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Scottish Indexes Conference XVIII

26 November 2022

What a day! As you will see from the links in the Q&A section of the handout we covered a lot of topics. We were once again overwhelmed by the knowledge, research and experience of our presenters.

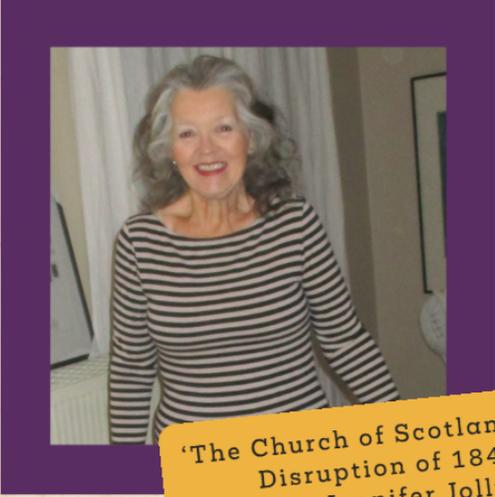
Attendees also shared links to websites and books we’ve not previously seen and provided answers and helpful hints throughout the day.

We are delighted that our work is returning to ‘normal’ but we want to keep the conferences going. We’re so grateful that people continue to donate so that we can do this.

We hope you can join us on 14 January 2023 for another conference. Keep an eye on our website for speaker announcements. [Click here to register on Zoom.](#)

Graham & Emma Maxwell

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'The Church of Scotland - The Disruption of 1843'
by Jennifer Jolly

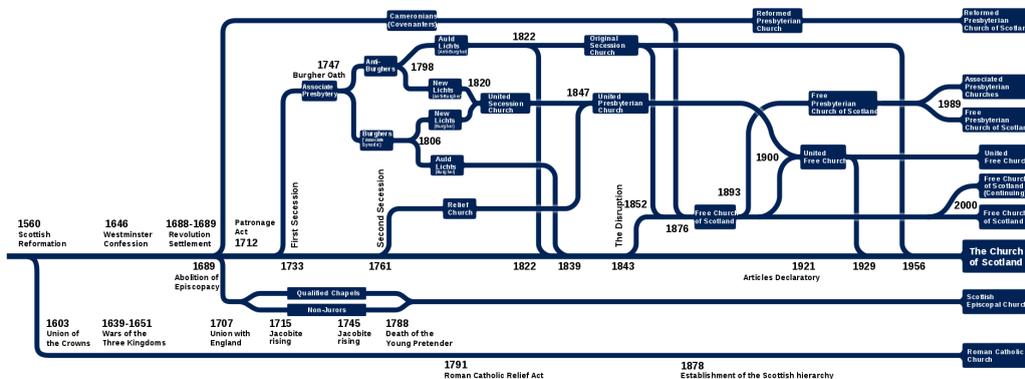
'The Disruption of 1843'

by Jennifer Jolly

Website: <https://jensjardin.wordpress.com/scottish-family-history/>

Jennifer is a retired Dundonian living in France. When she's not gardening, looking after hens or running she dabbles in family history. Born into a tenement around the corner from Robertson's Land, Dundee, Scotland Jennifer has always been intrigued by the building. Jennifer's website keeps track of the most useful online resources to help with the search for my North East Scottish ancestors and the places they came from.

The Disruption was a turning point in Scottish history. It signalled the end of the parish state which had been responsible for poor relief, schooling, and moral discipline. This talk explored the reasons behind the momentous event that split the Kirk.



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‘Stones and numbers tell their stories’

by Jane Harris and Jane Barton

Jane Harris

Website: <https://janealogy.co.uk>

Facebook: [@janealogy](#)

Jane Barton

Facebook: [@turnstonegenie](#)

Twitter: [@turnstonegenie](#)

Download the handout: <https://www.scottishindexes.com/pdf/numbers.pdf>

Jane Harris has been a professional genealogist for around ten years, specialising in Scottish family history. She holds a postgraduate diploma in Genealogical Studies from the University of Strathclyde. Her interest in family history goes back many years, nourished by roots which are mainly in Orkney, where she was born and grew up, with some Caithness. She now lives just north of Inverness, in the Highlands, and has a one-place study for the North Walls and Brims areas of Hoy, Orkney.

A One-Place Study considers people and families in their physical and social context in any location across the globe. This could cover any area including a town, village, suburb, estate, a single street, or even an individual building.

By learning about your ancestors’ neighbours and studying the historical environment and events that took place within a Place, you can better understand your own history.

The Society of One-Place Studies supports and promotes Studies and their owners, and educates the public about the benefits of running One-Place Studies. They welcome Members from across the world.

Find out more at <https://www.one-place-studies.org/> and use their [interactive map](#) to see what studies are already registered. You may be able to help someone else or find some useful information for your own research.

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'From the Hebrides to
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The Frugal Family Historian Blog: <https://scotsancestors.blogspot.com/>

Twitter: [@frugalfh](https://twitter.com/frugalfh)

Website: <https://scotsancestors.weebly.com/>

Alison Spring has a Masters Degree in Family & Local History from the University of Dundee and is a member of the Register of Qualified Genealogists. She specialises in researching the records of Scotland, and loves nothing better than spending a few hours in the archives with some of Glasgow's amazing poor law application records. She has traced relatives who have migrated to Canada, the USA, South Africa, India, New Zealand, and Australia, and her DNA matches frequently show links to the Scottish diaspora across the globe.

Based near Glasgow, Alison enjoys sharing her research skills with like-minded enthusiasts and is passionate about helping others to research their family tree on a budget. She blogs as the "Frugal Family Historian" as well as writing for the UK's Family Tree magazine. She has delivered presentations for events such as the Virtual Genealogical Association Conference, The Genealogy Show, and RootsTech, and gives talks to family history societies. She shares hosting duties for the weekly Ancestry Hour on Twitter (Tuesdays 7pm UK time #AncestryHour).

Alison has kindly prepared a handout to accompany her presentation which you can access here: <https://www.scottishindexes.com/pdf/hebtomiss.pdf>.

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'Records of the Kelso Dispensary'
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Website: <https://relativelyscottish.com/>

Facebook: [@relativelyscottish](https://www.facebook.com/relativelyscottish)

Andrew took his lifelong hobby of genealogy to the next level with a Postgraduate Diploma in Genealogical, Palaeographic and Heraldic Studies from the University of Strathclyde in 2012. He has been running Relatively Scottish, a genealogy business based in the Scottish Borders, since 2015. He specialises in the south of Scotland – Dumfries, Galloway and the Borders. His own ancestry includes the infamous Border Reivers of the 16th century. Andrew has previously presented at Scottish Indexes Conferences on several occasions on varied topics like Rentals of the Buccleuch Estates and Migration Patterns of Scottish Textile Workers.

Andrew has worked along with Graham, Emma and others to transcribe the Kelso Dispensary Patient Registers. There is now an index of patient records of Kelso Dispensary, held at the National Records of Scotland in Edinburgh under the series HH71. The volumes commence in 1777 and run almost continuously to the early 20th century. The index so far covers the period December 1777 to August 1836, but we hope to add more data shortly. We are very grateful to all those who have volunteered to index these fascinating records.

The Kelso Dispensary Patient Register record set now contains 24,796 entries.

Search for free on Scottish Indexes: <https://www.scottishindexes.com/dispsearch.aspx>

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Twitter: [@jkwresearch](https://twitter.com/jkwresearch)

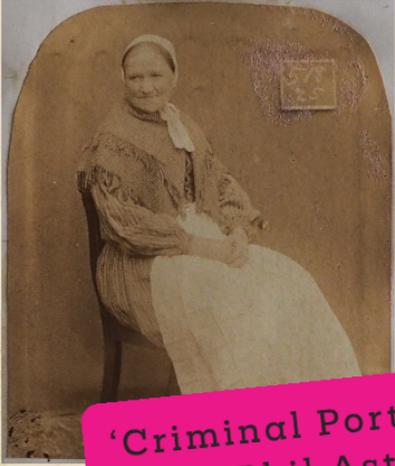
Links and resources for 1919 Act Houses in the 1921 Census:

<https://thepastandotherplaces.wordpress.com/homes-fit-for-heroes/>

Kay Williams has a doctoral degree in urban historical geography. She has recently returned to historical research in retirement following many years working in learning development in higher education.

Was your ancestor living in a brand-new council house in the 1921 census? In November 1918 Prime Minister Lloyd George promised to make Britain a fit country for heroes to live in. The 1919 Act which followed required local authorities to assess local housing need and enabled them to provide homes subsidised by central government. Many of the council schemes built were low-density developments influenced by Garden City ideas.

This talk looked at examples of 1919 Act homes that some of you might find your ancestors living in at the time of the 1921 census.



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**'Criminal Portraits'
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Website: <https://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/AAGM/archives>

Twitter: [@AbdnArchives](https://twitter.com/AbdnArchives)

Facebook: [@aberdeencityandshirearchives](https://www.facebook.com/aberdeencityandshirearchives)

Blog: <https://criminalportraits.blogspot.com/>

Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire Archives exists to collect, preserve, promote and provide access to the historical records of Aberdeen City Council and Aberdeenshire Council, together with other significant records relating to North East Scotland. By doing this, the Archives aims to support the culture, heritage, economy, and communities of North East Scotland; and the ongoing business of Aberdeen City Council and Aberdeenshire Council.

Their online catalogue gives detailed description of many items in their collection and can be accessed online: <https://archives.aberdeencity.gov.uk/CalmView/>

The archive also has a growing number of indexes which will be helpful for you to find specific individuals. Many are useful for family history; you can see a list of indexes and guides here:

<https://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/libraries-and-archives/aberdeen-city-and-aberdeenshire-archives/catalogues-and-indexes>

Phil highlighted the criminal portraits and other criminal records. There are a variety of indexes available as PDFs on their website as well as history of policing in the North East: <https://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/libraries-and-archives/aberdeen-city-and-aberdeenshire-archives/catalogues-and-indexes/police-records>

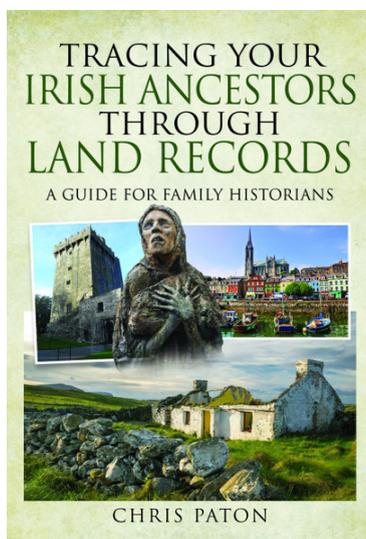
'Tracing Your Irish Ancestors Through Land Records'

by Chris Paton

Website: www.scotlandsgreateststory.co.uk

Twitter: [@GenesBlog](https://twitter.com/GenesBlog)

Facebook: [@TheGENESBlog](https://www.facebook.com/TheGENESBlog)



Northern Irish born Chris Paton lives today in Ayrshire, Scotland, where he works as a genealogist through his [Scotland's Greatest Story](http://www.scotlandsgreateststory.co.uk) service. A holder of a Postgraduate Diploma in Genealogical Studies from the University of Strathclyde, Chris is author of 'Sharing Your Family History Online', 'Tracing Your Scottish Ancestry Through Church and State Records', 'Tracing Your Scottish Family History on the Internet' and many more. All these are available through [Pen & Sword](http://www.penandsword.co.uk).

Chris also writes a daily genealogy blog, [Scottish GENES](http://www.scottishgenes.com). As well as regularly lecturing on Scottish and Irish subjects, Chris also runs courses for [Pharos Teaching and Tutoring Ltd](http://www.pharos.co.uk).

In this talk, Chris Paton, genealogist and author of *Tracing Your Irish Ancestors Through Land Records*, discussed the basis on which land was owned and held in Ireland, and the various records generated through purchases, leases, and valuation exercises. He explored how such records can assist with research, including a case study tying in Irish land records and DNA research to resolve a long-standing brick wall issue in his own family tree.

Chris has kindly prepared a handout which you can download here:

<https://www.scottishindexes.com/pdf/irishlandrecords.pdf>



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Scottish Indexes is a family run business based in central Scotland. Graham first set up Maxwell Ancestry in 1996, then in 2001 his wife Emma joined the team. As far back as 2001 Graham and Emma were indexing records so that you could trace your Scottish family tree from anywhere in the world.

There are now over half a million Scottish criminal records in Scotland's Criminal Database: <https://www.scottishindexes.com/coveragescd.aspx>

The Scottish Paternity Index can help you discover your illegitimate ancestors in both court decrees and processes: <https://www.scottishindexes.com/coveragepaternity.aspx>

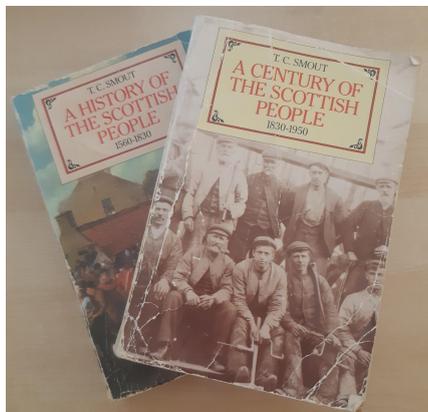
As well as searching other records sets you can learn about the record sets in the Scottish genealogy Learning Zone. There are articles which include examples and video tutorials so that you can become familiar with the different record sets.

The Scottish High Court Criminal Records Learning Zone article digs deeper into these records to help you make the most of them:

<https://www.scottishindexes.com/learninghighcourtadvanced.aspx>

Q&A and Submitted Links

What is your go-to book for Scottish research?



Obviously it's [Chris' books from Pen & Sword](#)! Once we have all of these, here are some others the panel recommends. I am linking to the listing on the National Library of Scotland's website so that you can see the full detail to enable you to source your own copy. Also, they have links to Jisc Library Hub Discover which enables you to find a copy to borrow from major UK and Irish libraries. Just click 'Details on NLS' after each book to find out more. Of course, you may also be able to find a copy on websites such as Abe books, Amazon or eBay etc.

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Clarke, Clarke, T. N., and National Records of Scotland. Tracing Your Scottish Ancestors : A Guide to Ancestry Research in the National Records of Scotland and ScotlandsPeople. 6th Ed. / Edited by Tristram Clarke. ed. Edinburgh: Birlinn : National Records of Scotland, 2011. [Details on NLS](#). (Note, there is now a 7th edition available. You will also find the [free guides on the NRS website](#) have a lot (but not all) of the information. However, the hard copy is useful as we can make notes like Jane.

Gouldesbrough, Peter; Gordon, Donaldson, and Stair Society. Formulary of Old Scots Legal Documents. Edinburgh: Stair Society, 1985. Print. Publications Stair Society v. 36. [Details on NLS](#). This is not for beginners but it's really useful if you are working with old Scottish legal documents.

O'Rourke, Stephen R., and Andrew Dewar Gibb. Glossary of Legal Terms. Sixth ed. 2014. Print. LawBasics. [Details on NLS](#). Note, for genealogy the 1st edition may be helpful as it includes terms that are no longer used.

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That's a list of books which should keep us busy until our [next conference on 14 January 2023!](#)

Websites suggested in the chat:

Scottish Episcopal places of worship interactive map - <http://eleanormharris.co.uk/2021/01/10/scottish-episcopal-places-of-worship-interactive-map/>

Moray Burial Ground Research Group (www.mbgrrg.org) have done a great deal of work on the buried gravestones in Moray.

The Australian Joint Copying Project (AJCP) is a collection of unique historical material relating to Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific dating from 1560 to 1984 -

<https://www.nla.gov.au/using-library/research-tools-and-resources/australian-joint-copying-project>

<https://www.ongenealogy.com/listings/old-fulton-new-york-post-cards/>

NHS Grampian -

<https://www.nhsgrampian.org/work-with-us/professionals/library-services/nhs-grampian-archives-home-page/services-and-access/>

Scotland's Criminal Database -

<https://www.scottishindexes.com/ScotlandsCriminalDatabase.aspx>

Families of convicts - <https://guides.sl.nsw.gov.au/c.php?g=671842&p=4729252>

Papers Past for New Zealand - <https://paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/>

BC Historical Newspapers - <https://open.library.ubc.ca/collections/bcnewspapers>

Scottish Paternity Index <https://www.scottishindexes.com/paternitysearch.aspx>

Personnel records for Fife Police @ Fife Archives -

<https://www.onfife.com/police-personnel-records/>

Capital Collections -

<https://www.capitalcollections.org.uk/index.php?WINID=1669465532938>

Our Town Stories - <https://www.ourtownstories.co.uk/>

Edinburgh Dean Guild Court, Architectural Plans, 1700-1824', which is available online at <https://sites.google.com/site/edinburghdeanofguildcourthome/> documenting a set of records held at Edinburgh City Archives.

Memorable Edinburgh houses - <https://archive.org/details/memorablededinbur00harruoft>

Old Edinburgh - <https://archive.org/details/oldedinburghbein01watk/page/n5/mode/2up>

Vitruvius Scoticus : being a collection of plans, elevations, and sections of public buildings, noblemen's and gentlemen's houses in Scotland : principally from the designs of the late William Adams, Esq. architect - https://archive.org/details/gri_33125012248627/mode/2up

Genetic Genealogy: Researching your Family Tree using DNA -

<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/genetic-genealogy-researching-your-family-tree-using-dna>

Brewing archives at the University of Glasgow -

https://www.gla.ac.uk/media/Media_328078_smxx.pdf

Preliminary report, containing tables of the number of the population, of the families, of houses, and of rooms with windows, in Scotland and its islands, on 31st March 1901 - <https://archive.org/details/op1254319-1001>

Antigua and Barbuda National Archives - https://www.antiguanationalarchives.org/?page_id=43

Scottish Agricultural Wages Board - <https://www.gov.scot/groups/scottish-agricultural-wages-board/>

College of Surgeons Edinburgh - <https://www.rcsed.ac.uk/>

Fatal Accident Inquiry Records - <https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/research/guides/fatal-accident-inquiry-records>

Canmore shows some Episcopal cemeteries in Edinburgh, e.g. <https://canmore.org.uk/site/254325/edinburgh-princes-street-st-johns-episcopal-church-churchyard>

Postmaster records at the US National Archives - <https://www.archives.gov/research/post-offices>

The Register of Deeds - <https://www.scottishindexes.com/learning.aspx>

Atlas of Historical County Boundaries for Virginia <https://digital.newberry.org/ahcb/pages/Virginia.html>

Phrenologists made casts of criminals - <https://www.nationalgalleries.org/art-and-artists/features/phrenology-19th-century>

The transcriptions of names from the Register of Returned Convicts and the Perth Prison mugshot album can be accessed via this page - <https://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/libraries-and-archives/aberdeen-city-and-aberdeenshire-archives/catalogues-and-indexes/police-records>

JewishGen - The Global Home for Jewish Genealogy - <https://www.jewishgen.org/>



Scottish Indexes Conference Virtual Family History Fair

AFHS 2023

'Haste Ye Back' is the theme of the SAFHS 33rd annual one-day conference, which will take place as an online event on Saturday 22 April 2023.

Planning is well advanced for the conference with seven speakers and topics confirmed:

Prof Marjory Harper (University of Aberdeen) – Emigration, emigrants and returners
Dr Jackson Armstrong (University of Aberdeen) – Digitising Aberdeen's mediaeval city records

Dr Tom McKean (University of Aberdeen) – Family history interfacing with recorded history

Nicholas Le Bigre (University of Aberdeen) – New family traditions in the north east
Alasdair Macdonald (University of Strathclyde) - Using DNA in Family History

Research

Ken Nisbet - (SAFHS/SGS) – War Brides

Alison Spring - Where Did My Scots Ancestors Go?

Caithness Family Society



Website: www.caithnessfhs.org.uk

Email: <https://caithnessfhs.org.uk/contacts/>

Facebook: [@caithnessfamilyhistorysociety](https://www.facebook.com/caithnessfamilyhistorysociety)

Caithness Family History Society was formed in September 1999 by a small group of enthusiasts and has already grown to around 250 members worldwide. Our aim is to promote an interest in genealogy and, wherever we can, to help others trace their roots – especially families originating from Caithness.

Anglo-Scottish Family History Society

Website - angloscots.mlfhs.org.uk

The Anglo-Scottish FHS was formed in 1982 by members of the Manchester & Lancashire Family History Society (M&LFHS) to assist in tracing their links back to Scottish origins. We have details of baptisms and communion rolls from Presbyterian churches in Manchester from 1802 to 1970 in our members area. More images are included in the DVD from our online shop. We also have a Scottish Marriage index, giving details of Scots who married overseas. This index is freely available to search. We would also welcome any new information that researchers would care to contribute to the index.

Ardchattan Parish Archive

Website: <http://ardchattan.wikidot.com>

Facebook: [@ardchattan](https://www.facebook.com/ardchattan)

Email: ardchattan@gmail.com

Ardchattan Parish Archive - researching and sharing the built, family, natural and social history of the Parish of Ardchattan from Big Bang to Present day. The area between Loch Etive and Loch Creran : Barcaldine, Benderloch, Connel, Bonawe. Enquiries welcome, we are always interested to connect with descendants and anyone interested in our heritage.

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Glasgow and West of Scotland Family History Society

Website: <https://www.gwsfhs.org.uk/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/gwsfhs>

Membership: £15

Membership of the Society includes:

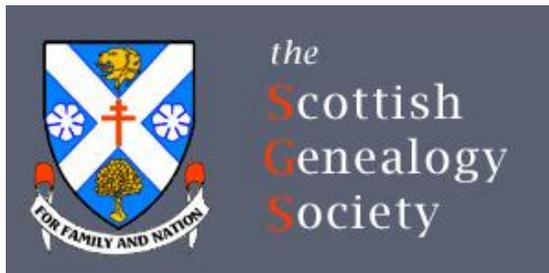
Journal 3 times per year

Use of the Society's Research Centre & Library in Glasgow

Access to unique data sets

Expert research assistance

Scottish Genealogy Society



The Scottish Genealogy Society is based in Edinburgh but can help you with your research all over Scotland. Many of these resources are available to members and non-members but membership also comes with a lot of benefits.

Website - <https://www.scotsgenealogy.com/>

Membership - from £20

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/ScottishGenealogySociety>

Borders Family History Society



Based in Galashiels, Borders Family History Society is run by volunteers who have researched their own family histories. We are here to help you discover your family stories in the Border counties of Berwickshire, Peeblesshire, Roxburghshire and Selkirkshire in southern Scotland. Our main project is recording the Monumental Inscriptions for Borders burial places. In partnership with the Scottish Borders Archive, we are indexing Police and Criminal records and Poor Law records. Our research room is at 52 Overhaugh St, Galashiels, Scotland, TD1 1DP.

Website: www.bordersfhs.org.uk

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BordersFHS>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/BordersFHS>

Dumfries & Galloway Family History Society



The Dumfries & Galloway Family History Society covers the three counties of South West Scotland – Dumfriesshire, Kirkcudbrightshire and Wigtownshire. We were joined at the conference by Terence Brown, volunteer and council member at the Dumfries & Galloway Family History Society, at our August conference. If you missed it you [can watch it here](#).

Website - www.dgfhs.org.uk

Membership - from £7.50

Orkney Family History Society

Orkney Family History Society was formed in 1997 and is run by a committee of volunteers. They have an office (currently closed) adjacent to the archives department in the Orkney Library in Kirkwall. Their volunteers are working from home currently and are happy to assist with any enquiries by email. They have a membership of around 1,700 from all over the world. For an annual subscription (starting at £10) members are given access to a wealth of transcribed records on the society's website www.orkneyfhs.co.uk.

Volunteers have transcribed all census records for Orkney from 1841-1911, most gravestone inscriptions as well as a growing number of birth, marriage and death registrations. These are all indexed and searchable on the website.

Email: secretary2013@orkneyfhs.co.uk



East Ayrshire Family History Society

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Website: www.eastayrshirefhs.co.uk

Email: enquiries@eastayrshirefhs.co.uk

Lanarkshire Family History Society



Our Research Centre in Motherwell is currently closed because of Covid 19, we will open again when the situation improves. In the meantime we can still assist you with your Scottish and Irish questions and any 'brickwalls' you have at present. Our Research Coordinator, John Kennedy and his 'team' of researchers can be contacted by E-mail at:

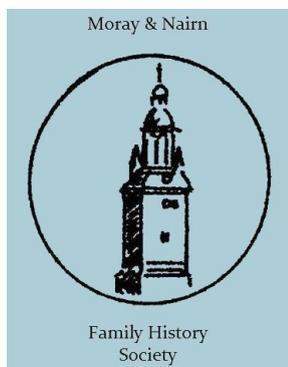
research-lanarkshirefhs@hotmail.co.uk

For questions of a military nature you can contact David Anderson by email at: -

military-lanarkshirefhs@hotmail.co.uk

One of our members, Clare Wilson, has produced a short Video tour of our Centre and the many facilities we have in the Centre. Including over 1,800 books (Family, Local and Military History) in our Reference Library. The Video can be viewed on YouTube, here is the link: - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hMQC1kir9LQ&t=0s>

Moray & Nairn Family History Society



Moray & Nairn Family History Society was established in February 2009, for people researching their ancestry in these old counties.

Website - www.morayandnairnfhs.co.uk

Contact can be made through the website, or by email to:

enquiries@morayandnairnfhs.co.uk

Aberdeen & North-East Scotland Family History Society



Website: www.anesfhs.org.uk

Facebook: [@anesfhs](https://www.facebook.com/anesfhs)

Twitter: [@anesfhs](https://twitter.com/anesfhs)

Aberdeen & North-East Scotland Family History Society (ANESFHS) covers the old counties of Aberdeenshire, Kincardineshire, Banffshire and Moray in Scotland's North-East corner. We also hold records for all of Scotland and wherever else Scots and their descendants can be found.

The Society's research premises in Aberdeen has reopened, containing a huge range of resources, including subscriptions to paid websites, plus journals from other family-history societies worldwide. We stock many publications for sale.

Regular meetings, covering many topics of interest to family historians, are held in Aberdeen, Elgin, Glasgow, Edinburgh, London, Brisbane, Melbourne and Southern Ontario. Meetings currently take place online, and anyone is welcome to request an invitation.

Fife Family History Society



Website: www.fifefhs.org

Facebook: [@FifeFamilyHistorySociety](https://www.facebook.com/FifeFamilyHistorySociety)

Twitter: [@fifefhs](https://twitter.com/fifefhs)

Fife FHS was established in 1989 and is a charity registered in Scotland. Our members are from all over the World. In normal times we have an Archive Room based in Cupar Library, Fife, where our team of volunteers are available to help people with their Fife family history three days a week.

We have recently revamped our website www.fifefhs.org and as well as an extensive members area including a Record Archive, Journal Archive, Members Forum and free access to the Pre 1855 Fife

Death Index (over 250,000 deaths) we have an online shop www.fifefhs.org/shop/ There are 25 digital publications available to purchase as downloads. These include pre 1855 Baptisms from non establishment churches, Monumental Inscriptions and our Fife Shopkeepers and Traders Directory 1820-1870.

Central Scotland Family History Society



Website: www.csfhs.org.uk

The Central Scotland Family History Society covers the old counties of Clackmannanshire, Stirlingshire and West Perthshire, plus the parishes of Bo'ness and Carriden in West Lothian.

We organise monthly meetings from October to May, held in the Smith Museum in Stirling. Due to Covid-19 we had to postpone our AGM. This will now be held as a virtual meeting in September. As our meeting venue is not opening its lecture theatre until at least 2021, next year's programme of talks has also been suspended.

We produce a Journal twice a year, and since lockdown the committee has introduced a monthly newsletter, 'Share your Story', to keep members feeling connected to the Society. We have a full list of our own publications – see our website for details of price and ordering.

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