catholics after Culloden, DNA and medical records all ensured a lively discussion.

The Glasgow meeting in October was attended by a near-capacity crowd to hear Pete Wadley's talk on the "Top 20 pre-1855 sources in the National Records of Scotland", From Militia records to Estate papers, from the Register of Deeds to Sasines, Retours and Wills, Exchequer Records, pre-1855 Church Records, Pete's high-speed talk took the audience through a whole range of items in the NRS, many of them maybe unknown to many family history researchers, especially in the early days of their research.

The November meeting in Glasgow was entitled "Using local and national newspapers in family history research", given by Ken Nisbet of the SGS. From very verbose wedding reports in the days before photographs became common, to accidents and the small debts courts, and, of course, the advertisements, this talks illustrated just how much information can be gleaned from the local newspapers, an ideal way of "putting flesh on the bones". Just be careful not to get side-tracked.

Membership continues to be strong, although the number of new members is very slightly down when compared with last year. The Society bookshop has attended numerous events during the year, and has plans to have a presence at many national and local events during 2012.

MI's for St Machar's in Aberdeen have been transcribed and typed up, and many are looking forward to the publication of that volume.

Latest Publications:

John Philip Edmond, Bookbinder, Librarian and Bibliographer of Aberdeen 1850-1906: a short bibliography, by John Webb (AA517 £6.00); and Alexander Kerr of Menie (c1664-1730) an account of the life and times of an Aberdeen merchant and small landowner and The Smiths of Inveramsay (c1600-1810) by Val McCallum (AA508 £6.00) The latter work won the Society's Bruce Henderson Award for 2010. Postage extra in each case.

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Alloway & S Ayrshire FHS

The Society continues to hold meetings on the third Tuesday of the month in the Alloway Church Halls from September to May.

In October we held an **Open Day** in the Church Halls where we were delighted to welcome members of the Maybole Historical Society who brought along a fascinating collection of old photographs of the town which they were able to discuss with our visitors. We were also fortunate to have members from the East Ayrshire Family History manning a table and willing to share their expertise.

On 18 October we were delighted to welcome as speaker **Mr Dougal McIntyre**, who last session gave us such a fascinating talk on the flying exploits and aviation career of his father

David F. McIntyre. This time we were treated to a second beautifully illustrated talk on his grandfather John's long career as a naval designer and his connections with the West of Scotland's shipyards.

Wednesday the 26 October saw a group of thirteen members assembling in the **Mitchell Library** cafeteria for a session in the Archives. **Dr Irene O'Brien**, Senior Archivist at the library talked to us about **Church records**, in particular the Kirk Session records of the Church of Scotland pre 1855. She had also set out a number of source books for us to look at.

On 15 November a good turnout of members and visitors heard an excellent talk given by John Steele on "**The Sinking of HMS Dasher – the American Connection**". The whole intriguing story and contemporary photographs engaged us all. He began by explaining how his interest in the subject was stimulated by a chance remark from a friend, enquiring if he knew anything about the boat that sank off Arran, in the Clyde, during World War II.

We tried a new venue this year for our **Christmas Supper** which was held in the Robertson Room of the Burns Museum Alloway, on 13 December 2011. Some 38 members and friends enjoyed an excellent traditional Christmas meal.

On 17 January over 30 members and guests were in attendance to hear Bob Foulkes give a most interesting talk on the "Census - Past and Present", from their surprisingly early roots in Babylon in 4000 BC to the recent 2011 UK census where, for the first time, people were invited to submit their responses on-line. Bob spoke from experience having been involved in the collection of 2011 Census data.

On 21 February one of our members, **Sandy Murdoch**, gave a short talk on his family researches and this was followed by a **Workshop** where members could use the Society resources which were made available in the Hall.

Details of all our meetings, together with brief reports of the talks are available on our Website www.asafhs.co.uk in the **Events** and **Activities** sections.

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Anglo-Scottish FHS

Once again for the greater part of this year our presentations have been member led. These have included presentations on using Sasines and other property records to find out more about Scottish ancestors and another about Fact, Fiction and Fables in the Borders. We had a very interesting presentation about 'Online BMD's subtitled 'A Great Northern Success' detailing the history behind the establishment of the UKBMD website, www.ukbmd.org.uk and is based on details from local Registrar's Office rather than the General Register Office for England. It is a great place to start if you are searching for ancestors in those parts of England currently included. Our meeting this month will look at new sites on the internet to assist those searching for Scottish ancestors. 2012 opened in the usual way with our annual quiz and social meeting and we

continue to add to our Scottish Marriage Index.

We attended various Fairs promoting Family History, a session on Scottish Research in the series of classes run by the MLFHS and also participated in the Manchester History Festival with an open day for the Society's Library, a short introductory class for new researchers and manning a Help Desk at the Local Studies Library.

Meetings are held on the third Saturday of each month except August and December and non-members of the Society are always welcome.

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Association of Genealogists & Researchers in Archives



AGRA and ASGRA again shared a stand at WDYT YA Live, in February this year. For the first time they were joined by APGI (Association of Professional Genealogists in Ireland), and a very enjoyable weekend was had by all. The picture shows AGRA chairman Ian Marson and ASGRA chairman Janet Bishop, along with other members, at the start of the show.

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Association of Scottish Genealogists & Researchers in Archives



We were saddened by the tragic death of Anne Garven, a long-standing member of ASGRA, in December. She will be missed.

Kirsty Wilkinson was admitted as a full member in February – we welcome her on board.

February saw WDYTYA Live, at Olympia, London, where ASGRA shared a stand with AGRA and APGI (our Irish sister association). Four of our members attended, flying the flag for Scotland. Member Bruce Bishop gave one of the SoG Workshop talks, subject the use of the Scottish Kirk Session Records. It was an enjoyable weekend and well worth the long and tiring 4 days from start to finish. Plans are already in hand for next year's show.

Robert Fenwick and Kirsteen Mulhern will be manning the ASGRA stand at the SAFHS Conference in Dundee this year.

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Borders FHS

Our Archive and Research Room at Old Gala House, Galashiels will



reopen on Thursday 5th April for the 2012 summer season. Our Research team will be there every Thursday between 10 a.m. and 3.45 p.m. and also

on Tuesdays and Fridays but by appointment only. While strictly speaking no booking is required for a Thursday visit, because of the small size of the room booking is nevertheless strongly advised and is necessary at all other times. Booking may be done via our website.

Old Gala House will close to visitors at the end of October. Members of the Society may continue to visit the Archive over the winter months but do need to give at least 2 weeks notice. The archive continues to grow, and an up to date list of all volumes is contained on our website.

Our website, www.bordersfhs.org.uk, has steady usage, attracting new members and higher publications sales. There are searchable indexes to our MI volumes, magazine articles, queries, family trees, surname interests, poor law volumes and forums. The information on our parish pages continues to be enhanced with the recent addition of maps. We have a blog, too. Work is still underway on adding requests for research, and publication sales to the website. We have a Facebook Place, and a Twitter account @BordersFHS.

The facility to record surname interests is still very popular, and it's open for everyone to record their interests, not just members. The number of interests recorded encompasses more

than 2,420 distinct surnames, all over Scotland, and many in England and overseas too. With the addition of new burial places, our MIs now cover over 5,000 distinct surnames in the Borders. The 550 family trees held now cover more than 4,140 distinct surnames. The forums have become more popular, too. We hope that other Societies will make these facilities known to their members.

We have a weekly column, "Kith and Kin", in two of our local papers, the Border Telegraph, and the Peebleshire News.

Our sales list is also on the Parish Chest website and includes the popular Selkirk Genealogy transcriptions of death, burial and mortcloth records and bills of mortality. We also sell a selection of second-hand books, most of which look like new.

We have a 50-50 club to help raise money towards acquiring premises. The club is open to non-members, and an annual subscription (12 draws) costs £12. Each draw there are 2 prizes, a 1st prize, and a 2nd prize. Prizes not won are carried forward to the next draw. The 1st prize fund currently stands at £91.25, and the 2nd prize fund at £36. More details and joining form at www.bordersfhs.org.uk/BFHS50-50ClubForm1.asp.

We have published a new MI Volume for the parish of Coldingham with over 1090 gravestones and memorials, including colour photographs of all. Over 600 surnames (and their variants) are listed on the memorials. Names of householders listed in the Hearth Tax of 1694 are included, together with the Militia Lists of 1798 and 1801 and Militia Families Vouchers in 1809, 1812, 1813. There are lists of the ministers of the churches within the parish. The Coldingham



War Memorial and memorials and Rolls of Honour within the Priory church are also listed. The MI's are indexed by Names and Date (Surname, Other Surname, First Names, and Date of Death). The

publication is available on CD-Rom, priced at £10.00 (plus P&P) available via our website.

Monumental Inscription recording has been completed at Bunkle & Preston, Drumelzier, Galashiels Heatheryett, Jedburgh Abbey, Lyne, Manor, Stobo and Stow. Recording will resume in the spring at several locations including Cockburnspath, Eddleston, Jedburgh Castlewood, Kirkurd, Roberton and West Linton. We are planning MI recording events at Peebles and Chirnside with dates to be confirmed. Other ongoing projects include the indexing of the digitised Borders police and criminal records, and poor relief records for various parishes. Publication of the MI volumes, police and criminal records and the poor relief records will follow. Until then, any work-in-progress is available for consultation in our Archive room. Our Society thanks the many members and volunteers, at home and abroad, who help with indexing, researching and recording, and therefore making many more

resources available to the researcher.

Our programme of Sunday Meetings, at venues around the Borders, continues to be well attended. Our remaining programme for 2011/2012 is below:

- 25 March 2012: Marjorie Gavin, From the Poorhouse to Knighthood, Evergreen Hall, Hawick;
- 29 April 2012: Jim Lyon, Adam Clark, Bridge Constructor, Budapest, Drill Hall, Peebles;
- 27 May 2012: AGM, Andrew Haddon, Dr John Haddon, A Hawick Man's Trip Around the World in 1882, Corn Exchange, Market Square, Melrose.

A coffee morning has been arranged for Saturday 9th June (10am to 12noon) at the Royal British Legion Hall, High Street, Jedburgh. On the afternoon of the 9th and Sunday 10th (1pm to 4pm), we will be holding an MI recording event in Jedburgh Castlewood cemetery to which all are welcome.

The Society is looking forward to hosting the 2013 SAFHS conference on Saturday 11th May 2012 at the Scottish Borders Campus, Netherdale Road, Galashiels, TD1 3HE. More information will be available on our website soon. More details of these events on our What's On page, www.bordersfhs.org.uk/BFHSEventList.asp We warmly invite you to attend our Society meetings whether you are a member or not. There is no admission charge. Except where stated otherwise, meetings are held at 2.30 pm. Speakers at Society meetings occasionally need to be changed at the last minute, due to circumstances beyond our control. Where time permits, changes will be shown on our website What's On page.

For further information contact: *Through our website Contacts page:*

Website: www.bordersfhs.org.uk

Central Scotland FHS

This last year has been overshadowed by the illness and



subsequent death of Elizabeth (Liz) Youngson our Journal editor who lost her battle against cancer after being misdiagnosed for over three months. Liz had high hopes of being able to return to her many activities but this was not to be. Liz died in her hometown of Blairgowrie on 20th Nov 2012 and she was a stalwart of the Society stepping up to the mark on many fronts. Liz was as a founder member, a long serving Committee member, a past Treasurer, a SAFHS Rep

for several years, past Vice Chairperson and Chairperson serving for 6 years. When she stepped down from the Chair she immediately volunteered to make the tea. Latterly Liz was the Journal editor and was working on this task until her ill health

overtook her. She was a shining example of someone willing to play her full part for the Society and someone who will always be remembered with great respect.

On a happier note we returned to the Smith Gallery for our meetings where our members have always felt most at home and enjoyed the Christmas Social which was cancelled the previous year due to the weather.

We are delighted to welcome Ray Fyfe, a fairly new member to our Society who has volunteered to compile the next Journal and for this offer we are delighted.

Work on the more recent Camelon Cemetery lair records is progressing well and work on Polmont Graveyard is also making good progress, a return visit being necessary on a sunny day for a few photographs.

Meetings continue to be well attended and our thanks go to Elma Lindsay who always manages to find new speakers with new topics. We have had a slight drop in membership renewals this year but it is difficult to know how to prevent this.

Dumfries & Galloway FHS

2012 got off to a good start with a most interesting talk on the 1911 census from Ken Nisbet on the first Saturday of March. A good audience turnout confirmed the wisdom of holding the meetings on Saturdays. Our next speaker will be Pete Wadley on 15th September with a talk entitled 'Top 20 pre-1855 records for Family History held at the NAS' The Family History Fair we planned to hold in October has been cancelled because it has not proved possible to recruit enough volunteer support. Like many societies we are finding it difficult to persuade members to help with the running of the Society.

The Stranraer branch meets in the Library, North Strand St, Stranraer at 7.30pm on the 2nd Monday of the month and on Monday 16th April Ian McClumpha will speak on "The LDS Church and its Resources".

Since the last Bulletin we have published four new booklets - Annan OPR & Kirk Session Marriages, St Ninian's Whithorn MIs, Whithorn Church Extension 1 MIs and Kirkinner MIs. The first new publication for 2012 - Corsock MIs and Hearse Book – is about to be sent to the printers and several other projects are ongoing.

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East Ayrshire FHS

Meetings: Evening meetings are held at 7.30pm in the Gateway Centre, Foregate Square, Kilmarnock on the second Thursday of the month (except June, July and August). Visitors are welcome. Workshops are held in The Cabin, Witch

Road, Kilmarnock from 1.45 pm to 3.45 pm on most other Thursday afternoons throughout the year.

The speaker at the evening meeting in January was John Steele. He presented the tragic story of H.M.S. Dasher, a merchant vessel converted in WWII to an aircraft carrier, which sank on 27th March 1943 in the home waters of the Clyde with the loss of 379 lives, following a sudden catastrophic explosion. The 149 survivors were sworn to secrecy and even today it is proving difficult to establish information, such as the possibility that about 26 victims are buried in an unmarked mass grave in Ardrossan.

The February meeting took the form of a social evening, held over from December when the planned event had to be cancelled due to the stormy weather. To complete the evening three members gave short talks, including a presentation by our Chairman, John Stevenson, about James Dick who, in memory of his brother Robert Dick, funded the building in Kilmarnock in 1901 of the Dick Institute to house the town's museum and library.

The speaker in March is Stuart Wilson, chairman of Kilmarnock and District History Group and also a member of our Society. Stuart's talk is entitled *Kilmarnock's Wartime Industries*. Later in March the joint meeting of the four family history societies in Ayrshire is hosted this year by Troon @ Ayrshire FHS and the speaker is Dr Bruce Durie. In April John Stevenson will speak about *Ayrshire Farming* and in May John Smillie will present another *Down Memory Lane* slideshow after the AGM.

Projects and Publications: The results of two projects are almost ready for publication. Bill Morton and Ian Wilson have been working for over a year on a project to make available, in a readable form, entries from original lair books and burials books held in the Archives at the Burns Monument Centre relating to the **Old High Kirk, Kilmarnock**. With the support and encouragement of Ayrshire Archives several books covering two hundred years dating from the 1750s have been transcribed and the information entered into a spreadsheet and subsequently edited by Bill Morton to a more easily-read version. Further details from local sources, and from census and statutory records, about some of the individuals and families buried in the churchyard have been added and it is hoped to have the resulting CD available for sale by the end of March.

Angela Cawdron has been the initiator and leader of another project – to transcribe and photograph gravestones in **Kaimshill (Riccarton) Cemetery, Kilmarnock**. Angela, assisted mainly by John Stevenson, has organised the recording, checking and indexing of over 1600 Monumental Inscriptions. Included with the A4 booklet listing the inscriptions will be a CD containing photographs of the gravestones; this publication will be available for sale soon. For further information about these and other EAFHS publications please email enquiries@eastayrshirefhs.co.uk

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Fife FHS

Since our last report our programme of talks has continued in November with Lilian King speaking on Scottish Pioneers. After the winter break we heard from Helen Armitage, Curator of the Crail Museum, on the Kingo family of Crail, who first appear as handloom weavers, then move to Denmark as tapestry weavers to the Danish Court. An intriguing story! In March we are looking forward to a talk on the islands of the Forth by Anne Watters. Our talks wind up in April with a talk from Andrew Dowsey the Fife Archivist, on family history resources held by the Archive. Our AGM will take place in June.

As usual, we will be producing our three annual Journals. The latest publication by our Editor, Andrew Campbell, was the first part of an index of "Obituaries in the Fife Herald 1855-1892 A-L". The second part will appear this month.

We are looking forward to the SAFHS Conference in April, where we are joint-sponsors. We are also joint sponsors with WEA Fife for a Fife Heritage Day to be held at the Lomond Centre in May.

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Glasgow & West of Scotland FHS

The meetings of the 2011/12 session held at Hillhead Library, Byres Road, Glasgow G12 8AP continue until May. The Monday evening talks start at 7.30 pm and the remaining talks are:

16th April 2012: AGM and *Computer resources at GWSFHS Premises*, John McCallum

21st May 2012: *Using Glasgow University Business Archives in Family History*, Lesley Richmond (Glasgow University Archives)

Information on the meetings, which start at 7.30 pm, can be found on the Society's website and reports of the talks are usually given in the Society's Newsletter published three times a year in March, June and October.

The monthly electronic newsletter, E-NEWS produced by John Mills, and sent out to all members with an email address is going from strength to strength. This provides members not just with the Society's news updates but general news as well.

Volunteers are continuing with validation, corrections and adjusting photos of the gravestones in the Glasgow Necropolis. Several of the compartments have been passed to John Howarth, our computer programmer for loading into the database. We hope to complete the project by late spring. Testing of the viewer continues and currently we are creating maps of the compartments to aid finding the memorials. Thanks must be given to the 12 volunteers who assisted in this important project and the project coordinator John McCreadie. On the members only area on the Society's website members can view all the E-NEWS newsletters and change the names in

their online members' interest directory. In addition databases are being added and the latest are:

Tradesmen burials in Glasgow High Church 1699 – 1809

Glasgow Debtors, this relates to amounts received by City of Glasgow Corporation against debts for Rates, Electricity, and Gas.

Index to Glasgow Herald Birth, Marriage and Death Intimations, Intimations for 1854 - it consists of about 5000 BMD records

The Glasgow Herald Index is the first stage of a long-term project to index pre-Civil Registration BMDs in the Glasgow Herald. Many years ago Mabel Wyllie made a start by producing an index for 1851 and the idea is to try and at least fill the gap from 1852-1854. All intimations found (and legible) have been included and cover a wide area both within and outwith Scotland. The Society is grateful to Morag Fyfe, for all her work in providing the transcriptions.

The Society has some new publications and these include:

Argyll Men eligible for Service in the Militia Methodist Baptisms for south circuit (Cathcart, Thornliebank, Pollokshaws). This covers the period up to 1921.
Index to Burials in Dunbartonshire pre 1855, CD price £6.50.

We will be selling off a few publications at reduced prices to lower our stock. These were printed by outside sources and we have far too many and need the space! This will include Strathclyde sources 1, Burial Grounds in Glasgow, Argyll People and microfiche indexes of the 1861 Census for Lanarkshire.

The library continues to grow and we to buy books and electronic media relating to family history research in Scotland. The library catalogue can be searched and viewed on the Society's web pages.

Finally thanks must go to all the many members who help keep the Society running and help with the operation of the Research Centre in Mansfield Street. The Centre's opening hours are:

TUESDAY from 2 pm until 4.30 pm
THURSDAY from 10 am until 8.30 pm
SATURDAY from 2 pm until 4.30 pm

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Guild of One-Name Studies



A new digitising company has been appointed by the Guild to undertake all its future digitising. One-name material sent to the librarian will be digitised and where authority to release has been granted then it will be available for searching on the Guild

web-site. Members can get their own material digitised by the company and some one-name societies have had all their journals digitised and produced as a CD similar to what was done with the Guild journals several years ago.

The Guild has relaunched its Mentor Scheme so that new members can be put in touch with someone who can help them if they have a problem. Mentors with specific expertise are being sought. We have members who may be living in some remote part of the world who are studying a surname that originated in the Britain but one particular family in their one-name study may have moved to a country where research is difficult. There are many helpful items on the Guild website but it can be overwhelming for a new researcher.

In the last Guild Journal there was an article about a website which was new to me – www.findagrave.com and so I put in my TULEY surname and was surprised by the number of entries but most of them were in America. I restricted it to England and the number of people reduced considerably and in fact there were only 2 gravestones – a war memorial and a gravestone of some of my distant relations in Yorkshire. I got in touch with the person who had put the photograph on the website and she commented that it was not a very good one and a few weeks later I got several photographs of the stone, the kerbs and a panel laid on the grave and these all had information on them. Her husband's ancestor's come from Sutherland and her ancestors are from Lanarkshire. It's a small world! With an unusual surname its surprising what you can find – recently I was working on a TOOLEY family and looked on the Internet for a particular individual and found out that he was a Councillor and that his photograph and contact details were on the Council website – the person who had sought my help was delighted.

The forthcoming seminars organised by the Guild are:

- 19 May 2012 – Industrial Revolution - at Ironbridge Gorge, Shropshire
- 18 August 2012 – Hands-On Computer – postponed
- 17 November 2012 – Maritime Records – National Maritime Museum, London
- 16 February 2013 – DNA – Cheltenham, Gloucestershire
- 18 May 2013 – Trade Union Records – University of Warwick, Coventry

The 33rd Guild Conference and AGM will be 13th-15th April 2012 in Maldon, Essex with the conference title “Seven Pillars of a One-Name Study”.

We have a new Regional Representative for South Scotland – Lorna Kinnard – she can be contacted at rep-scotland-south@one-name.org I still cover the regions called North and Aberdeen and can be contacted by replacing the word south in the email address or via the rep-safhs address.

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Lanarkshire Family History Society

The January meeting was a repeat of the successful 2 hour evening "Mini Family History Fair" that we held in 2011. Our friends from G&WSFHS and WLFHS, Croy Heritage Group and Stonehouse Heritage Group all attended with their Display/Bookstalls. We also had North Lanarkshire Councils Archive Services, Airdrie Library Discovery Room and Motherwell Heritage Centre staff in attendance. The stalls/tables were completed with our "Irish Interests" Help Desk and a military artefacts display by our own "Military Group".

During February two of our members attended David Livingstone Memorial Primary School in Blantyre and gave talks to the P7 classes. 65 pupils enjoyed Joe O'Raw's talk about his memories as a child growing up during the 2nd World War and Joe McKague's talk and display of military artefacts. After 90 minutes the children were still interested and asking questions, at 3:00pm the teacher had a hard job getting the kids to leave to catch the school buses and meet their parents. A successful event we hope to repeat at other Primary Schools.

Because of the two successful "Family History Days" we held in 2011 at the David Livingstone Centre Blantyre, the Centre have invited us back again. We are holding three Themed history days this year.

Saturday 14th April "Irish and Scottish Family History Fair" with talks by Dr Irene O'Brien, Chris Paton both talking on "Irish Research", Elizabeth McCarroll's talk will have connections between the "Titanic and her Ballymena Carlisle Ancestors" and Seamus Coleman "The Roman Legacy at Nethercroy". There will also be local History/Heritage groups attending.

Saturday 23rd June "Military and Family History Fair" Speakers have still to be arranged. There will also be a static display of Ex-Military Land Rovers and many display cases showing Military and Battlefield artefacts.

Saturday 15th September "Industrial and Family History Fair". Speakers and Groups attending have still to be arranged. All three events will have Advice/Help Desks staffed by experienced members.

Our monthly Speaker evenings from April to November at the GLO Centre Motherwell will have the following Speakers:-

Thursday 12th April - "Jewish Family History Records", Michael Tobias, Vice President, Programming, JewishGen Web-site.

Thursday 10th May - "Top 20 pre 1855 Family History records in the National Records of Scotland" Peter Wadley, Archivist at the National Records Office.

Thursday 14th June - "The Battle of Bothwell Bridge", David Bryce, Scottish Covenanter Memorials Association.

Thursday 13th September - "Bothwell- An Historic Lanarkshire Community", Jack Gallacher, Chairman, Bothwell Historical Group.

Thursday 11th October - "Mitchell Library Registration & Family History Records", Fiona Borland

Thursday 8th November - "Glasgow's Involvement in Slavery", Stephen Mullen

Publications - Since the October 2011 SAFHS report we have added the following books to our growing Publications Sales list.

Monumental Inscriptions (1) "Douglas St Bride's Churchyard". (2) "Douglas Cemetery" (Ayr Road) Old Section and New Section. (3) "PETTINAIN Churchyard". (4) "Holytown Churchyard" Book and CD.

Death Records (5) "Cadder Parish". (6) "Stonehouse Parish".

Other Publications (7) "Braeside Seminary School Motherwell 1892-1896". (8) "Campbeltown Burgh Police Court" records. (9) "Coatbridge and the Great War" CD. (10) "Irish Born Men who enlisted in Glasgow during the Great War". The last two items have been produced by our Military Group and it has been agreed these two publications and any future publications by our Military Group £1 from each sale will be donated to Erskine Home. Most of these items are not yet on the Web-site Publications.

For information or to order send E-mail to: - publications-lanarkshirefhs@hotmail.co.uk

We are now giving our members the option to receive electronic Journals instead of paper starting with our next journal in April. We sent out the 2012 Membership Renewal Form with the December 2011 Journal and offered a discount to members opting for the eJournals. Our current Fees are UK £12 and Overseas £16, members opting to receive eJournals would pay £10 both UK and Overseas.

Although giving this discount the society will have more funds to run the society. I understand from our Membership Secretary that around 20% have so far taken this option. We had thought the overseas members would be the biggest percentage to take up this offer but that is not the case it is largely UK members opting for eJournals

We dispatched the December Journal and 1 week later sent out the eJournal as a PDF File to all members. This gave members both versions of the Journal and hopefully helped them to make up their minds on the version they would prefer. We have put the December 2011 Journal on our web-site, you can download a PDF file of the Journal as sent to all members.

2012 is the 21st Anniversary of the Society and we will celebrate by moving premises. Our Landlords North Lanarkshire Council have informed us that we need to vacate our current building before 27th September. We are currently visiting premises that might be suitable as a Research Centre. We hope to decide on new premises over the next few months and move during the summer period. We will inform all societies through SAFHS when we have our new address. In the meantime 47 Crosshill Street, Motherwell ML1 1RU is still operating as our research centre.

North Lanarkshire Councils Lenziemill Archives which was

based in Cumbernauld is now closed. Later in April the new Archives facility and Local Studies Room will open as **North Lanarkshire Heritage Centre** (formerly Motherwell Heritage Centre) and their address will be High Road, Motherwell ML1 3HU.

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Email: secretary-lanarkshirefhs@hotmail.co.uk

Website: www.lanarkshirefhs.org.uk

Lothians FHS

The society has a weekly workshop on a Wednesday evening from 7 till 9 pm in the library of Lasswade High School. Talks take place at 7pm on the second Wednesday of each month, September to November and January to May in the school lecture theatre. All welcome.

Future talks:

11th April 2012: Andrew Dodds, Poet and Trade Unionist, Ken Bogle, Midlothian Local Studies Library

9th May 2012: Family History Resources at the National Library of Scotland, Elaine Brown

Volunteers are currently transcribing OPR deaths for Midlothian parishes. Several have been completed in print and it is hoped that these will shortly be available on CD.

Regular evening visits to New Register House (in conjunction with Standard Life) continue throughout the year.

For further information contact: *Lothians FHS, Lasswade High School Centre, Eskdale Drive, Bonnyrigg, EH19 2LA.*

E-mail: lothiansfhs@hotmail.com

Website: www.lothiansfhs.org.uk

Moray Burial Ground Research Group

During the winter period members of the group have continued with transcribing and checking records, taking photographs and preparing books for future publication. One such publication which was released in December was the Rothes Cemetery Monumental Inscriptions book which has sold very well. There are other books that will be ready for publication in the coming months, including Forres Clunyhill, Elgin West Cemetery and possibly Dyke and Rathven.

After Easter the group aims to start recording at the historic church and graveyard site of Mortlach in Dufftown as well as Kirkmichael and Elgin East Cemetery.

The group held its AGM on Sunday 25th March, where Bishop Mark Strange delivered a talk to the group on the history of the Episcopal Church in the North East of Scotland.

Latest publication:

Monumental Inscriptions: Rothes Cemetery £10 + P&P

ps from Editor: Forres Clunyhill MI Book was officially launched at the AGM, in Elgin Library Gallery – below are MBGRG members involved in the publication



For further information contact:

Email: secretary@mbgrg.org

Website: www.mbgrg.org

Scotslot

Attendance at Scotslot meetings over the winter have not been particularly well attended, raising the question of whether we continue to meet in an expensive church hall when we could probably fit in someone's (largish) sitting room. In addition, some members have decided not to renew their subscriptions this year, all with legitimate reasons! Hopefully publicity from WDYTVA? LIVE might result in new members.

Our October meeting discussed family members who had 'Crossed the Atlantic,' with members describing the sources they used to track down families in the US and Canada. All our meetings have a 'round the table' session where members describe their current family history successes and problems and items of relevant news are discussed. This plus a Christmas quiz and a festive tea formed our December meeting. The AGM was held in January and the formal meeting was followed by a talk on 'Holidays, Hotels and Hoteliers' by June Wiggins, based on family members who lived in Ayrshire and on the Clyde coast. Our next meeting, on St Patrick's Day, will cover movement of families between Scotland and Ireland and relevant records in Ireland we can use. Future meetings include talks on Scottish buildings and architecture and on the medical profession in Scotland.

Scotslot meet in Harpenden in Hertfordshire and welcome anyone in the area with an interest in Scottish Family History.

For further information contact: *Scotslot, 16 Bloomfield Road, Harpenden, Herts, AL5 4DB*

Email: stuart.laing@virgin.net

Scottish Genealogy Society

Recently published books and CDs include another volume of MIs of East Lothian – Saltoun– plus a range of other books of interest: *South College Street Baptisms 1766 – 1783*; *Edrom Certificates of Character* and *A Peeblesshire Miscellany*.

At various stages of compilation are some more Edinburgh MIs: Dean (Old and Middle Grounds), Eastern, Corstorphine Hill, Rosebank Cemeteries and Restalrig Churchyard.

Other works are also in progress.

New items are added regularly to the Shop section of our website www.scotsgenealogy.com

The appointment of a new Publicity Officer, Liz Watson, has resulted in our activities being more widely advertised, not to mention two large features in the *Evening News* about *Grange Cemetery MIs & Grange Cemetery Burials* and the *1790 Census of St Cuthbert's Parish*.

Recently we began Saturday morning “Taster Sessions” at our Library at Victoria Terrace. These have been well attended and we anticipate staging more such events.

The SGS continues to hold talks at the Augustine United Church, George IV Bridge, Edinburgh, and evening visits (in conjunction with Standard Life) to New Register House. The former are open to all and the latter to all members of SAFHS societies. See *The Scottish Genealogist* or our website (address above) for dates, times and talk titles.

For further information contact:

The Hon. Secretary, Library and Family History Centre, 15 Victoria Terrace, Edinburgh, EH1 2JL, Scotland

Shetland FHS

Our visitor numbers have decreased during the winter but a few hardy souls from down under and the US have appeared to trace their ancestors. There is no shortage, however, of email queries requesting help or advising of summer visits. With a projected 59 cruise ships calling into Lerwick we expect another busy summer helping passengers who are following their ancestor trail.

Having closed our rooms in the evenings for the winter months these have now restarted and some mornings will again be added for June, July and August. The Society is indebted to the many dedicated volunteers who assist in these openings, and who have spent their quiet sessions during the winter doing project work.

Delivery of the last three books in the Society's Memorial Inscription series is due any day – these cover dedication plaques from around the Isles (on seats, in churches etc.) with one book covering the War Memorials which were not included in any of the previous transcriptions. It is hoped that these will aid researchers. Prices will appear shortly on www.shetland-fhs.org.uk

Due to the cost of travel from Shetland there will be no Society

presence at conferences this year but the secretary will be visiting the Tyneside Shetland Association in May to keep up links with the group and meet some of the many Shetland descendants in the area.

Our summer schedule has now begun with times as follows:

Every weekday afternoon from 2-4 p.m;
Monday & Thursday evenings from 7-9p.m;
Tuesday & Wednesday mornings from 10-12 noon.
During June, July & August

Access by appointment can be easily arranged by telephoning one of the contact numbers displayed at the premises. Details of opening times, publications and events are available on the Society's website:

www.shetland-fhs.org.uk

For further information contact

Email: secretary@shetland-fhs.org.uk

Website: www.shetland-fhs.org.uk

Society of Genealogists

Sat 14 Apr 10:30-13:00

Family Historian Software for Beginners

This program has a number of innovative features and is geared for the British market. The course will give you an overview of the program as well a discussion about the soon to be released version 5. Please note this course has been rescheduled from 3 March.

A half-day Course with John Hanson

£17.50/£14.00 SoG Members

Sat 14 Apr 14:00-17:00

My Ancestor Came From Dorset: Those That Stayed and Those That Went

We will look at what resources are available, where to find them and how to use them, why some people left Dorset and others stayed.

A Half-day course with Jane Ferentzi-Sheppard

£17.50/£14.00

Wed 18 Apr 14:00

Lost Voices From the Titanic

An exploration of the Titanic and look at the impact on those who escaped the disaster, and what became of them in the ensuing years.

A one-hour lecture with Nick Barratt

£6.00/£4.80

Sat 21 Apr 10:30-17:00

Further Sources for Tracing London Ancestors

This full-day course will consist of four sessions, Internet Sources (Peter Christian), Heraldry (Geoff Swinfield), Apprenticeships (Richard Harvey) and London immigration records within the Society of Genealogists collections (Else Churchill), with breaks for lunch (not provided) and tea.

£30.00/£24.00

Wed 25 Apr 14:00

The Matchwomen's Strike of 1888 and Their Place in History
In July 1888, fourteen hundred women employed by the

matchmakers Bryant and May went on strike, protesting against poor working conditions and the dismissal of a fellow worker. Based on her book of the same name, Louise Raw will speak about the women involved.

A one-hour lecture
£6.00/£4.80

Sat 28 Apr 10:30-13:00

Genealogy in Early British Censuses 1086-1841

There are dozens of pre-1841 censuses, dating back to the Domesday Survey of 1086 including government and church censuses, manorial and tax records and many more. You will learn more about these resources, where to find them and how to use them.

Half-day course with Colin Chapman
£17.50/£14.00

Sat 5 May 10:30-13:00

Genealogy Software for Macintosh Computers

There has been overwhelming interest in the Reunion package but the tutor can provide short demonstrations of most other software packages providing the request is made in advance (upon booking).

A half-day course with Tim Powys-Lybbe
£17.50/£14.00

Sat 5 May 14:00-17:00

Tracing East Anglian Ancestors

This course covers how to find resources in the traditional counties of East Anglia - Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridgeshire and Essex. Gill will outline the basics and go into detail of less well known avenues of research. For those researching outside of the area, a number of the topics covered will include skills which transfer to other parts of the country, which have similar elements to their history.

A half-day course with Gill Blanchard
£17.50/£14.00

Sat 12 May 10:30-13:00

How to Get the Most From Family Pictures

This full-day course is a visual Power Point presentation that provides an in-depth guide to dating, analysing and understanding all types of family portraits, from inherited paintings, drawings and silhouettes, to Victorian studio photographs and 20th century snapshots. Accurate dating is essential when trying to identify and discover more about unlabelled family pictures and the course demonstrates how to establish an accurate time frame, using a variety of techniques and research tools. It also discusses the portrait tradition and considers the historical context in which artworks and, later, photographs were commissioned: what did these special pictures mean to our ancestors and how should we interpret them? You are welcome to submit up to three photographs for analysis, please enquire upon booking for more information.

A full-day course with Jayne Shrimpton £30.00/£24.00

Wed 16 May 14:00

Mapping Rich and Poor: Charles Booth's Enquiry into London Life and Labour

This talk will concentrate on how Charles Booth began the 'Enquiry into London Life and Labour' in 1886 and the final publication which ran to 17 volumes. With the help of a team of investigators, he filled 450 notebooks with information regarding the living conditions and the working and social lives

of Victorian Londoners. The Enquiry also produced the Maps Descriptive of London Poverty which assign each street in London (outside of the City) a colour based on its 'social condition'. This talk is a must for anyone researching their family or local history in London.

A one-hour lecture with Sue Donnelly
£6.00/£4.80

Sat 19 May 10:30-13:00

Family History for Beginners & Refreshers

This full-day course is aimed at beginners to genealogy who have little prior knowledge of the basic sources. It is also suitable for those who wish to refresh their skills and learn how to access the records and their indexes online. Each session will provide a background to the records and demonstrate how they can be used to their best advantage through the internet.

A full-day course with Geoff Swinfield
£30.00/£24.00

Wed 23 May 14:00

Postman's Park & GF Watts Memorial to Heroic Self-Sacrifice

Located amidst the hustle and bustle of the City of London, Postman's Park not only provides a peaceful oasis of calm but also contains a unique and remarkable monument. The Watts Memorial to Heroic Self-Sacrifice, created in 1900 by the Victorian artist G. F. Watts, commemorates sixty-two individuals, all of whom lost their own life while attempting to save another. Men, women and children are all represented on this beautiful and extraordinary testament to the Victorian idea of everyday heroism. This lecture will document the full and fascinating history of the monument, look in more detail at some of those who feature upon it and contextualise their memorialisation within the wider social and cultural history of Victorian London.

A one-hour lecture with John Price
£6.00/£4.80

Sat 26 May 10:30-13:00

Family Historian Software for Advanced Users

Family Historian is one of the UK's leading family history packages packed with features. This half day session will look at some of the advanced features in the program. It is designed for those that already have some knowledge of the program, but if you are having a problem then why not bring it along to be solved. A half-day course with John Hanson
£17.50/£14.00

Sat 26 May 14:00-17:00

Research Your Surname & Your Family Tree

How do you really investigate the meaning of the surnames on your family tree? How does the meaning of a surname apply to your genealogical research? In this course you will learn more about the origins of surnames, how they came about and how you may possibly be related to living persons sharing the same name.

A half-day course with Graeme Davis
£17.50/£14.00

Wed 30 May 14:00

What Did Your Ancestors Do?

Sadly there is no definitive list of every agricultural labourer in the country. However in certain circumstances we can glean genealogical information from the records relating to our ancestors work. From sources for professional people, to

employees of the state to apprentices and freemen there is much that, if you are lucky, will help you in your research. The Society of Genealogists Library has a considerable array of source material on its professions, trades and occupations shelves and much of the talk will be based on what can be found at the Society as well as online and in local archives.

A one-hour lecture with Else Churchill
£6.00/£4.80

West Lothian FHS

This month we are providing support to West Lothian Libraries for their programme for Silver Surfers. Volunteers from WLFHS are assisting Library members to access ScotlandsPeople web site with starter packs. Later this month we are manning a Roadshow at Fauldhouse where volunteers will provide talks and demonstrations on internet access for members of the public interested in tracing their ancestry.

This was the location of our first Road show in 2004 held in the old Library (photo attached) and the new Community Centre Building provides an ideal location



for bringing the Society to the notice of the public. We can recommend this activity for finding new members for your Society.

Our regular meetings are well attended and the manning of our facility at Linlithgow Heritage Centre is proving to be popular with the general public.

WLFHS is fortunate in having plenty of enthusiastic volunteers and face the future with confidence.

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Website: www.wlfhs.org.uk

Diary Dates

13-15 Apr 2012: GOONS: 33rd Guild Conference & AGM. "Seven Pillars of a One-Name Study", Maldon, Essex.

Mon 16 April 2012: GWSFHS: Computer resources at GWSFHS premises, John McCallum, Hillhead Library, Byres Road, Glasgow, 7.30.

Mon 16 April 2012: DGFHS: The LDS Church and its

Resources, Ian McClumpha, The Library, North Strand Street, Stranraer, 7.30.

19-21 April 2012: Federation of FHSs are at The Creative Craft Show, Kings Hall, Belfast.

Sat 21 April 2012: SoG: Further Sources for Tracing London Ancestors.

Wed 25 April 2012: SoG: The Matchwomen's Strike of 1888 and their Place in History, Louise Raw.

26-28 April 2012: Federation of FHSs are at the Creative Stitches and Hobbycrafts, Aintree Racecourse, Liverpool.

Sat 28 April 2012: SoG: Genealogy in early British Censuses, 1086-1841, Colin Chapman.

Sun 29 Apr 2012: BFHS: "Adam Clark, Bridge Constructor, Budapest", Jim Lyon, Drill Hall, Peebles, 2.30 pm.

Sat 5 May 2012: SoG: Genealogy Software for Macintosh Computers, Tim Powys-Lybbe,

Sat 5 May 2012: SoG: Tracing East Anglian Ancestors, Gill Blanchard.

Wed 9 May 2012: Lothians FHS: Family History Resources at the National Library of Scotland, Elaine Brown, 7 pm, Lasswade High School.

Sat 12 May 2012: SoG: How to get the most from Family Pictures, Jayne Shrimpton,

Thurs 10 May 2012: Lanarkshire FHS: Top 20 pre-1855 family history records in the NRS, Pete Wadley.

Wed 16 May 2012: SoG: Mapping Rich and Poor – Charles Booth's Enquiry into London Life and Labour, Sue Donnelly.

Sun 13 May 2012: Scotslot: Scottish Buildings and Architecture.

Tues 15 May 2012: ASAFHS: Maybole Castle Tour, 6.45 pm. Speaker 7.30 pm, tba.

Sat 19 May 2012: GOONS: Seminar: "Industrial Revolution", Ironbridge Gorge, Shropshire.

Sat 19 May 2012: SoG: Family History for Beginners and Refreshers, Geoff Swinfield.

Mon 21 May 2012: GWSFHS: Using Glasgow University Business Archives in Family History, Lesley Richmond of Glasgow University Archives, Hillhead Library, Byres Road, Glasgow, 7.30.

Wed 23 May 2012: SoG: Postman's Park and G F Watts Memorial to Heroic Self-Sacrifice, John Price.

Sat 26 May 2012: SoG: Family Historian Software for Advanced Users, John Hansen.

Sat 26 May 2012: SoG: Research your Surname and Your

Family Tree, Graeme Davis.

Sun 27 May 2012: BFHS: AGM

“Dr John Hadden, A Hawick Man’s Trip Round the World in 1992”, Andrew Hadden, Corn Exchange, Market Place, Melrose, 2.30 pm.

Wed 30 May 2012: SoG: What did your Ancestors Do?, Else Churchill,

Thurs 14 June 2012: Lanarkshire FHS: The Battle of Bothwell Bridge, David Bryce, Scottish Conventer Memorials Association.

Sat 23 June 2012: Lanarkshire FHS: Military and Family History Fair, David Livingston Centre, Blantyre.

30 June 2012: Federation of FHSs are at the Yorkshire Family History Fair, The Racecourse, York.

Sat 14 July 2012: Scotslot: The Medical Profession in Scotland.

Sat 18 Aug 2012: GOONS: Seminar: “Hands-on Computer”, Epsom, Surrey.

25 Aug 2012: Federation of FHSs are at the West Midlands Area Group Fair, Worcester Rugby Club.

8 Sept 2012: Federation of FHSs at the National Family History Fair, Tyne Suite, Newcastle Central Premier Inn, Newcastle.

Thurs 13 Sept 2012: Lanarkshire FHS: Bothwell, an historic Lanarkshire community, Jack Gallacher, Bothwell Historical Group.

Sat 15 Sept 2012: DGFHS: Top 20 pre-1855 records for family history held at the NAS, Pete Wadley.

Sat 15 Sept 2012: Lanarkshire FHS: Industrial and Family History Fair, David Livingston Centre, Blantyre.

27-30 Sept 2012: Federation of FHSs at Creative Stitches and Hobbycrafts, West Point Centre, Exeter.

Thurs 11 Oct 2012: Lanarkshire FHS: Mitchell Library Registration and Family History Records, Fiona Borland.

Thurs 8 Nov 2012: Lanarkshire FHS: Glasgow’s Involvement in Slavery, Stephen Mullen.

17 Nov 2012: GOONS: Maritime Records, National Maritime Museum, London.

Sat 11 May 2013: SAFHS Conference (Host: Borders FHS), Galashiels.

Please confirm with the society before setting out for these events.

If you would like your events included on the diary, please

send them to the Editor Janet Bishop, along with your next item for the Bulletin.



Flodden 500 – 2013 sees the 500th anniversary of the battle of Flodden. The commemoration will be marked by a series of events and eco museums in Northumberland and the Scottish Borders. If you have any ancestral connections with the armies or perhaps, your house or village was on the route taken by the armies, or there is a memorial or commemoration ceremony that you know of, please contact Borders Family History Society by adding your story to the Flodden 1513 section of our forum <http://www.bordersfhs.org.uk/Forum/default.asp>

For more information also visit www.flodden1513.com

Floors Castle Hospital - During the 2nd World war, Floors castle was used as an auxiliary hospital. Some inventory lists and a couple of photos have been found in the archives and they are now looking for more information or stories. If you had any family members who were convalescing there, please let us know either through the Forum topic “Floors Castle” on <http://www.bordersfhs.org.uk/Forum/> or visit www.roxburghe.net



The John Grey Centre, Haddington
The new East Lothian Archive opened its doors on 30 March 2012.
www.johngreycentre.org

Mars Training Ship Registers
These registers are under test at present, and will soon be available on the Fife Libraries website.
<http://fifelibraries>

Nine Trades of Dundee
Have a look at this website
www.ninetradesofdundee.co.uk

SAFHS PUBLICATIONS

from 30 April 2012

	Postage		
	UK	Europe	Rest
Inventory of Scottish Graveyards, 2 nd Edition, CD	£ 12.00	£2.20	£2.93 £3.90
Parish Registers in the Kirk Session Minutes of the Church of Scotland	£ 4.00	£2.20	£3.62 £5.70
The Parishes, Registers and Registrars of Scotland (New Edition)	£ 6.75	£2.20	£3.62 £5.70
Registers of the Secession Churches in Scotland	£ 4.00	£2.20	£3.62 £5.70
Researching Scottish Graveyards	£ 4.50	£2.20	£2.93 £3.90
Scots Abroad (Part One)	£ 4.50	£2.20	£3.16 £4.50
A Scottish Historian's Glossary	£ 4.50	£2.20	£2.93 £3.90
Scottish Trades, Professions, Vital Records and Directories: A Selected Biography	£ 7.00	£2.20	£3.62 £5.70
Weights and Measures	£ 3.75	£2.20	£3.16 £4.50

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